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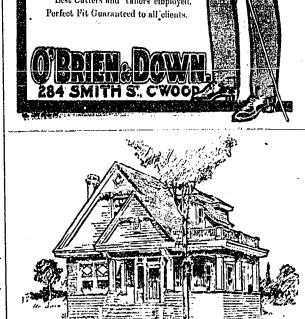
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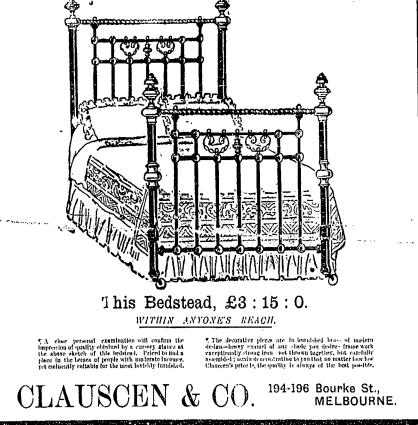
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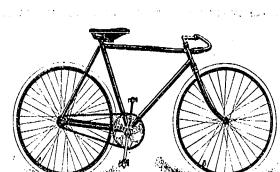
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Notice of Intention to Borrow th Sum of Nineteen Thousand Six Hundred and Sixty-Six Poun for Permanent Works and Ur dertakings.

Take Notice that the Council of the Town of Northcote propose to borro the sum of Ninetcen Thousand Si Hundred and Sixty-Six Pounds (£19,666) on the credit of the Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the said Fown of Northcote, by the issue of debentures, for such amount, in accordance with the provisions of the "Local Government Act 1903." The rate of interest to be paid shall be £4 per centum per annum.

The interest shall be payable on the

September in each and every year, at the Commercial Bank of Australia, Limited, Northcote, or at the Council's bankers for the time being.

The debentures will be redeemable anually on the 1st day of March at the Commercial Bank of Australia Limited, Northcote, or at the Coun-

cit's bankers for the time being, 1st March, 1913, £206 1914, 260 1915, 250 1916, 1917, 250 300 300 350 350 350 350 1920. 1921, 1922. 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 400 400 400 150 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933,

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900 950 1949, 1950. 800 by providing out of the Municipal Fund the above amounts in each espective year. The purposes for which the Loan is to be applied are as follows:—

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to be applied are as follows:

(1) Heldelberg Drainage Scheme,
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Works, for payment of works
within the Bhire of Heldelberg
already partially constructed...

(2) Stormwater Sewer, Groen St.,
Channelling and Inlets, northerly from and of present sewerat Westgarils Birsee

(3) Arthurton Boad Widening,
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Victoria Road, Metalling and Channelling between Separation Bireet and Olition Street

(7) Mary Street, Drainage Scheme to Condont Drainage Scheme to Condont Drainage & Storm-water from Area now forming Swamp to River Yarra, part within the Shire of Heidelberg (8) High Street north, east elde, to Lift and Re-Se Ohnunel from Beaver's Road northwards

(9) Tar Paving Footpath's, Coun-cil's proportion—

Tar Paving recognition—
(a) South Ward ... £500
(b) East Ward ... 120
(c) Contral Ward ... 120

Track Ward ... 230 (d) West Ward ... (e) North Ward ... 250

(10) Purchase of Stone-Grushing Plant and Site, and Erestion of Buildings and Machinery (11) Municipal Buildings, Completion and all expenses in connection therewith, Alterations, and other necessary work for the Sewerage thereof (12) North and Pass Ward Daminage by way of Mitchell Siters, Acquiring Excements and Construction of Stormwater Channels ... 100

(18) Amount for Works Incomplete (Loan 7)—

(a) Purchase of Land
for Library & Monicipal Boildings . £380

(b) Victoria Road, Formailon and Metal-

(c) Arthurion Road, Widening, Meialling Channelling, High Sireet to the Rallway, and all expenses in connection therewith 190

£19,668 The plans, specifications, and estimate of cost of such permanent works and undertakings, and a statemen showing the proposed expenditure of the money to be borrowed, are open for inspection at the Municipal Offices, High Street, Northcote.

By order W. G. SWIFT, Town Clork Municipal Offices, Northcoie, 6th January, 1912.

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 6.

MUNICIPALLY speaking, the year just closed was, for the most part, one of "mark time" for Northcote. Towards the close, however, the lauser jaire spirit happilly vanished and in its place that we have the speaking than the control of the control determination to get something done A loan schedule covering works involving an expenditure of close on £20,000 was adopted, and a resolution arrived at to push on more vigorously with the construction of streets, which is a sore The interest shall be payable on the lat day of March and the lat day of died, will make Northcote, more par ticularly the outlying parts, a sore place to live in during the nonths. One satisfactory feature however, was that the overdraft wa practically reduced by £2400. was also, generally speaking, year of great progress f great progress for The value of rateable the town. property leapt up to the extent of £11,000, 319 new houses were creeted he population increased by 1271, and £1256 was added to the rate revenue Another important event of the year

the erection of the Carnegie Lib ory that the making of the privileges of same free to all ratepayers and bona fide residents of the town, a book already appreciated by 1500 people With the works to be accomplished and the spirit at present prevailing the coming year should be one of the most progressive in the history of the There is also promise at Pres ton that the days of stagnation are to be left behind. The valuer's repor-presented last month showed good all-round progress, and the council by the expenditure of £12,000 load money, including £5000 for an electri lighting scheme. The running of an electric tram to the Reservoir is also under consideration, so there is ever probability of a new era dawning for Preston. With its large areas Preston. magnificent building land Prestor On its being equipped with prope travelling facilities and other adjunct of advanced civilization will depen whether its days of prosperity will come soon or late.

On our fourth page to-day will be found abstract the annual statement of accounts the Town of Northoote for the year ende 80th Scatember, 1911. The amount of the rate was £11,821 17e 11d, of which all but £154 16: 7d was collected. The total arrest carried forward was £883 6s 4d. The total receipts were £24,089 15s, but they included an unusual amount in £8000 from Mr. Andrew Carnegie for the library. The largest tems of receipts were £11,303 3s 6d from rates and £1560 tramway rent. The Debit balance brought forward was £5636 19s 1d, but this would have only been slightly over £2000 (an mprovement of £2400 on the previous year had it not been necessary to advance £8569 in payment of drainage works in Heidelberg shire in anticipation of the loan. On the expenditure side the tramway running above are received from the council.

grout on the investment is thus £1088 for 1d.
Contracts absorbed £1932 6: 1d; day labour £1971 ; lighting £640 ; cartage £1448 ; ordinary works £353; parks £429; salarios £1578; fire board expenses £332 17s; interest £1435.
The statement published also gives particulars as to how the various loan accounts stand. The accounts which were certified to as correct by Mr. F. W. Miscamble, 450 F.I.A.F., were "finally examined, settled and allowed" at the last meeting of the council.

Mr. C. H. Kellaway, con of Rov. A. C. Kellaway, M.A., or All Saints', Northcolo who was admitted to the degree of bachelo of surgery and bachelor of medicine on Salurday last, has had an exceptionally brilliant University career. He has obtained first class onors in every examination during his five years' course, in addition to a number of exhibitions and prizes, and at the final examinations this year be wen the scholarship in surgery and the Jamleson prize in clinical dicine, and was placed equal with another for the scholarship in obstetrice and gynecology. His position at the head of the final class lists entitles him to rank as senior medical officer at Melbourne Hospital for the year 1912. Mr. Kellaway, who is now only 22 years of age, having entered his course at he age of 17, was educated at the Church of England Grammar School.

On Sunday evening, Xmas Eve, a band of singers, consisting of the Preston Methodies Choir, assisted by a number of young mec. under the leadership of Mr. W. A. Pearce, gave a delightful Carol service in the open air, immediately after the church service, to a very large and appreciative audience. As the evening was calm, the voices of the singers parried a long distance. Mrs. Dubourg's solo The Light of the World," was splendidly iven. The Carols were well received, as also was Mirs Mutimer's solo. Mr. Pearce was heard to advantage, as soloist, in one of the Carols. This was repeated on New Year's Byo, by special request.

At Miss M. V. Maguire's social evening on Tuesday, December 19, the following pupils were presented with silver medals to mark their success in music during the year :--Musical Society of Victoria-Bileon Hayes, Lillie Nugent, Helen Neylon. Trinity College, London-Misses L. and M. Moore, junior grade : Mary Gloster, Theodore Back, preparatory grade. Royal Acadamy Music, London-Frances Gloslar, Louis Portsous. University of Melbourns-Grade III, Allee Wilcox (also gold medallist at Hamilton ompetitions, gaining two firsts and a second Yours, etc.,

prize), Jessie H. Hustable, Grade V. Miss M. V. Manuire received as a mark of cateer from her pupils a beautiful silver mounte manioure set and silver mounted bair brus

The Pender's Grove Settlers' Association held a very successful Xmas tree on Thursday evening, 21st uit., in the Thornbury hall. About 400 adults and children were present and two hundred toys were distributed by Father Obrisimas and his assistants. framed group of the late executive committee

was presented to the ex president (Mr. Saxe) by Mr. A. A. McDenell on behalf of the sociation. Mr. Baxe suitably responded. A good musical programme was rendered by Messts Mariyr, Nelson, Frazler, Rourko, Saxo and Hanson. Mr. Mariyr and sons also contributed a farce, which was much appreciated by the youngstore. The ladies committee, headed by Mrs. Richmond

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hall as a New Year's treat. The hall was well filled, not only with the young, but many adults were present. The children, on onte ing the hall, received a hag of sweets and or leaving were treated in like manner. The programme consisted of the following items: - Comic club swinging and racquet spinning exhibition by Sisco Brothers-a capital turn. Messre Reoben, Harding, and Beach gave an acrobatic performance which was concentration of the state of t a song and dance which went well. Mr. Mc Cormack, with his Punch and Judy show, as usual delighted the young people. The entertainment was brought to a close with a farce entitled "Applications of Artists." The fun caused by this farce was so great that the children almost lost control of themselves. Miss May Carter acted as planist. All left for home after having spent a very enjoyable evening. Great credit is due to Mr. H. Wright, the president, for the interest he put into the matter, having devoted a great mount of labor in canvassing for contribusions and making arrangements for the very

NORTHCOTE FREE LIBRARY.

The managing committee hold its monthly neeting on Thursday evening, there being resent Ore Bastings (president) and Lees and Messrs Tobin, Membroy. Don, and the hop, secretary. An apology was received from Cr. Hayes.

Amongst the correspondence received wa letter from the town clerk, intimating that the town council had decided to pay the librarian's salary and the lighting account and to allow the committee £21 per quarter for new books, etc. The town clerk further intimated that it had been arranged to refund the amount of £75 to the committee, being balance of Government grant. The ondence, which was deemed satisfac ory, was received.

The librarian's report for the period ending ecember 6th showed that there were 1420 orrowers on the roll, that 7028 books had comber 6th, making a total of 12,502 since the library was opened on the 22nd August. The report was considered very satisfactory. The treasurer's statement showed a cred palance of £7 6s 7d and outstanding accounts chiefly for books, amounting to about £9 These were passed for payment and ordere to be paid directly the obeques referred to

pront to the investment is thus E1888 1981.

Hierature were referred to the book commit— and during the month. ee, who were empowered to purchase new

books up to £10. Mr Membrey suggested that as the fund would be exhausted when all accounts wer ettled steps should be taken to raise mone by special effort. The idea was favorable riewed and consideration was deferred til

aext meeting.

The president reported that the librarian's alary of 35s a week would date from the be

Sir,—May I be permitted to utilise a little of your space by stating a few facts re the above. Some time sgo I made application to the Presion shire council for the removal of a freeguard opposite my stores in High street, being not only inconvenient but also a dangerous obstituation. During the council's dilemma; in dealing with the application the treeguard in question got knocked down by a dray running into it (the wonder is that it did not share the sad fate sooner!) Was it likely that I should allow it to lie on the side of the road when it was undeniably still in the way and dangerous? so with assistance had seat up smoking till I o'clock in the monthing. a treegnard opposite my stores in High street, being not only inconvenient but also a dangarous obstruction. During the council's dilemma in dealing with the application the treegnard in question got knocked down by a dray running into it (the wonder is that it did not share the sad fate sooner!) Was it likely that I should allow it to lice on the side of the read when it was undenlably still in the way and dangerous? so with assistance (not from the man who knocked it down, for he had gone! I moved it round the corner of (not from the man who knocked it down, for he had gone) I moved it round the corner of Henry street. After this I received a notification that my application could not be granted. How tunny! And again later a latter (so called) informing me that unless the treeguard were erected by January 3, 1912, proceedings would be taken against me without further not'.o. Just fancy! But the unexpected will happen. To day a man was sent to replace the thing and it seems as though I am robbed of the inestimable privilege of showing the council the error of its way.

Now, Sir, I wrote to the abire secretary.

Now, Sir, I wrote to the abire secretary telling him that I denied all responsibility in knocking it down, and I most emphasically deep having anything to do with its re-eraction. I don't even know who the man was There would be just as nauch likelihood of the council washing would Preston on the council washing would be prestoned.

council walking toward Preston on the chimmes tops as of me pussing it up. It is reported in your issue of a few works ago that Or. Orispe said "I thick 25 damages are sileking out if you ask me." What a dignified ulterance for a man in the councillor's position. "Sticking out" is not refined position. "Sucamb our inquester language. In conclusion I claim to have done a good deal during my residence here (11 years) to gush this part of Presion abasd, as a resident and also as a business map, and I still strongly protest against the council's action in retraing to grant my application for the removal of the much abused treegured.—

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Localisms.

Presion council meet, after a month's boll-ay, on Monday evening. Last year Northcote finances improved to

12,502 books were borrowed from the Northcote Free Library from the opening date, 22od August, 1911, to 6th December,

In the ficroe gusts which usbered in the change on Thursday, two of the forty-year old pines at "Sunnyelde," High street, Northcote, were blown down—snapped off like carrote. The debt having been wiped off Help Trinity, Thornbury, the vicar (Rev. C. W. Wood) and his co-workers are already busy with the consideration of bold schemes for ibe future.

Hattam & Hattam are early in the field with their clearing sale of summer drapery, Sonsational bargains in all departments will be offered the public this morning and next

Cricket enthusiasts should be well entered for at Northeote park this atternoon, when the match Northeote v. Prabran will be resumed from the interesting stage reached at the close of play last month. All good wishes are with the local team to add yet another to their fine sequence of victories. South Ratepayors' Association, a free enter ainment was given to the children of North ote on Saturday evening last to the town Guessing competition in connection with he Austral Band Carnival. The cleek stopped at 12:22½. Winner--H. Pariridge, North Firercy, 12:16½.

Presion Troop Boy Bouis spont the New Year holidays at South Morang, leaving on Baturday and returning Monday evening.
The advance guard left with the tree cart at 10 o'clock and the remainder follows by the difference of the control of the contr Afternoon the ploasant surroundings at appointments the cars, say

Members of the Northcote South Ratepayers' Association will relate their boliday experien-tes at the meeting next Tuesday night. Mrs. Holland, 118, 120 and 122 Smith street, Collingwood, advertises a summer sale, at which there will be great reductions in trimmed millinery, corsets, &c.

Northcote Town Council give notice of their intention to strike a rate of 2s 3d in the Preston council met to consider the estim

reston council mes to consider the estimate the estimate the care One of our readers has some across an old One of our readers has come across an old copy of The Exhibition News, published in 1988, principally to advertise land sales in the "boom" times. The issue contains a subdivision plan of Prince of Welse Park, one of the features of which is "cite of granused theatre." "The dense population which must be in these parts," the paper says, "should have no need to travel for their amosement." It has taken just 22 years to come back to the same outlook.

Name Hunter inlimeta that she program

Nurse Hunter intimates that she received midwifery patients at her private hospital, 86 Gladstone avenue, Northeote.

Ex mayor Arebbold, who laid the founda-tion stone of Carnegie Library. Northcote, made a special effort to see Mr. Carnegle when in Scotland, but unfortunately "the Laird of Skibo" was absent in America. He, however, visited the millionaire's birthplace, Dunfermine. Croxion open air concert management announce for to night the special engagement Hughes and Prior, acrobata, juggiers, and musicians. There will also be Rhodesbury and Middleton, songsters and patter special ists, as well as a host of other talent and the latest pictures.

The Rev. E. J. B. White, M.A., for the past 7 years vicar of All Saints', Preston, and St. John's. Epping, has been transferred by the Archbiehop to Holy Advent, Malvern, in succession to the Rev. C. E. Perry, Mr. White will be leaving Preston to take up the duties of his new charge about the end of the month.

Although the summer is only beginning Hatlam & Hatlam are selling ladies dress goods, blouses, costumes, millinery, etc., at enerminally reduced rates. To in the faction

Roberts and Elliott, solicitors, &c., 314 ollins street, and "Dabriada," Darebin road, forthcote, make their professional announce-nent in our advertising columns to day.

FIRE AT NORTHCOTE. OLD MAN'S NARROW ESCAPE. A fire broke out at the residence of Mr.

Other matters having been dealt with the meeting closed.

A fire broke out at the residence of Mr. George Parker, 196 Mitchell street, Northcote at 7 o'clock on Thursday morning, and the Northcote brigade was quickly on the second thereby.

THAT MISSING TREEGUARD.

To the Editor.

Sir,—May I be permitted to utilize a little of your snees by single a few facile value.

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The building, which was contents, were destroyed. The building, which was city for the superiority of the former.

Nothing else is used in the busiest value.

morning. The chief officers of the brigade give the greatest credit to the Northcote brigade (officer in charge, Mr. Moorman) for their promptness in getting to the fire and their very effective work while there. THORNBURY PRESBYTERIAN

A garden fair in connection with the building fund of the above church was held in the grounds of Mrs. W. Hutton, "Ardila," Smith street, Thornbury, kindly lent by her the cocasion. Notwithstanding the

in the grounds of Mrs. W. Hutton, "Ardin," Smith street, Thornbury, kindly leat by her for the occasion. Notwithstanding the threatening weather there was a large attendance in the afternoon, and a still larger sasemblage in the evening. The mayorers of Northoote, Mrs. H. Bastings, wished the stall holders cours, the expectation for the wards. Let some can be very busy attending to customers. The Lathary busy attending to customers. Holdes and Wilson. Cake stall—Mesdames Riches and Wolver. Literary Boolety stall—Misses E. Kerr and G. Campbell and Mr. Hugbes. Obrisimas tree—Mrs. Godley. General stall—Mesdames Boyd, Campbell and Muir. Flower stall—Mrs. Morarlans and fir. Slone. Hweels—Literace Waltace and Kerr. Shooting gallery—Messrs Hutton and Campbell.

In the evening the grounde were brilliantly illumicated and during both afternoon and evening a masical programme was rendered, which was thorcoguly appreciated by all precent. The members of the ladies' guild, who for some time past have been working senegatically preparing for the fair, are very well satisfied with the financial result.

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ARCHBOLD. ENJOYS A "CROWDED IN EUROPE.

RETURNS WITH NE PROJECTS.

It seems but yesterday-as was only in August Inst—that M Archbold relinquished his position mayor of Northcote, and yot in brief interval he has toured G Britain and Europe, foregathered conferred with the great business me nates of London and inter alia. tained what the angoine of us wor do well to por (a) idea of the relative When, for instance, he London, or say from heroto Dander he realised that there was at least c

25 miles in a continuous line to on the "Flying Scotchman" he to hour and averaged 50 miles, and are his meals train in a compartmen could not but admit mother" had still a few sleeve in the matter of cilities, though he does r ey or Adelaideexpress, are ahead of the English cars.

Whilst Mr Archbold me squeeze a good deal of pleasu his trip—he went twice acre continent, had a couple of sojo Paris, saw a bull fight at Mars and had a run up to Holyrood pa and Stirling castle in Scotlandwas mainly on business bent, and this respect he managed, in the bi time at his disposal, to do wonders.
Whilst in "the big smoke" in

signed the management in the London Assurance Corporation, a position he has held for 5 years, and took up the management for the whole of Australia of the Gresham Life Insurance Society Limited, one of the nost powerful and influential companies in the world and which has also connected with it the Gresham Fire and Accident Society, thus enabling it to do all classes of business. The head office is in London, St. Mildred's House, Poultry, E.C., and it has great establishments in Edinburgh, De Glasgow, Cairo, Buda Pesth, Paris, Madrid, Prague, Florence, Vienna, &c., &c. The Society has accumulated Mr. Archbold describes his treatment y the directorate (which includes Alderman Charles Augustin Hanson prospective Lord Mayor of London magnificent.

Mr. Archbold has also made a study f motor traffic and has brought out with him the agency for the Berna motor lorries and waggons, the most approved motor vehicles in England ad the capacity of which is from ton to 6 tons. Incidentally it may b remarked that while Mr. Archbold was in London the last horse omnibus was done away with. Mr. Archbold has one Berna motor lorry on the water, and a well-known Molbourne firm has told him they will take this and if .; proves satisfactory, as Mr. Archi-· perfectly suffitt

omething like £1 Mr. Archbold also acqu agency of the Bedford pleasure car and the N.S.U. motor cycle. One only of the latter machines was used in the recent Reliability Race between Sydney and Melbourne, 600 odd miles, and came through without losing a single point. The Gresham, by the way, is the only so-ciety that will undertake the insur-

streets of London, and the general onsensus of opinion is in favour of it In view of this the conference who are considering the matter of an electric tramway from Fitzroy to Preston proposal of motor buses serious con-sideration.

Both in England and Franco Mr Archbold was made to feel thoroughly at home, his being an Australian seeming to secure for him a cordial welcome over where. Amorgst the insurance fra catty he was treated not only as a friend but as a brother. Notwithstanding his own very gratifying personal experiences, however, Mr. Archbold comes back convented that there is no place like Australia especially for the working man. Mr. Archbold has entered into pa

mayor of Port Melbourne, and the will trade as general merchants. The have taken the large and roomy ces lately occupied by the Land M gage Bank, Oxford Chambers, Bourke street. A motor garage, with expert nice, some of them from the b

at London, will be no

nership with Cr. A. V. Renowder

Preston Methodist Quar Meeting.

This was held at Preston on Weddersteining last and was well attended by resentatives from the different churches incircuit. The chair was taken by the Bev O. Knee. After the usual devotional ocless, the circuit at was faken by the Bev Mankey and W. T. Baye, presented quarterly balance sheet, which was most satisfactory and a record cone, the incomising over 2191 and the expenditure. Every church showed an increase membership returns were also interested to the control of the contr

was warmly thanks vice, and Messrs W. kinson were slected as Mr. W. T. Bows was talling to the conference

Nankorvis as substitute.

A strong protest was an assensitives from South Precase sensitives from South Precase Standay ploture shows now being a was resolved to approach the may councillors of Northeote, as well as the churches, so as to secute their discontinues. The meeting was unanimons in its condensation of this practice.

It was also resolved to take steps to secure an additional agent to seate in the work of this rapidly growing district. The coming conference will need towards the end of February, in Malbourna.

Mr. O. Perin reported, that over 250, had been raised for Foreign missions during this year, which is a record to Preston.

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Authoress of "The Expiation of John Reedham," "The Price He Paid," etc.

but a strange man, whom he supposes

smile of the man who knews.

pears on the scene again."

"The mauvals quart-d'heure before

Bertha looked as sweet as possible,

"Mummy," inquired Rosebud in a very loud whisper at a conspicuously

They laughed at this, and Vavasou

distrut of Plac, the Irish derrie

mother looking more attentively

her saw that there were tears in her

"I wish he had never come, and I

do think it is perfectly horrid tha

Harry can't come to dinner to-morrow night, as he has always done on

Christmas Day. Of course he feels it

When I saw him yesterday he said he

could not come any more here until

Mrs. Welford pondered a moment

Everything had gone so well that she

imagined she could afford to be gra-

appointed us, you can send a note to

won't have him monopolising you o

whatover he may choose to think."

Bertha's face brightened, but Mri

you to Curzon-street for part of the

"No," said Bortha rather blankly.

"It may mean anything," said Mrs.

"Dear Mrs. Welford," murmured the

dent in his frock coat and bright red

tie, with an enormous diamond plin in

the centra of it. "How could you say

walked away. Next morning, from his mother

Welford sighed rather heavily.

Harry asking him to take his place

clous and to stretch a point.

"Why, what is the matter,

he would-

eyes. child?"

you asked him."

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There were many and visible signs of excitement at The Laurels, Lavender Hill, during Christmas week, Mrs. welford, never at any time a restful lie had had an unusually tiring day Welford, never at any time a restful. He had had an unusually push-person, surpassed all former records consequent upon the winding up bush-ness for the holidays, and he was in

ness for the holidays, and he was in no mood to be put very much out of his ordinary way. His wife had discretly disappeared, and after fussing about for a while and vowing he would and could not get it for the clang of his wife's tongue, "if you go on as you are doing, by Christmas Day you will be a nervous wreck, and not able to entertain your perfect gentleman.

As for the rest of us --- "
"Oh, George, how can you be so un sympathetic when you know how anxious I am, and how important it is that we should make a good impres sion on Mr. Vavasour? Bertha's future, our credit—in fact, everything depends on the impression we make on him at his first visit."

"I wish to goodness you had neve cone to Cliff Hall, or got to know this man, Delia! We don't want him here lust now. What family does want a stranger at Christmas? If you had asked him for a week-end at any other time it would have been better for all

turned on the electric switch at the of his host, who was still rather red Mrs. Welford suddenly sat up and head of the bed and prepared for bat-

tle.
"George Welford, if you fail me at this time I shall positively hate you Is your child's future nothing to you? Haven't I told you what a perfect gen tleman Mr. Vavasour is! You simply can't mistake these old families; here's something about them-a re pose of manner—which sets them apart. It was Bertha's little demure air that captivated him."

"What are you talking about, De lia?" asked Mr. Welford with increased "There isn't any nonsense of that kind about Bertha, thank goodness. She's pretty and charming be-cause she can't help it. And I want to keep that charm to ourselves, my

"Sellish: sellish, as all men are! Ah! it takes a mother to sacrifice herself for her children. Do you suppose I would take all this trouble if it were not on Bertha's account? She's lost—horself and the property of the pr "Selfish! selfish, as all men are! Ah! burled—in a place like this! And I her husband. At the moment, howthink it is very good of Mr. Vavasour, ever, a timely diversion was created with all his aristocratic connections, by the entrance of the rest of the famto be willing to pay a visit to a horrist ily, who came in altogether by precon little suburb like this so near to certed plan. Cecil was looking a lit-Wandsworth Gaol, too! We must the rebellious, for his mother had been postilicity move. I'll have another house looked out before Lady-day."

| Description | Color behaviour that as he expressed it to Bertha, "He didn't know where he

"Well, then, can we have the light out, and be allowed to go to sleep? It's twenty minutes past midnight now."

an alluring vision in a gown of soft "In a minute. Do you think one blue silk, which set off her fair color-

walter or two would be enough for ing to the fullest advantage. Christmas night? And do you think I might send a polite note to Aunt Jinny and Unclo Snodgrass not to silent interval, "Are we having dine with us that evening? They are party?" dine with us that evening: They are larged at this, and Vavasour really quite impossible, dear—Uncle Snodgrass with his old frock coat turned areen across the shoulders and turned areen across the shoulders and the real particular to the shoulders are the shoulders and the shoulders and the shoulders are the shoulders and the shoulders are the shoulders a

at the start."

"Then let them come," said Mr. Wellond victously. "If that's the sort of perfect gantle ner a second him here. I tell your what he per my foot down at the first, Delia. It's not a comfortable thing to have a strongel. a comfortable thing to have a strange man visiting at the house at Christmas-time, when all the family are at to play golf with his host, and Mrs. Welford was filled with complacent pride as she observed them set forth together. home and we want to have a warm, comfortable, family time. And it comfortable, family time. And if Uncle Snodgrass and Aunt Jinny are not good enough for your perfect gentleman, why, then, I won't be good enough either, and I'll slip round and eat my Christmas dinner with them."

Mrs. Welford wined away a few tears, partly of anger, partly of sor-

tears, partly of anger, partly of sorrow, and in the midst of them her husband suddenly switched of the light and buried his rebellious head in the pillow, and in two minutes was fast asleep.

All this arose out of a fortnight's visit Mrs. Welford and her daughter had paid to a popular residential hotel at a well-known seaside place, where they had met the handsome and dis tinguished Mr. Bertram Leslie Vavasour. He seemed to be a gentleman of leisure and of means, and he had very quickly ingratiated himself with Mrs. Welford, to whom he had expressed a nicely-guarded but very impressive admiration for her pretty daughter. Bertha herself, a charming sensible girl of twenty-one, did not dislike the elegant stranger, and was quite willing to play a round of golf with him, or even to walk on the But understand that if he comes promenade or the pier with him, but went no further. To be singling you out for special attention quito frank, her affections were al. You are not engaged to Harry Fren roady bespoken by one whom her mother at least regarded as an ineligible, a hard-up medical student, the lder son of a bank manager, and who would have to fight his own way for good many years to come. Hertha was young, however, and very much in tion—the ambition an attractive girl love, and did not care how long she would have to wait. The idea of Mr. Bortram Vavasour as a rival to Harry pon. Lady Vavasour might even Frere never occurred to her.

The family at The Laurels consisted London season. Did I tell you she had fixed Saturday afternoon at four of four children, of whom Bortha was the oldest. Next in order came Cocil, o'clock for her visit?" "Does that mean Mr. Vavasour will ender fiftl, then Joe still at school, and little Rosamund, otherwise Rosie or stay over Sunday? I'm sure I hope Rosebud, aged seven, the pet and do not." light of them all.

None of the elements of family hap. Welford with great dignity as she pinens wore lacking, since all were in good health and constant work, only Mrs. Welford would not give them Mrs. Welford would not give them pow in church, Harry saw "the bound-peace, but was always reaching out or," as he called him inwardly, sit-after some new thing, that was, as she could have the country of the country Imagined, going to advance the in the Welfords' pew, and for him the honor, and vastly improve the Christmas service was spoiled. fondly imagined, going to advance the family position. Her latest venture Harry Frere, having declined to she hoped and expected was going to make one of the party. Rosebud was Bertha was permitted to come down to make the rather amused on the whole at her number even. A few moments before mother's prodigious excitoment, which seven they assembled in the drawing-she did not in the least share. As the room, and immediately Uncle Snod-

day for the visitor's arrival approached, Welford's anxiety visibly increased.
"Tell me, Bertha," he said, as he Mr. Snedgrass being a relived draper walked home with his daughter from who had made a goo waiked home with his daughter from who had made a good hit of motor, chapel on the Sunday evening before and had never married, living with his the expected arrival, "Is this Vava sister all his life. They were certainly sour a decent sort of a chap, or will an old-fashlened pair, rather quaint in he take the house from us and put us their style and deportment, but the very figures for a Christmas feast. "! st sixos and sovens?"

"He is quite nice, really, and I am perfect gentleman rapturously after sure would hate it if he know the fuss he had been introduced to Uncle Snod-"He is quite nice, really, and I am mother wants to make over him. Don't grass, who was, of course, respien worry about him, dad, we mean to have a folly Christmas, fust the same, Aff. Vayasour arrived noxt evening about half-past siz, driving in a han som all the way out from town.

flavor to the feast. It is more like a Dickens Christmas than ever. I have never enjoyed myself so much in the of my life. And the dear old lady, what simplicity, what dignity, and at the same time what richness! I suppose these are part of the family liamonds she is wearing."

"They belonged to a countess, I be

lieve, and my husband's uncle had to take them as compensation for some-thing," murmured Mrs. Welford, pleased and flattered by Vavasour's remarks, and, her last anxiety gone he proceeded to enjoy herself wit all her might. It was a most success ful dinner, and instead of being a dam per on the family joy, Vavasour seem. ed to add to it. He was so gay, so pleasant, so amusing, all through dinner, and when the usual modest fam ily greetings were sent round with the ort, he rose and insisted on making

not change as coolers. It is a required to do it.

Had his wife appeared he would have argued the point and probably ended in refusing, but she was wise. little speech, which for grace and effec tiveness had never been excelled. "Bravo!" sald Uncle Snodgrass. looks towards you, Mr. Vavason Here's your very good health." enough to keep out of the way. At a quarter past seven he descended the stairs, feeling as if he were going out

After dinner there were games, quite in the good, old-fashioned way. They had "Hunt the slipper," "Oranges and to spend the evening, and entered the drawing-room. He found nobody there lemons" for Rosebud, and other ridicu-lous things which make everybody feel must be Vavasour. He was standing

young again at Christmas-time.

They did not break up till nearly midnight, and when Uncle Snodgrass by a little china cabinet between the windows, looking at the few curios the Welfords possessed and thought and Aunt Jinny departed they said ! worthy to be locked up. At the openwas the best Christmas they had ever ing of the door he turned round with a little apologetic cough. He was cerhad.
Almost immediately Mr. Vavasour

Almost immensitely Mr. vavasour said he would go to bed. He only stopped to assure his host and host-ces that never cince his boyhood at House Perk had he had such a bappy tainly a very handsome, even a dis-tinguished-looking man, in immaculate evening dress, verels he were with considerable grate. He sented at right Christmas. It had brought old times back so vividly, he said, that it was in the face, with the exertion of getalmost painful. He would be glad to ting ready in a hurry.
"Do I speak to Mr. Welford?" ha get to his own room to be alone a asked, with the slightest touch of the little while with his memories.

Mrs. Welford was too happy that night to sleep. The visit had been grandlose, as he made a sweeping "Yes; you are Mr. Vavasour? I'm such a complete success; she felt she glad to see you, sir. How is it there is nobody here with you? Where falling asleep once more in the middle falling asleep once more in the middle ave they all gone?"

Mr. Vavasour smiled the superior of her eloquent digression on the sub ject of choosing one's friends.

They had decided that they would all have a little latitude next morning. dinner, don't we all know it?" be and breakfast had been ordered for

sald, and Mr. Welford, who did not and breaking had been distributed in value for their guest, who throughout his visit had been a model of punctualknow French, failed to follow him. "But I am very glad to have this opportunity of meeting you, Mr. Wel-ford, before your charming family ap-About twenty minutes past ten when Mr. Welford was growing irrit-A flush of gratified pride rose to able, and the younger members a triffe estive, Cecil volunteered to go up and inquire if their guest wore all right, and whether they might expect him

He was not gone more than a couple of minutes, and came running down presently, taking the stairs three or four at a time and bursting into the room with a scared look on his face.
"The bloke's gone! He hasn't even slept in his bed; and everything he

had with him seems to have gone Mrs. Welford fell back in her chair heap of misery and apprehension. "George!" she said feebly, "Cecil must have made a mistake.

dear, and see. No! I'll go myself."

She sprang forward, and the whole family, with Rosebud, full of wonder, trooped up to the guest-chamber which Mrs. Welford had been at such pains to make attractive for Mr. Vavasour. It was as Cecil had said. The room was in perfect order, the bed had not been slopt in; there was not a trace of the visitor's presence.

of the visitor's presente.

"Perhaps, Delia," said Mr. Welford
drily, "it might be as well to take a
look at the silver, and your diamonds."

Mrs. Welford flashed a look of cold ndignation at her husband, but, nevortheless, went to her dressing room, to the little safe in the corner where or valuables were kept. Outwardly it gave no sign of having been tampered with, but the door opened without he key, and inside it was empty. The

cases were all gone.
While they stood staring at one another, Mrs. Welford's face white with anguish, there came a loud ring at the the soft, liquid eyes of the dumb ani-

Bertha ran to the head of the stairs But Bertha did not respond, and her nd called to him to come up.

"A queer thing has happened," he panted, when half-way up the stairs. lost my diamond pin last night either here or on the way home, but we've had the cab turned inside outt must be here. And Jinny's biggest diamond's gone, too. What are you 11 doing?"

"Hunting for lost property, too, Uncle Snedgrass," said Mr. Welford rather grimly. "It strikes me the per-fect gentleman has got off with a haul."

Mrs. Welford broke from them, and ushing into her own room, slammed he door and turned the key in the "Well, as Captain Hodgson has dislock. She saw no one that day, and the tongues began to loll out of their out of pity they left her alone. The mouths, and the hollow flanks heaved diamonds were never recovered, and the memory of them is painful in the

felford household to this day. But that disastrous Christmas had very wholesome effect on Mrs. Welord, and from that date they were a appler and a more united family that they had ever been. The perfect gen-tleman had once for all destroyed Mrs. "Bertha, dear, I do wish I could imbue you with a proper sense of things. Wolford's souring ambitions and taught her what are the things that If only you had a little natural ambi really matter in the world. Perhaps no price was not too heavy after all. like you is perfectly entitled to have there is no limit to what might hap

In honor of President Falliere's talt to Holland the gardeners of the visit to Holland the gardeners of the Hague produced a new tulip as a present to the distinguished visitor. The flower is a beautiful blue, each petal being starred with tiny white spots. This coloring, which the Dutchmen have procured with great difficulty, is a compliment to President Fallicres's programming choice of cravats. Fallieres's unvarying choice of cravate He always wears a dark-blue tie with white spots.

Try to be useful just where you are. Many of us are fond of imagining how much we should do if our circumstances were other than they are. But that is waste of time. The thing to do is to do as much as you can for other than the waste of the work ars here and now, and most of your opportunities. here and now, and so make

Scarcely any private quarrel ever happens in which the right and the wrong are so exquisitely divided that all the right is on one side and all the wrong on the other.

He who is ashamed of honorable poverty would be proud of dishonor-able riches.

Every man's actions form a centre of influence upon others, and every deed, however trivial, has some weight in determining the future destiny of the world.

To break a verbal engagement though legally not binding, is a mot wrong.

The full brain and the trained han over the world's masters. would not have missed seeing them the world. They give the right half of it is an "if."

"It looks as if I'll have to take them A Droughty Christmas. on to the lagoon, and yet that means so much time lost," he said in despair. "And there's little enough to spare

By "Currawan."

still it might pay," replied his wife.
"I'll give them one more try, and
if they won't do it, there's nothing
for it but to let them go," he answered, as he held the waterbag to his
mouth. But still his throat felt dry
and parched, and his head ached. For While above the gold sun glistens, and to the west the red sun flames To the creaking of the waggon, and the lurching of the load. a moment he held his hand to his -W. H. Ogilvie.

"Two pounds a ton extra for a forty iwo pounds a ton extra tor a torty-mile dry stage," growled Long Bill Sawyer: "there is nothing in it, i reckon."

"And got to be there by Saturday

"What's that, Den? said a share looking man, who caught the last words as he walked into the room.
"Old Benson's out o' rations at Stony Creek; offering two pounds a

The following morning Tom Reid's table-top stood ready loaded. A group of carriers lounged idly round, discuss ing his chances of getting through, as pair after pair he walked his bullocks into position and coupled them together with the case and regularity of wind. one who has been born and bred to the

game.
At last the long line of big, broadlpped bullocks stood in their places. "Tommy's Darlings," as they were known to all the other carriers in the district; and it was not without cause that he was proud of the big builties e had been so many years forming

the driver's head, and fell with a crack beside them, again, and the polers winced as the lash dropped across as they tightened up the chain an

laugh, above the rattle and rumble of chains and wheels as they grated on the hard road. "Take my word for it, old man, you'll want some new ones

drew out of the little lifeless town, leaving a trail of dust blowing down the so-called street, with a forty-mile stretch of waterless track ahead of it was the morning of the third day

nd there still remained thirteen miles All dignt Reld bad of the dry stage. been up, turning back its bullions institute after time he heard the jangle of the big bells growing fainter, as they wandered away, making back or their tracks to the last water.

The tops of the tallest trees had harely caught the first gleam of sun-light from the distant horizon, as he

bell, and presently the stentorian mals spoke their own tale of distress, tones of Unclo Snodgrass sounded through the house. muttered outh from the man as he drove the bullocks.into position, and nooked up the chain.

nooned up the chain.

"It's going to be a scorcher to-day,
Katle," he called to his wife, who was
busy preparing their breakfast.

"It's them I feel sorry for," she re-

plied, nodding across in the direction

At a snall-like pace they crawled lazing down on them, and not ever the scantiest shade under which to let them cool for a while. One by one

to drag by even slower than the last Here and there a halt was made to breathe the weary animals; then, or again to the now almost cease of the galling whip, till at last they drew up on the top of the bank at the

of hours here, and go on again tonight," said Reid, as he threw down his whip and began to unyoke the team. Too thirsty to feed, they moved off into the shade of some iron woods, and lay down to camp in a little heap. It was only about an hour to sur down when again they bent to the yokes, and the big waggon moved slowly forward to the edge of the bank. Screeching and grating, the brake-blocks held hard as she swayed and rocked going down the steep bank, and then with a lurch she pitch-

heavy bed of white river sand.
"Geo up there, King," "Geo over
there, Demon," "Tiger," "Up there,
Micky," and the crack of the big whip
echoed away down the bends of the bread knife into one and one-half inch pieces. If a broad loaf is used each of the four silces should make river, as time after time it fell across the struggling, straining bullocks Half-way up to the axles the waggor sauk in the soft sand, and the heavy timbers creaked and grouned, as the wheels barely moved in response to

one. "Gee up there, Slug, "Gee over there, Spot," "Whoa there, Tinker, fron. Royal," as the two old leaders almos rulled themselves on to their knees and behind them their mates, in a las Eila: I'm going to hang up my stockng on Christmas. desperate effort, wavered from side to side, until at last, despite the driver's Stella: What for? Elia: By special request of paper voice and whip, they stood with droop ing heads, and refused to move. Only in Banta Claus.

The practice of measuring a life. nent. When a man has a sweet disposi-Tom Reid looked at the settin sun, then at his "Darlings," hollow and heartless; and it was still three miles a sign he's away from home. to the water!

A FEW MEMORIES. A Serle-Comic Interlude.

"I remember!"
Next lime you indulge in one of those sprightly conversations for which you are doubtless so justly famous, try how many times you can eatch yourself saying "I remember." I am open to bet a new hat (which, by the way, I want very leatly) that these two words are in more frequent conversational use than any two others. "! comember!" still it might pay," replied his wife.

"Oh, bother It!" he muttered. "I'm And no wonder. For where should "Oh, bother it!" he muttered. "Pm foot as bad as they are, poor brutes."
And once more he spoke to them, and at the same moment the crack of bis whip rang out again and echoed away on the still eventug air. With one accord every bullock answered the call, straining and struggling under the overpowering load; another crack, and yet another, and with a nighty heave the wargen lifted out of the

Till let them loose, Tom," said his wife, as she moistened his fevered lips; but even as she spoke there was a movement in the long line of bull-ocks, and overhead the box leaves, glinting in the brilliant moonlight, rustled as a fresh breeze sprang up and cooled the sultry air. Every beast lifted his head and sniffed the wind.

"They smell the water," said Tom, struggling to his feet. "It's the only hope; we must keep 'em moving some in their nostrils he urged them on again. The big lagoon lay like a slieve re streak before them.

Impatiently the bullocks waited as Reid staggered along the line and threw the heavy yokes to the ground. With a thud the last one fell, and again the sick man sank down.

"Don't let them drink too much," in the big lagoon to the said of some land to the control over four again. "Don't let them drink too much," in the big lagoon has like a slieve in their nostrils he urged them on again. The big lagoon has like a slieve the heavy yokes to the ground. With a thud the last one fell, and again the sick man sank down.

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"Book and overhead the box leaves, but he hoped that in time I should be incovered and case of a divining rol in the courty and of a divining rol in the harsh and forbidding person who wore a gown and motar-board, and exercised apparently perfect control over four hundred boys. And I was given to understand that the air of my new school was distinctly had for feeble memories, and that the sooner I persuaded myself to remember things, the better, and then there would be no necessity for the application of the rod which pains. From that day a least of the control of the rod which pains. "Don't let them drink too much," he called feebly to his wife, as they rushed down the bank. Then the splash-

no necessity for the application of not which palos. From that day a rapid cure set in.

But with advancing years I find my memory failing me again. I can't remember now whether I wore a dark or a colored tie last time I lunched at the Robinsons'—only a fortnight ago. Young Robinson could tell me. It he were to speak candidly, he would very likely toll me that it was something which didn't go a bit with my complexion, and he particularly noticed that I had the opening of my walsteat cut at least two inches too high, and that my socks were simply perishers. Young Robinson's memory for detail in that sort of thing is simply marvellous. ing and churning of the water seemed to die away in the distance, and he "You're not fit to, Tom," urged his "But they're out of rations," he persisted, and it's only another five And he crawled slowly from beast to beast, as he moved them into their places. There was a sudden thud, a yoke fell to the ground, and he staggered up against one of the bullocks.
"My head! my head!" he groaned,
as everything reeled before him, and

relious.
Well, that's one sort of memory.
Then there's his brother James.
James is a dull sort of fellow who
would as likely as not go to business The sun was well past the zenith when Katie turned back to the halfyoked team. Her husband lay in the shado of the tilt on the end of the waggon, babbling in the delirium of In different colored socks, and would nover remember that it was hardly the thing to wear brown boots with a fover. Bravely she straggled under

wargon, bacomis in the dearty winder fover. Bravely she strangled under the weak brown boots with a grace at the dropping sun, mounted the old-saddle borse and, to the gentler voice of their driver, the team was soon swinging along the dusty road. Across a stretch of ridges and down along the creek they slowly dusty road. Across a stretch of ridges and down along the creek they slowly a threatened breach of promise action, and a fortnight's notice from his office. These are two kinds of memor-

wended their way.

Daylight had given place to gathering dusk when in the distance the stales, you see.
And now we come to another kind of memory—THE MEMORY OF WO. tion lights twinkled against a sombre background.

No clatter of bars and jingling MAN.

silently along.

"Mrs. Reid," he exclaimed in sur-

from the last stage."

heque amounted to considerably over

we pounds a ton extra, and his "Darl-

est-grassed paddock on Stony Creek.

GOOD SANDWICH FOR A PICNIC

LUNCHEON.

There is a new and dainty deliciou

sandwich as pleasing to the eye as to the palate. It is a little trouble-

some to make, but novelties that are

good are so rare that the trouble is

The ingredients are a loaf of sand

chopped parsley and minced ham.

ground chicken, seasoned, then an-

other buttered slice. Spread the up-

worth taking.

their Christmas in the

"you're not alone, surely!"

MAN.

I should very much like those words in as large capitals as possible, for of a surety the memory of woman is remarkable. Take her dress, for instance. How on earth she remembers chains of the horse team could be heard as the waggon approached, only the joiting and rumbling of the wheels stance. How on earth she remembers the right order in which things are put on, and the proper places where the pins must go, and the exact spot where a brooch will heighten the effect, is, to me, an abiding mystery. And the ancient Egyptian soothsayers never performed a more wonderful feat than is performed every day by women who will travel in the train and then over afternoon tea discuss with their companion the shape of the frock worn by the girl with the grey "Bravo, Tom-never thought the builies would have tackled it-why But Charlie Benson broke "No; but he's sick," she replied, as her husband began to wander again.
"And you brought them through?" "That's quite enough," he said, inecrupting her, as he started to unoke the bullocks. But Tommy's

with their companion the shape of the frock worn by the girl with the grey eyes with the man in the plak shirt in the third tram before the last. And then the married woman. She has ever a memory for the likes and dislikes of her husband, and remembers that cleven months ago he disliked the brown gravy that they had with the bird when they were down at Nelwestern and she tries her hand. Folkestone, and she tries her hand at Folkestone, and she tries her made at one which she hopes he'll like better. And in all probability the hashand has forgotten the bird, the gravy, and Folkestone, and only remembers the fact that he's got a good little wonth to be the better that he's got a good little wonth the best per the best per

man to look after him. She, poor soul, is disappointed, and inclined to tears of grief and resent-

nent. But the gracious spirit of wo man comes to her ald.

A Rallway Story. The engine emitted a warning cough The whistle was blown, and the train

He lost his hat and he lost his half (And he hadn't too much of the latte to sparo),
While hardly fit for quotation
Were the words that fell on the

oner's ears,

Monosyllable and loud and clear;

As the train steamed out of

ner. No; this is the reason he did what he did-

Reform is the work of reason slow ly awakening from the lothargy of igtorance, gradually acquiring

Nine Points of Law.-A good der of noney, a good deal of money, a good deal of money, a good deal of patience, a good case, a good solicitor, a good counsel, good witnesses, a good jury, a good judge, and heaps of good luck.

The tendency of our own choice is to narrow our lives. We only choose that which we like or which is akin

Good sense is as different from genius as perception is from inven-tion; yet, though distinct qualities, they frequently subsist together.

DO YOU "DIVINE?" How Iron and Water are Discovered

by the Forked Twig. The news that two engineers have recently discovered large bodies of fron ore in England by the use of the "divining rod" raises afresh a problem that no scientist seems able to solve. Why is it that by the use of a forked twig some men seem able to discover underground water and metals?

Many scientists refuse to believe in the possibility at all. Others have offered suggestions, but very doubtfully. In some parts of the country the "dowser" or diviner is laughed at, in others—particularly Somerset and Wales—very few farmers or land agents would think of sinking a new well without calling the dowser into consultation.

the still eventue anythow. Old Benson's a bit over overty ballock answered as a second every ballock answered as the correlation and the standard between the control of the still eventue and still a standard and strangillus under the thinks he's going to get a feller to perfah his team for that, just to let 'im 'ave a feed on Christmas Day."

"What's that, Den?" said a smartlooking man, who caught the loss lightly and eventue the room. "Old Benson's ont o' rations as stony Creek, offering two pounds a tony Creek, offering two pounds a tony creek, offering two pounds at the weakled into the row."

"Christmas, and out of rations." said the newcomer. "What's the stemples throughout the loss of the parching through and given place the consequence was the pound as the properties of the parching through and given place the consequence was the properties of the properties point of the Y links hands he walks as the stone of the studing, and as the stone of the studing, and as the stone of the studing, and as the stone of the studing and the properties of the propertie

voted himself to the examination of "divining" phenomena on behalf of the Physical Research Society, came finally to the conclusion that while finally to the conclusion that while there were a good many impostors, and while the great majority of successes were due simply to the use of an observant eye, there remained a small proportion of cases in which some other explanation was needed. The cases in which not only the proper spot was detected, but also the dopth at which the water would be found (the dowser claims to know this from the time the theilling sensition has been made that dowsing depends on a mysterious price of the proper spot was selected. The camela kick is a stad. As it stands denurely chewing the ed, and additionally a subject to the proper spot was detected, but also the dopth at which the water would have a subject to the proper spot was detected, but also the dopth at which the water would have a subject to the proper spot was detected, but also the denurely chewing the edge of the proper spot was detected, but also the denurely chewing the edge of the proper spot was detected, but also the dopth at which the water would be found (the dowser claims to know this from the time the theilling sensitive the proper spot was detected, but also the dopth at which he water would be found to spot an edge of the proper spot was detected. The camela kick is a stad. As it stands denurely chewing the same and the proper spot was detected, but also the dopth at which the water would be found the found (the dowser claims to know this from the time the theilling sensitive the proper spot was a static proper s

Of chronic grumbling. Of chronic grambling. A rousing fight for our rights on occasion is a surer success breeder than constant nurmuring about our wrongs.

Of shiftlessness. System and thoroughness are formidable rivals of gening in the race for business suc-

ess. Of half-heartedness. If you are inof hair-nearteaness. 11 you are indifferent and unenthuslastic about
your employer's affairs, be very sure
his indifference to a bigger pay envelope will fully equal it.
Of untrustworthiness. Ability

well.

Of grumps and grouches. No one wants to work around a sour-faced, snappy man or woman. If over the soft answer and sunny smile count, it is in the stress of office life.

Of over-anxiety to succeed. There is a succession of the succession

THE OPIUM PROBLEM IN PARTS

not such as will give a money yellowell. On another side of the question, it appears that the habits of the population are not suppressed by the present legislation, as some supposed would be the case, for, according to Dr. Talbot, oplum-smoking is again on

Sympathetic Sailor (breaking bad news to lady passonger): Please, mum, I don't think your parrot will live

Sorrow for sin is not repentance

Sorrow for sin is not repentance. Repentance is a great volume of duty; and godly sorrow is but the frontisplece or title-page; it is the harbinger or introduction to it.

When a kind and gontle man doe

FACTS FOR FARMERS.

Economy may lay the foundation of wealth, but it requires hard work and good judgment to build the super

but it requires no extra labor to cul-tivato the crop, and the return is

tivato the crop, and the return is much larger.

No growth of cities, no growth of wealth can make up for a loss in either the number or the character of the farming population.

The more persistently some people labor the worse off they become, simply because they are not expending their energies in the correct way and along the most profitable line.

Tiliage is not manure, but an excellent second to it. Cultivation makes the food in the soil available for the plant. There may be plenty of fertility, but no growth, unless the plant can reach it.

Crop rotation is of value because it helps to avoid insert injury and fungus diseases; because it helps to distri-bute the farm labor over the season; and hecause it provides some frosh organic matter which decays quickly in the soil and, by its stimulating action, thus liberates from the soil itself the provided otherwise. tion, thus liberates from the soil itself more plant food than would otherwise

SOLVED BY DEATH.

The whole life of the Chevalier d'Eon is one long romance. Born at Tonnerre, France, on October 5, 1728, he temporarily assumed female ap-parel in 1755 to facilitate a secret di-

kester among them. And certainly the dowser makes many mistakes. One scientist is of opinion that when the dowser is hypnotised he is rather less liable to error.

Successes are accounted for by those scientists who dishelieve, by those scientists who dishelieve, by the explanation that the dowser, in a practised eye for the lie of the land. An observant countryman, as he always is, he can see where water is most likely to be found. It is certainly a fact that no blind dowser has ever been known.

One professor of physics, Professor W. R. Barrett, who for years devicted himself to the examination of "livining" phenomena on behalf of the Physical Research Sections. the the vatter was really a woman!
He appeared at the French Court on

platon and connecting roll of a secali-engine, showing a judgment of dis-tance and direction that would lead you to think the leg gifted with per-ceptions of its own, independent of the animal's proper sensos. A travel-ler in the East declares that he has ler in the East declares that he has seen a heavy man shot soveral yards into a dense crowd by the kick of a camel, and picked up insensible. Al-ways be very civil to a camel.

SALT ON FRENCH ROADS.

As a general rule the roads in and around French towns are tarred at the commencement of the summer in or-der to abate the dust nulsance. It although excellent in the case of ma-cadamised roads, is of little or no value where car lines exist and value where car lines exist and paves attest crossings intersect the roads in every direction, as tarring cannot be carried out on stones. The authorities, basing their action on the walknown bygrometrical properties of common salt, have made a test of its value in laying the dust. Twenty yards of roadway have been sprinkled liberally with sait and then watered

The Irish Traveller. He was born in good old Ireland, and travelled half his life To find a fitting lady whom he could make his wife, He went to Southern England one

summer in great haste, But returned because he could not find one sulted to his taste. He journeyed then to Manchester, and

then crossed c'or to France, There women are so beautiful they all the men entrance,
He travelled next through Germany,
and when his trip was o'er,
He cano back and was wedded to a
girl who lived next door.

Wanted Finding.
At the railway station Pat had put penny in a slot-machine bearing the

mscription:
"Pull the handle with a jork."
After Pat had put the penny in the lot, he began looking about

A portor, passing at the time, remarked:
"Hallo, Pat; won't the machine work?"

"Bogorra," said Pat, "I dunno. It says 'Pull the handle with a jerk'; but where's the jerk to pull it with?" You cannot afford to form a habit f half doing things or of doing then it the spirit of a drudge.

To industry and economy add solf-reliance. Do not take too much ad-vice. The man of business should keep at the helm and steer his own

They who travel in the dark think they travel faster than those who walk in the light.

Men's qualities are shown by whether their powers and privileges make them proud or make them humble.

Our eyes are meant for more than preventing us from falling over obstacles. At Brussels a central library, con-

At Brussels a contral interpretation of the cisting at the outset of ten thousand volumes, is to be created, and any inhabitant of any part of Belgium who owns a post-office savings bank book will be entitled to borrow from it and recaive by post any book, to be kept.

TCMMY'S DARLINGS.

forchead.

not as had as they are, poor brutes."
And once more he spoke to them, and

night," said his mate, as he put dowr his glass on the bar with a clatter; "not me anyhow. Old Benson's a bit out if he thinks he's going to get a feller to perish his team for that, just the overpowering load; another crack, to let 'im 'ave a feed on Christmas and yet another, and with a nighty

than you know of," said Tom quietly; "they'll have a go for it at any rate."

into a team. The great heavy whip circled over

again the sick man sank down.

ie clutched wildly for support.

miles."

winced as the lash dropped across their backs. "Gee up there, Royal," "Weh, woh back, King," Gee over there, Bally, get over," and the big waggop rocked as the wheels began to turn to the slow gait of the bullocks moved off. "So long, Tom," called out Dan with

next trip. Bet a bob the old leaders And that was the last he heard as he

ounded them up alongside the wag-With drooping heads they stood raiting their turn for the heavy yoke to be thrown across their necks. The hollow flanks, and the pitiful look in

off with a start, as the leaders came over to the sound of a woman's voice.

"Yes, poor brutes, and I expect their hides 'll be sore before we get 'en. to the water.' along the road, winding across the open plains; on, on, with the sun

heavily. Away over the downs, as far as the eye could reach, the hot all shimmered and danced with aggravat ing persistence; but still they kept moving, although each mile seemed

big river crossing.
"We'll have to give them a couple

ed forward, and ran down into the heavy bed of white river sand. he united efforts of the twenty-fou bullocks. Again the whip scored long line across the rump of a lagging

one good pull was needed to clear the heavy sand; but would they do it?

wich bread, cut in as large slices as possible; some soft butter, a little nayonnaise dressing, white meat of went off
Correct to the mearest second,
When a man from a window thrust
head,
In a silken hat, with visage red,
but heads that withit headcount went off hicken put through a meat grinder, Silce the bread very thin, put for slices together and carefully cut off And hands that wildly he crusts. Cut four together so us to have the edges match exactly. Spread a slice with butter, then the

per side of this with mayonnaise, the bread. Butter the upper slice of this bread, add a layer of minced ham then the last slice of bread. Press well and keep the edges le wasn't a lunatic at large. even. When the various slices are firmly in place (the butter and mayonto wasn't a made at mage,

Who was trying to flee from the mat
in charge,

As everyone thought from his man naise will make them adhere to each other), slice down with a sharp

four proper sized sandwiches. The red, green and fellow of the milings give a very pretty effect. A good way to press these little dence in her own strength, and ultidainties is to put the completed sand-wich (before cutting in sections) on mately triumphing over the dominio a large plate. Cover with a doily, put of prejudice and custom. on top another plate, and then a flat

ma. You know they believe

The suggestion has been made that owsing depends on a mysterious orce akin to that by which a stream force akin to that by which a stream draws down the branches of the trees hesdle it. Others say it is due to an electric attraction caused by the riction of the underground stream on the rocks it passes. Others say it is a matter of a keen sense of smell, like that by which a Kaffir can detect water miles off.

water miles off.

There are only forty or fifty professional dowsers in Britain, but it
has been declared that the great
majority of people can "dowso" more

your employer's affairs, he very such its indifference to a bigger pay envision will fully equal it.

Of untrustworthiness. Ability weights light in the scale with honesty. And remember that business honesty is not merely a matter of the majority of the streets, as they have been expected as a such will be used throughout the two flavre, it being impossible to tar the majority of the streets, as they are payed with rough stone blocks.

to surer way to fall short of success han to be so eager to mount to the leights that first steps are irksome.

Some unexpected results are found from the movement against the pro-duction of opium in China. In the duction of opium in China. In the Yunnan, one of the provinces where opium was produced in large quantities and at a low price, and where a great deal of it was consumed, it appears that the poppy is no longer cultivated, owing to the recent measures, and the poppy fields have quite disappeared, according to the statement and by Doctors Tailout and Rigaud. niado by Doctors Talbot and Rigaud. However, this has had a disastrous effect on the honey culture of the region. In fact, the honey from Yunnan was renowned for its quality, but as the bees find no more flowers, the production of honey is stopped as well. The new crops which replace the poppy, such as wheat or peas. are, not such as will give a honey yield as well. On another side of the culos-

n Increase. ong. Lady: Indeed, my man! What nakes you say that? Sallor: 'Cog it's dead, mum.

Kindly words, sympathising atten-tions, watchfulness against wounding men's sensitiveness—these cost very little, but they are priceless in their

NOTICE.

THE OPENING CHAPTERS

10 A NEW STORY

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The Daughter of a Prodigal

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The Prodigal and the Woman. Vera Lynn's pretty home was know It was an old-fashion ed, rambling place, surrounded by a large garden. The walls were covered with Ivy, and the great stone portice was "wered in clematib adul roses." This house was a huge pile of nocks and gables, arched dorways, and diamond-paned windows. Unlike most old houses, it contained handsome and airy rooms, a lofty entrance hall, nd a broad balcony that ran round half the building. Like the house, the furniture was solid, antique and beautiful. Some of it was acveral ed, rambling place, surrounded by

and beautiful. Some of it was zevera centuries old, for the Lynns were one of the oldest families in the county. of the oldest families in the county.
But if the house were picturesque,
one of Hazelbank's greatest charms
was the garden. There were no ornamental beds, no smoothly-shaven
lawns whereon it was sacrilege to
walk. The winding footways led intomazes of beauty, for here sweet and

bountiful nature had been left unand the garden of roses and Beyond the garden of roses and lilles, of fragrant wallflower and mign-onette, beyond a belt of shady wood-land, where myriads of violets bloomed, the trees grew closer together, foliago became denser, until scarcely a ray of sunlight found its scarcely a ray of sunnight found its way through, even when no cloud dimmed the blue of a midsummer sky. The nut-grove of Hazelbank was famous for its sylvan heauty, and in the arbor which nestled where the path ended how many fond lovers had breathed their vows.

It was an ideal June day, and the wenty-third anniversary of Vora's twenty-third anniversary of Vera's birth. Hazelbank was making merry in a small way. Vera's handsome, good-for-nothing father had forsaken his club and his cronies in town, and was endeavoring to be hospitable on was flying bravely in the scented breeze, and a score of people, young men and girls, were scattered about the grounds. There was to be dancing on the lawn in the evening, to the strains of the village hand, and we strains of the village band, and un-der the light of swaying Chinese lan-

terns, assisted by the moon.

At the present moment the Hon.
Harry Lynn was sprawling over two
chairs on the verandah, very much
bored, and not exactly sober. His dissipated face was still handsome, desuite the tresclute chira even these

"With me, sir" The porter looked puzzled; then, conscious of a life of rectitude, he waited for the clergy grumbled. "She is young, and does not realise the injustice of it all," the Hon. Harry grumbled. "She does not know how I have to slave and torture my brains to keep this little place going. I don't think I can ever forgive my brother think I can ever forgive my brother the earl for his indifference. My father quarrelled with me, as you, place, Grant. I won't bent to many father quarrelled with me, as young and to be came suspicious, and advanced the cash nervices with the bush. I discovered her prowling about the grounds at Hazle-bank to-day, and I became suspicious, and the woman is an involent sort of person."

The burglaries of last winter are still and my cup of bitterness was full indeed. Never be born the younger son of a peer, vicar, by Jove!"

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The burglaries of last winter are still and but her. She took the wonth old me. Now, don't wonth in a mystery, and the woman is an involved the steril but I don't know notiter good of a peer, vicar, by Jove!"

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and my cup or otterness was full indeed. Never be born the younger son
of a peer, vicar, by Jove!"
Mr. Varden was not interested. Ho
had beard the story before, with varistions. The Jung day was deliciously warm, and he wished most devoutly

that the Hon. Harry Lynn would leave aim in peace.
"Your daughter is perfectly happy,"
he murmured. "Why worry yourself
upon this day of all days?"

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"A fool's paradise, viear." He lowered his voice. "I am in trade in iondon, I have to work very hard to keep the wolf from the door, and I would not have my disgrace known for worlds. That's why I am hero so little—can't get away. Nover he in trade, vicar, hy Jove! I want you to speak to Vera; I've lost all authority."

The vicar raised himself and looked questioningly at his host.
"I mean about that Russell fellow who is dancing after her everywhere: Who is he? What is he?" "A gentleman, and a most estimable young man," Mr. Varden answer-

eer. Don't forget that my daughter is an aristocrat, and that I have made is an aristocrat, and that I have made a snug little nest-egg for her, slaving in the city at the trade. Mind you, sir, this is in strict confidence. I made my will yesterday, as I am bothered with heart trouble. Might pop off at any moment. Excuse me, I am going indoors; I must have forty whils in the shade. So many conwinks in the shade. So many con founded files and things out here." Ho staggered to an open Fronch window, and the vicar looked after him sorrowfully; then his eyes wandered to a nook beyond the lawn where his curate was mildly flirting with the daughter of a wealthy brower. He rose and, thrusting his hands behind him and underneath the tails benind him and underneath the fails of his clerical coat, began to pace up and down the verandah. Once he peeped through the French window and shock his head. The Hon. Harry Lynn was lying on a couch and breathing hard. Near to his hand was a halfompth heardy bettle.

half-empty brandy bottle.
"I will speak to John Russell," he decided. "This engagement between him and Miss Lynn is nearly three months old, and her father must be told the facts. He carnot complain. He is so rarely at home. . . To-mor

Blowly and reflectively be walked ing of the hand has silenced the night-tross the wide lawn and into the ingalos."

woodland beyond. Now and then he caught the flash and sheen of a white dress, and heard girlish laughter. He had known them all—girls and young men—since they were children, all except John Russell, the man who was now largely occupying his thoughts.

Miss Lynn and the young engineer had met a year since. The attraction was mutual. It was a love indeed at first sight—no wild, clusive passion, but that deep, abiding affection which appeared to be as strong as life itself. The vicar had been responsible for the introduction, but hardly realised how far matters had kone until Russell told him that he and Miss Lynn were engaged to be married in

of a Prodigal, Lynn were engaged to be married in the golden future, when he had made

the golden future, when he had made some sort of a name.

By this time he had passed through the little wood, and was about to return to the house by another way, when he heard his name spoken. He started round, aid found himself face to face with a lady of uncertain age. She was a stranger to the viear, and he was immediately conscious of a very disacreeable sensation. The lady was rather over-dressed. There was a suggestion that she had been good-looking, but the snappy, maticious expression in her dark eyes now was far from pleasing. was far from pleasing.

"Perhaps you do not remember me

"I want you to pilot me out of this maze of trees and paths which lead nowhere. I came through the gate the lane, just to look at the flowers,

full, red lips.
"My name—it doesn't matter what
my name is, but you can find out by
going to George Grant's cottage. You
know George Grant, the railway porter? I've got a bed-sitting-room for
the present. Don't trouble about me
any more. I'll follow this path and

any more. I'll follow this path and be my own pilot. If your ministrations are needed at any time, Mr. Parson, I'll send for you."

The vicar stood naids to let her pass, his mouth and brows drawn into severe lines. At a distace of twenty paces or so be followed her slong the winding way, determined to keep an eye upon her movements till she was clear of the place. He now felt positive that the creature had been drinking, and decided that it was his duty to make inquiries about her. During the last winter several daring and successful burgiaries had thrown the wealthy people of Glastonlee into the wealthy people of Glastonice into

the wealthy people of Glasionice into a state of temporary panic. The thieves had vanished with several thousand pounds' worth of plunder. "I have a duty needing my attention," ho told Miss Lynn, "but I shall be back here with Mrs. Varden before the real fun beclins. You are expecting the older folks later on?" He lowered his voice. "I have left your father asleep in the library. By the way, did you observe a strange lady prowling about?"

"No," Vera said, surprised.

"No," Vera said, surprised.
"Wandered in here by mistake.
Well, I will trot."

Well, I will trot."

Mr. Varden was a wiry, energetic man, and notwithstanding the heat of the day he accomplished the two and ahalf miles which lay between Miss Lynn's home and the railway station within the beautiful the how.

room a fortnight since, and pays handroom a formignt since, and pays name, some," The old man hesitated and his eyes twinkled. "She do say that she's likely to settle in Glastonlee, being as she's a relation of the Lynns."

Mr. Varden jumped.
"Nonsense, Grant. I thought that there." He mulled himself up.

"Nonsense, Grant. I thought that is knew—" Ho pulled himself up with a Jork. "Oh, if that's the case I'm meddling where I'm not wanted. What is the lady's name?" "Mrs. Violet Carradice, sir." "H'm! I'll make a note of that." He repeated the name over and over again, so that it might not escape his memory.

cape his memory.

CHAPTER II. Love and Reason.

A perfect night followed a perfect day. The skies were filled with stars, and the moon beamed like burnished silver. A gentle caressing wind mur-mured dreamily in the trees, and its

"A gentleman, and a most estiminated dreamity in the trees, and its able young man," Mr. Varden answerded promptly.

"A nobody!" scoffed the Hon.
Harry. "Dropped down from heaven knows where a year since—he and his mother. Calls himself an engineer. Don't forget that my daughter said down to dinner in the ovening, and a said count of the said of the sa sat down to dinner in the overning, and the Hon. Harry Lynn had pulled himself together in that miraculous manner only known to very experienced drunkards. Ho made a witty speech, and his guests regretted that so little of his time was spent at Hazelbank.

The man was really charming.

After dinner the guests dispersed according to their inclinations. There was dancing on the lawn, to the execrable music of the village band; lovers' walks and lovers' talks, and the sheen and glimmer of dresses in the

mazy ways.

Vera Lynn had danced once with her father and once with her lover, and now she and John Russell were strolling in the direction of a tiny garden of roses, sacred to themselves

alone.

"Sweetheart," said John, caressingly. "I believe that your happiness is a protence."

The girl turned upon him with a direct and lovel glance, her brown eyes misty and resentful.

"I wish there was an end to it, John: it is all so tarty and makebe. John; it is all no tawdry and make-be-lieve." She snatched a Chinene lan-

torn from an overhanging bough, and dashed it to the ground. "These wrotched things! . . And the wall-

John Russell seized one of her hands and pressed it to his lips.
"Never mind, darliffs, Your father is gratified at least. I wonder," he added, thoughtfully, "If it would be possible to interest him in something

possible to interest nim in something here? He is a charming man."
"If!" Vera said, with a wistful shake of her head. "He is wholly disguated with the affair, but it is entirely his own doing, thank goodness! What a mercy the fireworks have gone netray!' She laughed, but not without con

straint, and looked up at her lover's sea-blue eyes. They were blue even in the white moonlight, and met hers

"Don't!" she shivered. "John, I wan to talk to you. Let us sit over there-

echo in her heart.

'What can be wrong with me?'

for the pain at her heart, and longed

for the pain at her heart, and longed for another talk with her lover. There must be some way out of the entan-glement which sho was sure that Ja-bez Corston was weaving about him. The great brower had an unsavory re-

putation in Glastonice. To be sure, no one ever openit secured, Mu. of financial maintailie, but everybody indulged in node and innuendoes. He fattened upon the necessities and the misfortunes of his neighbors.

Vera was rather taken aback when she entered the breakfast-room. It was barely nine o'clock, and her father was waiting and grumbling. His ever were tired-looking, and his

His oyes were tired-looking, and his

must get back to London-urgon business." He fingered a letter, half

protruding from his vest pocket, his hand shaking the while. "I really don't know what is to become of you, and I can't afford to pay a suitable

duenna to look after you."

Vera stared at her father in aston-

"Whatever are you talking about

rynatever are you talking about, papa? I am not a child. I had no idea that you would not breakfast in bed as you have always done hitherto. You did not tell me that you were going to London early. I have been

hoping lately that you would give up this visionary business of yours alto

There was a dead silence, and ther

he raved weakly, clatching at his hoart and breathing with difficulty.

"Papa," she pleaded tearfully, "stay at home and let me take care of you. I am lonely here, and so dreadfully op-pressed."

'Visionary business," he repeated.

How the phrase rankled in his mind.
"Not much that is visionary about this." He fingered the letter again, and shivered. "My life is a living buttle-field—a living torture, and I look for avanable in the first product of the same in t

or sympathy in vain."

His voice broke, and tears rolled

own his cheeks. He sobbed as help

lines in his face deepened, his eyes were restless and troubled, and his lips twitched nervously.

"Papa will see you soon, Mr. Var-den," Vora said; "but if you have bad

follow."

Vora's brown oyes dilated, and she

less men will sob, and Vera's soul wa

in revolt against herself.

vantage of it." he said.

"I am not well, and you take ad

ishment.

gother."

putation in Glastonice.

under the lilac."

Obediently he led her to the seat mopped up the dew with his pocket nandkerchief and waited confidently for what was to come. He dailies with one of her hands, and murmures the latter which had been the latter with the control of the latter was the latter with the latter was the latter endearing little names. He had no fear for the future. They loved one another, and that compassed their

"John"-the tone was confiding, and o drew nearer—"after the dance apa's temper became positiventiens. You know how swiftly hi Mr. Varden?" she said. "I have only recently taken apartments at Glastonius." You know how swiftly his look. There was a note of sarcasm in the woman's tones.
"Ah!" exclaimed the vicar. He raised his hat. "Yes, I remember you now, madau. You occupied a pew near to the door last Sunday morning and evening."

The woman nodded and laughed

The woman nodded and laughed coarsely. Everybody knows that coarsely. papa's

"Secrecy! Everyhody knows that we are lovers except my father, and that's his own fault entirely. Until today I haven't seen him for five weeks, and one' can't write to him with any certainty of his getting the letters. He's in London one day, Parls the next, and the South Sea Islands the day following," she added, with a flash of temper. "And the very last time he was here he brought with him two common men—" n the lane, just to ...
and don't seem to be able again w'l'pout dicturbing somebody stove-making."

"You have no business here at all," flash of temper.
Immediate the woman it was here he brought two common men—"

She dashed the tears from her eyes, and John Russell's arm stole round her wast.

The vicear stared at her curiously. Her black eyes met his with a challence, while a sneer played about her full, red lips.

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i a way because I am self-made—
what there is of me." He laughed
rather bitteriy—and he was not enter
given to that kind of thing. "At the
moment," he went on, "I haven't
twenty pounds in the world, and my
income is a precarlous one, but I have income is a precarious one, but I have unbounded faith in the future. Some unbounded faith in the future. Some of my inventions are safe enough." He snapped his fingers. "And my new pump spells a fortune. Pumpi—not the thing in the cottager's back yard, but a piece of mechanism capable of drawing up six thousand gallons of water per minute from the bowels of the earth. One is being built now for a colliery in the north, and the result is as certain as we live and breathe."

Vera was listening, her eyes aglow, and she pressed his fingers encouragingly.

"Within a few years," he continued enthusiastically, "my pumps will be installed throughout the mining ceninstalled throughout the mining cen-tres of the world. But, meanwhile, I am not earning sufficient to pay for board and lodging, and my mother's income of two hundred and fifty pounds a year is very often in sore straits.

They laughed together, the girl merrily, the man ruofully.

'Not a very hopeful story for your father, prejudiced against me as he

man, and notwithstanding the heat of the day he accomplished the two and a-half miles which lay between Miss Lynn's home and the railway station within two-thirds of the hour.

Trains were fow at Glastoniec, and from three te six o'clock not one delgned to stop at the picturesque little station. Two or three dashed through, shricking contempt, but they were not taken into account by old Grant, the solitary porter, who performed every duty in the absence of the station-master.

"It will make no difference, John," she said softly. "We can wait. I want him to hear the truth, and have the worn went and the railway station that I find pounds a year are mine—absolutely mine—gives me confidence through, shricking contempt, but they were not taken into account by old Grant, the solitary porter, who performed every duty in the absence of the station-master.

to again that he was kind-hearted and lovable. He was conversing now with the vicar, who was reposing in a deck chair not far from his host.

"The weather is all right, vicar—charming, charming, but this affair gives me pain rather than pleasure."

Mr. Varden nodded drowsily. He was a kindly-faced man, with both intellect and heart. The wond to not always go together.

"Why give you pain?" said he.

"The vanished years are recalled, my dear fellow. When I came of age, by Jove! there was cannon—twenty-one salvos—and just a few other things, different to this. Confounded shame that my daughter should not always of the advantages that I had—and she the grandchild of an earl."

"Miss Lynn is satisfied, str." the vicar said gently.

"She is young, and does not realise, the injustice of it all." "A source falm.

"With me, sir?" The porter looked the platform conscious of a lall." "A source falm.

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"With me, sir?" The porter looked the pluzzled; then, conscious of a life your gains and full give up the day state of the whole world for your sake if I must," In the midas of all this Mr. Varden and courage. At the worst we confidence and courage. At the worst we could manage to exist, even if your patents always over sale two gains, with end through, shricking contempt, but they gain and courage. At the worst we could manage to exist, even if your patents always over sale two gains, with end through, shricking contempt, but they gain and courage. At the worst we could manage to exist, even if your patents always over sale two gains, with end was always over sale to gain a deck through, shricking contempt, but they gain and courage. At the worst we could manage to exist, even if your patents always over sale to gain a deck pro

out his hand.
"None the worse for the festal day?" commenced the vicar. Here his jocularity failed him, and as he asked anxiously about Mr. Lynn the lines in his face deepened, his eyes worse realization and technical the control was the control of the control "Ropay Mr. Corston"—thought they young man.—"a couple of thousand pounds! What fools the best of women are in matters of business."

Ho paced up and down, until Vera rose, and gently placed a hand upon ble arm ble arm.

his arm.
"You are not vexed with me, John?"
she asked.
"Vexed with you, darling How could I be anything of the kind? I am only annoyed that a business affair, not of my own seeking, should be gossiped about by senseloss women. Mr. Cornellost women. don." Vora said: "but if you have bad nows you must not breathe a word of it now. His heart pains him." There was a little catch in her voice.
"My dear Miss Lyan," began the vicar. Then he turned and stared through the window.
"Not a word to papa," Vera said, decidedly. "He is admitting me into his confidence, and from this hour I intend earing for him as his only daughter—as a grown woman should. I intend earing for him as his only future." ston recognised the enormous possibilston recognised the enormous possibil-tiles almost within reach, and pressed his money into my service. I have used it, otherwise my inventions would have still been upon paper only. I must not forgot that."

"You ought to have told me," Vern

said stormily. "I wouldn't mind so much if it were not apparent to every body that Winifred Corston is try ing to make me jealous."

Her face flamed, and she stamped

no foot in real shame and anger.

"Pooh!" growled John Russell.

"That sandy-headed, giggling nonenity!" His tones took a tenderer
note. "Darling, you have no idea of note. "Darling, you have no idea of the expense—these models and experi-ments. I have already expanded two thousand pounds, and the cry is still

for more."
Vora stared at him blankly.
"And you owe all that money
Corston?"
"Yos; every penny of it."
Silenco foll between tehm.

Silonco fell between tehm. The exeruciating strains of the band had exerciciting strains of the band had ceased at last, and thoy could hear the dreamy music of the night wind in the trees. A nightingale took heart of grace and sang a few delicious notes. John Russell's arm was round Vera's waist, and her head was resting on his shoulder. She looked up at last, and said:

"People will wonder what has be-"People will wonder what has be-

come of us."
"Oh, it's no affair of theirs." "I must go back to my guests, John. "Of course you can't teli papa all that you have told me—not at pres-

ent, anyway,"
"I don't think I can," said John. CHAPTER III. A Stroke of Fate.

A Stroke of Fate.

Next morning Vera was up with the lark, but her soul was not attuned to the ocstasy of nature's songator. Mild though the dissipation of the previous day had been, there was an air of rakishness everywhere. The furniture of the rooms was awry; a bowl of flowers had been upset, and ends were visible of many cigaratter surreptitionally dropped into ornaments which

"My dear Miss Lynn." The clergywere never intended for such desecraman was sorely agitated. "I have known Mr. Corsten for long years. He is simply a shrewd business man. I have heard evil things whispered of tion.

She threw open the windows and the doors, and went out into the brightness and freshness of the newborn day. A dazzling sun was climb- him, but all successful people are obing the blue walls of the sky, and the jects of envy and spite. In a manner dewy grass sparkled with a thousand they are to be pitied, for they often over-changing fires.

Vera left her little domain, and though fawned upon, by their fellow

Vera left her little domain, and though fawned upon, by their fellow-walked away to the rolling, windswept fields. She was conscious of a feeling of unrest, of doubt, of fear, and yet she was the envy of the little world around her. The ploughman, whose weary round of tell began with the rising and ended with the setting "indeed, I don't, and these expressions of the property of the results of sions of hatred from one so young an

the rising and ended with the setting sun awesomely touched his hat to the lady from Hazelbank. Hers was a familiar figure in the blossoming lines and on the breezy hills. But this morning she had no smile for the women at their cottage duors, and the music of nature found no answering echo in her heart. sions of hatrea from so gentle. We can all be very swhen nothing crosses us."

"And this to your pastor?" Mr. Varden paced the floor again. "I am a clergyman, and I hope that I sm a clergyman, but I have my share of thristian, but I have my share of the short time that he has been King has proved that he is a worthy successor to his father. He has "for hard work in the same that he has been king has proved that he is a worthy successor to his father. He has "to for hard work in the same that he has been king has proved that he is a worthy successor to his father. He has "to for hard work in the same that he has been king has been been some that he has been king has pettishly asked herself, "Am I jeal ous of John? Am I yeved because

solute fool."

He walked over to Vera, and laid his hand tenderly upon her shoulder. Her face was bent upon her breast.

A footstep on the gravelled drive cannot be view to apply a sound to ous of John? Am I veved because I know that my father's life is very much of a living lie? I wish that my worrles were tangible; I wish that I could grip and overcome them." She dashed the team of the window. His face flamed with nor taking money from Winifred Corston's father, and I am sure that late Winifred Corston's father, and I am sure that late Winifred Corston. Oh, it is so humiliating, and I am quite helpless. Thousands of pounds! I wish that he had left his silly inventions to take care of themselves."

She dashed the tears from her cycs, and turned her face homeward. He sprang to the doer like one electhe window. His face flamed with au-ger, and then wiltened with foar. A characterization of the clean-shavers, I will admit, have

He sprang to the door, like one elec-rified, "The breakfast-room," Vera said. eyes, and turned her face homeward. She had discovered the true reason

> and the woman who called herself Violet Carradice was regarding her vith an impudent stare (To be continued.)

> > THE PIONEERS. By Paul Cupid.

Far back throught the misty acons of the years that rolled away, The men of the old brigade began the fight.

and the echoes of their axes rang from dawn till close of day-Hearts of gold kept beating time to arms of might. ut those hearts have ceased their

riss oyes were tired-looking, and his face was ashen and haggard.

"Good heavens!" he said. "Tramping about the lanes at such an unboly hour? It isn't decent. Vera—it isn't decent. Here have I been waiting for an hour, and none of the servants knew what had become of you. I must get back to London-unrent. benting, and the axe is dumb with rust, And we reap the golden harvest they have sown, ad perchance by wealth lust driven

tread implous o'er their dust. Long unmarked—unsung save when the night winds moan. Vhat are we but helpless nigmies we contemplate the brave And big hearted pioneers who led

then they stormed the forts of Nature, and with saws and axes Westward paths, that one'd God's heritage to man.

ow they fought the first grim bat Many fell long ere the wished-for

goal was won; Oft repulsed but never yanguished, wearing vinel for their crest. Ever facing, as they fought, setting sun. When the fire flend swent the clear-

ing, and the bush was all ablaze, Still they fought like ancient Spartans to defend fard won homes, through blinding sweat drops, through the singe-

"Dear father," she murmured, "toll me your troubles, and I will give up the whole world for your sake if I must."

In the midst of all this Mr. Varden Till their homes were loft in cinders in the end. When the big floods left them rooftess, and the big droughts took their all,

They'd begin the same grim struggle o'er anew. Bravest soldiers of our legion, Death sounded their recall, And they left the trophics won me and you. Now we sing unstinted praises of

loss heroes far than they, And in lettered obelisks we land

But sleep on in graves unhonored by the baubles pride may raise:

Though the tall game be the grave stones you have won, their hearts cut doon is carver lasting monuments of praise, By the men who know the work y the men was that you have done, —Paul Cupid.

HOW TO WEAR NEW BOOTS WITH COMFORT

To most people new boots and shoes are a horror. Whether you got them too large, or too small, or just the right size, there is still the same

dread in putting them on for the first time.

It is certainly not a wise thing to get ofther boots or shoes too large, for they are most uncomfortable to wear, and more often than not bring about corns and bunious, to say no-

Ny data. Then he turned and stared through the window.

"Not a word to papa," Vera said, decidedly. "Ho is admitting me into his confidence, and from this hour I intend caring for him as his only daughter—as a grown woman should. I intend keeping him at home in the future."

"But his business—his business in London?"

Vera's lip curied pitifully.

"A mero illusion, sir. Ho has no business—he has no money—and yet he has gone to the expense of making a will in my favor."

The clergyman faced round and seated himself opposite to the girl.

"Miss Lynn, it seems that you and I should take this amazing state of affairs in hand. Your father cannot, be altogether responsible. This unexpected face-about is rather bowll, and this morning I discover you to be a woman."

She waited hungrily.

"But I have two sorts of nows—good and had, You shall have the good first, and it may soften what is to follow."

Vora's brown eyes dilated, and she thing of the holes they cause in

ly injurious to very young children.

THE WOMAN IN THE MINT.

Vora's brown oyos dilated, and she clasned her hands in uto appeal.

"What a blundorer I am," Mr. Varden oxclaimed, angry with himsolf, "The bad nows may not be bad after all—the merest abominable fletlen."

"Does it concern Mr. Russell?"

Vora said faintly,

"The first does, my dear child, and been the try the heavy seven year. den excluded, angry with himself.

"The bad news may not be bad after all—the morest abominable fiction."

"Does it concern Mr. Russell?"

Vera said faintly.

"The first does, my dear child, and here it is: That clover young man has scored magnifecently, and his future is assured. Mr. Corston proposes to make him an equal partner in the collery business. The truth has only list leaked out.

If smiled at Vera, and marvelled that her face had whitened like marbile.

"If that is your good news, ..., I fear that the bad will sound like in a fight of the United States Government. Miss Kelly does not waste any time in the monster man. She has gene on quietly demonstration of the United States Government. Miss Kelly does not waste any time in the monster man. She has gene on quietly demonstration of the united state of the volume of the united state of the volume of the united state of the united state of the volume of the united state of the united state of the volume of the united state of the volume of the united state of the volume of the united states of the volume of the united states of the volume of the united states of the united states of the volume of the volume

WHISKERED SUCCESSES

By a Clean-Shaven Man.

I am a firm believer in whiskered successes myself. Personally, I am clean-shaven, but that doesn't matter. am the exception which proves the rule. Moreover, I don't want to be successful before I am thirty-four, so there is plenty of time to let my whiskers grow. Now for my case. A good start is

half the battle. What about George V. and King Edward VII.? In the few short years that he was on the throne

last few months which would have put him head and shoulders above caused the vicar to swing round to contemporaries in whatever rank of

a slight pull as regards the whole of

the Kings of England, for out of thirty-

three rulers, thirteen wore beards fourteen were bare-faced, and the others were moustached. But it is the bearded Kings who are remembeed: England hasn't the monopoly of whiskered Kings. Ever heard of the Emperor Francis Joseph? His posttion is one of the most difficult jobs in Europe, and yet he carried it the was standing at the window now, through with conspicuous success Sould a clean-shaven man have done

it? Hardly! it? Hardly:
— in the realm of politics we are con-tinually being told about our young clean-shaven Ministers, But oven young shavers will get there if they are well backed by money and influence. As a matter of fact, the most conspicuous success and the hardest worker in the world of politics is earded. What better instance can be given of whiskered success than John Burns? Rising from the ranks of the ordinary workman, he has reache one of the highest positions that

Government can offer him.

Labor members of Parliament, indeed, seem to thrive on hair. Keir among his other boasts. D. J. Shack leton's black beard commands respec at once. Will Crooks, the genial membor for Woolwich for many years, would be lost without the hair on his

face. Turn to aviation. Who won the cir. cuit of Britain? A bearded man! Boau. mont! Ten thousand pounds for a beard is admittedly an inducement for clean-shavers to alter their state Henry Farman, one of the ploneers of the air, and a winner of many prizes in the early days of aerial con quest, is proud of his beard. Cody whose machine is one of British make throughout, who has fought against ties in the march from east to almost unsurmountable difficulties, i not afraid to openly cast the razo

From aviation to science is an easy step. Look at the long flowing beard of Dr. Russel Wallace, the Grand Old Man of science! Darwin, co-discoverer with Wallace of the origin of species, was as hairy as they make ing inventors, had a fine crop of whiskers. There is, as a matter of fact, no doubt that the majority of the leading men of the world have worn, or

are mearing, whishers. Mr. Frank Richardson hasn't much o boast about in the way of hair, but then many of his friends in literature have. Georgo Moredith was noted for his beautiful head of hair and whisk ers. F. T. Bullon, the charming writer on sea topics, has a black beard that yould strike terror into the heart of any pirate of the ocean. Henry Arthur Jones, the author of "Dolly Reforming Horself," would be honeless

without his beard.

Admiral Togo and Admiral Sir Percy Scott head the navy men of the world Both bearded, mark you.

I have just picked out one or two men, here and there, conspicuous in their professions for their ability and their beards. The list might be ex tended indefinitely. There are two that there is not enough space; the other, I must go and get a shave.

He Knew from Experience.

"I say," said a friend the othe day, "you are an old hand at it. have only just got married, and don't I should like to know whether a mar-

I should like to know whether a married man has any rights loft when he takes to himself a wife?"
"Rights? Yes, lots. He has a right to pay all the bills——"
"Stop! I mean this. Let me give you an instance. Every box, each chest of drawers and portunanteau, and, in fact, any available receptace."

and, in fact, any available receptacle of every description, is stuffed full of my wife's property, and when I want to put away a few cuffs and collars "Hold hard. I know what

mean. Listen, young man. If your bedroom were two hundred yards long, lined, from the floor to the celldue to eye-strain from this cause, and to nothing clse.

It is not while they are still in the twenties, that they are most likely to suffer for their indiscretion; but wait awhile, and Nature will be revenged.

For every hour they have mis-used their eyes, those faithful servants of theirs that did their bidding for years as angentishingly, they will nay a ing with shelves, and you wanted a place to stow away a couple of shirts, you couldn't find a nook that wasn't full of hair-pins, scent-bottles, odd gloves, pieces of ribbon, odd feathers, and artificial flowers, little bits of tape, and buttons galore, with pins and needles thrown in, so just accopt the inevitable: wrap your personal property in an old newspaper parcel and hide it under the bed."

He grinned fronteally, and the in

uirer passed on, a sadder and deer man. HIRED WEDDING PRESENTS.

Curious information is given by Paris journal as to how wedding pre-sents may be hired. The mother who is anxious to make a brave show of is anxious to make a brave show of presents at her daughter's wolding, has only to go to one of the large stores in the Opera quarter. There a complete set of presents may be hired. The goods remain under the care of a shopman disguised as a guest. Honor is thus saved, but the fournal adds that it is as well when paying a first visit to the young couple not to ask to be shown some of the charming gifts of jewellery exhibited on the wolding day. In the Philadelphia mint it is not a complete set of presents may be licen the extra time it will do you hired. The goods remain under the care of a shopman disguised as a guest. Honor is thus saved, but the fournal adds that it is as well when paying a first visit to the young couple not to ask to be shown some of the charming gifts of Jewollery exhibited on the wedding day.

The Author: Would you advise me to got out a small edition?

The Publisher: Yes; the smaller the better. The more scarce a book is at the end of four or five conturies the more money you realise from it.

If home is where the hear is it's a wonder more girls are not homeless.

THE FINE-WEATHER GIRL.

You all know her-this "fine-wea her" girl. When the sun is shining she is to seen fluffy and dainty in her freshly-washed muslin or drill, and in colder seasons in cream serge or delicately-tinted cloth. Her stockings have lace fronts, which fact her shoes are specially "cobblered" to re-veal, and the shoes themselves are of water thickness. Her hair, a mass of waves and

curls, points to much patient coiffurng, and to the use of many curlers and wavers. Her hats are large, and trimmed

with filmy chiffon or immense os-"hillowy" tille things round her neck; white gloves, and a little sheaf of things, including a bag, a purse, a card-case, and so on, hangs at her wrist. Nothing is more "finished" han she-on a fine day.

But, oh, when it rains-then she is in a piteous plight. She would stor at home all day if she could, but as that is impossible, she garbs herself as best-or as worst-she can, says: "What does it matter in such Her wardrobe furnishes absolutely

othing which will withstand rain, so she looks about for a garment which cannot be spoilt, and finds several of "spoiling."

The weekly changes and the rain is coming, as it can come down even in the summer months. Her choice lies between a faded, washed-out muslin, plentifully frilled and trained in the manner of the year before last. and an ancient voile, extensively garnished with lace, and exceedingly long all round.

Sho does not possess a hat which is not immense, or any cloak or coa of a "cover-ali" description. But she has the satisfaction of knowing she has nothing on which will "spoil, and serenely sets forth on her social or business errand, looking like walking "jumble sale." She natur ally returns looking still more essly dliapidated.

Long ends of wispy hair stand from penenth her matines hat—which, on account of its dimensions, has been very imperfectly protected by her mbrella-and damp chiffon and soaked feathers form its dejected trimming. The edges of her skirt are in an unspeakable condition, and have plastered her lace stockings and preosterous buckled shoes with mud.

If the "fine-weather" girl would in rest in a neat-hat and rain-coat, she yould be charming all the time, intead of only some of the time.

TEETOTAL ROYALTIES An Irish Memory. The members of the Swedish Royal

family are staunch tectotallers, and, like both his father and grandfather before him, the Crown Prince holds strong views on the subject. The example of the Court is naturally enough followed by the King's subjects, and Sweden is a very temperate country. As a good wife, the Crown Princess follows her husband's lead, and is always ready to show lead, and is always ready to show practical sympathy to temperage so-

slictics.

Since hor marriago she his not forgotten Ireland, and is, a waim supporter of Irish industries.

Many suits of Blarney and Finance, tweed found a place in her tropascent, and the appears in the courty at t the winter games, and at shooting parties, clad in a neat coat and skirt of homespun.

When they were infants her three little sons were freeks of frish lace, and frish linen is greatly used in the Royal Palace at Stockholm.

The Crown Princess years elder.

The greatest sculptor in the world is Auguste Rodin. Again you have the way,
Are forgetten in lone graves without a name.

The greatest sculptor in the world is Auguste Rodin. Again you have the beard.

The finest charity organiser of the world, General Booth. Once more you have that beard!

The greatest sculptor in the world is Auguste Rodin. Again you have the world is Auguste Rodin. Again you have the world is Auguste Rodin. Again you have the world is not in the least perceptible, for the Prince has a rather grave and serious disposition, and appears really older than his charming wife.

normalialingly, they will pay a heavy toll, and the "failing sight" that is so often the trouble of middle life, will hamper their usefulness and spoil their pleasure.

EARLIER TO BED.

If you want a good tonic, try going to bed two hours earlier than is your usual habit for a fortnight. The ex-

onsented.

A WORD OF WARNING. on his knees, and huplored pardon for "all the lies he had told about fish and fishin, and also the killing of two men, and the one he was about to kill." The time-honored saying that we rine (Imenonced saying that we seldom hold our possessions at their full value until we are in danger of losing them is nover more true than when we refer to the blessing of good cycsight. It is through the avenue of sight that most impressions reach our leafs and when we lose it we are brain, and when we lose it we are "shut in the dark," cut off from our fellows by a deprivation of which only the totally blind can understand the

nagnitude. Our care interprint the magnitude. Our cayes are all important to us, and should be guarded more carefully than the most precious jowels that ever came into mortal posthem said: sented. I am French, my friend here is English, and Mr. Franklin is Ameri-

of every ten are trying their eyes by poring over some paper or novolette, which is jerked aside every other mement by the jar or vibration of the car. Apart from the constant movement and consequent change of focus for the eyes, the light is very often bad, and the headaches of which so many girls complain are frequently due to eye-strain from this cause, and to nothing else. The Frenchman was rather taken

of quiet modesty, said:
"Here's to George Washington, the
Joshua of America, who commanded

the sun and the moon to stand still-and they stood still."

the belfry!"
"Eh?" repeated Giles, putting his hand to his ear.
"I say how becutiful it is," shouted the curate, "to hear those silver tonenes pealing out from the belfry!"
"I can't hear a word you say," said Giles, "them blessed bells be making such a terrible din!"

At one time the late King Edward

"I say, my good follow," said His Majesty, geniatly, "I understand there was a bly battle fought somewhere about here!" "Well--er," stammered the black-smith, recognising and saluting the King, "I did 'ave a round or two with Hill, the potman, but I didn't know your Majesty had heard of it."

A little more than ten years ago a porter engaged in cleaning railway carriages at Moscow found, in one corner of a lirst-class carriage, a furry

FORTUNATE FOUNDLINGS

bundle which proved to contain a pretty little baby girl of about ten months old.

He took her to the stationmaster, and overy effort was made to find her relations. But the advertisements remained unanswered, and the baby was about to be sent to an orphanage when one of the railway clerks made the novel suggestion that the staff should older the raceby made at the processing station. months old. adopt her, each paying a fow pence monthly towards her keep. The sug-gestion was received with applause, and little Ludmila, as she is called, was handed over to the wife of a sig-nal-man to be looked after.

nal-man to be looked after. She grew up a charming child, a great favorite with everybody, and soon came to be looked upon as the "Luck of the Line." Everyone was anxious to help with her support, and soon more money than enough for her keep was being raised, so it was decided to invest the surplus towards

er dowry. - Ludmila, now nearly eleven, is being Ludmila, now nearly eleven, is being oducated at a good hourding-school at Moscow, and spends her holidays "along the line," at the homes of her various friends, who range from firemen to directors. By the three that she is twenty one it is rectoned that her dowry will amount to a considerable sum of money.

Here is a story of a foundling rescued from the sea.

Here is a story of a foundfull rescued from the sea.

Sixty years and a British cruiser swooped down upon a slaver off the West coast of Africa, and, after a long chase and a bard "abt, captured the yessel. Many of the unfortunate natives were dead, and with its skinny arms clining around the neck of its tives were dead, and with its skinny arms clinging around the neck of its mother, whose life had been ended by a stray bullet, was a little woolly-headed piccanium. The sailors made a pet of him, and afterwards took him to Sierra Leone, where he was handed over to the English missionaries. The society adopted him, gave him a good education, and he was christened in

education, and he was christened in the name of Richard Blaze. He entered the printing department it Lagos, and by the time he was wenty-five years old had risen to the

end of it.

The great Manchester trade was hen just gotting hold on the West Coast. Blaze entered it, and had the clever idea of registering the native patterns from their weaving sheds and having them duplicated in Engand.

Soon he became the head of a business of his own, and the richest man on the coast. His charities were impense, and he was offered a seat in

the Legislative Council. This, the Legislative Council. This, however he refused, on account of an impediment in his speech.

He died only the other day, and the bulk of his great, fortune went towards schemes for assisting his race.

Anything more desolute than the lot of a little Cretan loy, named Stollio Argilera, when, in 1896, his father man killed, her a "Markish bulker and

ilo Argliera, when, in 1896, his father was killed by a Turkish builet and his mother died of starvation in the hills, could hardly be immained.

He was picked up by a kindly Englishman and brought in, more dead than alive. He was sent to the Goyronnment school, and there galned both flesh and knowledge. Soon it was found that he had a wonderful gift for languages, and he was sent to Bonghazi, in North Africa, where he learnt French and Italian.

By the time he was twelve years old he could speak cight languages—namely, Russian, German, French, Italian, Greek, Turkish, Arable and English

lian, Greek, Turkish, Arabic and English, and was appointed interpreter to the Italian Admiral at Cannevara Sir Thomas Lipton, touring in the Mediterranean, discovered this many-tongued wonder, brought blip, to Eng-land M the Erin, and put him to a

good English school. He is now being specially trained in Eastern tongues.

When they were interest to the state of the

pose. This enraged him more than ever. He swore he would make him flaht. "All right," said the angler, "if I

must fight, will you allow me to say my prayers?"
With a grin to his mates, the loafer The man of pattence went down up-

kill."

He then rose slowly from his knees, and to his astonishment and delight and the anusement of the rest of the company the angler found the loafer and his pais had vanished.

The Joshua of America.

Benjamin Franklin was dining with small party of gentlemen, when one "Here are three nationalities repre-

18 FIRRISH, and Mr. Franklin is Ameri-can. Lot each propose a loast."

The blacklishman arese and, in the tone of a Briton bold, said:
"Horo's to Great Britain, the sun that gives light to the nations of the

The Frenchman was rather taken hack at this, but he proposed: "Here's to France, the moon whose made rays move the tides of the world."

Franklin then rose and, with an air

The Bliver Tonques.

"Ah, Glies," said a curate to an old rustle whom he met on his way to church one Sunday morning, "how heautiful it is to hear those silver tongues pealing out from the heifry!" "Fh?" replied Glies, who was deaf, "I say how beautiful it is to hear those silver tongues pealing out from the heifry!" "Fh?" repeated Glies, putting his "Fh?" repeated Glies, putting his

T say, my good fellow," said His

The man who hasn't enough pro-

party to interest the tax-assessor is always talking about the good he would do it he were a millionaire.

usual habit for a fortalkit. The extra rest, even if you do not actually sleep, will be beneficial. It relaxes your nerves and your whole body to lie quietly on your back, and it alid dixestion to be quiet so that you get all the goodness out of the food you have swallowed. If yor do manage to sleep the extra time it will do you a world of good. Sleep is the panacca of the sleep is the panacca with the sleep is the panacca with sl At one time too late King Faward
happened to be visiting at a country
house near the scene of one of Cromwell's historic battlen. Stroiling out
one day by himself, he met the village
blackamith returning from a shoeing
excedition. expedition.

TOWN OF NORTHCOTE

Annual Statement of Accounts for Year ended 30th Sept., 1911 (IN ABSTRACT)

STATEMENT OF RATE. A General Rate of Two Shillings and Threepence in the Pound to the 30th day of September, 1911, made by the Council on the 31st day of January, 1911.

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Legal Expenses,
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Pan Overpayment Refund
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Loan No. 8, Advance Pending Issue of Loan /24,089 15 0 Disallowances, reterred to in my certificate at the foot hereof:—Mayor's Robes, £16 16s, paid 2nd August, 1911; Empire Day Celebrations, £5, paid 19th June, 1911, and £5 paid 31st July, 1911.

F. W. MISCAMBLE, F.I.A.F. STATEMENT OF LIABILITIES AND ASSETS.

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Total Loan Liability ... £45,349 11 2 W. G. SWIFT, A.F.I.A., Town Clerk and Tregsuter. Audited and found correct subject to disallowances (being expenditure not provided for by the Local Government Act 1903) as set forth

in the Statement of Receipts and Expenditure. F. W. MISCAMBLE, F.I.A.V.,
Government Municipal Auditor. Northcole, 24th November, 1911.

W. G. BWIFT, A.F.I.A., Town Clerk and Treasurer.

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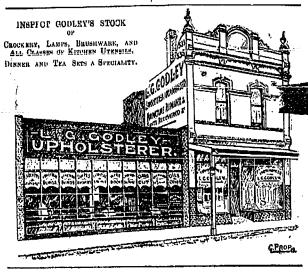
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Thatch was played during the Christlidays at Northcote Park. The
ada good team in the field, s zof
at eleven players taking part. The
ky sam batted first and were quickly
sed of for 72 owing to the fine bowing
tebel, 6 for 16, and Balley, 2 for 14

28 and Cheen 18 batted wall. rane 25 and Cheong 15 batted well, the hitting two sixers.
rthcote made 246, the feature of the

Morthcote made 246, the feature of the nings being a fine display of batting by robarron, who made 125 faultiesly in a title over the hour. Echwashvoh 45 and Ralley 12 also batted well. Waranga at their second try made 58, Jones 11 being the only double figure scorer. Balley 5 for 18 and Milobell 3 for 12 were again the chief destroyers.

chief destroyers.
Lunch and afternoon ten were provided
on the ground, and the visitors thoroughly
appreciated the treatment meted out to
them and appeared to enjoy their first game

NORTHOOTE V. PRAHRAN.
Pennant games will be continued to-day,
when the above match will be resumed toKorthoote. The game is in a very interest
ing stage, the scores being.—Northoote, 204;
Prahran, 2 for 14 A large crowd is expected to watch the play. ed to watch the play.

ford, Bottop, Ucx, Duna, Eacon, Eacon, Marris, Phillips, Price (2), Schwasbech, Scott, Thomas.

Presten v. East Brunswick,—This match will be continued to day at the Preston oval. Scores—Preston, 75 and 2 for 79 ff. Mebrgan 14 not out, Froebs 7 not out); Brunswick 52.

Everleigh icurrayed to Mordialloc on New Year's Day and defeated the local team after a most anjoyable game. The Punch Bros, was in gress form for the winners.

Northcote Presbyterian A play South Yarra on the isster's ground, which is at the corner of St. Kilda road and Commercial road. Team—Thomnon (2), Richardeon, Shand, Olark, Teschale, Adams, Allen, Lovell, Gough, Horsley, Reid.

Presbyterian B team play Port Melbourne at Northcote to day. Team—Livingatoze, Brown, Shugg, Bull, Mokerzie, Hustings, Bowles, White, Bichardeon, Rattray, Chapman, Walker, Bray, Grindrod.

North the LOR, play Fort Melbourne Railway, United on the ground of the former to day.

South Preston Mathodists continue their

nor to day, South Procton Methodiets continue their match against Wesleys on the former's

LOOD POISON CAUSED BY A RUSTY TIN.

speakable Agony—Flesh Away to the Bone.

ther Striking Zem-Buk Cure. out the last finger of my left th a piece of rusty tim? saw rold 25. Carrick, of 17 Rule Richmond, Melbourne, "Blood Jet in and the finger assumed ous proportions, swelling up with nmation. Stiffness occurred in pints, and spread up the arm. I i not use my hand, or scarcely use wrist. The flesh was eaten right CONSULT v to the bone, and for six month

indured unspeakable agony. During at time I experimented with a lot of edies, but not one of them did me any good.

Pinally I was advised to try Zam uk and was delighted to find that the first two or three applications gave me some relief from the awful burning pain. I kept on applying Zam-Buk, and in time all the poisonous pus and matter was withdrawn and the healing matter was made and the word of the word of the word of the wonderful manner and no spot or some remains to show where the injury

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BOWLING.

Preston Branch A.N.A.

The last meeting was held on Thu aday, when Mr. A. Wheeler was elected a member. An honorarom of £1 is was voted to the treasurer, Mr. A. J. Biker, for the cap the and untiring way he had carried out the detice during the past half-year. Mr. Biker suitably responded. Mr. Mal-z-hu complimented the auditors on the way they ad carried out their duties and for the promptness of their report, and the branch also decided to place on record their ap precision of the expressed appreciation of the "Leader's" courtesy in publishing reports. The next meeting will be on the St hinst, when a cleonasion on "How to colebrate our anniversary" will be held. Depensary mem bers are notified that prescription books are now the state of the sta LOW TEADY.

Prahran, 2 for 14 A large crowd is expected to watch the play.

At the invitation of the Preston clubateam from Ruhmouth, Ballieston and Mooralisted Praton on Bozing Day and put opageod game, the sores being—Visiting team. 7 for 219 (Jones 143 nos out, Johnson 26). Cheong 24); Preston, 9 for 168 (Howes 47 rot out, Walters 26 retired, kobinson 26) Johnson 4 for 23.) The locale entertained the visitors to light luncheon in the pavilion, which was decorated as well that it was hardly recognisable. The ladies provided afternoon tea at 4 p.m., for which Mr. E. Cochrane thanked them on behalf of the visitors, praising the ladies for their splandid repast. Mr. Paterson returned thanks in behalf of the ladies. After the match all adjourned to the North Preston library hall, where a good dinner was waiting and done full justice to. This also was provided by the ladies, even a Christmas pudding being in evidence. Following the clumer cames musical evening, and as quite a host of talent was available a very enjoyable awas ing was spent. The ladies remained and participated and quite er joyed thomesters. Mr. Cochrane and Mr Cheong again thanked the wisiting team. As individuy dinner three sittings were necessary and 60 partook of the good things. As the siternoon teamed the evisiting team. As mid-day dinner three sittings were necessary and 60 partook of the good things. As the siternoon teamed in the the visiting team. As mid-day dinner three sittings were necessary and 60 partook of the good things. As the siternoon teaming men 34 were ented at the tables, yes won generous provision was made thas enough remained to feed as many again. Saturday we all met at the test match and took our visitors to tea, and these to the theater. Most of them returned on Tuesday, 2nd January, well pleased with their visit.

The Northoote club elsevan will resume their competition matches to day, when they

January, well pleased with their vialt.

The Northcote club eleven will resume their competition matches to-day, when they will meet the strong Carlion eleven. The locals hope to give a good account of them selves. The match will be played at Meril Park, commencing at 2.30. Team—Bedford, Bolton, Cor., Dunn, Eaton, Hayes, Merrie, Phillips, Price (2), Schwaebsch, Soott, Thomas.

the committee consisted of Messrs J. Mc-Kenzle, M. Cocherell, M. Thomas, G. Tur-ley, and J. Ryau, ably assisted by Q. Muir. These gentlemen deserve greats credit for the manner in which they carried ont their onerous and respective duties during the

Holy Trinity, Thornbury.

THE WIPING OUT OF THE DEBT. THE ARCHBISHOP'S APPRECIATION.

During 1911 Holy Trinity, Thornbury, raised £900 in cash, and has over £820 in promises outstanding. The gallant and uocastul effort to free the church from debt has met with appreciation in high quarters, as the following letter will show:—

Bishopsourt, Melbourne.

2nd Jan., 1912.

Dear Mr. Wood,—I bave heard with much pleasure here your leadership, faced the responsibilities connected with the building of the church. I rejoice that all the debt can be a discharged and you will find that the now be discharged, and you will find that the discharged, and you will find that the discourance are said to beiping partable which show such a noble spirit of soil help I shall be glad if you will make this lette known to your people.—Faithfully yours, H. L. Mathouank.

Motor Cycling. Among the compettors who took part in the reliefulity remerrers Bydney to Melbourne, a distance of 583 miles, was R. H. Glantied, of Bydney, a former resident of Northcote, who succeeded in riding through without losing a point. He rode a 24 hp. Bradbury cycle, and never had one occasion to bouch the engine, thus showing the perfection to which motor cycles have attained.

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A Scotch-stralian Vorsion.

Riding down from Glasgow, On the morning train, After days of puddling In incessant rain;
Met old man McTavish,
Staved with him a space,
Now I'm leaving Scotland,
At the hottest pace.

There's no haste or hustle
In a railway chiel;
Guard would "blaw the whustle"
When he "deemed it weel";
Guard has befty whuskers
I would have you know,
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Riding down from Glasgow, Back to Birmingham, Filled right up with porridge, Scones, and cake, and jam; Loaded down wi' shortbread, Haggis and oatmeal, it it come, wonder s it onny wonder I'm no' feelin' weel?

Wi' ma coat an' bonnet
I hae wandered roon,
Speirin' o' the bobbies,
Seein' o' the toon;
Time is awfu' preeshus
When you bide a wee,
But I hairnt the language,
As you plainly see.

Thustles by the wayside,
Thustles doon the lane,
Thustles till I'm plagued
Thustles on the brain;
Tertan in the windows,
Fartan in the windows,
Tartan in the soap.
Tartan in the soap.

Crept to kirk one morning, Proud as onny man, Being horn a hardened Scotch-hy-ter-i-an; Meenister's lang sairmon Did me unco guid, Half his convairsation Wasna understood.

Och! I met a lassio, Whisht, an' I will tell; Ever hear o' Mary, Bonnio Scotch blue-bell? Eyes are gems of morning Black as night her hair, Lips like bow a-bending, Cheeks red roses wear.

Hoots! me hecart she's taken, Wi' her winnin' smile, And her ither name is-You might guess—Argyle; She's a Hielan' lassie, Is my Scotch blue-bell; This is confidential, An' ye maunna tell.

Riding down from Glasgow, Through a bonnic land, With the hills of heather Grey on either hand; Birthplace of my ain folk, Oh, my heart is sore-I am leaving Scotland, For a distant shore.

Ridin' doon frae Glesca— Dinna, dinna greet; Pairtin' maun be painfu' When the meetin's sweet; Mon, I love yon countree, W' its hills and stance, For I hae its specut Coursin' thro ma veins.

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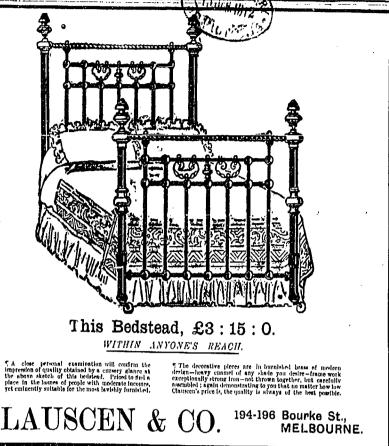
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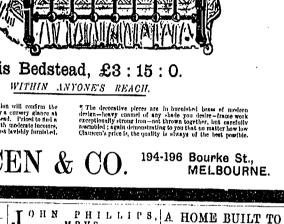
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KNEE: 7 p.m., Mr. J. M. MANKEY.

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onducted by Rev. G. J. Mackay. Meet o stelde, 6.40 p.m.

Local Governmen

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By order, W. G. SWIFT, Town Clerk Municipal Offices, Northcote,

21st Docemb r, 1911. FOWN OF NORTHCOTE

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE A GENERAL RATE

Notice is hereby given that it is the intention of the Council of the Town of Northcote, at a meeting thereof to be held in the Municipal Offices, High Street, Northcote, on the 15th January 1912, at 7.30 pm, to make a Genera Rate of Two Shillings and Threepence in the Pound on all rateable property assessable in the said Town for the period commencing on the 1st day of October, 1911, and ending on the 30th

day of September, 1912. The Estimate of Receipts and Expenditure, prepared in accordance with the "Local Government Act 1903," is deposited at the said Offices for inspection by Ratepayers during office hours.

By order, W. G. SWIFT,

4th January, 1912. DHIRE OF PRESTON

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE A RATE Notice is hereby given that the Municipal Council of the Shire of

Preston intend, at a meeting of the said Council to be held on the 22nd day of January, 1912, to Make a General Rate of Two Shillings in the Pound on the Net Annual Value of Rateable Property in the Shire of It is intended that the said Rate

shall be made for the period com-mencing on 1st October, 1911, and on ling on 30th day of September, 1912, and shall be due and payable or the 23rd day of January, 1912. The estimate prepared in accordance with Section 267 of "Local Govern-

ment Act 1903" is deposited for the inspection of ratepayers at the Shire Office, Preston. A. DEAN.

Shire Secretary.

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Local Government.

Notice of Intention to Borrow the Sum of Nineteen Thousand Six Hundred and Sixty-Six Pounds for Permanent Works and Un dertakings.

Take Notice that the Council of the l'own of Northcote propose to horrow the sum of Nineteen Thousand Six Hundred and Sixty-Six Pounds £19,666) on the credit of the Mayor ouncillors, and Burgesses of the said Town of Northcote, by the issue of debentures, for such amount, in ccordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1903."

The rate of interest to be paid shall so £4 per centum per annum.

The interest shall be payable on the lst day of March and the lst day of ptember in each and every year, a e Commercial Bank of Australia imited, Northcote, or at the Council' ounkers for the time being,
The debentures will be redeemable

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espective year.
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Northoole's proportion under
Order of Minister of Pablic
Works, for payment of works
within the Shire of Heldelberg
already partially constructed...
(2) Biomwater Sewer, Green St.,
Channelling and Iolets, northerly from end of present sewer
at Westgarth Stroet
(3) Artburton Road Widening,
from High Sirect to the Railway, Channelling, Metalling,

way, Channelling, Metalling, and Formation; also construction of Roadway from Arthur-ton lload to Elm Street on cast side of the Railway

(4) Derby Street Construction, Extension from Mitchell Street to Separation Street, Construc-tion, Metalling and Channel-ling to be carried out in con-

ling to be carried out in conjunction with works provided
in Loan 7, and to include any
corpores of Extension

(5) Main Drainago S wer for area
between St. George's Road and
the Railway, north of Artburton
road. Ohannel-ling St. G. orge's
Raid, Inlets, Culveria, and Lifting and Re Setting Channels...

(6) Viotoria Road, M-tailing and
Ohannelling, further Comple ion of Work between Mitchell

Street and Separation Street.
Violetia Read, Matuilling and
Chancelling between Separation
Street and Clitton Street.

(7) Mary Street, Drakings Scheme
to Content Designs & Mary

TOWN OF NORTHCOTE McIstosit. - In loving thoughts of dear mother. "Time only adds sweetness to the fragrance of her memory." enuary 12th, 1007.

In Memoriam.

Published every Saturday Morning.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, Northoote and district feel decidedly prou

handsome win against Prabran. It was an exploit that will always stand high in the annals of the club. Up to the present the club have won all their five matches a eir percentage of points gained is 66.66, the next highest being St. Kilds with 41.66. It is a position in the cricket world that is very reditable, and we beartily congratulate the pon it. There are at present pretty solld visions of the premierable, but these would soon vanish if the efforts of the club are in way relaxed. "Now is our chance" should be, and doubtless is, the watchword of every player. Nothing succeeds like success, and local enthusiasis are now following and watching the doings of the club with keenest interest. oon vanish if the efforts of the club are is

erungs much for the garm of ter which has prevailed in Northcons stronghout the holidays when there was practically no business or the court on Monday after its month's acation. Gilbert Smith was fined £2 for not having his child vaccinated, and Henry Mullenger was released from payment of £2 10s 9J, arrears of maintenance of his child in the achools, on account of illness which prevented him carning any money. The chairman (Cr. Tharrait) and ex-Cr. McIntosh for the Bench, Sergeant Trainer on behalf of the police, and Mr. Treyvaud (Clerk of Courts) cordially congratulated Cr. Hayes upon his permanent appointment as a Justice of the Peace; remarking that his sound ommon sense and business ability would erve him in good stead in the position. Cr. Haves suitably acknowledged the congratulasecured the appointment in a rising town like

The monthly meeting of the Pender's all his old sleekners, leaving him almost Grove Settlors' Association was held on spate and hard as nails—a typical Mallos settler. Wednesday, total mess, at Language a good attendance of members. The balance sheet of se Xmas festival, which showed a substanial credit, was received and adopted. It wa stolved to re open the garden competition early in the autumn. A committee wa med to consider ways and means of securog a block on the estate for the purpose esting a ball or club-rooms for the use of the members. The syllabus committee pro rided shooting and quoit competitions for the amusement of those present.

The monthly meeting of the Northco Scuth Ratopayors' Association was held in All Saints' school room on Tuesday last, the president (Mr. Wright) in the chair. Mr Brothers reported on the official visit to the forthcote East Progress Association, and Mr. Tulk re the entertainment given to the bildren of Northcote in the town-ball or Docember 80. The best thanks were accorded Mr. Wright, for the success of the entertainment. Members of the N.S.P.A. and the and the N.E.P.A. paid an official visit and were heartly welcomed by the president. It was resolved to co-operate with the N.S.P.A. In securing a crossing over the railway line at Simpson street. Cr. Mason reported on the efforts of the council in cleaning the Merri Creek. Mr. Boulter was closted on the zecutive, in lieu Mr. Michell resigned. Members then gave their varied adventure and experiences during the holidays, which were of an entertaining nature, after which

MISS EVELYN SCOTHEY.

TRIUMPH IN AMERICA. Seeing that Miss Evelyn Scotney got all er carly musical education locally (first at

Tocalisms.

Or. Howe war in Monday evening ap-pointed to repri at Preston at the forth-coming educational congress. For the fifth year in succession the

er cent. of the current rate. The mayor of Northcote has arranged with the Freeton council for the return match at bowls to be played on Wednesday, February 7. Victory rested with Preston on the first occasion, and no doubt Northcote will be assiduous in practice on the rinks from this

is returning to Northco'e, and will signalize the opening of his new shop by holding a moneter sale, during which every line will be at sale prices.

Norman Brown, N.O.C's. interstate representative, put up a wonderful bowling performance.

contaitve, put up a wonderful bowling perfor-mance last Saturday by securing seven of Prabran's best batsmen for 21 runs. In recognition of this fine achievement one of reognition of this fine achievement one of he most prominent of the club's supporters a having the ball silver mounted and this will be presented at to-day's match by the president (Mr. W. S. Stott).

The 21st anniversary of the Preston divi-sion 0.8.T. will be celebrated on Feb. 11 and 13. On the former date there will be special church services, and on the latter a temper ance banquai in the school hall, for which leading artiets and speakers have been engaged.

Triffite Report Sale of Jeaps Triffite Report In a sale with At will be seen from the announcement in our amusement column there is to be a grand double programme at the Lyric Theatre this evening, that is, in addition to the usual array of star pictures, there are to be items by several well known members of the Yaudeville Artist's Association, including Mr. Joe Wallace, the favorite comedian, Miss Rosalle Dodds (serio), Harry Fleet (barlione), Son Shaipr (cornedian), and Crystal Sylvons (song and dance) Popular prices, same as herefolore, Gd and Sd, will be continued.

The halance remaining after all grooness.

The balance remaining after all expenses vere paid in connection with the return ball o the president of Prestonshire and Mrs. A. lobertson—£1 13s 6d—has been handed to

Robertson—£1 135 0d—nas per the Ladica' Benevolent Society. Preston shire council give notice of their intention to strike a rate of 2s in the gound. Mr. Frederick Malkin, formerly a constable bero, now a Malice settler, visited Northboote this week and received a warm welcome from his old conferers and friends generally. Got ting 100 acres under crop the first year and preparing for 300 this season has dissipated all his old slockness, leaving him almost and hard as malice, a twicel. Malice

have now a lead of 40 in the Governmen any output to the transfer of transfer At the meeting of the Northcote I.O.R. or Thursday evening next there will be a debate between the local members and Hawthern, the subject for debate being "Is Preference Desirable to Unionists." The public are in-

Hattam and Hattam, drapers, &c., North-cote, announce constitual bargains this morning and every day next week in connec-tion with their summer clearing sale. "Summer goods will be offered at price regardless of cost." This is one of the an nouncements in connection with Hattam and Hattam's sale. Minth annual pionic of R. B. Lawrence's smployes takes place at Blackburn on Satur-day next, 20th inst.

The work of duplicating the Heldelbergline was commenced this week, 40 men being Mr. Membrey, M.L.A., who dropped in at the Preston council meeting on Monday evening, was given the customary seat of honor, and had his bealth proposed by the resident (Cr. Robertson).

VETERAN PIONEER GONE. After a painful illness borne with great ourage and cheerfulness, Mr. W. H. Lockwood, the veteran engineer of Whittleson and and Epping shires, passed away at his resiin his 80th year. Mr. Lookwood was born at Glossop, Derbyshire, England, and was educated at his uncle's private school. At the age of 20 he decided to emigrate to Australia

Death of Mr. W. H. Lockwood

Sirce and Higher and State of the Children Street.

Network and Street.

Network and Children St

DEATH OF MR. T. THOMSON.

We regret having to record the death of Mr. T. Thomson, who having carried on the chief news agency of the town for 21 years, was one of Northcote's best known business men. Till some internal complaint began to affect bis health about the middle of last year, Mr. Thomson was one of the most energetic of men; not only nursuing his own arduous calling, early and late, but also finding much time to give to other local matters. If there was one thing more than another that had his was one thing more than another that had h coasion, and no doubt Northeoie will be siduous in practice on the rinks from this ut to get even.

J. W. Mankey, draper, announces that he roturning to Northeoie orieks cloud with it when it occupied a very lowly place, but through all its vicinsitudes stuck to a roturning to Northeoie, and will stomatical it. as concater will incommend to the commendation of the ike a hobble shirt. Smith is branded on his brow, and Smith he must remain until the taking af the next cen

the occasion of his retirement (solely on account of ill health) at the last annual meeting, when he was made a life member, and also by the handsome testimental presented him in the shape of a gold watch, only last mouth. Mr. Thomson also served for a considerable time as a member of the early Bards of Advice, and during the whole of its time in Notthoote bas been prominently connected with the Northoote Presbyterian Church and School. He was treasurer of the church for a considerable time, was one of the oldest members of committee, and a trustee, and was for a long time a teacher in and secretary of the school. In the earlier town pionies he was always one of the most active workers; in fact, the giving of pleasure to the children secured to be always one of this special delights, for though seemingly a little brusque outwardly he was a man of the kindest heart. Up to the lest, almost, he fought against his illnes, probably enduring great pain, but breeping that from others. Just at the New Year he went to a private he spital to be under the treat ment of Dr. Mackeddie, but raturned home,

ment of Dr. Mankeddie, but ratured home, and his principal to the All Library room ing. The interment, which was private one, took place at the Coburg cemetry or Thursday, Rev. R. W. Rook conducting the service at the grave. Mr. Thomson leaves a widow and two sons, one Mr. John A. Thomson, rate collector of the town, and Mr. William Thomson, who has been assisting in the business.

MALLEE DEVELOPMENT.

NORTHCOTE CONSTABLE AS PIONEEI SETTLER.

In December, 1910, Constable Frederick Malkin, of Northcote, was the successful applicant for a 500 acre block at Underbool, midway between Murrayville and Ouyen, and as showing how much he "meant business," he had shed his police uniform, sold off his superfluousgoods and chattels and removed to the place of his future home by February of the following year. He found his holding in a state of nature, covered with a dense sea of scrub, but so quickly and so energetically did got to work that he had 100 acres cleared and ready for the plough by the autumn. The ready for the plough by the autume. The ground had had no chance to sweeten and the ground had had no chance to sweeten and the orop was only gut in hastily so no great things were expected, more especially as the rabble were a bit troublesome; but the yield was beyond antiopations, Mr. Malkin securing not only enough wheat to sow the 800 acres he expects to have ready for the plough this casen, but seed to sell to his neighbours a well. This was the first wheat grown in the locality, and Mr. Malkin has thus the distinction of being the ploneer farmer in the distinct.

trict.
There was recently a sale of township loss adjoining Mr. Malkin's land. The upsel price was £15 per los, yes, such is the faith of the people in the district that they averaged £70.

SHODDY ASPHALT. TO THE EDITOR.

Sir,—At present the Presion council it having a scotion of Bell street west aspnalted A part of the asphalt is completed, and the other part has remained unfinished for som weeks, as the contractor has had some private weeks, as the contractor has had some private that the probabbands as the probabbands as the contractor has been some private that the probabbands as the p work in the neighborhood, so pushed the council work on one side. It is to be hoped the engineer has not passed this work

that she engineet has not passed this work, as it is the poorest piece of asphalt welfer has ever been guilty of treading on. Already the wind has blown away almost the whole of the trip dressing, and what is underneath looks as if it would also share the same fate. There is no doubt that at the winter approaches it will devolop into a chain of water ruis—thus becoming worse than the model of the trip.

RATEPAYER.

THE CHURCHES. On Sunday evening last, in the Pres-

A NEW YEAR'S PLEDGE AND Here I lift my heart and hand, Pledged to Thee, my Lord, I stand; And all the world I count but dross, Glory only in Thy Cross. What have I to bring to Thee? Nought but sin and misory. Who Thy Love and Power can tell-beey, immense—unsearchable. Thou hast led me through the year, Wiped away my every tear; Thou hast rolled away the stone, Called me by Thy grace alone. Through the year my life has been Marked by waywardness and sin; Yet Thou has the Wanderer blest,

Now, I come to Thee for Light; Guide and cheer in Life's dark night, Now I rest upon Thy word, Dare to call Thee—God and Lord. Melba on Fame

Through my Lord's Own Right

Thy old old story of "Vanity—all is a vanity was repeated by Madame Melba at Bydney the other day. Addressing berselt to a vanity may be strongly for fame is along a path a stream with shores, tears and tribulations. The way is long, bard and dreary.

My advice is—Bing, if you must, but sing for your husbands, and eroon a love song for your husbands, and eroon a love song for your bales.

WITH SMITH IN IRELAND

A TRIP TO KILLARNEY.

By WILL W. ROCK, I have a friend called Smith who ometimes takes a journey with me. Its name is not Smith, but I call him smith because he seems peculiarly dapted for the title. Smit

The worst thing about Smith is his appetite. It is large and costly. Oths besides myself have discovered this But he has sufficient good qualities to more than compensate; a natural gift for argument that should have qualified him for the front rank at the (legal), and which may yet render him an ideal husband; the keenest sense of humor that makes him an ideal travelling companion. His humor is in-deed remarkable. I am not a medical man, but I have never known a case where this sense was so abnormally de veloped. No quip is too dry, no chestnut too ancient to raise a bubble of mirth from Smith Smith is a philosopher of the dyed-in-the-wool type. Second lastly, he is an Australian, though that of course is not his fault.
When Whitsuntide came along with

problem stared us in the face. were many place, we wanted to visit the variety of vipe entysticing in decision more difficult. We gave the matter our consideration for a week beforehand. Smith had a deal to say/ on the subject of tourist resorts. People who had the largest opportunities ? for knowing nothing about the matter

usually say the most. We sat in committee on a pile of colored handbills that set forth the attractions and advantages of almost every holiday resort in the British Isles, Smith remarking that those we did not use would come in handy for shaving paper. We studied the fares, the routes, the time at our disposal. And the upshot of it all was that we found ourselves at loggerheads Smith had a predilection for Scotland, I was bent on the Emerald Isla

Long and heated was the debate that followed. Smith wanted to go to Glasgow, and brought all the power of his logic to bear on the subject. I put in a claim for Killarney. There fell a silence between us. Then the change came, as sudden as the meadow-scented reeze that sprang up from the south. What caused it I know not, but to this day I am suspicious. Silently Smith aroso, aimed at a distant fly through a crovice in his upper teeth, laid him low, and said, "Wo'll go to Killarney."
His accents were decisive. When Smith puts that hard tone of finality into his voice I have learned to accept

ne situation without demur. The following evening found us training every nerve to catch the excursion train. A little mistake in de-ciphering the time table—only discovered at a late hour-left us with the narrowest of margins. But we had not lived on a Melbourne suburban line for nothing. All the experience of the past in late-rising and quick-sprinting came to our aid, and a welltimed run up the long platform at Snowhill station saved the site

and caught the slowly-moving to Smith's breath was coming back to him in great long sobs. Unfortunately, or otherwise, he is somewhat short-winded. But with his usual optimism he was trying hard to smile through the gasps. I felt guilty. Mine was the a chain of water ruis—thus becoming worse than the good old "aborigical" road that did duty so long. It would be far better for concelliors to see that their officers were properly supervising the shire works than seeking for an opportunity of prosecuting a ratepayer for removing a treeguard he didn', shift. Hoping one of the three councillors representing the west ward will take a stroll along and have a look at this example of courtact work.—Yours, ele,,

breath again. We were sitting in a third class carriage of a Great Western train. There is no fourth class. It was one of those wide-seated little compartments that are extremely comfortable ton Methodist Church, the following bymn, composed by the minister of the oburch (Rev. E. O. Knee) was sweetly and effectively sung as a duet during the offertory by Mesdames Mutimer and Dubourg. It is danced to a merry tune as the wheels called:—

quickened their pace. Satisfied that we had fairly started we began to look ahead. Killarney is one of the remotest spots in the British Isles. To reach it from anywhere entails a long and weary journey even in these days of rapid transit. From our starting oint in the Midlands it meant a trip of 15 hours by rail and sea. It became painfully apparent that an all-night sitting lay before us.

We dined sumptuously that night in the restaurant car of the long train.

"When you're going on a sea voyage take in fuel," he said, "It's the halfompty oraft that gots shaken up when it blows rough. Mine times out of ten she has to heave to. Take my tip, if you don't want to heave to, lay in trainst." Accordingly we took in a de

suggested economy and a light repast,

out Smith would have none of it.

would be take the count, and allow the waiter to present the bill. Sometimes I am sorry for my country On the south-west corner of Wales.

hors d'auvres as the train cleared the suburbs of Cardiff. The hills and coal valleys of South Wales slipped past as, we joined issue with a well-disguised entree. The seaport of Neath came up out of the darkness, and dropped back into it, as Smith toyed with a tenderloin. I had fallen out of the for your measurer, your bables, your bables, Triumphs are inspiring, but they do not stand for true happiness, running. Swansoa found him speculating in chooses; and the red glow from the foundries and tin-plate works on oither hand flared vividly against the dark hill-face. With rare pluck Smith wrestled on. Nos until we had A left the lights of Llanelly far behind

> tucked away in a cleft between dark, green hills, is a little town that has sprung into importance in recent years. It is the port of Fishguard, which owes its sudden notoriety to the fact that the big Cunarders, the "Lusitania" and the "Maurotania," and their passengers and mails at its wharf. The revolving light, out the mole was should it. light on the mole was shooting its white fisches out across the Atlantic as we slipped through the hills and ran smoothly on to the jetty. The transfer to the steam packet alongside was the work of minutes, and the little steamer trembled and quivered under the tremendous driving power of her turbine engines as she dipped her nose into the channel.

Three hours is not a great while to

The Daughter of a Prodigal.

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CHAPTED IV

Woman Against Woman. As through a mist, Vera gazed at the figure of the woman until it seemed to assume the proportions of a mighty apparition. She raised both hands to her blurred eyes, and the woman, taking this to be a sign of encouragement, walked over to the verandah and entered the room by the French

window.
"I am glad to see that you are a girl of sense, Miss Lynn," she said.
"I am the last person in the world to make a scepe, unless I am forced to do so."

Vera was still speechless with her-

Mrs. Carradice settled her generous figure in a large easy chair, and attered a deep sigh of relief and com-

"I am sure that I shall be very happy here," she announced. "Surely you ain't tongue-tied, Miss Lynn I know that this is rather sudden, but know that this is rather sudden, but you needn't look as if you had been frozen to death. I suppose that your dear pa never mentioned the fact of his first marriage? I told the parson to break the news to you gently, and I've got all the proofs here. I can understand what it means to you, Miss Lynn, but don't blame me. I will say that he believed me to be deat before he married your, mother, and I didn't. he married your mother, and I didn't care to undeceive him, for fear of spoiling a good time. We were a pair of young fools in those days. He fell in love with my looks, and, being an earl's son. I guessed be would have lots of eash. I reckon he deceived me shamefully. Well, I went back to me shamefully. Well, I went back to the boards. My theatrical company went on tour, and we were burnt out in San Francisco. Three of the girls lost their lives, and one of them was mistaken for me." She laughed, seemingly amused. "And I had a newspaper containing all the barrowing details sent to my husband. I can fancy how he kleked up his heels for toy, just as I did. Well, I wonder what my welcome's going to be like? It's lucky for me that I've got the law on my side."

A dreadful calm had settled upon Tera. Suddenly she shook off the pell and stared straight into the conspell and stared straight into the con-ident, succeing eyes of the woman.

"Perhaps you will show your proof to me? I am not supposed to accept the unsupported statement of—any person," she said, her voice cold and

ievel.

"It doesn't matter what you suppose, my hauchty lady, and the best proof is to send for your papa. Alpresent I am going by my maiden name, but I'm Mrs. Harry Lynn allright. My marriage lines are in my pocket, and the ceremony took place at the parish church of Delby. Special license, if you please! The idea of your sauce. And in my own house,

Vera laughed, triumphantly-bitter-

ly.
"True or false, your story does not affect me. This is my house, and my servants shall eject you."
She walked to the bell, but the other sprang forward to intercept her.
"Girl, are you mad? Do you want me to give this scandal to the neighborhood?"

"I am indifferent to your threats.

Leave my house."

Vera was nearly frenzied. Before teaching the bell-push she realised that the house was in confusion. A man dashed along the drive and disappeared; then Mr. Varden glided into the library, his face ghastly, his releasurements. voice quavering.

"Miss Lynn—my dear child. Your father—I'm afrald it's all over. I have sent for a doctor." He made a de-spairing gesture. "He brave." "Brave? Yes, with a knife in my

heart."

She recled past him to the room where her father lay at full length on the carpet, a pillow under his head. She knell beside the still form, chafed the limp hands, and kissed the unretears. The doctor arrived, and in due course the window blinds of Hazel bank were dropped-the Hon. Harry Lynn was dead!"

Carradice shuddered. I will leave by the way I came

Miss Lynn, and wait until after the funeral."

She rose from her chair, and glanced toward the French window.

"I insist upon a 'horough understanding now, and if you come here again you will be treated as a trespasser or a thicf."

"My husband has surely left money, and I shall claim my rights," was the lesperate rejoinder. "You will molest me at your perfit. The parson here has seen my proofs. If you are not as shall be formed by the proofs. an absolute fool we can come to a settlement, and the world be none the

"You have heard me. Now go!"
"You have heard me. Now go!"
Vera pointed one quivering finger to
the open window. "I will give you
nothing: I would not step one ligh
out of my way if you were dying in

he gutter." The woman's face became livid. "I shall come to the funeral, and I will hear the will read," she threaten ed. "You are playing with a threas," She walked off, taying in the air

In the drive she came to a half, and faced round, talking wildly, and shak ing a cleached hand Vera laughed scornfully.

"You see to what depths of mean-ness some people will go." she said. "That woman believes me to be in her power—or did believe it. And yet Christianity has been preached for nearly two thousand years! I think the priests might save their breath, or give the world a new religion." or give the world a now religion."
"Miss Lynn! Miss Lynn! Such
talk as this is not worthy of you.
You surely need a woman's help and
advice in this dreadful trouble."
"That is what I do not need, and,

moreover, I will not have anybody fussing about me. I am at home to nobody until I have grasped the prob nonous mitti i nave grasped ino pro-lem of my fature. My poor, unhappy father is dead, and you know how I am left." She spoke with extreme bit-terness. "Within a few short hours my hopen have been completely sharted. Yesterday I was a child; to day I am a despairing but desperate woman. You will answer me truthwoman. You will answer me trungibility two or three questions, and then tability be girld by you will go. I won't ave the poison dosed out to me in brops. I am strong enough to take the clot to the dregs."

The clergyman stared at her, half the fort. He classed and unclassed

fear. He clasped and unclasped wilte hands; his lips moved, but "You were with my father when it

happened," Vera continued; "now tell me everything. Is that woman's

"I fear so, my poor child."
"Yes or no," Vora cried, stamping "I fear so, my poor cmm.
"Yes or no," Vera cried, stamping sr foot.
"Yes," he answered sharply. "I will not be catechised in this way. You are in my care, Miss Lynn—I promised your father—I insist!"
"I will not suffer your interference, and as I shall regret losing your

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"Your fitpency is painful to me, I pre left to look severe, John, and your presumption is almost enough," her lip curied with something

but his eyes were moist, and there was a lump in his throat.
"I have known you from babyhood,
Miss Lynn," he said, "and your words
out me to the quick. I am disappoint-

due on the mortgage I hold upon the Hazelbank estate. The principal exceeds the value of the property by a long way, and I am anxious to have it reduced. As we are neighbors I wish to avoid any unpleasantness, and hope you will see that my lefter is only fair and business-like. I take the opportunity of writing to yo the opportunity of writing to you while you are at home, as my legal man has failed to find you at the club. I am extremely sorry that I ever advanced you the money, as I should hate to have trouble with a neighbor. However, if you pay the interest due within seven days our friendship need not be disturbed.—Vants streegely Yours sincerely,

JABEZ CORSTON.

"So I am homeless, too!" said Vera.

sand pittes for the girl, but the man who advanced money upon the estate stands to lose it. Miss Lynn cannot be disturbed, unless she was a party to the deed."
"You do not know Vera Lynn, sir."
"Her father committed a very serious fraud, but she is in no way responsible for his action. I shall advanced the same shall be for his action. I shall advanced the same shall be for his action. sponsible for his action. I shall advise her to think twice before voluntarily becoming a beggar. What you have told me is no news to me, Mr.

Varden."
"There is such a thing as family bonor, sir. I believe that it is incumbent upon a child to pay the debts of its parents, to the ultermost furthing,

if able to do so, and vice versa." if able to do so, and vice versa."

Mr. Tenby laughed.

"Very pretty in theory—romance and sentiment, sir! If, the family honor is at stake, Miss Lynn's uncle, Lord Cawthorpe, should come forward. He is worth a million at least, In my humble opinion he has acted like a blackguard. I informed him by telegraph, and by registered letter, of his brother's death, and on the day of the funeral he merely wires his regrets at being unable to attend! Disgraceful!"

Mourners and friends, gathered in Mourners and friends, gathered in little groups, nodded and whispered. All sorts of rumors were flying about, and there was some exhibitarating scandal in store for the cossips of Glastoniee. Violet Carradice had listened to the reading of the will. She came quietly, and went away in the same subdued manner.

Violet Carradice A week passed, and Vera had reso A week passed, and Vera had resolutely refused to see a single caller. A couple of dozen cards by apon the table, and the owners of many of them had doubtless been relleved by the young lady's perversences. In the light of present revelations the acquaintance of Miss Lynn was hardly worth continuing. Some of her most intimate friends of the past had not cared to make any further inquiry about her.

cared to make any further inquiry about her.

In the meanwhile she had been facing the first real problem of her life. How was she to face the future? The very day after the funeral the tradesmen had become clamorous, and scarcely twenty pounds remained at the bank. The home she loved was hers us longer, and though it would be like rending soul and body apart she would have to loave it.

he like rending soul and body apart she would have to leave it. In the midst of such bitter reflec-tions as these the sitting-room she had occupied since her father's death—a small study behind the library—was invaded by John Russell. He was looking considerably ruffled and an-

gry.
"How dare you" she said, the color "How dare you "she said, the color flaming into her face. "Haven't you the decency to respect my wishen?" "Decency? Ret! I got your absurd letter less than an hour ago, and you would have had me here the day it was delivered if I hadn't been a couple of hundred miles away on business. I had to handle your butler roughly, poor old chan."

poor old chap. He advanced towards her, his hands outstretched, his blue eyes alight with

outstruction, his blue eyes alight with his love.

"Vera, my darling, how could you do it? How could you fancy for one minute that I would put up with it. We have been lovers for one blissful Year, and we will remain lovers until the end of all worldly things."

She put up her hands to her face to bide her anguish, to hide her angulah.

"My decision is final, John." she said chokingiv, "Please go; you are making it so terribly hard for me."

"Stuff." he retorted derishvely, "I know your case--your pleadings are here"—he tapped his breast-pocket—"but I don't propose that you shall make sidpwreck of two lives for mere the westlimated research. ly sonthmental reasons. I am not to be influenced by anything. I love you, and you love me, and there's an end of it."

"You are presuming a great deal thn. Now let us suppose that I de

John. Now let us suppose that I do not love you."
"But you do!" he answered quickly, almost flercely. "You have argued very prettily, but quite unconvincing-ty, in black and white, that we must part because of one or two things over which you have no control. Oh, I haven't patience to go over all the all-liness. I don't care if you are penni-"Yes," he answered sharply. "! llooss, I don't eare if you are penniwill not be catechised in this way,
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overpowering. I do not love you -- I do not even respect you-and am deter-mined that this shall be our last meeting."
"Good beavens!" he said, aghast.

cut me to the quick. I am disappointed in you; you are inworthy of yourself. . . . I don't know," he added, pacing up and down. "I don't know May heaven give you fortifude in your hong of trial. . . . Yes: there is somethin letse—a letter which gave your your misguided father his real death-blow, it came this monaing; it is here."

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Is here."

He laid a sheet of crumpled note paper before the girl, and she smoothself it flat upon the library table. He saw her start when she observed the address from whence it came, and the look of hatted which overspread her face while she read the terrifying words:—

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ways are apart."

John Russell stood speechless for a full minute. Vera faced him, her eyes ablaze, her bosom heaving omultuously.

"Poor little girl!" he said at last,

"the trouble has upset your head. I am no tool of Corston's, I am an equal partner with him in the Midland Colpartner with mm in the annuana col-llery. I don't owe him a shilling. But what's the use of tabking?"
"We have talked ten much already, John Russell." Her voice quavered, her eyes were very mournful. "It must be read but now."

he good-bye now."
"Must it? You heap any amount of

He turned and walked to the door then looked round.

Vera's back was to him, and she gave no slen. He did not know of the anonised strain at her heart. Life held little chough for him now, and he resolved there and then to break with Jahez. Corston, and go away—anywhere—from Glastonlee.

He left the room, furious and despairing. Even as he stepped across the hall he saw Mr. Corston entering by the front door. The wealthy brewer was being shown in by a servant, and he nodded smillingly at Russell. His pleasantry, however, was

shook it off impatiently, saying:
"I'll wait."

He paced the drive restlessly, his hat swinging in his right hand. The heat of the day seemed to be sufforable. Oh, it wouldn't be possible to him to endure Glastonlee after this, and he would settle with Mr. Corston that very day. He gave a convuisive sob, and then glared hereely in front of him with blurred eyes. He heard the crunching of the gravel under quick feet, and the voice of Jubez Corston was speaking.

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The very next morning Vera received a letter from her. It was respectful—even appealing. She wanted money—a few hundreds would satisfy her. She had been discreet, and would continue to be so.

"Discreet" sneered Vera. 'And the stry the gossip of the hour. I cannot help her, and I wouldn't if I could."

She destroyed the letter and ignored

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ness point of view it's a loss. Fre-lent twelve thousand pounds on it, and it wouldn't fatch more than eight in the most favorable market." 'Now,' continued Mr. Corston, "what's the bee in your bonnet? It seems that Miss Lynn is determined

seems that Miss Lynn is determined to upset everything. It isn't so easy as you imagine, young man, to execute a partnership deed, and creep out of it, lust when you think you will. But as your young woman hates me like poison I'm not going to stand in your way."

"What are your intentions regarding." In your way."
"What are your intentions regarding Hazelbank?" John Russell asked, irelevantly,

elevantty, "Oh. hang Hazelbank! I must take possession for my own protection, but it will be purely nominal for a year at least. A couple of the old servants shall temain to take care of

"Miss Lynn has chucked me over," said Russell, "bag and baggage. You must get me out of Glasionice if the partnership goes on." partnership goes on.

"Simple chough, my lad! You can live within easy reach of the colliery, and it will be a good thing for one of us to be on the spot. There are pleaty of pleasant places outside Wellingham."

gnum. "That settles il, thes," John Rus sell said. His face had cleared marve

lously, "Yet," answered Jabez Corston heartily.
They gripped hands.

CHAPTER VI. Vera's Plans.

"I fear I am a great trouble to you, Mr. Varden," Vera said, three days after John Russell's dismissal; "but I have no one olse to whom I can turn. The infinite consolation I have received from your friendship has helped me to face my trouble without

filinching."

"I am glad to be your confident, my dear child, if not your advisor." The clerxyman spoke rather sadly. "I have hastened to obey your letter, you see."

"Yes, you are kind, more than kind."
She turned to him appealingly. "You won't negative anything I have determined upon, and you must promise absolute secrecy."

more than disdain, "to schedule the furniture upon which be tent his money, and to inform me that all which is not described in the inventory is mine absolutely. How very kind and considerate! The creature is entitled to a halo, I should imagine!" "Only a matter of business, Misa Lynn."

CHAPTER V.

Facing the Storm.

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The was quite under the impression: Said be: "Hims many be different by and been received by his tate client.

The poor fellow was really many thousands of pounds in debt," Why Varion sighed. "He has common the client of the bear was pleased to find that everything had been readed by the cause by the client of the bear this no lonner. I had and lost the fellow several conditions of pounds in debt," Why Varion sighed. "He has common more in the sound immersal that has been cliented, allowed by John the several forms of halledmather."

The poor fellow was really many thousands of pounds in debt, "Why Varion sighed." He has common more in the several canded by a several forms of balledmaths of the client of the bias common more in the several forms of balledmaths. The faures represent a fortune, while, as a matter of face, his account at the beat was a many that the suffered from several forms of balledmaths in the suffered from several forms of balledmaths of the suffered form several forms of balledmaths of the suffered forms of balledmaths of the suffered form several forms of balledmaths of the suffered his many than the suffered him to suffered his many the suffered him to several forms of balledmaths of the suffered him to several forms of balledmaths of the suffered him to several forms of balledmaths of the suffered him to suffere

Vera's back was to him, and she gave no sign. He did not know of the anoused strain at her heart. Life held little enough for him now, and he resolved there and then to break with Jabez. Corston, and go away—anywhere—from Glastonlee.

He left the room, furious and despairing. Even as he stepped across the hall he saw Mr. Corston entering by the front door. The wealthy brewer was being shown in by a serivant, and he nodded smillingly at Russell. His pleasantry, however, was fleeting.

"Something wrong?" he said. "You mustn't mind Miss Lynn's pride, in the circumstances it is very natural. I am here by appointment—she made it herself. I intend treating her with every consideration."

"If you don't I'll shoot you?" Russell snapped. "See here, Corston, wonder if everyhody is going mad be cause Harry Lynn was a hnave and a fool!"

He placed a kindly hand upon the young man's shoulder, but Russell shook it off impatiently, saying:

"I'll wait."

He paced the drive restlessly, his hat swinging in his right hand. The

you have known me for any number of years, and that you can thoroughly vecommend me."

Mr Varden was very quiet and very

grave. He did not object to the re-sponsibility, but the affair was not exactly to his liking. He hated being a

Hps.
"There, there, I didn't want to re member that, You must curb these lamentable lifs of temper. I will stand by you at any cost, Miss Lynn, and you may safely trust Mrs. Varden and you may safely trust Mrs. Varden and me to be your life-long friends. When I receive Mr. Trederrof's letter I will answer it to his and your satisfac-tion, and I will make immediate ar-rangements to store your belongings at the Vicarage. When would you like them removed?"

"To-day, If possible; I hate being

"To-day, if possible; I hate being here on sufferance. I feet that I am being spied upon by Mr. Corston and his creatures. The man who brought the inventory is still here—a foxy, wicked-looking wratch."

Mr. Varden smiled, in spite of himself.

"It is just as well," said he. "This man shall chock the conds as we re-

man shall check the goods as we re man shall check the goods as we remove them and sign the schedule. Now, what more can I do for you?"
"Oh, nothing—nothing, I think that I have put sufficient tax upon you already. It seemed to be a triffe at first, but the responsibility is growing—growing," Her eyes shone through a mist of tears. "You will continue at I have been thoughtest. forgive me if I have been thoughtless and unkind?

d unking?" Warmly be pressed her hand. Warnily he pressed her hand.
"I have nothing to forgive, Miss
Lynn, My heart sympathizeg with you
he your frouble, and I think that I admire your pluck and spirit. Your
vitality and fresh young, strength,
your innate goodness and physical charm, will soon triumph over the a versity which you are determined shall

not overwhelm you."
"Don't pity mo-don't be too kind,
Mr. Varden," Vera half sobbed, "or I
shall broak down. I deserve to be
scolled——"
"Now to finish up matters," the
viear interrupted briskly.
He nodded smillingly and burried
off; it required an effort to suppress
bls own emotion.

CHAPTER VII. John Russell Makes a Promise. The yiear never did anything balfsizzling hot, it was he who engineered or departure from Glastonice a coupl her departure from Giastonica a couple of days later. It was his closed car-riage which was employed in the early hours of the morning to drive to a busy railway station half a score of miles away.

The train came in briskly, and as it was some minutes late the officials "Miss Vera Hope?" And after she bundled in both passengers and luggace with scant ceremony. Vera distance with scant ceremony. Vera distance is Trederoft, Rather an informal

more than dedult, the released to the property of the property

Gently he took her arm.

"Come and rest, and talk to my
mother. I will see to everything, You
can travel with us to Wellinghean,
where you will have to change trains.
I dibut know you had friends in the
Midlands. Here you are! Mother—
here's Vera—coing northward also,"
He left the two women together for
a while and his steps were swift and

a while, and his steps were swift and buoyant. This chance meeting had pleased him mightily. Surely the phased nim mignite, surely me finger of Providence was in It! He went back to Vera's luggage and smoked a pipe. This was going to be a pleasant fourney after all. He looked at the clock. Only eight min-utes till the train was due to start, notes till the train was due to start, and the passengers were hurrying to their places. Russell went in quest of his mother and Vera, and his heart leapt when he saw that they were sitting very near to one another, and that their eyes were beaming love and confidence. Then he laughed like the over-grown boy that he was, and they followed him to the train.

There was not much opportunity for conversation, and Fussell contented himself with furtively watching the face of the woman who was all sympathetic listener.

sighed Mr. Varden, and like to know more about to have known me for any number f years, and that you can the syntaction. Substitute of inquiry reaches you. Say that you have known me for any number f years, and that you can the syntaction. There was not much opportunity for conversation, and Fussell contents of the woman who was all the face of the woman who was all the world to him. But he was resolved to make thines a little plainer between Vera and bitaself before the final parting came, and then it was for her to deelde. He reveiled in the fact that that particular train langered the convenience of travellers to work them and hour at Welltslie world to make thines a little plainer between Vera and bitaself before the final parting came, and then it was for her to deelde. He reveiled in the fact that that particular train langered the convenience of travellers to more than an hour at Welltslie world to make thines a little plainer between Vera and bitaself before the final parting came, and then it was for her to deelde. He reveiled in the fact that that particular train langered the convenience of travellers to more than an hour at Welltslie world the face of the woman who was all the white solved to make thines a little plainer between Vera and bitaself before the final parting came, and then it was for her to deelde. He reveiled in the fact that that particular train langered the convenience of travellers to more than an hour at Welltslie white convenience of the white current was a wait of the final parting came, and then it was for her to deelde. He reveiled in the fact that that particular train langered the convenience of travellers to white final parting came, and then it was for her world to make thines a little plainer het convenience of the wonan was related to make thines a little plainer het convenience of the world to make thines a little plainer het convenienc

as he had schemed for—until it cane to that sections little talk, and then he cuite forgot his level and diplomatic speech.

"You are not angry with me now another can't hear. She's a little deaftyon know—and very tired."

"No, I am not angry, John." His pulses quickeenel, but she anticipated him, and continued: "You have been kind to me, and I am grateful. You have given me your promise, and I

lind to me, and I am grateful. You have given me your proubles, and I shall hold you to P; I know that I can trust you."

"Vera," he answered huskily. "I want to put myself right in your eyes I can great a I can. You know that I borrowed money from Mr. Corsion, but It was upon good security—there's no shape in that The more bearing the state of the state horrowed money from Mr. Corston, but it was upon good security—there's no shame in that. Then more was wanted, and he came to me with it in his hands; I did not ask for it, and he met me straight and fair. He offered me an equal partnership in a colliery; his money against my brains, and I am here to manage that colliery, and make a fortune for you!" He had become enthusiastic; his eyes were shining, but Vera only shivered.

red. "There are insurmountable reasons "There are insurmountable reasons why we should never meet again, You know what they are, John; and you are allied to the man whom I believe to have robbed my father and me of my home. I loathe bls very name, and some day—some day—". Her eyer were abloze, and her face was na white as paper, "You understand?"
"I'm afraid I do," said John Rus-

scand f" "I'm afraid I do," said John Rus-sell.

CHAPTER VIII "Miss Hope."

"Miss Hope."
Weltbridge is an exclusive Midland town on the border of the mining country. Turn you northward and within a mile you will find smoke-blackened villages of the meanest kind; the houses are little botter than hovels, and the denizens are as dark and ancount as their surroundings but Weltbridge has no interest in any thing beyond its own confines. Smarthing beyond its own confines. Smar, cartiages, prancing horses, liveried servants, and splendid sutomobiles pass along the narrow. High-areat. Only one street is recognised, the offers are mere by-ways. Several of i old mobility have country seats white easy reach of the fown, and there are scores of little magnates who have a nodding nequalutance with real lords. Decayed military heroes strug about, and give impossible orders to superfor tradesmen, who make themselves ridiculous by imitating their betters in the matter of dress and deportment. hing beyond its own confines

Miss Hope was very pale and very lired, and wished to be alone. She told the housekeeper so with an air of thallty which she could assume their betters in the matter of dreas and deportment.
But the country south of Welrbridge is glorlous Indeed, and when the 3.15 train wheezed into the station that sunny day Vera caucht a charming glimpse of hills and dales and emerald fields. She opened the carriage door and slepped down to the platform, quite calm and self-possessed. She had put aside all soubre reflections, and was prepared to begin the new life in a business-like manner. well.

iew life in a business-like manner. While she was instructing a porte as to her higgings a tall, bearded gentleman ndynneed towards her, his whole face alight with gratified curi-

"How very Interesting," said Mis Hope.

The carriage drew up before a gran. the carriage new up ocore a cam-ite archway, in the roof of which the groove still remained wherein the portculls had glided up and down portculis had ginted up and down centuries before. Above it was a tower, plerced with eyeler holes and surmounted by battlements. The broad moat was spanned by a modern bridge, and along its shallow sides wild flowers flourished in profusion and the moses error.

force interest of the place, inding her a sympathetic listener.

He ceased abruptly, and assisted the girl to alight from the carriage, which had drawn up before the main cutrance. Two servants were in prompt attendance, and behind them stood a portly lady attired in black with

and hundreds of years slace."

For a'l her volubility, Mrs. Palmer's volce was soft and almost cooling, a reflex of her gentle and sympathetic nature. Forgetful of her own subordinate position, Miss Hope regarded the lady austerely; then she walked over to one of the windows of the spacelons, and spieddlykamonited. over to one of the windows of the spacious and splendidly-appointed bedroom, and a little cry of delight passed her lips. The window opened upon a balcony embowered in roses and jasmine. Below was the courtyard, and beyond the vines lad boundary wall she beheld the woods of Trederoft, outlined darkly against the brilliant blue of the June sky.

"Do you like the view, Misa Hope?" the bungkeener asked.

the housekeeper asked. "Like it?" breathed the zirl. "I no nonsescence askeg.

"Jake 11?" breathed the zirl. "I can smell the pines and the scool-violets, and hear the thrushes!"

"Your slitting-room adjoins," Mrs. ("Your slitting-room adjoins," Mrs. (page 12) and the second asked to be reserved for very important zie. Is in the old master's time, but we have not slitters of that sort now. You rae, Mr. Trederoft's mother is a cood deal of an invalid, and rather strange in their manner at times. But you will soon discover all these things for yourself. Shall I help you unpack your boxes."

"No, thank you," the girl said. "I have all that I shall require for immediate use in the wleker basket."

A footman in blue and gold livery was superintending the transportation of the new companion's luggage from the cart to be backer, while a pompous

the earl to the tender at the head of the main staircase, while a pompous butter looked on. When the last pack-

hutler looked on. When the last pack-age had been delivered, the footman ventured a suggestion as to the dis-position of the heterogeneous pile, but was frozen into silence by a mere ser-ture. The butter smiled inwardly. "And she can imitate her betters, tool"

to well.

"I will send you a cup of tea, and
I you want anything clee you have
nity to ring."
Then the door closed upon Mrs.
Palmer, and the new companion threw
herself upon a soft couch under the
window

CHAPTER IX. Her Opportunity. norning.
The sunshine was streaming into be room through the open window,

channes.
"Do you mind, Miss Hope? I say that you shall do this, that, and the other without asking your consecut."
"You have employed me to do as I am told."
"Nowsense! Your work doesn't be. "Nonsense! Your work doesn't besin at six o'clock in the morning. in at six o'clock in the morning."
"Well. I was just longing to have
walk in the woods. I have always
meen used to early morning jaunts."
"Come along then."
Together they crossed the courtyard,

Mr. Trederoft expatilating the while upon all and everything concerning his house.
"The woods are always lovely," said he, "but in spring and early summer there are none so heautiful in all England."

He unlocked the fron-clamped door the battlemented wall and pushed

open.
"These are my friends and compan-"These are my friends and companions," he said, outspreading his hands. "The trees, the flowers, the birds, I love them all; and if I could forzet the wrongs I have suffered from human kind my life here might be one of perpetual song. You woner that I talk so freely to you—a stranger? I am a close student of character, and I don't think that I shall have reason to alter the estimate have reason to alter the estimate world. fact that that particular train ignored the convenience of travellers to Welrbridge, and there was a wait of more than an hour at Wellingham. So he was very hopeful, and hegan making his plans. A nice little lunch at an hotel, and a little serious talk! this mother's presence would not matter—that dear, simple and placid old lady. Everything turned out pretty much is he had schemed for—until it can to that serious tilt the talk, and then he he for that serious tilt talk.

That alone forms between us ond of sympathy. Paradexical as it my sound, I am at war with the rich and the great; the poor are not worth coubling about." He writted his teeth, and a suller

lare crept slowly into his eyes; then e laughed, and went on: "You are not afraid of me?"
"Oh, no!" the girl promptly answer
d, "but I am puzzled." "I am an enigma to most people Miss Bose: I shall not always be so you. Ostensibly you are my nother's companion, but with this ery slight duty must be combined

rederoft," she sald.

Trederoff," she said,
"And pray, what do you know about
nursing invalids?" he asked,
"You have a list of my qualificaling," said Vera. There was a dawnling fear in her heart. She had put
all her trust in this chance of living
a way life. r new life. "You can read and converse in sev

eral languages; you can play various musical instruments, and incidentally you are an expert at croquet and tor-bie; you can ride, drive, and tramp-ten miles in any sort of weather."

"You are making fun of me,"

"Oth are I are not but your com-

"You are making fon of me."
"Oh, no. I am not; but your common-scaee must tell you that theseaccompilshments would be entirely
lost agen my poor mother, who is not
only Pl. but half-demonted." His voice
broke and his eyes moistened. "I love
my mother, Miss Hope," he added,
simply.
"When 4 id you discover my unsuitability?" she asked, half angrily.
"The instant I beheld you I knew
I cesial make better use of you, E you | cesid make beffer use of you, E' you ere willing. Harder work and greater

sere willing, Harder work and greater responsibility mean better 1837. Two or three hours daily to my mother, and the remainder of your working time to me."

The spoke haltingly, and the girl pabel and flushed. They were pacing stonly to and fro.

"You surprise and humiliate me in a breath, Mr. Trederoff, The fruth is, you consider me atterly incligible."

"Nonzenne! If that were the case I should not keep you here for twenty-

"Nonsense! If that were the case! I should not keep you here for twenty- is four hours. There is little sentiment; about me, Miss Hope-particularly swhen it clashes with my business interests. I am a ruthless business man before all clae. I am a collery owner, an ironnaster, a financier, and generally a man of blood and iron. I use if my wealth, not because I need more, but for the pleasure of crushing pressurptions rivals. I mote out to other a little of the inhumanity meted out to me when I was helpless. An eye for an oye-a tooth for a tooth, and I believe and act up to the old Mosale law."

won. "What do you mean?" she said.

"What do you mental vision is and, "Himply this, My mental vision is no clear that I have been accused of being a c'airvoyant!" he scoffed. "You have a nature something akin to inline; you have soffered; you despise humanity; you——Enough! I can trust you with my schomos.

and she stepped out upon the balcony to breathe the scented air. From the words came the incense of flowers and the melody of happy birds. The trees were waving gently in the breeze, and all the music of nature was an invitation.

don't want a mere machine to make thorthand notes and rattle a type-words came the interest and the with one was a share them with one whose interests are identified by the control of the control

of most clannish of horses, refusing to mix with any other race, and resolutely preserving his peculiar distinction through untold ages."

This sounds as if the piebald held himself to be the aristocrat of the equine race. By the way the plebald, properly speaking, is the black and white horse; and the one that has divisions of white and constitut, white and have or white and roam be called a sions or white and chestnut, white and buy, or white and roan, is called a skewbald. Doubtless, the title "pichald," owed its origin to "magple."

The exclusiveness referred to by historians as being a peculiarity of the pichald is new to me; but, of

course, I have not had any opportunity of observing the habits of the particular of one in his aboriginal state. colored one in his aboriginal state.

I have noticed, however, that when a strange horse is introduced to an established mob, the newcomer almost invariably chums up with a white horse if there is one on the run. The black horse is mentioned as the fifth of the original equine families and the grad to go the his largest of

world.

It was not until long after the ass and the ox were in service for common work that the horse was used except in sacred functions and as a valued co-warrior. Nor was it until man began to recognise the futility of incessant warfare that the horse was utilised in agriculture, and the other enaily argues occumations.

other equally arduous occupations. Evidently the chestnut, the brown, the roan, and the cream are colors that have come by the ture of the original colors. More modern is the tracing fleabilten grey; and it is hel wherever this color is for wherever this color is found—in draught horses and in the lighter breeds—it is a sure indication of the infusion of Arab blood. The color study is a fascinating one to

study is a fascinating one to the horseman, who makes it a hobby, and the "Stockwell spot," frequently re-ferred to by racing men, and which is a black spot on a chestnut horse, is supposed to be peculiar to descend-ants of Stockwell, the famous Eng-lish thermylbred lish thoroughbred.

There is no doubt that peculiari-There is no doubt that peculiarities of color are sustained for many generations in horses, and the white spot on the belly of a draught horse is regarded by many as the hall-mark of the Clydesdule, owing to this mark having been a peculiarity of representatives of a highly-esteemed Clydesdule, and

dale stud.

HOW TO TEST EGGS There are two simple tests for ascer nining the age of eggs, which it is iseful for sellers and buyers of eggs

lo know. The first is by observing the size of The arra is by observing the size whether it space, which is very small in a new-laid egg, but increases as the egg grows old.

To assortain the air space, hold the egg up between the eye and a lighted condite.

The second test of the age of an egg is made by procuring a solution egg is made by procuring a solution of sait and water, consisting of half a pound of sait dissolved in three pluts and a half of water.

A now-laid egg will sink to the bottom of this solution, an egg three days old will remain suspended in it, an egg four or five days old will rise to the surface.

he surface. The older the egg is the greater will be the portion of it floating above the surface of the liquid.

Sir Arthur Sullivan's Mistake. Unless it was pointed out to you, it

is not likely that you would notice a fault in one of the most beautiful songs written by Sir Arthur Sullisongs written by on account yan.

The great composer was at one time greatly worded about what he considered a most serious flaw in "The Lost Chord." The words were inconsistent with the idea expressed. Where does the inconsistency come in? Probably you do not at once see it. This, however, is the matter which worded however, is the matter which worried Sir Arthur. The word are, "I struck one chord of mucle like the round of one chors of maye—a toom for a toom on and I believe and act up to the old Moenic law."

She shivered, while he laughed fero-clously.

"You --" he began, and then paused.

"What do you menu?" she said. Strange to say, nobady ever to have found II out,

> What is the difference between the bark of a tree and that of a dog? —
>
> One is the product of the bough, the
> other of the "bow-wow,"

He

committing suicide, overcome by

udden disgust for his wasted iffe

"This paper Jacob stole, and you bought it of him this paper that

oum piaju isia aciana suojaojsku clears me of all suspicion. I was the robbed your deak; it was I who stole

this paper that is worth a king's ransom to me. It is safe in other

He paused, and glanced with search

should cemain here?" It was Errob

who asked the question.

She gazed at Cunningham pittless

, her face almost stern in its pa

"It is my wish that you should r

derire never to see you again." The light leapt into Errobl's eye

ice more. He went and opened th

"Go" he said, in a voice that sho

with rage scarcely controlled, "or remain and receive the punishment at

Expostulating words sought expres

condigiance into that grim set face

guage that is love's own universa

HIS NEW RAKE.

phatically, "you can't borrow my den rake. Can't you see that using it myself? Do you suppose

resh out of the store. "I have to lay in a new outfit ever

ng to last."
"A stranger hearing you talk would

"A stranger hearing you talk would think you never borrowed anything, but there isn't a bigger go-as-you-please borrower in this country than you, and the things you have forgot-ten to return in the last year or two

rowed my new wheelbarrow and kept it six months? Who was it borrowed

graph record when I borrowed it, and

spent C2 for repairs on the blamed

ding, and this is all the thanks I get

"You ought to be ashamed to men

my sausage grinder and using it to a stone crusher for three months be

said you would return it in an hou

that hole clear through to China, fo

are so deprayed that you woul my anger down town and sell second-hand store.

"Yet I don't know. A man who will

talk as you've talked to me foday, heaping insult upon insult, has no conscience. You just keep your blamed old rake!"

THE ORIGIN OF RESTAURANTS

The restaurant of the present time

"What business do you think you

would fill a store. Who was It

sir," said Rumbelow,

sion upon Cumulucham's lips, but

ny hands you so richly deserve

ing gaze towards Gertrude, whole aspect had changed. She

rande now,

that?

mgue.

d joy personlified.

The Shadow of Suspicion By Oswald Clifford

The telephone-bell tinkled in a prolonged wave of sound, insistent, almost violent; and to the sudden strained fancy of the man who heard it there seemed beneath its metallic capple a note of menace, of warning. He took down the receiver and Estened, and, as the voice at the other end reached him across the wire, the look of confidence and courthat seemed natural to his strong well- ut features vanished suddenly. is it struck away by an unseen hand. He pansed some moments before esponding to the demand this voice nade; then but very reluctantly, he made our reply, and dropped the re-ceiver hurriedly, as if glad to end that

stief colloquy. A little later his cork entered, and anounced that Mr Ambrose Cunningann wished to see him by appoint

Brde - Errold nodded for the calle to be admitted. A moment or two later he came in with slow step, a handsome man, but with rather fur tive eyes set in a pallid face a face that just how expressed some inward

"You know the object of my visit? began, when the clerk had with-

Errold shook his head "I cannot even gaess at it," he an

swered coldly. "I will not keep you long in doubt As I hinted across the wire, it refers to your immediate past, to an episode that occurred in California exactly three months back. On a certain night a man met with his death in his shanty at Windy Creek. He was discovered shot through the heart. way was at once suspected. His last known visitor was a man named Dandy Bruce. A quarrel had occurred between the two men a few days earlier, a quarrel that had been itnessed by a number of people.

This man, Dandy Bruce, fled from the township that very night. known to have sailed for Europeand there all trace of him was lost. His real name no one scemed to know. He had been called Dandy Bruce ever since he had first made his appear ance in that rough community, and too sobriques had stuck to him. But enat appeared unknown there I have discovered - this man's real identity. Here in London he is known by the are one and the same.

A flush of color had come into Cunningham's face. His eyes sparkled with undisguised malice.

"I do not deny my identity." Erthing to do with poor old Jim Vansittart's death. Why, we were the best of chums, and he was the only man in whom I had confided the news that a small inheritance had fallen to me and that it would enable me to say good-bye to a life I had long hated, and return to England. He knew this

--and be alone. "I went to his shanty that night to farewell, and if I kept all knowtedge of my approaching journey from others, it was only because there was no one whom I regarded with suffi-cient interest to tell them my af-

"And the quarrel-that quarrel witnessed by others?"

"You could hardly call it a quar-Vansittart had half-poisoned him-with the stuff they call whisky out there, and in his drunken fury wanted to hit me. I parried his blows, but once my fist landed home with more force than was intended, and he was knocked down. next day he had forgotten all about it, and we were chums once more, as we had always been from the first day o

A faint smile, the shadow of a sneer, came into the listener's face.

"Not a very strong defence, I fear." No defence is needed." Errold spoke with a greater show of conf. dence than inwardly felt. "For one thing, what shadow of a motive could imputed to me for desiring to slay Vanshtart?" he added.

"The dead man possessed some money-not a large sum, it is true; but such as it was, this money van-ished, and it has been proved that part of it, certain numbered notes, ero cashed by you."

"Pshaw!" Errold exclaimed, limbatiently, "Jim owed me money-a longstanding debt-and he paid it in full some considerable amount, which I was pleased to have. He assured me he could easily afford to return it and in face of that assurance had no hesitation in taking it."

"Oh, your story is altogether too Where was your discharge of the debt? I suppose even in that uncivilised part of the world borrower and lender?"

"Oh, man, the Rockles are no Lombard-street. A man's word counts for something out there."

"Then you are prepared to face the risk of being charged with Vansittart's murder?"

There is no case against me--nothing but rumors, which I myself have only lately heard. But there is nothing tangible to go upon - nothing

whatever." Don't place any rellance upon in fact. Scotland Yard has been instructed by the American authorities, and at this very hour detectives may be keeping observation upon your movements. I gained so much from an official source."

"What induces this warning, then, if warning comes too late?" "I do not say it is too late - at present: but to-morrow it may be.

There is only one way out of it-flight." And that you would counsel an in-

nocent man to take?" "Your innocence it may be impos

sible to prove. And, to speak bluntly, I for one believe you guilty, and ers would believe the same. The facts are all against you. What per son in the world would accept your bare assertion of innocence, your un supported word?"

"Don't you think there is one?" Er-rold put the question in a provoking

Bullen red came into the other's acc. He tugged at his moustache vith visible chagrin. "Perhaps it is to spare Gertrude that

-that I am warning you now. But don't bonst of that blinded girl's foto in thinking you are a hero."
"Oh, man, I don't boast." Yet there was a ring of joy in his accents. "And as for your warning, that is so disinterested, let me thank you for it, and let me tell you this. I am an a dull pe

one woman I love, the woman you But give up all thought of her, Ambrose Cunningham; for last night—yes, last night—she promised

o become my wife."

The color had gone now from Cuningham's face; it had changed into livid, yellowish hue. "Then you disregarded my warning? fon will remain here and face this

"Why should I inform you of my itentions? You are here, not a my friend, but as my enemy, destre my absence, because flight would seem to confirm my guilt, and, moreover, the way would be clear for you to gain your heart's desire.' Cunningham muttered some almost unintelligible words; then, taking up his hat, made an abrupt exit.

The mask that Errold had worn to this man slipped down a little with his departure. He realised the gravty of his position. But he was a man prompt to act

when action was demanded, and ar hour later he was entering a well-kept garden that faced a dainty little house house where Gertrude Lanc esided, dwelling there alone with an aunt, an elderly lady whose ill-health kept her a great deal in her own

He was not kept long waiting. few moments later a girl entered the room into which he had been shown She was a tall, slight girl, with dark hair waved back "over a pale brow pirit-pure." But now the warm colo stole into her face-a bloom that gave

in added loveliness to it. Something of the confidence with which he had met Cunningham left Errold now. His voice and face were oth grave when he spoke to thi girl whom he adored.

"Gertrude" -he took her hand in is, and his tone was very tender-1 -1 am forced to go away from here am compelled to leave England.

She looked up with startled eyes. You-you are going away? echoed the words falteringly. "Isn't it rather a sudden decision?" She tried hard to speak in a casual manner, but her voice was poignant

with pain. "Gertrude, I was weak and a coward when last night I gained from you that dear promise which you gave me. I should have waited, or at least have told you then that a black shadow rests upon me that I am suspected of a crime. I thought little of it until this morning; the certainty of my own innocence gave me a false name which you yourself bear; in fact, Bruce Etrold and Dandy Bruce rumors in a distant country that wove themselves around me and an-

other a dead man whom some ima gined, in their stupidity, that I had slain. But since this charge is hanging over me 1 must face it. told spoke the words coolly. "What I do deny, however, is that I had any and set up my defence to whatever may have been brought against my name since I left there. Gertrude you believe me when I swear to yo that I am innocent?"

"You need not ask it, she said, dowly, "for you know-you must now-that I believe it. Hut-but ou will return soon?"

"Oh, yes; I shall come back very quickly, for everything I love is he everything that I value."

immediately after that interview with Gertrude, Errold returned to London. There should be no delay. He would

sail for San Francisco at once, it was satisfactory, in his present restless state of mind, to learn at the shipping office that he could leave London upon the following day As he turned from the building he glanced with a certain suspicion up and down the road. It may have been fancy, induced by anxiety, but certainly he was possessed by the feel-

ing that he was being shadowed, watched, his footsteps dogged.

He purposely made his homeward ctrcuitous one, glancing behind him occasionally, scanning the

Yes; that heavily-built man with the III-fitting suit and the elaborate air of unconcern—his suspicion upon him at last, and Errold strove

to shake off. He paused, as he continued his way, glancing with indifferent eyes into various shop-windows, striving to discover if he had shaken off this persistent pursuer. But all at once his gaze became fixed upon some object exposed in a shop-window, and everything else-this man who was probably a detective, and even Ger

endo-fuded from his mind.

It was nothing particularly striking that attracted his attention in this shabby shop where secondhand articles of divers description were exposed for sale—only a rather curious-looking revolver, chased somowhat elaborately with a distinctive scroll around the tarnished silver barrel. But, unless there were two existing there were such things as notes of jo a dead man—a weapon, moreover, acknowledgment passing between that he had seen in Vansittart's possession upon the night when he had

. Without caring whether he followed or not, Errold entered that

shop. Outide a man waited and watched. But his vigil was in vain. That shop had a second exit—and through that door in the rear Errold made his departure some quarter of an hour

But he ald not return to his rooms. Nor did he sail for California upon the following day.

"Gertrude, are you being deceived in this man, wilfully deceived. You imagine that he has departed from England to prove his innocence. But he is guilty, and that is why, instead of going to California, as he must have informed you, he is lurking in a low part of London, hiding in semilinguise, dreading arrest."

The giri turned a white, strained "Bruce Errold in London, hiding! Oh. It is impossible. He would have ent to me; he would have written

should have known." "I; "It his silence proof of what I tell you? (lertrude, look at this paper. It is a potograph, and howver greatly you may distrust moon have no reason to do so-you can ot suppose that this photograph lies See for yourself. It is a snapshot of a crowd of loafers gathered round the ruins of a fire in the East-end of

She took it from his hands and gar ed at it with despairing eyes. Yesmongst those leafers, disguised as he was by rough clothes and unshaven chin, it was yet possible for her to

orognise Bruce Errold.
Why was he skulking here-unless guilty indeed? The girl's heart seemed to stop a beat, then throb on with . She covered her face with her hands.

"Gortrude, I know where this man

Is lodging; it needs but a word from me to reveal his wherenbouts to the police. Shall that word be spoken? He dare not meet his charge; shall i ompel him to? I shall be guided by our word alone. She turned with a startled look, eye

ng him with a frightened expression "1--1 do not understand," she stam tered. "What what do you mean? "I think you know," he responded, note of passion coming into his "Before this man came into your life you were beginning to care for me a little. You would have become my wife but for this infatua tion for a man not worthy of your dightest thought. Oh, Gertrude, turn o me, but my love speak to me; for

zet him." She gave a little cry and drew back, shiver running through her. stared at him with wide-opened eyes Yes, there was cruelty in that face erce determination. She understood as he intended her to, that his words meant if she promised to become wife he would remain silent regard-ing Erroid's hiding-place, or other wise betray him to the police.

She began to plead with him, to tel him how useless it was, how wretched he would be, even if she became bly wife-a woman whose heart would be

ce to him, whose soul was dead. She might have pleaded to the rocks. He was not to be moved or turned aside, except by one word; and that word he gained from her al

Gertrude stood surveying herself i the mirror with a face whiter than the rose she wore. Her eyes had a unted, tragic look that each day ha intensified since that afternoon, a fev weeks back, wher she had promise

become Cunningham's wife. There had been hours when she felt the sacrifice was beyond her, when she had almost been driven to take her life, only that would not have saved Errold from Ambrose Cunning-

ham's active hatred. Both parties to this strange mar riage, the eager bridegroom, and the eluctant bride, had agreed upon one point. It was to be a quiet affair, solemnised in no church, for Gertrude felt it would have been unholy to be wedded in such fashion.

And now, dressed quietly in soher raiment, Gertrude stood awaiting Cun. ningham. They were to drive togeth er to a neighboring registry office, and a few minutes would make ther

husband and wife. She started and trembled as a touched the door, but the face of agitation she turned towards Cunningham when he entered was not more filled with concern than his own. He was ashen in hue, and his features had a strained, hunted look, even as But at sight of Gertrude he seemed

a little cálmed.

"Burglars entered my house last night," he said; "that is what has made me somewhat late. Their object is a mystery to me, since nothing of value was taken, only paperspapers that I must regain, papers of mportance.'

He spoke in abrupt, staccato sylla bles, his voice shaken and hesitating.
"But—but there is not a moment to thes, his voice shaken and hositating.

"But—but there is not a moment to waste. Oh, Gertrude, once you have become my wife every care I have in this world will vanish, leaving the way clear as hope's own star can make it.

make It. But suddenly, as she turned towards the door, a voice outside made her pause. The blood rushed to her heart in a flood of tumultuous feeling.

Here-and at such an hour! what unkind fate had brought him within the danger-web that stretched so far to embrace him? Bruce Erroid himself! There was no mistaking that voice. She glanced at the man at her side,

my corn-sheller for half-a-day and busted all the works in it? The man's name was Rumbelow, if you ask me." "I'll have you arrested for slander wondering at the odd change that had occurred in him. He looked craven and arson and maybem and a lot more things if you stand there making such in that moment, his eyes wildly glanc. ing in all directions, as if to He visibly qualled beneath the stern fixed clance that Bruce Errold, appearing vel and scrap-fron through it for years, and it wouldn't shell corn any more than it would play a phono-

at the threshold of the door, cast upon him. One or two relatives of Gertrude's were at his elbow, but with an Imperative gesture Errold waved them back.

"My business is with this man," he said, in commanding tones, entering the room and closing the door. A touch of color came back into Ger trude's face. Hope that had long been shut outside began to knock at her heart.

a stone crusing it. That was a new fore returning it. That was a new grinder when you got it, and when it came home it looked as though it had been through the war. And what has become of the fifty feet of garden hose you borrowed of me last summer? You "Gertrude"--- he spoke first to her his voice one of strange repreach-"you-you might have waited a little, before you so soon forgot me. I was well out of way, out of momory. But and then you had a lapse of memory listen. This man you are going to "You have the gall to mention the listen. This man you are going to arden hose! You must bring it up to divert attention from the fact that you borrowed my new post-hole auger two years ago, saying you just wanted to make one hole, and then you'd bring it back. You must be running that help along the property of the fact that he was the property to the fact that he was the property to the fact that he was the property to the fact the same that he was the property to the fact that he was the property to the fact that he was the property to the fact that he was the was the way the property to the property marry, I must unmask him to you, even though it seems you care for him. Whether he persuaded you of tail, this revolver was one that he had himself purchased and presented be could have proved my innocence from the very first. He held proofs of it-proofs he had purchased from the never seen my auger since you another who held them. The man tucked it under your arm and marches

I was supposed to have shot died by his own hand." "It is a lie-it was you who killed Vansittari." The words came wildly, hysterically, from pale, shaking lips. His interruption was unheeded. Gorrude did not seem to even hear Cunlingham speak. She had moved a lttle closer to Errold; it was upon him that her gaze was fixed, and it

was to her he addressed his words. "I did not leave England," he con tinued, "as this man desired. The night before my intended sailing I came by chance apon a revolver that had given to Jim vangittart, exposed for sale in a shop-window. I had seen this weapon in Jim's jossession upon the night of his death, and know by this that it must have been brought to England by someone who had gone to Jim's shanty after I left-possibly

br his murderer. "The shopkeoper assisted me in my inquirles, and I traced the person who sold it-a man, a half-witted fellow, we used to call Jacob the Jestera well-known character in our town-hip, more than once convicted of theft, but let off on account of his

"Jacob must have gone to Jim's shanty and, finding its owner dead, selzed upon whatever there was of value, or supposed value. after he worked his passage to Eng-

land, with some papers he had taken from Jim in his possession.

"By chance this 'softy' fell in with you"—he turned now and addressed Cunningham, "Interested in him be-Hostaurant really means restoring and was applied to these places be-cause you went there to have some thing to revive or restore your fail cause you know he came from the art of California whence I had also returned, you questioned ing to discover something damaging regarding me. You gained his conidence—an easy matter for a man of your skill. He told you of his visit to Jim, his discovery of him dead, "What hushicks do you can't you son will adopt?"
"Can't say," replied Farmer Corn-tossel; "but judging by the hours Josh keeps, I should say he was "attirally cut out to be a milkman." and by his side a paper, in which he had written down his intention of

The Hundred-Pound Note THE ACCOUNT OF AN XPERIMENT-A TALE YOU WILL

Many of the members in the the Cambridge scientist theli guest was Balid, the multi-mil-honalic, there was an under-current of curlosity, for, outside business cirles, Balist was little known.

The millionable was an insignificantsoking man, with cloping shoulders and a puckered, ahrewd face. He seemed commonplace beside the indectual looking professor and the eavy jawed, masterful lawyer. They col talked over their business—the oundation and endowment of a legal aati at the University. It had been one of Baird's cynical fancies as nan who had next to no educationo have his name connected with the University, and at last the matter was ettled. The professor, relolving and glinting eyes, husbed them, ad with a backward glance he left them in additional endowment of £30,000 for his beloved university, lit a cigar and said: "Well, Mr. Baird, the uni-

versity is indebted, deeply indebted, o you? What does it feel like be the possessor of many millions Mind, I don't want any such sum for myself-another quarter of a million or so for the university is the limit of my desires. But I am curious know if there is any particular exillaration in the own ership of mil

nuch. "He should have added that you can marry the woman you like," inerposed the K.C. The millionali

using it myself? Do you suppose I in going to quit my work so as to lend you my rake? I'll be darned if you haven't got your nerve with you. I reckon you've noticed that this is a new rake? And over there you'll see a new hoe, and a new spade, and a lot of other thingunebobs; all new, feach out of the store. your pick of the women who want t "I have to lay in a new outfit every spring, just like that, and I'm slek of it. After I've had a new set of garden tools a few days, the neighbors begin coming over to borrow them. Last spring you came over to borrow my hoe, and said you wanted it for fifon to get money out of you, and it's pleasure beating them all the time.
"But still, you must have a goo teen minutes. I waited for it three weeks; and then went over to your deal of pleasure out of it in other

ways," said the professor.

weeks; and then went over to your place and asked you when you thought the fifteen minutes would be up, and you put on an injured air and said you returned my hoe within an hour after horrowing it. You left if on my back porch, you said. You didn't do anything of the kind. You never brought that hoe back, and never intended to."

"'Il take my solemn affidavit on the Gyernment horse-book. Rumbeoust, indeed, be a privilege. "Nonsense, there's a pleasure getting money, but there's not much pleasure in getting rid of it. Why am giving this money to your precious university? Because university men -who never carned a hundred pounds

in their lives---have always turned up their noses at me as if I were dirt. I'm just showing them what I can do Now, as long as the university lasts there'll be my name connected with it—the name of a man who never had sixpennyworth of education, but who made more money by his own brains than any score of your highly-educated fools. It's a joke, and it amuses me. But if you imagine that I go chucking cheques at all kinds of people, you're

ery much mistaken." very much mistaken.
"You miss a good deal, then," said
the professor. "I'm not a rich man
--the university calendar will tell you the professor. that my income is only £700 a yearbut I can indulge in the luxury of giving away an occasional fiver." Yo

iss something, Mr. Haird." The millionaire smiled unpleasant

so sure of that. An unexected gift might lighten the load of lfe for many people without demoral

in experiment. Do you mind asking the walter to bring the Directory?" In a moment the huge volume placed before the millionaire. "Now open it at random, professor, and put your pencil down haphaz.

"James Perkins, clerk, 140 Suther-

that I've got a hundred pound note in on the rent. But that's not all by my pocket-book. Pil just address an any means. My man has got in nvelope to Mr. James Perkins and with someone in the firm that em enclose the note. Then we'll see ploys Perkins. There are deficiencies what happens." 'But how will you know what hapfor a warrant against him for embezpens?" inquired the Professor.
"Oh, I've a "rivate detective I keep "Oh, I've a crivate detective I koop to watch over my business staff. Very necessary, too. I get to know then only demoralises them. Glad it's come hen a man is exceeding his income In time for me to tell you before

worth millions, people are that uncarned money will do this man harm; you say it won't. Well, you in that argument, haven't 17 You can the formust promise me that you won't in that argument, haven't 17 You can the formust promise me that you won't in that argument, haven't 17 You can the formust promise me that you won't in that argument, haven't 17 You can that desire the follow them money they have not earned. The professor's face grew very white, "Kindly loave the club," he work itself out. I'll be off now. I'll said. "I shall apologise to the composition of the following introduced a post the letter as I go. It'll be a little mittee for having introduced a lemand for a good nit comb at a general work in the lady, "it seems strange that he should only think of that dress sail now, because it's interfered by giving this Porkins (I's) and the lady, "it seems strange that he should only think of that dress sailt now, because it's interfered by giving that dress sailt now, because it's interfered by giving that dress sailt now, because it's interfered by giving that dress sailt now, because it's interfered by giving that dress sailt now, because it's interfered by giving that dress sailt now, because it's interfered by giving that dress sailt now, because it's interfered by giving that dress sailt now, because it's interfered by giving that dress sailt now, because it's interfered by giving that dress sailt now, because it's interfered by giving that dress sailt now, because it's interfered by giving that dress sailt now, because it's interfered by giving that dress sailt now, because it's interfered by giving that dress sailt now, because it's interfered by giving that dress sailt now, because it's interfered by giving that dress sailt now, because it's interfered by giving that dress sailt now, because it's interfered by giving that dress sailt now, because it's interfered by giving that dress sailt now, because it's interfered by giving that dress sail now, because it's interfered by giving that dress sail now, because it's interfered

some of the latter bit upon the idea of opening houses where dainties prepared by their skilled hands could be obtained. If the experiment succeeded the chefs would be as well of as when in service. The idea was pleasing to the public, the restaurants did a large business, and the proprietors had no reason to regret the revolution from a monetary point of view. Then it occurred to others that the people might appreciate being educated up to this fine cookery and many books on the culinary art were published, and sold well. One of the most noted of these was "The Gourmand Alumanck," which appeared in 1998. guest off to his motor.
"A quaint thing to do," said the professor when they returned to the smoke-room. "I like to think of that smoke-room. "I like to think of that the K.C. angrily; "but I don't mind little household in Peckham full of in the least admitting that I've lost abilation in the morning. Mr. Baird my temper. You're the monnest and s really far more benevolent than he most loathsome bound that I've ever seems. That cynicism of his is roully met, and I've prosecuted some brutes mask behind which he bides roul renevelence."

The K.C. looked at the professor.

And I wouldn't give you half a minute i'll kick you out.

And I wouldn't give you half a minute i'll keep you half a minute i'll keep you.

"You always take the best view of people, Norwood. It's your informal that you're an older man and half my kindliness of disposition. It's my belief that that man is a dovil. No; we have the lards and beat you instead." the Friday evening the million-

the K.C.

that it's working. This man Perkins might get him off as a first offender. wonder whether you would be any use as a witness. No; you're too a clock in a shipper's office Mac-Intyre and Co., of Coleman-street. His sulary is £120 a year, and he's fool ruthful to put in the box. You'd just say that you knew a gift of a bundred enough to have a wife and two chil-dren. They've already given notice ounds had demoralised him. o leave their house, and Mrs. Per couldn't help with the magistrate. hope it's merely embezzlement and kins has spent two whole days in the West End shopping. Perkins did not talsification of books, and that there's

eror before six months are over.

him letting Perkins go straight to

metetts," said the professor

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things in your practice.

ple are all outside them."

courts," said the barrister.

that he met the professor.

go to business the day the money arrived. He wired an excuse to the office instead. You see that the whole easier.' "I must go and see these poor beople at once. Somehow I must con-trive to raise enough to give them a thing is in full swing. I shall convince the professor that he was in The lawyer told the professor when "It's not the money. Confound you Norwood 1'd see to that. I'm not go

been no forgery. It'il make it much

he saw him, and the latter beamed ing to let you do anything with your at the news. "Good--you see they are moving to a better neighborhood income. You scientific beggars never have any chance of making money probably for the children's sake, and But it's the disgrace and imprisor of course the mother's been in town ment. That often breaks a man ab solutely. However, we can't do any buying some needed things for them And Baird professes to anticipate evil from this! I tell you, Ricketts thing now. We haven't their address I'll send my clerk down to the that our millionaire acquaintance i city in the morning and get to know nothing but a genial humbug. I'm rom his business place where he sure he's rejoicing in his heart ove was living at." "We couldn't pay the firm money !

the good he's done. Eve no doubt that in his time he's made scores of uch gifts." "Not when a warrant has been in "I wish I'd your faith in human na sned, my dear fellow. The law is not to be bought off in criminal cases: are, grunted Ricketts. It was a month later before the Come along. It's no use worrying aw the millionaire again. He had

about it to-day.

They spent a couple of hours been to America on business. But on the night of his return be appeared at the billiard-room. Ricketts absolutely declined to talk about the case. And the professor, in his eagerness to "I found my man's report waiting for me," he chuckled. "It was so good that I thought I'd slip round give scientific explanations of the souses that made him miss absurdly with it. This Perkins fool has left easy cannons and losing hazards, al his twenty-pound house and gone to one at £35 a year. New furniture, of most forgot his troubles At last Ricketts was obliged to go

course, and a forty-guines piano on the hire system. It'll take a bit of Come with me," he said to the professor, and I'll give you a lift to your ceeping up on £120 a year, won't it rooms. Lauch with me here to-mor You see that they imagine that C100 notes will come by every post. I tell row. By that time my clerk will have ferreted out some news as to the whereabouts of the wife and children, on that luck nover yet belped people If he'd earned that hundred pounds and we can do a bit to help them There's always the hope, too, tha o'd never be spending it like that. But you are in the background al the police will not catch Perkins. My the time, my dear sir," replied the experience of them is that they are professor. "I know that this protego rnathy stanid." of yours can rely on you, Mr. Baird. "He can rely on me," chuckled th "You're a good fellow, Ricketts,

said the professor. "The law hasn't hardened you a bit. 1 did you an inmillionaire. "You speak the truti there, professor, But I must get away instice in my mind, and I owe you an Eve a fearful amount of busine waiting me. I've only left it for ten pology." "I'd give my chance of a judgeship minutes to give you this news. "I told you that he'd a good heart

to be counsel for the prosecution his hand, against Baird. It would make life "Well," gainst Baird. It would make the teacher.

(orth living to get him penal servi-the teacher.

"I was merely going to suggest," resaid the professor when he had gone, "It's my belief that you can rely on nde. Ah, Norwood, you were wrong,

ogether to the hall and saw a crowd gathered round the board where the rather pained tones, "is that it causes test news telegrams were shown. ature. You get a jaundiced view of "Good for the Chancellor of the Exrequer," said one man. "Ought to pay for a Dreadnought," member that all the worst people get Jurned another.

into your courts, and that the best per "What's up," said the K.C., elbow-"I wish I were quite sure that all ing his way through the crowd. ng his way through the crowd.

He drew the professor with him, ference. That summer Mr. Baird visited Cam-

oridge to receive an honorary degree "Sensational Occurrence at Victoria In recognition of his benefactions to Station! -Whilst a crowd was waiting bicycle," he casually remarked, as they for the hoat train at Victoria Station sat side by side or, the sofa, this evening, two detectives ondeavthe university. It was at a reception his evening, two detectives endeav-"Ah," said the millionaire, "the very ored to arrest a man named Perkins man I wanted to see. Called at your on charges of embezzlement. He submitted quietly to arrest, and said club two or three times and missed you. Your friend Ricketts said that that he would go penceably to the station. Suddenly, however, he wrenched himself free from the he wouldn't give you a message from me. For a lawyer, he's very thin skinned; not over and above civil either. Well, that Perkins, ho is goofficers and dashed towards the railway line with a view to throwing himself beneath the train as it was backed in. Unfortunately, he dashed ing it. There are two or three county court summonses out against him al-ready, and I find he's got all his new against Mr. Samuel Baird, the famous urniture, as well as his piano, on the copper magnate and millionaire, and hire system, and the payments are althey fell beneath the carriages toeady in arrear. My private detective gether. Mr. Baird was badly crushed, and never recovered conscioustells me that he meets the postmar at the gate every morning. He's ex ness, and the man Perkins died whilst pecting another hundred-pound note, being taken in the station ambulance you see, and be gets nothing but dunto the Westminster Hospital." "A judgment," gasped the profes-

ing letters." "You are waiting for the right me "And no appeal," said the parrister ment to step in, I see. Well, when your second gift comes they'll have "Til give five hundred to Perkins" A NATION WITHOUT A LANGUAGE widow and children because he's earnt something of the value of taken that devil with him." noney.

"They will by the time it comes. laughed the millionaire. SAVED BY A SPIDER. It was just at the beginning of the ong vacation that he saw the mi lionaire again. Ricketts had met the rofessor at their club to arrange the ed a great spider with its web. The origin of this strange decoration is as

"Another hundred! Nonsens

in his accounts, and they've applied

zlement. You see, I've proved my

The professor leapt to his feet.

"You mean to tell me that you've

deliberately let that family go to

"That's nothing to do with n

"Ah," laughed the millionaire, "you

scientific people are just like ordin-

ary folk. You lose your tempers di-

in my time. If you're not out of this room in half a minute I'll kick you out.

"I'm not a scientific person," said

rectly you're beaten in argument."

I'm off to Parls for

follows:—
This apartment was the great king's gether. They had a map of the Tyrolionaire trotted into the smoke-room. "What did I tell you," he said with malevolent smile, "it's come at malevolent smile. "You've had to send that other hun-

This apartment was the great king's breakfast-room, and adjoined his bed-chamber. Every morning when His Majesty entered the room he was accustomed to find a cup of chocolate, but on one occasion, just as he was about to drink, he bethought himself of something he had forgotien, and returned to his bedroom.

When he again entered the breakfast-room His Majesty discovered that a great spider had dropped from the ceiling into the cup, and he naturally cried out for fresh chocolate to be prepared.

The next moment the King was startled by the report of a pistol. dred pounds," exclaimed the profe prove my point to you, but I'm not a fool who goes throwing his money about. They've got all they'll ever get out of me. But I must tell you

startled by the report of a pistol.

No sooner had the cook received the order than he blew out his brains.

the order than he blew out his brains. Not because the King had refused the chocolate did he do this, but because he had poisoned the cup and had thought himself discovered.

It was in remembrance of this narrow escape that Itis Majesty ordered the spider with its web to be painted on the ceiling.

The other day an ingenious looking person called with the message to the housewife that her husband had sent thin for his dress suit, which was to be pressed and re-done by the tailor. be pressed and re-done by the fallor.
"Dear me," said the housewife, "he said nothing to me about it. Did he

said nothing to me about it. Did he look quite well?"
"Yos, mum; he was in good health and spirits."
"And he seemed quite as if he knew what he was about?"
"He did that, mum."
"Well." and the lady, "it seems strange that he should only think of that drows suit now, because it's ton

demand for a good nit comb at a reasonable price. Pedic Pomado is now packed with a good comb, and hus instructions for use on label. The price of comb and pomado together is is, 6d., or by post is, 8d.—Hrin, Chem.

"If this place should enteh fire, what would you do?" usked the giraffe what would you are of the clephant.
"Id pick up my trunk and run for whence. What would you do?" the entrance. What would you do?"
"I'd go to that window and silde
down my neck to the pavement," said
the giraffe, with a wink at the monk-

Olivette (as they encounter a vicious buildog): Go on, Ceell: you know you said you would face death for me. Ceell: But he isn't dead.

countries than in warm countries, the ear being sensitive to changes in tem-

The mass of the world's work

WIT AND HUMOUR

The King: We picture cards lead a iresome lite.
The Ace: How so?
The King: We never know whether
we're standing on our heels or our

"How said that man looks," sighed Those san that man foods, signed Mrs. Tibbets. "Poor fellow, he has no doubt forced and lost."
"More likely," responded Tibbets surcastically, "he's loved and got her."

"This thing of getting married," "This thing of getting with her trousseau, "is certainly a trial,"
"A trial, yes," agreed the cynical bachelor, "but it isn't half so bad as working out the sentence."

A gentleman visiting Tasmania was surprised at the extensive growth of fruit. One day he asked the merchant what they did with all the fruit they grew.

"Oh," said the merchant, "we cal all we can, and we can all we can't."

I suppose you will miss your boy while he is at college."
"Yes," replied Farmer Corntossel.
I dunno what I'll do without him. He got the live stock so they wouldn't move unless he gave 'em the college yell, an' I can't remember it." "Every husband ought to make his oride a regular allowance from the start," said Senator Depew at a wed-

start," said Senator Dependent weeding reception in New York.

"This is but just," he continued, "because from the start every bride finds that she must constantly make allowances for her husband." The young woman had talked for ten or lifteen minutes without a break, when the boy at the other end of the wire interrupted.

of the wire interrupted.

"Just a moment, Flo," he said.

"What is it. Fred?" "I want to change the receiver to the other ear. This one's tired." "Silly boy!" she said, "why did you

"Silly hoy!" she said, "way did you become offended? Though my words were severe, you might have seen that I was smiling."
"Well," he replied, magnanimously, "your mouth is so small I didn't notice it."

"Remember, boys," said the teacher, "that in the bright lexicon of youth there's no such word as "fail,"

After a few moments a boy raised

"Well, what is it, Socrates?" asked tude. Ah, Norwood, you were wrong, the worst people don't always applied tip youngster, "that if guch is the gase it would be advisable to write. They walked down the great stairs the hall and saw a growd call their attention to the omission."

A man's house is his eastle: A man's house is his castic it ought to be his home. That it is his eastle is his right by law. To make it a real home depends upon himself.

Some men enjoy quite a long interval during which they are old enough to know better, but not old enough to the detail dreumstance make any differentiation make any differentiation make any differentiations.

Avoiding the Bill. "I see that you have been buying a

"Cash or instalment?" "Ten shillings a week," she admit-And thus it was she unknowingly

caused him to postpone his proposal for nearly a year. The Utter Extremity. A blacksmith was summoned to County Court as a witness in a dis-County Court as a witness in a county court as a witness in a county in the county in

outed sum. replied: ile replied:
"I did tell the fools to settle, for l said the lawyers would have the very clothes off their backs, but if they got into your court, your honor, you'd

The Swiss constitute that curious naly a nation without a language, anomaly a minor among all the peoples of the world. This is all the more remarkable when their in-On the ceiling of one of the rooms tone patriotism is considered and their wonderful love of country.

The official languages are German The official languages are German The official languages are them.

the recognised "mother-tongue" of the majority of the inhabitants.

About three-fourths of the people of Corpus, while the remainder About three-fourths of the peoples speak German, while the remainder divide four other languages among them—mainly French and Italian—the languages varying, as a rule, according to the proximity of the peoples of the cording to the proximity plo to each country whose

In all things throughout the world, the men who look for the crooked will see the crooked, and the men who look for the straight will see the

The little handle of a steam-valve The little handle of a significant on a locomotive is a small thing; but turn it, and you start the engine, with a whole train behind it. In the same a whole train behind it. In the same way, an act which may seen to us trivial may carry a train of consequences after it.

The attitude with which a man ap-The attitude with which a man approaches his task has overything to do with the quality and efficiency of his work, and with its influence upon his charactor. What a man does is a part of himself. It is the self-expression of what he standy for.

in and about Milan Cathedral there are six thousand statues.

The baldheaded man is a happy old guy--Though some persons never can undorstand why.

It's because his decided capillary lack Enables his mirth-loving follows to

crack trace wheezes and josts on the glistening state
Of his joility-superinducing old pate. thus he spreads joy and sunshine wherever he goes
And the debt the world owes him just

he alone knows. "Mother, this newspaper talks about the 'angry waves of the Channel'; what is it makes the water angry? Is it because it has been crossed so aften?"

Rosewood and mahogany are so plentiful in Mexico that many copper mines are timbered with rosewood, and mahogany is used for lecomotive

The Desert de Carlitte, in the Py-The Desert de Carritte, in the corrected, close on ten thousand feet above the sen, contains no fewer than sixty lakes of varying sizes. These, say, the contains the left tradition, were left sixty lakes of varying sizes. These, according to local tradition, were loft at the time of the Flood. When the waters subsided it appears that Nonland his family landed on the Puy de Prigue, one of the highest peaks in the district. Proof of the truth of this tradition is found in an iron ring to which, the pensants declare, the ark was moored when the landing was

REMEMBER. moke-room glanced curiously at the little group in the corner. Professor and Ricketts, the famous K.C., were old members, and their faces were namiliar to everyone; but when the cumor spread through the club that

together. "Gertrude there is a tangle still to straightened. Why why were you going to marry Cunningham?" "Oh, can't you guess? It was she said, in a low voice "Oh, my darling, my darling! Was He took her in his arms and the est was spoken in the golden lan

> The little miliionaire looked up at him shrewdly. "Well, a man who thought he was clever told me once that money only meant thre thingsoreign travel, a fire in your bedro and decent cigars. He didn't know

erposed the K.C.

The millionaire shrugged his
choulders, "That is, you can have spend your money. It's no great adspend your money.

The house when you think it over. No, the great advantage of having money is the knowing that the other fellows naven't got it. Then you know, too, that everyone's making a mark of

ome to the help of a lot of decent people who are not cadgers. That

the Government horse-book. Rumbe-low, that I returned that hoe, just as I said I did, and left it on your back porch. I consider it an insult that you loubt my word."
"And I consider it an insult that "And I consider it an insuit that I have to supply this whole neighborhood with hoes and rakes and such weapons every spring. A man borrows my implements and never returns them, and then when I ask him about

"I think Norwood is right,

ly. "It's my belief that no good comes of any money that a man does not earn himself. I've had to fight for ivery penny I've got. I've got to light even now to keep it. If I'd had my money given me at the start of things if you stant neere masing suc-charges against me, Bosshammer, cried Rumbelow; "I won't stand for slander of that sort. Your old corn-sheller was smashed up when I got it. Your children have been running gramy career, I'm sure I should be a poorer man to-day. Uncarned money is demoralising; it does no good."

sing them."

"Come, you're a scientist; let's try tion that they intended to take to-

ard on any name in the page. Well, what is it? land-avenue, Peckham.
"Ah, let me turn up Sutherlanddidn't mind spending one hundred avenue and see what sort of a place it is. Mostly clerks, insurance agents, warehousemen, and commercial tra-vellers. I should think that the get out of me. houses will be rented at about twenty These people have had their new the pounds a year. Well, a hundred pounds ought to do for him. I think and the landlord's put in a distress

and likely to embozzle. When you're went away. always month by the boat train to night. ready to rob you. I'll set this fellow

of mine to ascertain the facts about his Perkins. Pit look in here on Erlday and tell you what I've got to ruln!"
know about him. But mind, you two, "Th this is a scientific experiment. I say that uncarned money will do this man The restaurant of the present time had its origin in the first French levolution, towards the close of the 18th century. And the reputation of the French for cookery and the delicacy of taste in buting as well as in producing toothsome dishes and morsels practically dates from the same time. That revolution meant ruin to many noble families, and their downfall meant ruin also for their chefs, so some of the latter bit upon the idea of onening houses where dainties pre-

Tht professor and the K.C. saw their

won't argue the point. I get my liv-ing by arguing, and I will not argue with any man in my club. I'll give you twenty-five in a hundred at bilstrate. He left hurriedly as Ricketts rose from his seat.
"What can we do" asked the pro-fessor. "That poor man! His poor wife and children! And the responalre looked in as promised and saw

sibility is mine."
"I'll stop in town to defend him," said the K.C. "Ah, tell our friend the professor when the case is coming

"We must get to know

with moo offected.

Negroes and Indians rarely, if ever, become bald.

Green were the waves that danced along the coast that morning. Green were the hills behind the shore. Green was the flag waved by the guard of the passenger train as we draw away from the Jetty station. Was everything then of the same hue in this Emerald Isle? Did the tint extend to the people? The matter was worth From Rosslare and Wexford Harbor on the east coast to Killarney on the west is a monotonou run. The land of southern Ireland is ntly undulating, a little ragged after gontly undulating, a nerice regges arees the trim English landscape, and al-together uninteresting. Only the near white farmhouses set in their frame work of green leaves held the eye.

The blase English tourist in the far corner of the carriage buried his nose in W. W. Jacob's latest work. Smith went to sleep. Emith can sleep any an his earlier days he has been known to done of benide a pile of me graces with the axe-bandle as id piles a made a few done of the state of the st

made a few desultory notes; and searched the landscape for what I had expected to see at every cross-roads Kilmacthomas came and went, Bally hooley with its single winding street sank into the distance. Still I looked

in vain.

At Mallow we picked up passengers from Cork, and began the last stage of the journe The land on either side was poor and rocky the farmhouses appeared to be holding together for the sole purpose of providing a home for the family and the pigs. Then against the sky the blue Macgillyauddy Rocks, and in a few minutes we had drawn up in the little town of Killarney.

Great expectations sometimes lead to grea disappointments. Whether we came expect ing too much, whether we had allowed our selves to be over-influenced by legend and story I cannot say, but our first glimpse of the famous lakes was certainly disappointing tures fiashed into my mind of places i far off Australia and New Zealand that are equally as attractive. Apparently the farfamed beauty spot is living a good deal on its written reputation and the glamour of romance that hangs over it. It is wonderful what a legend or two will do for a place. would not be surprising to find that a certai song which has cracked many a barrel-orga people to Killarney. Probably a cunningly devised fable and a sentimental ballad would draw tourists to the Barcoo.

were anything but favorabl It was Mulcahy who ' ought about th change; Mulcahy, with his glib tongue and delightful brogue that dripped like hone from his lipe; Mulcahy with his blarney, hi studied flattery and subtle sense of han It was Muleahy who drove us round the lake and islands, which under the touch of his smius became enchanted bowers of fairyland I understood why folks had written of the charms of Killarney. They had been with Mulcahy awhile, they had listened to his folk-

ere, they had come under the spell of his usualiar magic. It was a kindly Fase that threw his jauntcar across our path. The fine paces o the horse, the smart lines of the car, the broad smile of the man on the box seat caught the eye immediately. It was a splot and span turnout, whose only jarring not tay in the faded ruin of a slouch hat—apper ently a family heirloom—that rested on the brow of Mulcahy. We needed no second invitation to mount and ride, and thereafte one trip led to another

Well do I remember that first drive with Mulcahy. He made the afternoon for us His voice was rich and mellow, his imaging flowing. There are many jaunting cars and many drivers in Killarney, but there is only one Mulcahy. The Lakes are two miles from the town. This is perhaps a good thing for the Lakes. We drove down a long avenue of filmy green lime trees, wrohed and vaulted like the alsie of a cathedral, and having paid a toll of is each passed into a large priva-ectate that touched the lake shore. In his melodious voice Mulcaby sang

By Killarney's lakes and fells, Emerald aisles and winding bays; Mountain paths and woodland dells, Memory ever fondly stays.

and the picture in all its beautiful realis opened up before us. Glimpses of lake she and green islands through gaps in the forest trees; a path of sunlight on dancing water st-sapped mountains against the sky. As he drove Mulsaby talked and sang intermingled. Smith, who has no sma measure of skill in repartos, crossed blades with bim. But he was no match for the quick tongue and soft brogue of the Iriahma and retired hurt at the end of each sally.

The white road swisted and surned and dipped into the woods ahead of us, and the little green shamrook grew by the wayside. On one hand the try-colored rules of Musk-ross Abbey, and turther along the Muskross Butter, and turther along the Muskross Butter, and romance of it all as we passed. He told us of the former owner of Muckross Houseor any sound owner of Munkross racous—A large white mannion standing bach among the oak trees—who in his last days was carried one to a certain spot for a final view of his home. As he gazed he is reported by Mulcaby to have said: "Oh Mookens, Mookens! If vin was half as fair, how willing would I go there !"

for details be related the legand of the "Col became enhanced by the presence of a damse! fair with diamonds in her dark eyes and dew drops in her dusky hair. We called at Dinis Gottage for tea, and bought post cards instead. And still shead of us lay the road, winding away along the green lake fringe; a strip of white through a tunnel of leafy trees -arbutos, acacia, alms (Mulcahy called them

The lake shores of Killarney are luxuriant gardens, ball cultivated, hall wild, wholly beautiful. We drove through an avenue of flowering rhododendrons, a flame of colour in a setting of dark green. We skirted the points of the Middle Lake, and Mulesby peopled them with old-world obsractors; passed the Tore Gascade, around the Muck me, and so into the fown again as

the sun mask behind the hills.

There was no searcity of trips in Muleshy's reperiory. With the easy freedom of an old the sun each behind the hills.

There was no searchy of trips in Muleshy's —Adopted.

Separatory With the sear freedom of an old acquaintance he mapped out our gays. The most varied execution coupled the whole of most varied execution coupled the whole of not day, and included a circuit of the chain indemnify the Board against lowering the most varied as a new and cowlar indemnify the Board against lowering of That the council do one day, and insulesed a stream of any summer indentifier the pipes. (2) That the council do beat. Everyone who is anyone takes this uot require any standpipes.—Adopted. boat. Everyone who is anyone takes this trip. For have not "done" the Kakes if you omit it. "At Kale Kearney's collage we dismissed our car, and commenced the trip 4. Estimates for 1911-1912.—That by pony through the Gag of Dunce. The Irish the estimates be based on a general peasantry in these parts seem to have aban rate of 2s in the £1.

Suite

spend on any voyage, but there were doned the effort to wring a livelihood from some on the "St. Patrick" who must the barren earth, and endeavor to wring it from the less-barren tourist. All along that women dispensing pothern (home distilled whisky) from a bottle well concealed beneath a shawl, with a bottle of milk for a blind very much in evidence. At the head of the lake we discussed an at frene lunch, which was far from adequate for Smith's require-

ments, and smbarked for the long row of 15 miles back to Killarney.

The days sped quickly by, and we found ourselves somewhat loathe to leave the Emerald Isle. Being good Australians, how ever, we could hardly say with Mickey Frec-

"Then fare ye well, ould Erin dear; To part—my heart does ache well. From Carrickfergus to Cape Clear, I'll never see your equal."

At 7 o'slock one morning we shook the dust of the village from our shoes, and boarded the early boat train. And the last person we saw as the train drow out of the station was Mulcaby standing on the cent of his jounting car, his faded ruin of a hat hanging limply about his eyes and ears and a smile playing over his good-humoured face as

PRESTON SHIRE COUNCIL.

MONDAY, JYNUARY 8.

Present :- Crs. Robertson (presi

Renewal of Licenses

The proprietors of the various manu acturing and noxious trades made aplication for renewal of their licenses Cr. Allchin moved that the applica tions be granted subject to the ap roval of the Board.—Carried.

Condition of Raglan Street. James Railton wrote drawing atten ion to the disgraceful condition of Ragian street facing the north side of he Preston nursory, same being dan erous for traffic.

Referred to works committee on the otion of Crs. Allchin and Paterson. Complaint re Zwar and Co's. Works.

The Public Health Department wrote asking when the council pro-posed to deal with the matter of the omplaint made by Mr. F. W. Trethowan re Messrs Zwar and Co's. works, east riding.

Cr. Stanlake moved that the matter be referred to the committee of the rhole, inspector to report.

Cr. Paterson seconded.—Carried.

Congratulations.

A. J. Lording, as hon. sec. Preston Citizous' Progress Association, wrote congratulating the council upon em-barking on such undertakings as electric lighting providing a stone-crusher &c., which would be the means of give ing a great impetus to the progress of the shire.—Received.

Owner in Private Streets Aggrieved. A. W. Roddan, owner of property in Sussex street and Bailey avenuo (Worthing Estate) wrote complaining that some person had had these streets fenced across.—He would ask the council to assist him in having the streets thrown open.

Cr. Warr moved and Cr. Paterson seconded that a reply be sent that the streets are private streets, and the council has no power in the matter.-

A Political Matter. The Traralgon Shire Council wrote asking the council to support a resolu ion opposing the Commonwealth Bank

The president ruled that this wa purely parliamentary business. A Repudiation.

Freeman wrote most emphati cally denying knocking down or pulling down a treeguard in front of his prem-ises, High street. He admitted assisting to move it off the road, where it ing to the danger of traffic

Cr. Paterson-Has the tree guard en re-erected? The secretary- Yes The president-Did any

mploye put it up f The secretary—No.
Cr. Warr—It simply found its way ack. (Laughter).

Cr. Paterson—It must belong to the spook breed. (Laughter).

Main Roads Grant The Public Works Department wrote intimating that £50 had been allocated to this council for main roads maintenance, on condition that this council expended a similar amount.—Received with thanks.

Application for Park. E. Beales Perry, hon sec. Everleigh Football Club, wrote applying for the use of the park on alternate Saturdays o play their matches on. A balance heet and copy of the rules were for

Electrical Supply. The Clifton Brickworks wrote sub

mitting a fresh tender for electric light and power supply.-Referred, with several other letters on the same subject, to the committee of the whole.

Relegated to "W.P.B." A letter reflecting disrespectfully or the local readways was consigned by the president to the Waste Paper

Finance Committee Cr. Stanlake (chairman) submitted

the report, recommending—

1. That accounts amounting to E152 14s 4d be passed for payment.—

Public Works Committee.

Cr. Paterson (chairmen) submitted the report, recommending that accounts amounting to £105 18s 4d be passed for payment. —Adopted.

Committee of the was incapacitated from work. He suffered terribly from the pain and was unable to sloop at night. He applied ordinary continuent, but this did not give him any case, and the wound continued in a very bad state.

(AA last terribly from work. He suffered terribly from the pain and was unable to sloop at night. He applied ordinary continuent, but this did not give him any case, and the wound continued in a very bad state.

Committee of the Whole. Cr. Warr (chairman) submitted the report, recommending—

1. Re motor omnibuses.—That no

action be taken in the matter .-Adopted. 2. Re tramway bill.—That same be left in the hands of Cr. Braithwaite.

The Estimates.

Based on a rate of 2s in the pound the ncome from rates was put down at £4164 5s. The other principal item in making up a total of £7564 8s 6c were-Licenses, £160; Governmen grant, £650; hall fees, £145; and

refund park purchases, £1140.
The chief items of expenditure wer out down as - Contracts in hand and n prospect, £1315 0s 7d; day labour including scavenging) £800; lighting £310; calaries, £692; interest and sinking fund, £700; piano for hall, £1362 19s; park sites, £301; ta paving, #200; joint work with Epping thire (Mahoney's road) £30).

Cr. Allebin said he was unable to be

present at the meeting at which the estimates were discussed, and he was not satisfied about some of them. He yould therefore only move the adoption of the clause pro forma.

Cr. Crispe said he had noticed there

was nothing provided for tree planting This good work should be carried on and he would move that the item law expenses £50 le reduced to £20 and £30 included for tree planting. Cr. Paterson suggested that the could do better by striking out the

£81 put down for a new piano and

sing the money for tree planting.

Cr. Crispe's motion was carried. Cr. Allchin said he noticed another mission, and that was provision for expenditure in the ridings He would move that £450 be deducted from the put down for armintenance metal for works in the ridings.

Cr. Stanlake seconded. Cr. Braithwaite complained that the stimates were in a very nebulous ondition. So much so that he did not feel in a position to vote on them, and would not attempt to do so. engineer should prepare a definite statement, and then they would know where they stood.

The president replied that when they considered the estimates the previous week all details were put before them, and they had pruned them down to what they now stood at. It was only a small error on the engineer's part not separating the amount they had sum they had decided to allot for works in the ridings.

After more discussion it was decided to re consider the items on the estimates; but in order that no time should be lost in striking the rate a resolution was carried to the effect that it be o a basis of 2s in the pound.

Cr Allchin, in moving the motio said he did it with regret, but in view of the prospective expenditure it was unavoidable.

The treasurer reported that the erdraft on the general account was £1650 17s 4d. Engineer's Report.

Mr. Dean reported having received plan of subdivision from Messi Rogers and Rogers and would suggest that same be referred to the committee of the whole, with power to act .-Agreed to.

Meat Inspector. Mr. Sullivan reported that so far he had been quite unable to get a qualified man to take his place while he was away on his annual leave, and he would recommend the temporary appointment of Mr. A. Howse, who was "studying for the profession."—The matter was referred to the committee

Preston, which were duly received.

Striking the Rate.

A LATE EXPRESS TRAIN.

INCONVENIENCE CAUSED.

Cr. Crispe, at the meeting of the

brought under notice the fact that the

18 minutes past 8 train from Reser

voir in the morning was very frequently 10 minutes late, which caused

great inconvenience to these who relied upon it getting them to their

work in the city at the proper time. The train was scheduled to run express

from Clifton Hill, but not infre

quently it arrived at Clifton Hill behind the Heidelberg train, which it

had to follow to Flinders street, stop-ping at all statious. As Mr. Membrey

was present he would be suized wit

would simply move that the matter be referred to him to have same remedied.

Cr. Howe seconded. - Carried.

Ordinary Cintments All Prove Usele

Splondid Healing by Zam-Buk.

The splendid value of Zem-Buk as a

FOOTSCRAY, 89.
Criffi h., Roge e, Prebble, Roglish
Wallace, Liversage, Rnadden, Canb
Crow, Gordon, Griffiths, Wintle
Ware, Elliot, Lambert, Trawartha
THORNRURY, 83. Meakin, Farley, Diokason, Dr. Murphy Wright, Hosking, Brown, Ingham Boyd, Workman, Clauscen, Whalley Harris, Doran, Cogle, King of the whole, the Board of Health be asked if Mr. Howse would Ordinary Business. Thornbury B team v. 8.M.C.C, 8.M C.O., 138 The secretary read the minutes the conference re electric trainway

Newbury, Thomson, Raynor, McGregor 3
Thomson, Carter, Booth, Wilson ... 3.
Lederman, Bint, Basstian, Chapman ... 3.
Tate, Webb, Strangward, Raws ... 3.
THORNBURY, 79.
Sutherland, Rouvray, Donsgan, Mo-Cr. Warr gave notice of motion for the striking of a rate of 2s in the pound

Thornbury 3 rink v. Camberwell. CAMBERWELL, 87. Vestaway, Fawcett, Miller, Spier Jalley, Birch, Adams, Ewan

armer, Dixon, Hicke, Purvis THORNBURY, 57.

Slater, Warren, Campbelli, Hattam Sharp, Mulr, Mulready, Hammet Greer, Sweetland, Masson, Harmswot

Thornbury A team v. Footscray, FOOTSCRAY, 89.

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To day Thornbury A team v. South Mel-bourne at Thornbury; B wam v. Footcorsy at Footcorsy; 3 rick v. Victoria at Thorn-bury. On Tuesday svening a friendly match will be played against Fitz oy and Bast Me bourne.

Preston A v. Malvern, played at Malvern, PRE TON, 89
Robinson, Howse, Hardess, Rowe ... 22
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MALVERN, 8s.
Unglish, Horton, O'Brion, Ularko
Meger, Ferguson, Madder, Jestop
Hamilton, Alway, Rhonstrom, Murphy
Norris, Gray, MoLennan, King Norrie, Gray, McLennap, King ... 22
Preston A play Kew as Preston to day,
The B team play M.O. as M.O.O.
The annual tournament for the champlonship of the Preston Bowling Club will be
brought to a conclusion on Monday evening.
The players left is are Messrs A. Walker
ane Arch Wilkinson. The semi finals were
played this week. In the first game Mr.
Wilkinson deferted Mr. Pike by 9 points,
and in the second game Mr. Walker defeated Cr. Cripps by 6 points. The final
fame on Monday will start (weather permitting) about 6.30 p.m.

lug) about 5.30 p.m. ARM BADLY BITTEN BY A PONY DRAUGHTS.

Northcote v. Brunswick, played at North BRUNSWICK

NORTHCOTE saling balm which should always be rawa

1 J. Devetti

1 A. H. Shah

3 J. Hornby

2 W. Whitfield

0 J. Boyles

1 W. Tew

2 G. Burt

0 G. Bayles

1 W. Allum kept handy is illustrated in the follow. I ing case. Mrs. H. Williams, of Catherine Street, Forest Lodge, Sydney, says:—"My husband was fearfully says:—"My husband was fearfully 1 J. Daley bitton on the left arm by a pony 5 H. Keele stallion. The muscle was nearly torn right out, and he would have sustained 2 J. Shaud more terrible injuries if a friend had not driven the animal away with a pitchfork. The wound inflamed and 11 festered, and for a month he was

Preston Rifle Club.

tracibly from the pain and was unable to aloop at night. He applied ordinary ontiment, but this did not give him any case, and the wound continued in a very bad state.

"At last he obtained some Zam-Buk and dreased his arm night and morning until all inflammation was drawn away and the swelling reduced. By continuing with Zam-Buk the wound was completely healed in a wonderfully short time.

"On another occasion he poisoned the middle flager of his right hand are baddle flager of his right hand.

The above club held a speen shoot last Saturday afternoon at 600 yds. W. Niebella, one of the slub's now members, is having one of the slub's new members, is having the handle of the speen denated by the carried off the speen denated by the club, putting up the very creditable score of the sliver-mented pipe for the previous match, as well as second place the match before. The following are the only competitors who reached the possible with handleape:

"W. Niebella 46 (14) 50

W. Jarman 43 (10) 50

F. Williams 38 (19) 50

To dey's shoot will be 10 shots as 200

CRICKET.

NORTHCOFE V. PRAHRAN. GREAT VICTORY FOR NORTHCOTE.

PRESTON POLICE COURT.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9.

[Before Dr. Cole, P.M., and Mr. J. Barrow, J.P.]

NON VACCINATION

DEBT.

BOWLING.

NORTHCOTE CLUB.

J. Barrow, J.P.]

NON VACCINATION.

Constable Dob's v. A. Shaw. For not having his child vaccinated. Fined 40s.

The P.M., in recording the fine, remarked that he community here was preparing for a fine epidemic of small pox.

MAINTENANCE CASE.

Graco J. mieson proceeded against Frederick Meyer for the maintenance of a child, which was born on August 6. Mr. Candy appeared for p'absulff.

Plaintiff stated that she had been "keep'ng company" with Meyer, and when she gave him certain information he said he would marry her.

George H. Jamieson, father of plaintiff, stated that as soon as he f-und out how things were he interviewed Miyer, who said he was under age. An understanding was, however, arrived at, but instand of getting and signing the necessary papers as promised defendanted red out.

An order was made for the payment of a liper week, first payment to be made within 14 42yz. Survey of £25 to be found and self in £25; in default three months imprisonments.

MITRIATION OF A FINE.

Mr. Candy applied to have the fine of £5 imposed on Miss Deacon for having a light weight reduced, Miss Deacon, he said, through coming a little late to the court, had been deprived of the chance to explain that the weight for which she was fined was

Northcote, first lonings PRAHRAN-Fi et lanlege. PRAHRAN—Fi at in Stophens, b Plant ... Bell, b Bailby ... Blackto, b B own ... Blackto, b B own Healey, l.b.w., b Brown Hush, o Mitchell, b Brown T. Horan, nat oct ... J. Horau, b Brown ... Bowden, b Brown ... Bowden, b Brown ... Bowden, b Brown ...

E. T. Moulden proceeded against Margaret and James Ardell for the recovery of £33 money lent. An order was made for the amount, to be puld on terms mutually Prahran, second innings, 5 for 238.

NORTHCOTE CLUB.

Our opponents at Princes Park on Saturday last piled on the points to the tune of 125 points to 73, Plant's rink being the only blessom that b'onned, acoring 20 to 19. Harringto's performance reminded one of the 'Norman Cruptest,' insemuch as it was a complete rout, the scores hing 47 to 11. Bennell and Mitchell were down also. South Molbourne visited Northcote, and a very keen and erjoyable game resulted, the locals winning by 86 to 84, Marden, 10 up, being the main factor, whiles Lawrence, 3 up, helped. Clarke, two down, did nor play up to form, whiles Taylor's rink, after being very much up at the 15th end, saddy fell to pie es, and i the end were I down.

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Kew as Kew. Cabs will leave the green at
2 p.m. sharp. The B team meet Oakleigh
and heps to return the compliment paid
them as the beginning of the season.
The green championship is now narrowed
down to Messre Harrington and Cox.
Butries are being received for the followtoig:—B grade championship, Brown-Girling
trophy, V.B.A., single-hand championship,
A and B rink championship.

Northcote I.O.B. were defeated by Pors Rallway United by an Innings. Boores— I.O.R., 19 and 28; United, 75. I.O.R. play a soration match against the Preston Pre-byterians to-day at Preston.

Preston Proviverians to day at Preston.
Everleigh, 104 and 7 for 91 (W. Panch d)
not out, Hills 37, Hacking 16 and 35) do
feated Gordons, 127 (W. Punch 3 for 21) by
37 runs on the first innings.

MITIGATION OF A TINE.

Altr. Candy applied to have the fine of £5 imposed on Miss Deacon for having a light weight reduced. Miss Deacon, he said, through coming a little late to the court, had been deprived of the chance to explain that the weight for which she was fixed was never used for weighing purposes, but only to keep a door open. The inspector was leaving her shop without noticing this weight when she called his attention to it.

The P. M. said the Hench could not act on Antie statements. The other eleaves would away to the great the that the inatter was one for the Solicitor General, and if there were any mitigating circumstances he would take them into consideration.

To allow of the Solicitor-General being appealed to a stay of proceedings for one month was granted.

Bowling—N. Brown, 7 for 21; R. Balley, I for 0; D. Plant, 1 for 11.

The second elevens resumed their mate at Prahran last Saturday. In response t Northcote's total of 188 Prahran had lost wicket for 140, and they carried their soor to 282 for the loss of 6 wickets when th nnings was declared closed. Upton 113 ar Martin 104 were the batsmen who trouble

and Hammet 1 for 58 were the successful bowlers.

At the close of the day Northcote had lost 8 for 135, and were thus beaten by 94 runs on the first innings. Wilkinson 69 not out batted in fine style, while Richardson 19, Hammet 14, and A. Lugton 14 also batted well.

CARLTON.

Those teams met ab Merri Park on Saturday last. A splendid winket had been propared, and Northoote, though winning the toss, had to give Carlton the benefit of i, as the local's team was incomplete, the helidays accounting for no less than three absences. The Carlton innings totalide 76 (Willkin 24; Hayes 5 for 77, Morris 2 for 12, Cox 1 for 23). Northoote, batting 3 men abort, totalied 28, T. Phillips 17 aione showing batting form. Carlton, in their second innings, have lost 3 good wickets for 10. Morris 2 for 3 and Hayes 1 for 7 again bowling well, Northoote with their full team in to-day have a fair chance of winning. A word of praise is due to Frank Duon, Northoote's wicker-keeper, who accounted for five Carlton wickets, stumping 3 and oatching 2. The match will be resumed te-day.

PRESTON V. EAST BRUNSWICK. PRESTON V. EAST BRUNSWICK.

This match was continued last Saturday at Praston, the scores then eranding—Bast Brunswick, 52: Preston, 75 and 2 for 29. Melegan and Froeben reaumed batting and both laid the wond on and brought the score to 83, when Melegan was caught for 46. Howes then went in and he and Froebel added 65 runs, when the latter was caught for 53. Wyer joined Howes, and the pair added 70. Howes batted in his best style for 84, and Wyer also batted well for 55. The innings closed for 266. Freston won by 23 on the first innings

Preston play Kootscray (last year's winners) to day at Footscray, when a good game is expected, as both teams are fighting for a place in the linal four to play off for the premiership.

Northoote Rifle Notes.

the park, the following prizes were presented:—Championahip of club—let, H. Hook, silver cup; 2ad, C. Wilson, chrque; 3rd, H. D. Soame, topby. The prizes were presented by Cr. Hayes with a few conpresented by Cr. Hayes with a few concongratulatory remarks. In connection with
the recess friendly societies shooting competition at the miciature range the following were awarded prizes:—ist. Reyal
Druida (Olliton Hill), cheque; 2ad, Olliton
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Druida (Olliton Hill), cheque; lighest individual aggragate, Mr. G. Ellis, silver medal
presented by the B S.A. Co. This marksman
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NORTHCOTE CLUB ELEVEN V. CARLTON,

[By Targer].

The Northcote Rille Club begin a new year to-day, the opening event-being a spoon and maskery match at 200 and 300 yds., 7 shote at each. Members will be fresh after their holidays, and some sensational scores should be put up at these short distances. With the annual M.R.C.A. matches in view or Foundation Day and preceding Saturday, intending competitors should make the most of their time to get into first class form. As the year's muskerry is to be completed by the end of June, is is to every member's advantage to fulfil his obligations to the club by getting his course shrough early in the present half year, therefore is is hoped that a large number of members will make use of to-day's opportunity of beginning it.

At the pleture concert held recently in the park, the following bytes were presentated and the park, the following bytes were presentated and the park of the present with the park, the following bytes were presentated. IBY TARGETA

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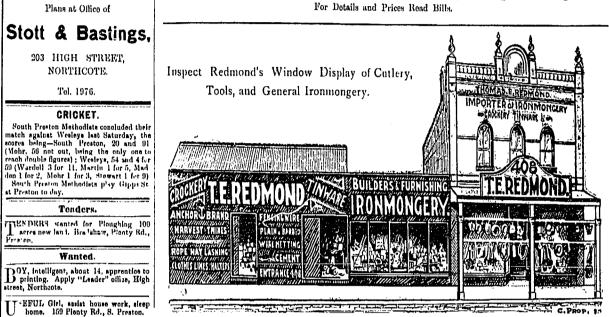
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feet to this while warm, boil it up for a quarter of an hour, strain through a jelly-hag two or three times till it runs quite clear, and put it into mould, which is put in a cool place to set.

Stewed Rahbit.—Cut the rabbit into piece, and a little pickled pork into slice, try both with a sliced onion; when, brown, put in a saucepan and nearly cover with water; simmer until tender; season to taste, thicken with flour, and serve.

core, and stew some apples, spread on the dough, add a few cloves and a little sugar. Cover with another layer of dough, and bake in a good, steady even. Eat cold or hot.

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Indian Toast.—Place about a teapoonful of butter in a basin, stand it
over a saucepan of boiling water. When
the butter has melted stir in two wellbraten eggs, a teaspoonful of anchovy
oaste, a little cayenne pepper, and a
lew chopped capers. Continue to stir
till the mixture begins to set. Spread
in buttered toast, garnish, and serve
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cold water), and when all is boiling, just below serving, add a quarter of a teaspoon of baking-powder. The above is sufficient for two people.

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THE HABIT OF OBEDIENCE.

There was a gentleman once who was very rich. A friend of his, who knew that he began life as s poor boy, asked him one day how it was that he had been so successful in business.

"I own all my success," said he, "to one habit, which my father taught me when I was a boy."

"And, pray, what was that?" asked his friend.
"It was the habit of chedience, sir

his friend.
"It was the habit of obedience, sir.
My father used to tell me that when I
had any duty to attend to, no matter
what it was, I should consider that
duty as his command, and then, wheduty as his command, and then, whether he was prasent or not, I must obey that command. I got into the habit of doine this. If I had any work to do in the day, I always did the work first, and then took the play afterwards. In this way I got into the habit of doing everything in time, and it soon became easy to ms. And I owe all my success in business to this habit."

Tramp: "Excuse me, have you seen policeman?" Cyclist: "No." Tramp: "Then I'll have to call on

Transp: Then III have to call on you to give up your watch and money."

Teacher (trying to explain the word "audience"): "Now, if your father had a large gathering, what would he call it:"

The Minister's Youngest: "I spect he'd call it a boil, ma'am." The Vicar: "I have not seen your husband at church lately, Mrs. Mur-

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It is not to be wondered at if the clouds that ensired us ocen, at the fine, to be darker and heavier than were ever any before. It requires a tremendous effort, sometimes, to even try to lift one's head to the light, while it is utterly impossible to think of the idea of reflecting it.

Perhaps, if we knew, those who appear the most light-hearted and sunny have burdens of sorrow and trouble and perplexities that we might consider more than we could possibly bear. To those who so uncomplainingly carry them, day after day, and vent after year, they may be redeabled and intensified beyond what we have any conception of. day, and wear after year, they may be redeabled and intensified beyond what we have any concention of. These seem to be the very ones who, ever ready to bear others' buttlens, yet never infliet theirs on another. Still, in real need, they would gratefully accept a helping hand, and are always glad of the cheery word.

NOT A VIRTUE.

An Excellent Emetic—In case of classing on tablespoonful of mustard in half a pint of warm water is within rearbor of everybody, and is an A Goodf Boot Polish.—Mix two or wy black, one or, coarse sugar, half-tablespoonful sweet oil, and half-apint of beer. Shake well before using the polish with a spunge, and polish with a spunge and polish with a spunge, and polish with a spunge and polish with a spunge, and polish with a spunge and water.

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Each note 1'd read, and read again, Until 1 knew deem quite by heart; They seemed, as 1 perused them o'er, Of her sweet self a very part!

How eagerly I klosed her, when At last one maned our wedding-day! told he she should be my queen, And in my heart should reign alway!

Wo'te married now-but, saints de-fend!
Look at her stipshed shoes unlaced!
Her tookled hair! But when I chide
She always says—"Tom, I'm in
haste."

Disorder reigns in every room; There's not one hint of cultured Alas! 1 raclise—too late— I married Ethelind in haste.

LOVE AND MARRIAGE.

Marriage is a study. To be a husband or wife is a world more than the pressly benediction has foreshadowed. It is the business of a lifetime, as the prelude to an eternal existence. Its rewards are in the delights and perfections which are incident to maturity; the penalties are the griefs and discontents that attach themselves for indefinite periods to the spirit, and will not disappear at command. Love is not a passion, but a principle of being, not merely essential to the happiness of life, but to the actual life itself. It is the great departs a from selfishmess, and all those ideas and considerations that revolve round self as their common centre. There is no lowering of the lone, the character, the humanity, but their exalitation to a higher moral and spiritual plane. There is no real surrender or curtailing of freedom, but a direction of it in its lightimate cannucle.

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every possible way. Should I feel at

be injured by it. Remember that too great speed at any time kills.

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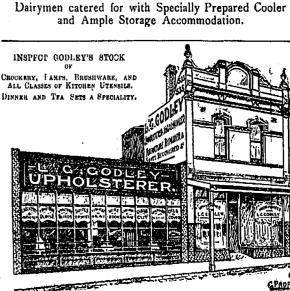
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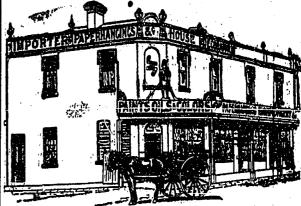
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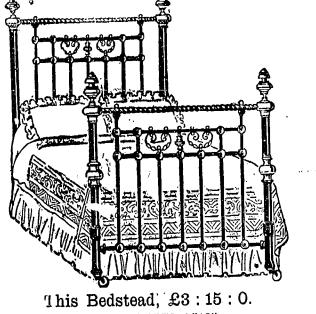


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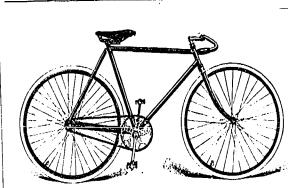
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By a vote of S to 7 the Northcoto Tow Council on Modelay excaing reversed a forms decision and decised to register the Croxto Park as a recreation ground. As the forme decision was never given effect to, being i fact quite a dead letter, the new decision

one to be welcomed, as it once more brings the council into direct control, with power to "cuspend or cancel" registration, should anything occur in connection with the mangement of the ground to warrant such a step. Since the town surveyor decided to tak legal proceedings for the recovery of building for arrears the money has been pouring into the town offers. Already more than one half of the estimates revenue from building fees has been record, with nearly nin

onthe still to go.

Miss Pirming, who for a considerable time Mire Furning, who for a considerable time-past has practically bad charge of the Prince of Wales' Park State School, has received in differentions from the Director to commenc-duties after the vacation at the Bell street. Fitzing, State School. The building is new and up-to-date. It is a training school with a full staff of expert teachers, and Mires Frem into has been automated bead mutters. ing has been appointed head mistress. Phough she is placed to get the appoint ment, it being the first time the Department them, it being to the time in Department being given such a position to a woman, Mile Fleining regions are May her connection with the Upper Northcote belood, where the kind ness and tempathy of the achied committee and the hearty co-operation of the parent with the teachers made the school work a

On Tuesday next, 23rd January, at Thorn entertainment in aid of the Northcoto Muni cipal Band. For the occasion Harry Craig's sipal Band. For the occasion trarry Graigs well known dramatic company has been engaged, and they will appear in the famous model thans, "The Ticket of Leave Man." No doubt such a novely as this will be greeted by a bumper house.

by a bumper house.

On Sunday evening in the Preston Methodist Church, the Rev. E. O. Knee is going to speak epocally to the Australian natives on the subject of Foundation Day. His subject will be "Australia" Anniversary: Its Lessons and Its Bleesings." Friday next, 26th Jan., is the one hundred and twenty-fourth anniversary of the settlement of this great South Land. Strange to say the morning service at the South Preston Methodist Church will be conducted by Mr. Orton, a grandson of the Rev. Joseph Orton, who came over with Batman and Fawkner, and preached the first sermon on Batman's Hill, where the railway goods sheds now stand in Spencer street. oods sheds now stand in Spencer street

tills congregation on that day was a more handful of whitee and about fifty blacks. In connection with to night's vaudeville and ploture concert at Croxton, the promoter, Mr. Balbarry, promises "new faces, new songe, new faces and latest pictures," and also the special engagement of "The Creigh-tons," acrobats, tumblers, etc. The admis-sion is 6d, children 3d.

The president and members of the Presto ng Club will attend divine service at he Church of England on Sunday evening anuary 21st. Members are requested to ncet at the church at 6.45.

State and R.C. Schools recume, after th hristmas vacation, on Monday Hattam's summer cale, now in full swing mal values ruling in every department be

A lecture and recital on Australian Poets to be given by Mr. J. W. Marrons, evangelist of the Church of Christ, at the Northcote town hall on Thursday evening next, 25th

At Thornbury picture theatro the star picture entitled "The Great Moment," was produced last Saturday night to a very large and appreciative nucleone, the grounds being packed to the doors at 8 o'clock. The film was 4000 feet long and was very sensational and emotional throughout. The star picture for to night is entitled "The Assigned Ser ant," the synopsis of which is advertised. It is notified that Mre. L. Baker and staff

of the Northeote School of Music, will be at home to enrol new students on Monday, 22nd January. General tuition will be resumed on the 22nd inst. F. G. Smith appounce that their half yearly record sale is now on and that they intend keeping up their reputation for "good value and genume reductions."

The principal business at the Presion Shire council on Monday evening will be the adoption of estimates and the striking of a rate of 2s. in the pound. Prior to the ordinary meeting a special meeting will be held to continu order-in council re-clearly light.

J. W. Mankey advertises that he will be opening his new shop in High Street, North of no local interest. ote, on Friday, February 2nd, when I all kinds will be sold at sale prices. Three candidates entered for the recen

Three candidates entered for the recent Junior Public canninisation from Westleigh College, Miss Nellie Irving passed in eight subjects, gaining distinction in algebra and physiology, Miss Myra Ferguson in 5 subjects, gaining distinction in Fronch; Miss Ella Olive passed in five. Duties will be rouned Thursday, February S.

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To-night at the Lyric Theatre, Northcote
the management will present a speciallyselected programme containing star productions. First and foremost is the art film of
historical value, entitled "Robert Bruce"
which is full of stirring incident, and costamed with overy attention to the period.
In addition an attractive vaudevitle bill with
he given. be given. A. Lowis, lancy goods provider, 350 Queen's parade, Ohiton Hill, advertises that her annual stocktaking sale commences to day, when all goods will be sold at greatly reduced

EPPINGSHIRE NEWS.

Report of council meeting is held over till By the bazant and sports held during the clidays it is expected that about £300 will

a netted for the R.O. Presbytory fund. While the fleroe north wind was raging on lunday last a fire broke out on Goss Bros. roperty, Bald Hill, and before its progress could be slayed some 400 acres of grass was burned, and a considerable quantity of fencing damaged. The destruction of 120 tone of valuable hay in two slacks was narrowly averted, the rice coming to within tell yards of it. The value of the organizing work done a few years ago was well proved, as three separate tames of men were soon at the scene of the first of their excitions the first must have get across to Hauly's, whence it would room have been carried on by the ierce wind to Woodnieck and probably Erping also.

The widow and family of the late Mr. W. III. Lockwood have received over 100 letters. old be slayed come 400 acres of grass was

Epping also.

The widow and family of the late Mr. W. II. Lockwood have received over 100 letters and telegrams condoling with them in their sail bectavement. On Sunday last fitting references to the esteemed pioneer's death were made in all the churches, and in the evening the Rev. D. Bruce (Presbyterlas) preached an impressive sermon from I Timothy, 8 9 10. Handel's Dead March in Saul was played at the close of the service, the was played at the close of the service, the congregation standing.

congregation standing.

Mr. Frank N. Lock, who was last month appointed engineer to the Epping Shire Council in succession to the late Mr. Lockwood, was at his first meeting on Monday, life made a good impression on councillore, being a practical man of wide experience, the tangineer to two other numbinghilies, including Avoca, so his belief in his capacity for work must be protive sceneras.

The council on Monday decided to institute a double pan sanitary sorvice in the Township if Epping, boundaries to be fixed. Proporty Sales.

Mr. Baker, of Major street, Northeote, is removing to Queensland and is offering his home, lately creeted in Bay View Relate, by auction on January 27. Bioti and Bastings are the agents from whom orders to inspect may be obtained.

THE LADY MAYORESS'S APPEAL

DELEGATION TO THE EPPING COUNCIL

SYMPATHETIC RECEPTION At the meeting of the Epping shi

ouncil on Monday Mr. Sutherland, companied by Miss Munce, appeared before the Epping shire council in support of the Lady Mayorese's appeal on behalf of the Convalescent Home Mr. Sutherland spoke with excep tional power and eloquence. He had, previous to being stricken with blind-

ess a couple of years ago, led at therefore knew only too well the Courts held that it was in the discre-terrible disabilities of blindness. His tion of the council to refuse registraiends had told him he would "get red to it." but no one could describ he mental agony that had to be indured before any one could become reconciled to such a fate. This work of end-avouring to assist his fellow registration of the ground owing to its of 11 had been brought up—and they unfortunates had been the first thing being connected with the hotel, which being connected with the hotel, which being complaint to make. The appropriate the profit and why hat had helped to lift him from the was inimical to the best interests of plicant was out for profit, and why atter of despur in which he found the youth of the town.

Benevolent Asylum This Convalesent Home at Brighton was, therefore, special need. They lead been paying rent for the place at the rate of £70 per year, which was found to be great drag The present effort was to raise £2000 to buy the place outright raise £2000 to buy the place outright and make additions to it. Wherever he had been he had been most sympathetically received, and he felt that Epping would be no exception to the and make additions to it. Wherever he had been he had been most sym-

Five collecting cards had been sen long, each showing 40s if filled. Cr. Browne-Pil take one, and ar

hortage I'll pay myself.
All the cards were distributed and he president asked to be supplied with nalf-a-dozen more Referring to the manner in which the appeal had been made the president

ellow sufferers" Mr. Sutherland said he had felt from he first that he was in an atmosphere of sympathy and he would like esnecfally to thank the president for the raging words he had spoken,

METROPOLITAN BOARD AND THE PIPE TRACK

AN EXTRAORDINARY LETTER

J. G. Membrey, M.L.A., forwarded to the last meeting of the Preston Shire Council a letter he had received from the Public Works Department with regard to the pipe track. letter stated that the Board had met the wishes of the council in every di ection in regard to amendm he agreement and lease as originally lrawn, and in anticipation that the ouncil would execute the agreement the work of fencing off the 24 feet was carried out. The Preston Council, however, has failed up to the present o execute the documents and has ap-arently lest all interest in the question since 17th July last - In view of the listlessness displayed by the coun cil in regard to the pipe track, and its failure to carry out its part of the ar

The letter was simply received

BOWLING.

The Northcote A and B teams were down o their respective opponents, Kew and Oak igh, last Saturday, the former 20 and the attor 53. In the A grade Harrington and hieferdecker were up, while in the B grade

all rinks were down.

The final for the Northcote green champ ionship was played on Tuosday last between Messrs Cox and Harrington, and after a long and storn fight the former won 31 to 28. At Harrington lying shot close to the jack, and not player two bowls in hand. Cox, with a rive, took out the shot bowl, knocked "Jack" into the ditch, and with a timely wick fol-

owed the "Jack" and rested on top of him in he ditch, making his score 31 to 28. Both Northwote teams are away to day-A Entrice for V.B A. single-handed champ ionship, A and B, close on Monday next. Thornbury A team were outmatched last Saturday by South Melbourne by 20 points ingham ticing with his opponent. The B team was also defeated, scoring 29 to Poots cray's 100. The three-rink won from Vic-

toria, and l'iteroy and East Melbourne wer down on Tuesday night. To day the A team go to E. Camberwell, the B team will be at home to Preston, and the three rink journey to Canterbury.

(Laughter).

in the last sixteen ends played only 19 pis. were scored, of which Mr. Walker scored 10 and his opponent 0. Both players were loudly applicated at the close of the game, and the health of both winner and loser was nonored with much enthusiasm. Mr. Walker has now won the championship three years Presion & team (77) went under to Kew (114) last Saturday, the B team following suit to M.O.O., 94 -90.

Presion A's play Brighton on their own green to day, while the B's go to Thornbury. Pride of Northcote I.C.R.

The formightly meeting was held on Tuesday, 9th, when there was a good attendance and one new member was initiated. The resignation as auditor was recovered from Sie. Zapheck, who is leaving the district, and it was decided to tender her a larewell social on Tuesday next, 33rd Jan, when members and friends are requested to attend itsfreshments will be provided and an enjoyable evening it promised. Lodge will commence at 7.50.

CROXTON RECREATION RESERVE.

REGISTRATION GRANTED.

EIGHT VOTES TO SEVEN. The Northcote Council Chamber w rowded on Monday evening in antici pation of a discussion on the question of registering the Croxton Park as a

ecreation reserve.

Mr. J. J. Randall, licensee of the Croxton Park Hotel, was the applicant not dealing with the hotel at all. for registration The ground was formerly registered

for a period of 12 months, when the council refused registration on the to the wishes of the large number who grounds of its association with the hotel. An appeal against the council's decision was made first to the Supreme ctive life as an auctioneer. He and then to the Full Court, but both ments there and they were carried on tion on the grounds referred to.

In connection with the present application, Cr. Hayes presented a position signed by 563 ratepayers, emphatically protesting against the registration of the ground owing to its

trial. It made no provision for the aged and infirm or physically incap-able, and those in the latter plight had be visited. He frequently attended the open-air concerts held there, but had never seen anything that would warrant complaint. The hotel also warrant complaint. The hotel also had been conducted in a very orderly manner, the police not having once to se called to quell a disturbance in connection with a football match. There was an endorsement by Ser-

> W. S. Strottle, town surveyor, report ed that sufficient sanitary provision ad been made, and there was now no

to the hotel premises. Cr. Woolhouse moved that the appliation be granted. The case spoke for itself. The ground was centrally situated and well conducted. As a resident in the neighborhood he attended the arked that Mr. Sutherland might ground on many occasions and saw nothing to complain of. Formerly exception was taken to a gate which be regarded as "the gift of God to his led from the ground to the hotel That had now been removed, and any one desiring to nter the hotel had

now to come out into High street first. Cr. Tharratt seconded the motion, Cr. Redmond said that two deputations had waited on him concerning the matter, and he had told them be would go and see for himself. found on visiting the ground that here was no direct access from same to the hotel. The ground was cen rally situated and he was going to support the application.
Cr. Smith—Would registration give

the right to run Sunday concerts? Cr. Redmond said Mr. Randall had informed him that no Sunday night entertainments would be allowed, xcept in connection with churches o or charity.

Cr. Woolhouse-I can say there is no intention to run Sunday night con-At the mayor's request Cr. Woolouse defined the form of entertainment to be allowed as football and ricket, cycling and footracing and the like, also picture shows and concerts.

Cr. Dennis said he did not intend to give a silent vote on the matter. vas only fair that the new members the council should give their reasons or voting for or against the registra

tion, Than hotel. The ground was connected with

with hotels. He agreed that there were booths for the sale of liquor at most cricket grounds, but there was this difference as against Croxtor, that hey were closed as soon as the match vas over. It would be unwise for the uncil to reverse its decision. This ground would soon be too valuable to ground would soon be covariation keep for recreation purposes and it was the duty of the ward representatives to look out for a piece of land for recreation purposes; and if they did that he would support them. A recreation ground should not be run by a private individual for profit. He hoped the council would take into consideration

the number who had signed the pati-tion. Of course they had the police report, but they could take that for what it is worth. Cr. Tharratt-We do. Cr. Donnis, continuing, said there was sometimes such a crowd congrega-ted about the Croxton Hotel that monte had to cross to the other side of to street to get along. It was their

duty to take the proximity of the hotel | ried. nto consideration.

Cr. Glanfield said that as a young nember he was going to say what he could. He was going to support the application, and they should all support it if they wanted their children to get old in a straightforward manner a not creep round the back way.

Cr. Mason said he would vote against it as he considered it inimical the best interests of the youth of the town to have a recreation ground sociated with an hotel. After football matches nobody could go by and say it was a credit to the district. Prior to this season there was access

Or. Henderson said he was going to support the motion for the reason that he thought the council should have control of the ground. What good had the council done by refusing registration? Football matches had been held, concerts had been held, while the council should, while the council done by refusing registration? Football matches had been held, while the council shows had been held, while the in succession, and has undoubledly proved ture shows had been held, while the bimself the foremest player of the club. the ground at all. All requirements had been complied with and why should they not comply with registration of the ground f It had been said that respectable people had to go to the other side of the read in order to get along. He (Cr Henderson) thought he was more in the neighborhood than Cr. Dennis and Cr. Mason. He had gone and watched for himself night small minority of people who, after football matches or entertainments, went near the hotel. If in future the polico reports were unfavourable he would vote against registration; but

he considered at present the opposition

was biassed against the applicant. If some one class applied it would be

Cr. Harry-That is most offensive. Cr. Henderson-If so he would withdraw it. He was told on good authority that 17 of the players in the Northcote football club were tectoral-

Cr Smith said he also intended to support the application. The recrea-tion ground had nothing to do with the hotel. There had been a lot of talk about the hotel, but they were

a recreation ground the place was wanted in that portion of the town. had signed the petition he had no alternative but to oppose the registra-tion. He had attended entertainwell, but seeing the place was connected with an hotel he could not see his vay to vote for the registration. Cr. Schwaebsch pointed out that

froxton had been a sporting ground

for 50 years, and for 40 years his own people had lived next door -- a family of 11 had been brought up-and they not? He was perfectly right so long as thinself.

The purposes of the paragraph in which could not see anything of the Blad. The purposes of the paragraph in the first that for the Blad. Mr. Sutherhand pointed be could not see anything of the out, were only educational and industrial. It made no provision for the aged and infirm or physically incan
the youth of the town.

Constable Frawley, to whom the matter had been referred, reported that he could not see anything of the were some there, that just as like as not they got their drink in another suburb. With his wife and family be the Salamachush. the sports and entertainments held at Croxton and enjoyed them. They Croxton and enjoyed them. They were as well conducted as on the Melbourne cricket ground. There were often as many as 3000 or 4000 people attending these entertainments. Surely they were entitled to some considera tion. He cound understand Cr. Dennis's objection. He was biassed to a

> own officers Cr. Hayes said he had opposed this registration from the beginning. The representative football club of the district plays its matches there, and he direct means of access from the ground understood it got the ground at a pep-Mr Randall was not percorn rental laying out all that money on sewerage, etc., without the hope of getting some return. People would go to see football matches, and that being so the places where they are held should be as far removed from the temptations of drink as possible. The football club had never done any good since it was associated with that ground. He frequently passed the place and the number of young fellows congregated about there was anything but desirable He had boys of his own and represented others who had boys and he was

> > Cr Lees said they were there as judges, and they should only find on the unfit to attend to my household duties. widence before them. Personally he had never been on the ground and only once in the hotel; but the report of the police spoke for itself and so also did their engineer's report. Other matters, such as whether evil comes from drink, had nothing to do with the question He did not associate the ground with the hotel at all. If the hotel breaks any of the laws it would be for the broke any laws it would be for the other authorities to interfere. In coming to a decision himself he was very much influenced by the fact that the three representatives of the ward and who are residents of it, all take the same stand and say the ground right. I always keep a box in the should be registered. But apart from house." that he had no hesitation in saying

that his vote would go for the regis ration as asked for. ration as asked for.

The mayor said there was the questach trouble, dizziness, flatulence, or hotel.

Cr. Smith—No.

Cr. Dennis said it was and it was unwise to run sports in connection like was grounds being control. He was going to oppose it on that ground. He did not believe in sports grounds being control. ducted by an hotel proprietor. thought councillors were perfectly in order in discussing the ground in it relation to the hotel. The reports of the police and officers might able, but they were quite at liberty to bring in and consider other evidence. Replying to Cr. Redmond the mayo

said the council would have the powe to suspend or cancel the license at any time if occasion arose.

Cr Woolhouse, in reply, said seemed some were opposing the regis tration of the ground because there was a bar a certain number of fee tway. If they were going to consider that what sort of a position would they be in when they built the new town

Cr. Plant-Let well alone Cr Woolhouse-And if Crs Donni and Mason always and only acted on conscientious grounds they should leave their present bowling club and join the temperance one up above. The motion was then put and ca-

For --- Crs Woolhouse, Tharrat Smith, Lees, Glanfield, Honderson Redmond, and Schwaebsch. Against — Crs Bastings (mayor) Dannis, Mason, Johnson, Hayes Dennis, Mason, Johnson, Harry, and Plant.

FIRE AT HOTHAM STREET.

A fire occurred on Wednesday morning ine rear of Mr. F. J. MoNamara's real the rear of Mr. F. J. MoNamara's residence.

Hotham ctreet, Nottheote. The origin of the handed it to William Chapple, tram gripman, fire is attributed to throwing some bot ashes who duly left it at the office. The tramway on a manure heap, causing the loose straw to burn and spread to the five stall stable, which was destroyed, together with some outhouses. The fire brigades of Northeole, Presson, North Pitzrey and Ivanhoe were

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That's why our
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Some large contignments of our
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are now to hand which are
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Wardrop's Corner,

ELECTRIC LIGHTING FOR NORTHCOTE.

THE COMMITTEE MAKE A RECOMMENDATION.

A £6000 SCHEME.

The Northcote Electric Lighting Committee, consisting of Crs. Lees, Dennis, Tharratt, Schwaebsch, Smith and Hayes, is a body that means business. They have been pursuing their investigations for some time.

They had before them a proposition to get their current from the Melbourne Relectric Supply Co and an alterna tive to obtain it from the Clifton Brick Co. After going into the matter at a special meeting on Wednesday evening it was thought that the former com pany offered the most advantageous terms, but this matter is to be further looked into

The committee, after two hourdeliberation, adopted a recommendation in favour of a scheme involving an expenditure of £6300 This, it is ated, will provide eight 2300 candle power lamps in High street, with the necessary intermediate lamps of 100 candle power; while every street gas lomp in the town will substituted for a 100 configurate, electric light, and every present koroene lamp by a 50 candle-power electric light Provision would, at the same power electric time, be made for doubling this lighting

extensions of street lighting and fo orivate consumers. The recent installation of electric light at Footscray has been so success ful and popular that a staff of eight

power, the balance being available for

men are kept busy making extension.

The committee are of opinion tha by the adoption of the scheme a coniderable saving would result in street lighting, for which a sum of £1213 is lown on the present year's estimate-Of course with electric light the lamplighter's office is practically gone. A couple of switches have only to be operated and the lighting over the whole town is on or off. The spectacle of a man slowly parigrinating round lighting lamps long before it is neces-

WEARY WORN-OUT HOUSE-

sary or extinguishing them long after they are needed will be a thing of the past.

leadaches and Shoulder Pains Ende d

Great Praise for Bile Beans "I was subject to acute attacks of digestion, the sharp stabbing pains etween the shoulders causing me m satisfied it was not a desirable place to register. The council should consider suffering," says Mrs. A. Petric, of 120 Glebo St., Glebe, Sydney. "Terrific headaches added to my misery, and 1 the petition that had been presented often had to lay down to get case. had no desire for work and was entirely

> Althoug I took medicines none of them gavo mo any caso. "Commencing to take Bile Beans I oon experienced some relief. Bile Beans were very mild in action and did not cause any unpleasant pain. As continued the doses the headaches coased, and the painful sensations between the should After a full course of Bile Beans I was completely cured and felt stronger in every way. My appetite which had almost disappeared returned, and I was able to attend to my housework. Now if I ever feel at all out-of-sorts a dose or two of Bile Beans soon put me

Rile Beans end biliousness, liver trouble, bad breath, indigestion, lassi-

Letter Deliveries in North-East Northcote.

On Monday evening the Deputy-Postmaster General wrote, in reply to the Northcote council's representations regarding the procertain persons near Fairfield, stating that owing to the very small number of letters, 15 per dlem, which were received for the delivery were extended as desired serious public inconvenience would be caused to other residents of the town, it was unwise to

make any alteration in existing arrange-Or. Redmond said that through a lotter being sent to him at Northcote being re-directed via Fairfield it was two or three days late and he was put to much pecuniary loss. Letters muurossed to Northeote should

be delivered from Northoole. The Town of Brighton wrote saking the to operation of Northcote in securing a better postal delivery service. It was decided to co-operate in the matter,

Bag of Money Lost and Found.

When Mr. V. Francone, while monohens Northcote, got to the city on Friday last he missed a bag containing money, and con-cluded it had been steller from his delivery cart. The bag was, however, picked up on the Clifton Hill tram track by a lad named people, finding a similar bag was being enquired for, communicated with Mr. Frannone, who thus recovered his property. The bag contained about £80. We understand I that the lad was bandsomely rewarded.

THOMASTOWN.

Thomastown ascombled at the residence of the local B.M., the occasion being the selebration of the 21st birthday of their daughter tion of the Mist birthday of their daughter blyrile. A very pleasant time was spent by young and old. Hongs, recitations, and speeches were given and Miss Meade received congratulations from all parts. Supper was provided in a large marquee creeted for the purpose, and Miss Meade out the birthday cake amid cheers and wall-wishes for many thanks better the state of the property of the purpose. happy birthdays. Speeches were made to which Mr. Meade responded and thanked those present for their presence. Dancing, to the strains of plane and violin ably supplied by Miss A. Meade and Mr. A. Siebel, was indulged in and kept up till the "wee sma' hours," everyone enjoying themselves thoroughly. Miss Meads received many useful and costly presents. Eventually all joined hands in the singing of "Auld Lang Syne," and in cheers for Miss Meade, Mr. and Mrs. Meade, the musicians and Mr. Horwood, of Preston, who acted as M.O.

On Wednesday, 8rd, the residents of

THE COPPER KING

By G. Addison.

From the depths of an arm-chair Jerome, the Copper King, watched the bent figure of his old butler cross the

"Is there anything else I can do for Jerome lighted a eigar with meditative care, then pushed the box across the table in his servant's dl

"Jim!" he muttered, almost irritably "How many more times am I to tell you I won't be called 'sir' when we are alone? In the old days it used to be just 'Jim' and 'BHL' Let it be so still when there is nobody about. Squat, Jim! I want to have a chat with you. Gad! you are the only one I can speak to with any degree of pleasure. You understand -- the others? Well, they have no sympathy with the old days. They never

knew them, Jim." A queer smile curied the old man' Scating himself in the indicate! chair, he hent a searching stare of his companion's face. To his secutinising glance its features revuled the same old strength as of yorethe same dogged determination which had served him to wrest wealth from the bosom of a reluctant earth under difficulties which would have served to daunt nine men out of every ter Yet discontent held its kingdom in his eyes. James Burrett recognised the light and sighed. "Happy, Bill?" he queried, bitting James Burrett recognised the

the end off one of the proffered

"What do you think?" Jerome laughed mirthlessly, 'Don't you think I should be, matey? Isn't this house just the last word in what rich man should desire? Is not to night's party one of the higgest country has ever known Haven't I every titled snob who' worth anything kicking up his acels in my ballroom? Haven't I the real, live widow of a baconet as nev house keeper-or is it hostess?--for Happy! Don't you think should be, Jim, when I know that by to-morrow morning every paper i England will be giving as a story the fact that I paid ten thousand pound to turn this place into a rose and or chid garden, and to obtain the where withal to feed this borde of azisto eracy on the fat of the 4and?"

"Yet you come in here to b "For a smoke, Hang it! I can de what I like in my own house, I sup-

"Still, there's the smoke-room," haz arded the butler, dryly.
"All the fellows who are not land

ing slink in there," growled Jerome savagely. "If I turned in among tha herd I should be expected to give to all and sundry the 'get-rich-quick Stock Exchange tips. I came in here to be alone for a few minutes, wanted to have a chat with matey. You are the only pal I pos out of all my circle of friends.

What do you want to talk about BH1?" Jerome's broad brow lowered in

heavy frown. "Harp on the old days, mate," h nuttered, thoughtfully. "Why should not you? They were the happiest in my life. Jimmle, money does not bring happiness, and at times there is a world of comfort in a dirty col

"The crowd you move in, Bill would shudder to know you had ever worn one." Burrett smiled cynically 'Tell me what you have on mind, old son. You haven't told me to come to an anchor in this charmerely to talk on the past. What is it, Bill? Tell me: though I reckor I could nick a bullseve of what it is concerns the daughter of this hid housekeeper of yours—Mabel Tre-fusil. She has been tracking you down for quite a long time now, Bill. Cieverly, cautiously-just the same as me and you used to do a larder ran tight." Burrett paused, adding, "You are going to give Lady Trefusil her walking the Bill? You are right. a cat, mate! Give her the push and get someone else with a title to run you, since you seem to like this kind of racket. You've the money to d

"Ah! Mabel is a pretty girl, don the rest of it. Sort of woman to give the man who marries her a good put up in society, ch?"

Burrett caught the gaze of his doing so held It. "Meating yourself?" said he, dryly "Poor fellow! So she's cornered you

at last, has she?" "I am going to marry ber, J.m.

retorted Jerome, shortly. "When did you ask her-to-night?" "I'm asking her to-morrow. She'l accept me, I know. Her mother told

me it would be all right when she suggested the match. You see, mate I intend to run the whole hor. into Parliament and all the rest. With all my money I might even get a title. I wanted you to be the first to fish, such as Peggy had it in her hear congratulate me, for old times' sake." "Congratulate you on being able to

buy a woman who doesn't care a tink er's curse for you? Congratulate you on below able to know you are onylo for every kiss your wife presses of your lips? Congratulate you on be ing the owner of a woman who take your gold and oh, Bill, I can't!-You are too white a man for such a fate. I'd save you from your Matey, have you ever thought all it means when a worsal creeps into your arms? It's Just the sweetest thing this earth has to give a man. Love makes the wife-no

Yours is a rough tongue, Jim. Jerome spoke sharply. "I'm hanger if I would have stood as much from any other being in the world."

"Rough because It's the Couh." re-torted Burrett, quickly. "Do you think Mabel Trefasil would have looked at you had you not been as well gilded as you are? You ain't ner metal. You ain't the same broad agany one of the beggars you have invited to this show to night. If you don't know it, they do, and-laugh et you behind your back. Jim, they don't know me and you were pards. They and-but I nearly forgot myself an hour ago.

Thunks, but it wouldn't have been worth it! Let them laugh as much as ever they choose now; I'll make them grin on the other side of their faces before I hand in my checks, I'll spring a bomb-shell on the lot be fore I've done with them. Listen to that rain, Jim! A wash-out, isn't

"I wonder if Peggy is happy?" The words left Burrett's lips almost dreamily as he listened to the driv Ing fret of the rain against the win-

utterance than a murmur, they, how the color from his cheeks. He shifted uneasily on his chair, glancing hrewdly at the man before him.

"Her (other died two mouths ago, remarked Burrett, conversationally He was a brute to her, and—yo used to be very sweet on her one Jim. Why don't you find out wher she is and marry her? She's white she is. Your money didn't make he love you. The pair of us hadn't

dollar when you took her fancy."

Jerome rose abruptly to his feet,

"Why don't I look Peg out and her?" he rapped back, almos y. "Because she can't offer me fiercely. the social advantages Mabel can, It's nower I am after. Power, so I may be able to crush those who kicked me down whenever I tried to rise. Lov has no hand in this deal. I would marry Peggy. That's why I don't want to look her up, in case the sight of her pretty little face nado mo weak "

"I'll go and have a look at th supper table," said he, slowly, "We might quarrel if I stayed here much onger, and then you'd be without pal in the world, BIII."

Jerome nodded, forcing a smile

nor did he attempt to stop the old man's departure. Sullenly he sat smoking his eigar to its stub, while he listened to the sounds distant revelry-the steady thresh o rain against the French windows i his rear. His face was set, sphinx like in its gravity, when, pausing i the lighting of a second cigar, ome remained motionless, straining his ears for a repetition of the tap ping noise which had arrested his at

tention. He had not to do so for long Barely had a moment time to clause before the sound of a low, hurried rapping on the window's glass again fell on his ears. In a moment w had crossed to the casement, perring questioningly out into the gloom by

A low uttered gasp of surprise of caned his line as he did so. On rom amid the darkness of that rais swept night a face peered into his through the wet-rimmed glass. Beauti ui beyond the ordinary, despite its lines of want and care, it held his wondering glance as only one woman's had the power.

"Peggy!" he gasped, the stupefac-tion of his soul at last finding expression. "Peggy! Heavens! And on such a night as this."

Hurriedly Jerome wrenched at the fastening of the window before him. Swinging it open, he gave entrance to a tottering figure which, despite its shabby, soaking raiment, he clutched to his breast.
"Peggy!" he cried, his voice break

ng strangely. "Pegny! Was it fate which brought you to me to-night?" Clinging to him in the fashion frightened child, the girl looked up n the Copper King's face.

"Will!" she murmured, tremulous y. "Oh, my darling, is it really you am not dreaming?"

The color slowly crept in a flood of shame from his throat to the broad straight temples. A chill of guil numbed his heart as Jerome read th essage of Peggy's eyes. There was love Illumining the depths of the vio let pupils raised to his—a love light such as he had never seen reflected in those of the woman he had it in his mind to ask for his wife.

was his, body and soul. She would resign herself into his keeping, did h out ask her for the priceless gift of her freely-given love. Yet the desir for power silenced the words tremb ing on his lips for utterance. "You are drenched!" he whisnere

cently stroking the pillowed head of waving auburn resting on his shou der. "Drenched, Peggy, and — it' one in the morning. What is th meaning of it?"

"I was walking to Uxeter. There workhouse there, and I felt I could not go any farther without something to eat. I am starving, Will. I was afraid of fainting by the roadside in the rain, so, seeing lights in this use. I the ught I would beg a crust of bread. Then I say cou, dear, and I forgot I was hungry all-except that you stood before -that I loved you, Will."

Jerome's face bent lower over th head pillowed on his shoulder. There was a strange mistiness shrouding his eyes, and unaccustomed smart. he pressed the woman yet closer t iis bosom.

Heedless of the rain of his immalate shirt-front, Jerome held the soal ed figure tightly in his arms. Un consciously he verged on the supremoment of his life and, doing so, rea lised a wealth of love was of ever greater value to a man than th

weight of power. A new world was created for Jer ome in the cling of Peggy's softly rounded figure against his arms. the contact of the woman he loved hi lust for power found defeat, whilst from its ashes, phoenix-like, rose desire for love, ungrudging and unse

to give. "Heavens!" he muttered, thickly pressing a kiss on the tendril of way ward auburn fretting his cheek. "Jin was right! Loves makes the wifenot gold! The name of sacred; it would be an outrage to give it to a woman I can buy gold. Wealth can do much, but it

Impulse dominated him. Raisin the girl's head from his shoulder, he looked almost fiercely into their depths of blue.

"Peggy," he whispered, brushing ae clustering curls back from off he brow with loving touch, "you are going no farther to-night. You are just going to stay here—for ever."

The girl smiled wanly in his face a deadly numbness sweeping over

her tired frame as she did "I don't think they would allow it, dear," said she, wistfully. "I only want something to eat. Do you think you could get it for me? I should only get you into trouble, dear, were

to be discovered here."

Jerome's laugh broke sharply in o her trembling utterance. In a mo-ment it dawned on him that Peggy, anaware of his change of fortune mistook his position in the house for one of servitude,
"I'm master of this place," said he

sharply, as, disengaging himself from the retentive elling of her fingers, he the retentive elling of her fingers, he poured out a glass of brandy from Jority arrived in time to witness the the tray standing on the adjacent lable. "Drink this, Peggy. It'll pull with an expression on his face that you together, whilst I tell you my sont her cowering back, voicing her story. When I left England I went went with an addencery of four.

West, and struck it rich. I became "Were you a man, I believe I'd kill mentioning and balk a military and the story." practically a millionaire. I abandoned the name of Bates to assume that of Jerome. To-day I am Jerome, the

life in the nick of time, to save m from myself. I am owner of this house, but it requires a mistress, want you to be my wife, sweetheart For pity's sake don't tell me it car never be. You love me, Peggy? Aye can see it in your eyes without the elling. You will be my wife?" Jerome stepped forward a pac-hen halted, smiling into the whit

set face meeting his gaze. "Will," she whispered, tremulousl is all this truth?" "Gospel."

"As I never desired anything else refore in all my life. Peggy drew her breath in

ened gasp. "I should ruin your life, dear, did answer that question as my heart bids me," she whispered back, uncertainly. "When I said I loved you Will, I thought you were a servant here. Had you been the poor man I thought, I would have said yes without a moment's hesitation. As it is

you are rich the world lies before you and oh, WiP, can't you under stand? People would say you had made a mistake, and in time you would grow to realise it. I am only i woman, dear, a sensitive woma one, too, who loves you more dearly than you are ever likely to be loved again. It would break my heart to feel you grow cold and distant be neath my caress, 1-1 couldn't stand I think it would kill me!

Jerome gripped the nervously-twin

ng fingers between his own. "Peggy," said he, huskily, "give (the right to love you and I will do so my life's end without faltering. am of the earth-the same as you I am just clay, so it's no use my ima gining I am porcelain. That's the way to breed misery. I am on the ringe of society if you will-I shall never be in its swim. The snobs am entertaining here to-night will come to amuse themselves, to eat and drink at my expense, but they know I shall never be one of themselves, and, doing so, laugh at my pretenslons. I am sick of them! ick of everything! I want a friend

-someone who will love me for my elf. Peggy, I have had my fling; want peace and-happiness. in your hands to give me both. Have on the heart to deny me the cray ng of my soul? "Will, if you only knew how you

empt me! "Surrender, then." Jerome breathed the words out ecents of low, concentrated passion, s, drawing Poggy towards him, he "Surrender!" he cried, almost ex

ot, my darling?" "You tempt me beyond my strength. On, I can't help it, Will, but I think I love you too much, dear, to be able to efface myself for ever from your Will! Yes! How happily I say it

Uttering a happy cry, Jerome, gathdelirium of passion he held Peggy to his breast, to release her as sudlenly on becoming conscious of a third person's presence in the sanc tuary of his love.

Uttering a cry of surprise, Jorome wang heavily round on his heel to confront Mabel Trefusil. "I am engaged," he jecked out, an-

grily. "So it appears," she sneered, dart ing a glance of withering scorn at the trembling woman clinging to Jer-"I am almost sorry I disturbed your idyll. The spectacle you avored me with on my entrance was sardly an edifying one. Till to-night had no idea you honored the scour us of the highway with your love! Peggy shrank before the coldly-utred words as beneath the cut of a hip-lash. The insult touched her to the nuick, leaving her dazed, at nost uncomprehending, still the spell of silence holding the room in thrall

found its rupture in the noisy en-trance of half-a-dozen men. "What are you hiding yourself ere for, Jerome? Come out into the open and join in the fun. Oh! Jer me has got a girl in here, and-

"Silenco! Jerome's voice rang out clearly bove the jest like a thunder-clap, the glitter in his eyes freezing the words on their utterer's lips.

Holding the speaker in an unwaver ng stare, the Copper King slowly dis ngaged his arm from Peggy's cling. There was a menaco in Jeromo's stern, set features that cast their spell of silence on the startled men gathered within the narrow precincts of the doorway. Dominating them by the very force of his personality, he slowly crossed the floor to where the late speaker awaited his advent, the color slowly draining from his cheeks

the while he did so.
"You dog!" hissed Jerome, his sibilant accents vibrating early above the stiliness. "You dog! I've a mind o smush that grinning face of yours nto the back of your neck. As it is -get out. Get out of this room-

ut of the house!" "Captain Vautrey is your guest, Mr Jerome. Surely, even in the West, it was not considered good form to insult a man you have invited to you

Turning sharply to confront the speaker, Jeromo levelled his glance full on the contemptuous beauty of

Mabel Trefusil's patrician face, "Out West, when a man forgots what is due to his host in the way of courtesy, he is taught manners," he snapped. "I am teaching Vautrey his-by telling him to clear out of the nouse before I lose my temper and take the job in hand myself."

"It would be more polite on your part were you to apologice to Captain Vautrey. Captain Vautrey is my friend. I must insist on your apolo-gising to him, as well as on your turning that creature out of the house I feel humiliated at having to broathe the same air as that woman. You will tell her to go, now-at once!"
The girl paused abruptly, the word dying on her lips, as did the approing laughter of the increasing crowd of guests at her back. Jerome was fast precipitating a scandal, the new of what was afoot passing through the mansion, hurrying the curious, ho

footed towards the scene. The

siarm in a sudden cry of four, "Were you a man, I believe l'd kill you for those words," snarled Jerome, nanting in the white-heat of his ras "You feel humiliated at having of serone. Is any I am Jerome, the breather the same air as that lady of drive me all I want, except you, my darly one all I want, except you, my darly one ing, and you I intend to—and will—interposses. Persy, you have entered my however, by putting you in a position

which will obviate you having the necessity of doing so in the future You can go! You can get out of this place-you, your mother, and all the rest of this horde of fools you are pleased to call your friends. Get! Get, the whole lot of you! I am not blind-I am not deaf. I have noticed how you've looked at me; I've heard what you have said of me-and it was truth, every word of it! I'n not your set--your class. No, and thank Heaven for the favor. I'm clay right through. Honest in mind and thought, ready to take a man at his "And you want me to be you own valuation, and not dirty enough to bite the hand I grasp in friend ship. Clear out whilst I am still master of myself, or I shall do some of you harm. This party is at ar end. You'll find your carriages wait ing for you by the time you have go

our wraps on."
Leaning against the table for sup port, Peggy watched the scene before her with wide-open, staring eyes, mir roring the terror of her soul. Then. slowly, an overwhelming pride lerome's dominating personality pos sessed her being. None dared ques-tion the arbitrary ruling driving them from the house which, but a few iours previously, had opened to them its doors in hospitable welcome. None save one, Vantrey, and he was dashed to the ground beneath a blow from Jerome's fist that would have felled

an ox.

"James!" he cried, as the old buther forced his way through the crowd,
"Order the carriages."

Stepping from the doorway, he allowed passage to Lady Trefusil. She
passed Jerome's menacing figure with
a carcless shrug of the shoulders.

"Good night," said he, grimly. "To
morrow your cheque will be handed
to you, and the carriage will be
"Overl. A thousand times he has de-

Peggy stood, he gathered her trembling form in his arms to press quivering lips to his.

"Kiss me, sweatheart," said he lightly, the sudden mistiness of his glance finding an answering echo in the hoarseness of his voice. "Kiss me, my heart's desire. The darkness gazed searchingly into the depths of her tear-washed eyes.

Inc., my nearts agent. You have brought me the dawn of a new and happy existence. We'll toast it when theyultuntly. "It is surrender, too-is it the people I thought I could ape-have gone. Just you, Jim, old Mrs. Willis --you remember her, don't you, Peggy? She's now my housekeeper -and myself. Just a little party, as ve used to be in the old days fe-to willingly surrender you into I started getting swelled head-bemother woman's arms. Oh, it's yes, fore I was fool enough to think earth Will! Yes! How happily I say it could ever become china. Kiss me, sweetheart-kiss me, my Peggy," The quivering lips upraised ring her to his bosom, rained kisses in such sweet allurement returned the passionate pressure of his, own. sassionate pressure of his own.
Peggy had entered into her king-

SCIATICA:

om at last.

To one who has suffered from sciatien any description of the pain and misery will be needless, and to one who has not had it no ordinary can picture it adequately. The pain in well-marked case is exeruciating is felt with greatest intensity abthe middle of the back part of the

thigh, or higher up, and extends down the back of the leg.

The underlying cause of the pain in true sclatica is inammation of the selitic nerve, a large nerve-trunk passing down the middle of the thigh and dividing near the knee into two main branches which run down the leg.

The treatment is directed to the cure of the inflammation of the nerve and to the relief of the pain resulting from it. In the attempt to accomplish the first of these objects the cause must be ascertained, and then be re-moved, if possible. This cause is not always the same, but is generally some systematic condition, or toxemia, as it is called, often indefinitely charac-

it is called, often indefinitely characterised as gout or rheumatism or the "uricacid diathesis."

For the relief of the pain drugs may be, and often are, necessary, but much can be done by physical measures. The first essential is rest of the limb, obtained by the recumbent position in bed, sometimes combined with fastening the leg in a splint. In addition to this local applications are often of great service.

In some cases cold, in the form of an clongated fee-bag, gives most relief. In other cases the pain yields more quickly to hot applications, such as a poultice or running a hot iron

as a poultice or running a hot iron over the part covered with thin blot-

over the part covered with thin blot-ling-paper, or the leg may rest in a box illied with hot sand.

Sometimes alternate hot and cold applications relieve when either alone fails. A good way is to apply several layers of cloth wet with lee-water and cover them with strips of blanket over which is a sheet of rubber tissue. The heat of the limb soon converts the cold application into a hot one, and the silmulation of circulation thus effected brings great relief. Gentle rubbing or stroking of the limb upward is often grateful.

In the later stages, when the pain is less acute, massage and careful exer-

ess acute, massage and careful exer-ise are serviceable. Electricity of the proper kind and scientifically applied may be of use. But this, or any pow-erful measure, should be used only under the direction of the physician.

"What is all this straw doing in the roadway? Somebody ill?" asked the man passing,
"Easy!" said the man at the gate, holding up a warning finger. "There's a young man cailing on my daughter to-night, who has been coming to see her for six years. He's very easily frightened. We hope he's going to propose to-night, and we are taking every precaution against his being startled."
"So that's the baby, ch?"

"So that's the baby, ch?"
"That's the baby." "That's the baby,"
"Well, I hope you will bring it up
to be a conscientious, good young

man."

"I am afraid that will be rather difficult."

"Pahaw! As the twig is bent the "I know, but this twig is bent on being a girl, and we are inclined to 'et it go at that." ree's inclined."

It would be as easy for a fishing smack to stop a Dreadnought as for an uneducated people to compete suc-cessfully with an educated people. We pray to be saved from war, per flience, and famine; but we should almost pray also to be saved from enob

Of any worthy process of self-cu ture solitude is one of the essential conditions. Only in solitude can a man find and commune with himself.

Frequently ask thyself if thou ar making good use of thy time nothing is more valuable

PLAYING THE HERMIT. By Lawrence Alfred Clay.

Bascom Hayes was missing. His sister and her husband, with whom he lived, said he was—his club friends said the same thing—the public press announced that he had vanished off the face of the earth without leaving much as a trail of dust behind. And who was Bascom Haves to dissing and have whistles blown an herns tooted and private detective set on edge? Just an old bachelo with a comfortable income, complac out in bis nature and lazy and unam

bitions.

Missing! No chie! Last seen sitting in a public park at midnight. Had a despondent air and was so preoccupled that when a vag, called him "Cully" and struck him for a half-sovereign, he neither answered to the name nor handed over the shiner. name nor handed over the shiner.
Fool play, perhaps, as he was
known always to carry enough with
him to pay his taxt fare, no matter
how much the chauffeur meddled with
the clock. No reason known why he
should climb to the top of the highest
hall-line and beneat. He landers are should climb to the top of the highest building and leap off. His laundry account was paid up to the last cent, and he was three eigarette packages ahead of the game. No reward, but the grateful thanks of a sister for information.

No reward, but still a score of private detectives called and expressed their willingness to take up the case for the privilege It would give them. All were turned down but one. He would have been but for his voice.

"Good night," said he, grimly. "To morrow your cheque will be handed to you, and the carriage will be ready to convey you to the station at twelve. Kindly arrange for your Closing the door behind him with exaggerated care, the Copper King crossed towards the window. Films its open wide, he stared out into the rain-washed night. "That's better!" said he, dryly, "The place wants airing to rid this room of its flavor of snobbery."

Jerome laughed. Laughed with an abandon closely verging on that of hysteria. Then, crossing to where Peggy stood, he gathered her trembl-

not survive the shock!"
"I can't believe it," replied the

other.

"Go to the house and interview the willow. Nice little lady, but she was toying with your brother's heart-strings. Go charge her with it and you will bring the guilty blush to her face."

The sister decided not to do any such thing. She saw several embarrassing objections to that line of conduct. Neither did she believe that her brother had committed suicide, but she was willing that the detective should patrol the beaches at his own expense.

xpense,
"Tis done!" he whispered. charge you nothing for finding the sad remains, but when I arrive here with them on a truck you can tender me a small sum in payment."

There was a little wildow living at No. 4,000,000 on the avenue named, and the detective in mousing around

and seen a man leave the house at a ate hour. He didn't know whether the man was the widow's grandfather, father, uncle or brother, but he called him Bascom Gray.

The little widow also knew that Mr.

Gray was missing. She heard of it orally, and she read it in the papers. She also knew just why he was mising, but she wasn't chasing around to clunteer information. Widows know when to keep quiet.

gone by, she received a letter from a friend in the country containing news that relieved her mind considerably and brought a smile to her face and a plan to her mind. a plan to her mind.
"I wish you were here," wrote the
correspondent. 'We have a romantic
mystery on hand. There's an old
log house in the woods half a mile
down the road. It has not been occu-

down the road. It has not been occu-pied for years, and is saily out of re-pair, but behold! a hermit came a day or two ago to take up his quarters, "No old rags! No venerable whis-kers! Middle-aged and decently dressed, and they say he spends most of his time moaning and sighing. Lives mostly on turnips, I guess, and steems on a brush bed. Here, the brush bed. Uncle -Um was over to see him yesterday, but could not get much out of him. "Seems to be someone who has been disappointed in love, and thinks the world has gone to smash. Hurry down and help us to solve the mystery by

and help us to solve the mystery by lading the guilty party who gave him he shake."
The widow smiled and nodded as she rend the letter. She even said to herself: "Yes, that would be just like

m. Then she went to packing so as to leave for the country sconer than she had planned for. She started, ar-rived and was welcomed. She had scarcely hugged her friend when she was greeted with:

"The hernit is there yet. We heard him crooning a love song last night, after stealing onlons and turnips for his suppor."
"Some escaped lunatic, probably,"
"O, no, he can't be. Ho's lust heart to be heard to hear the heart to be here here.

reaking his heart over some woman What a wicked wrotch she must be to drive him out of the world in this way!"
"Yes. And what a ninny he must

to have been driven!"
"Now then, hurry up and change and got lunch and we'll go over to the lut. Perhaps we can encourage and console him."

An hour later the widow announced that the way and the large the hearth. that she was going to see the hormit. She might or might not know him, but she had an idea'she did. There

but she had an idea she did. There was considerable argument about her going alone, but she prevailed and got directions and started off.

It was an ideal place for a benuit, the was an ideal place for a benuit. be woods and brush were donse, the old house almost roofless, and a more old house almost roofless, and a more lonely spot could not have been found for ten miles around. From the shelter of a bush the wildow took a long look. Only a woodpocker was to be seen and heard, and he was certainly a dejected looking bird. After a time an advance was made to the gaping doorway, and the hernit of the wilderness was made out to be seated in a dark corner with his head on his knees. "Bascom, come out!"

"Bascom, come out!" The figure never attrred. "Come out, I say!"
"Who-what?"

"Who—what?"
"Come out and don't play the ninny."
"Is it you, Nina?" was asked in a mouraful voice as a dishevelled figure arose and came to the door.
"Of course it is. Come along!" "It is too late."

"Too late nothing!"

"Too late nothing!"
And she took the hermit's hand
and led him to a little glade and sat
him down and seated herself beside
him and said:
"All I said that night was that a
man with your money and brains
ought to do something to make your
self known to the world, and you be-

self known to the world, and you became anary and took your departure."
"But you—you intimated——"
Yes, but that is all passed. You have done something, and that's all I asked. You ere in all the papers. You are the talk of the town. You are being searched for, Bascom, no woman wants to marry a noneulity. You are not one. You have made a fool of youvself and we'll be married as soon as you wish!"

TOOTLEROOM PUTS ON THE GLOVES.

And Takes Them Off Again in a

"There's a lot of talk about boxin

that's anticipating.
It was a little friendly bout with
Marmaduke Mumford in the back parior that first made Toot fancy himself
as a flatte performer. He struck his
oppenent on or about the walst-line caught him on the memory-nerve, for

ursemaid had trodden on it in

early youth.

"Twelve lessons, six pound," said the professor, coming to business; "an I'll unnertake to nake a gladhater of yer, Mr. Toozleboot.

bater of yer, Mr. Toozleboot."
"Tootleboom, sir—Tootleboom, if
you please! I—er—accept you
terms, professor, and I'll take my first
lesson to-morrow."
And during that first lesson Toot
was really amazed at the astonishing
progress he made. The professor
seemed quite unable to break down
his pupil's guard, while Archie two or
three times landed fair and sauges on three times landed fair and square or Mr. Drinkwater's face-making about

ed out that such payments were in variably made in advance. "Of course —of course," said Toot, with a mag

hour on Wednesday, explaining that he must leave town for a few days to ne most leave town for a few days to fulfil a professional engagement, and would prefer to give Mr. Tootleboom his lesson first, as it was most important that there should be no break in the course of instruction.

"Afore we starts, sir—cr—business business, you know, "Toucking these

business, you know. Touchin' tha ttle matter o' six pound ---

low something that didn't agree him. "Well, git yer gloves on.

(and something of Markowster, adjusted by the large line (by hid a queer, unsoftling effect upon his gallant pupil). Archie, in fact, took ten minutes or more to adjust his gloves to his satisfaction, and he gave almost a sob of relief when Mumford dropped in at Hope Cottage and was shown up to the unfurnished attic where the boxing lessons were being held. "Just going to begin?" Mure mur

next we try a protty bit of cross-but-tocking—like so! Now, sir, I 'old your 'cad in chancery, as the sayin' is," and the gentle professor imprisoned Toot's head under one arm, and pounded it most perseveringly with the

spluttered. "I—I fancy I remember where I put that cheque book, after all!"
"Oh, well, if that's really enough

"Oh, well, if that's really enough for to-day—" began the professor.
"Roual two," read Mumford very solemnly. "The contestants manoeuvered for an opening that Archie wanted to manoeuver for was the doorway, and he slithered through it at lightning speed, and collided violently with Amelia on the landing.
"Archibald!" stacentood his apouse, "was the work of the color of the color

"Nothin'!" he roared. "He did it

And that night a cheque was sent to Mr. Drinkwater, but it was a cheque for a pound only; and with it went a polite note to the effect that Mr. Tootloboom had so greatly benefited by the two lessons already given that he did not think any further tultion was necessary.

Peace and quictness brooded over the house of Tootleboom for Just twenty-four hours; then Professor Drinkwater came round at a trot, tore the door-bell out by the roots, worked the knocker off its hinges, and demanded that Archibald Tootleboom be summoned to his presence so that he might break him in halves.

Tippack him off about his business, Mollat! pleaded Archibald from behind a locked door. "I cuc-cuc-can't trust myself to see the creature. Ten to one I should do him some serious injury."

Amelia did her best, but Professor Drinkwater declined to be packed off.

five pounds, and until he got one or tother he wouldn't budge an inch from

Hurry.

at every opportunity, and in one of he came in: his furious rushes he must have "Swelling dumford suddenly drew off his boy. ing gloves with foverish haste and ang groves with reversia haste, and tion of the drawing-room suggested a said he'd just recollected a most particular appointment.

"Yes, I think you'll do. Mr. Toolleboom," Archie chuckled to himself that hight as he practised a little fancy are supposs, focks and your so beautiful vases of cloisome."

that night as he practised a little fancy sparring before the hedroom mirror: "but perhaps a bit of expert tuition would improve your style."
"A course of boxing lessons?" said Mannford, when he heard about it. "Why. Tooty, old sport, I know just the very man!" And with his usual kindness he introduced Archie to Professor Drinkwater, a gentleman with a raspherry complexion and a nose that looked as though a careless nursemaid had trodden on it in his

Mr. Drinkwater's face—making about as much impression on that mahog-any visage as if he had been punch-ing a roll of cork lino. "Don't mind me!" said the amiable tutor. "It me as 'ard as ever you likes, Mr. Boddlepush!"

At the end of the lesson, which came when Toot had no strength left to pound the professor's face any longer, the question of the instructor's fee was raised, and Mr. Drinkwater point-

or course, said foot, with a mag-nificent wave of the hand, "that will be all right. You shall have a cheque when you come next time, professor." The second lesson had been fixed for the Friday following, but Mr. Drinkwater was round at a fairly early

Ilttle matter o' six pound.——"
"I'm afraid you won't be touching
it today," said Archie, smiling blandly, "The fact is, I've mirlaid my
cheque-book just for the present."
"Oh, it's like that, is it?" said Mr.
Drinkwater. His face changed all in
a moment from crimson to ripe plum,
and he seemed to be trying to swajlow segmething that dish's rage, with

tow something that didn't agree with him. Well, git yer gloves on, Mr. Boozlopush, Maybayou'll remember where it is later to professor's tone. Something in

"Just going to begin?" Mum mur-mured, helping himself to a chair. "Good! I'll stay and see the sport. I say! Wouldn't it be a bit of fun to make a proper sportin report of this and send it to the "Slowborne Mer-cury"? What? Ready, my lads? Set to!"

The lesson began, and in less than a minute Toot detected a marvellous change in Professor Drinkwater's methods. One, two, three came his tutor's left-handers in quick succession on various points of Archibald's feature, and then a swinging round-arm sort of shot that caught Toot on the car and sent him spinning round and round as quick as a Joy-wheel.

"Round one," read Mumford from the back of an income-tax envelope; "both men stepped into the ring in excellent fettle. The fighting at first was of a give-and-take description.

vas of a give-and-take description——"
"Give and take!" howled Archibald.

"Give and take!" howied Archibald, as he slowly gathered himself up from the floor. "Professor, I--I don't think I'll trouble you any further to-day." "No trouble, sir, at all!" said Drinkwater cheerfully. "Several little wrinkles I want to show you yet. This is what we call feinting," and he made a mock attack on Toot's lower cheat with one hand, while he delivered a sharp left-handed on his face with the other. "This is called the uppercut," again illustrating his meaning; "an' next we try a protty bit of cross-butlocking--like so! Now, str. I 'old

other.
"F-f-fainits!" his pupil feebly

all—that forty-horse punchin' ma-chine in there. Go in and see him, 'Mella. Get him out of the house. chine in there. Go in and see him, 'Melia. Get him out of the house. Send for the polico—the fire brigade—shift him somehow. Say a cheque for what's due will be sent him to-night."

tion was necessary.

Pence and quietness broaded over

Drinkwater declined to be packed off. He said he would have Toot's life or

the saddlebng settee in the Tootle the saddleng setter in the Tootle-boom's drawing-room.

What was to be done? The altua-tion was unique in the short and sim-ple annals of the Tootleboom family. Archie locked bimself in his study to think things over; Susetto blew a shell black on a collection.

shrill blast on a police whistle from the side door, and Mrs. Wiggs trie was heard in the hall, the front door opened and closed. "Ho's gone, Archie!" shrilled Mrs. Tootleboom, and hurried to a front window to watch the departing visitor. "What a massive brute, isn't he?" she said. "I declare he looks ever so

much broader and stouter than when "Swelling with indignation, per swelling with indignation, per-haps," ventured Archie; but a shrill cry in Susette's voice fro in the direc-tion of the drawing-room suggested a very digerent explanation, "Madame!" the French maid cried, "he did take

ze spoons, forks and your so heautiful vases of cloisonne."
"Archibald! 'phone to the police!" screamed the wife of Tootleboom's bosom; and Archibald duffully phoned. But the Slowborne police were at tea at the moment, and by the time the machinery of the law was set in public professor. was set in motion. Professor Brink water had left the town without forming his landlady where to ward his correspondence.

COMPENSATIONS.

There's an eye to know and watch each hidden thing; There's a willing hand to draw each bidden sting;

There's a heart to feel each human mind to comprehend our darkest

We never stand to face the world

light is there make the pit of doubt a valley We may not hear the music when it plays, see the shining sun beneath the

Nor see El The east is darkened by our own concelt: We crush the flower that grows be neath our feet.

away, Nor robed in royal garments does He stray; lingers near to comfort and Truth to bless, Within the but of love and humble neas.

bear

pullove is great enough to lift and

me, And send a message to encircle thee! "I've had cold chills running over

me all day," the thin man complain

ed. "You ought to be glad of that," said his heartless friend.
"I don't think I understand you.
Why should I be glad?"
"Oh, well, you know, it is quite an
ordinary thing to have cold chills." There's no cause for alarm. Just think what an extraordinary thing it would be if you should have hot chill

running over you."

the Vision valley are more trains, the versed only by dog sledges. One of the bishops in Alaska, who was very fond of that mode of travel, encountered a miner coming out with his dog team, and stopped to ask him what kind of a road he had come over. The miner responded with a stream of

miner responded with a stream of foreible and picturesque profanity, winding up with:
"And what kind o' trail did you have?

"Same as yours," replied the bishop, feelingly. He (wondering If his rival has been accepted): Are both your rings heirlooms? She (concealing the hand): Oh.

dear, yes. One has been in the family slace the time of Alfred, but the other is newer—(blushing)—it only dates from the conquest. If you would have sunlight in your home see that you have work in it— that you work yourself and set others Do not mistake sentiment for pity;

to work. In a criminal case tried in trish court the prisoner's counsol challenged juryman after juryman, and when at length the empanelling was completed the prisoner bent over was completed the prisoner bent over the deck and whispered to his coun-sel: "The Jury's all right now, I think," he said, "but ye must chal-lenge the Judge. Eve been convicted under him siveral times airldy, and maybe he's beginning to have a pre-judice."

There is nothing worth having that Is not difficult. My life—and, I suppose, the life of every man who has worked with hand or head—has been one long contest with difficultes, and none of us would be the men we now are if we had famely allowed difficulties to common me. tro If we had tame ties to conquer us. "Did your husband have any sort

of luck at the races yesterday? "Splendid! There was an accion the railway, and he didn't there till they were over." Accident Be slow in making promises; you will be the more faithful in perform

How it must jolt a man when he is polite to his wife in public to have her look as if she were not used to it! "It's so quiet here," wrote a man

The father and the mother have op ortunities of fraining a child that he teacher does not have. Applicant for Position: I have here

letter of recommendation from my ministor,"

Head of Firm: That's very good so far as it goes, but we won't need your services on Sundays. Have you any references from anybody who knows you the other six days of the week? "I just received your bill for got-

"Anything wrong with it?"
"Anything wrong with it?"
"No; but I'vo changed my mind. I'd rather go to prison!" The knowledge that we have ac-

ierve us in n**e**ed. The cherry, the peach, and the plum were first grown in Porsia.

up your apirits by good thoughts, enjoy the pleasant company of your best friends, but in all enjoy-ments be temperate.

RUINED HOMES. The Man Who Backed a Bill.

"Fool Fool!" "Fool Fool!"
It was the voice of Conscience roaring in the wretched man's cars. He stared blankly out of the cuttage window and thought of suicide.
"Fool!" Fool!"

He knew it; there was no mistakthe knew if; there was no initiating that. Within a few hours his young face had assumed the careworn appearance of a haggard o'd man, and his walk was a pitfful slouch, thuy he had discovered that he was a fool too late. He was a fool too

ite. He was ruined. He had done what men do every day-become surety for a man who wanted to borrow money. He knew the risk, and he fully realised that if the borrower did not pay, the lende could demand the sum fro

antor.

He had meant to refuse the request, remembering that he had a who and children. But he could not say "No," he was too weak-willed. And he liked to he hail-fellow-well-mer with all his pals, and to have the reputation of be

pals, and to have the reputation of be-ing a folly good sort. So he had said "Yos," and put the signature which made him responsible for the meney-lent to his friend.

The friend had vanished. And the lender had demanded the money, and it was to be raised by the sale of his formure. furniture. A knock on the door roused him

A knock on the door roused him from his hideous day-dream, and, opening it, he came face to face with the auctioneer's clerk, who had come to make an inventory of the goods.

The man watched him tick off the things that were to be sold—his wife's favorite chair, a carved oak cradle, which he had purchased with his overtime carnings, the plano thow he had screwed and pinched to buy it), a bookease, which he had made himself in his centring days. Hanging in bookease, which he had made himsel in his courting days. Hangling in front of it was a nest patch-work cur-tain that represented many hours of loving toil by his helpmate. He watched the clerk draw it aside in

case and its contents,
"Not these, surely?" he cried, "Can't alone;
Angels are near to touch and move each stone!
Our torch may smudge and yet the light theorems. The first stone is a smulge and smulge an

order to get a complete view of the

most."

The owner clenched his fist and begged his Maker to give him a chance of revenging himself. Before his frended gaze rose the oily face of the hypocrite that he had helpel and rusted. He could hear him pleading "Stand by me this time, just this once more, old boy, and I'll never trouble you again."

Conscience had roared "Don't! You have a wife and children and a home, and your duty lies with them." The wise Creator dwells not far If only he had the man there now! If only he had said "No!" If only some thing had suddenly happened to prevent him scrawling his name on the moneylender's document.

"Conscience laughed, "Too late!" and the auctioneer's clerk ticked off the pieces of furniture-a couch, mar ble clock, sideboard, sewing-machine ple clock, sideboard, sewing-machine, brass curb and firefrons. Then he asked if he might go to the bedroom, and the demented householder slowly led the way. As they reached the landing the figure of a woman appear. The pent-up sorrows of this world of care;
The law of contact will remember

canning the ingure of a woman appear-ed at the sitting-room door. Catching sight of the clerk's chall-marks on the goods to be sold—her favorite pieces—she broke into a torrent of tears and sank like a heavy stone to the floor.

The clerk wrote on: "Bedstead, wardrabe drawsing-table chales" wardrobe, dressing-table, chairs. "I think that's all," he marmured.
"I'm sorry, very sorry. The man who has let you in for this deserves hang-

"I let myself in for it. I was a fool!" thick what an extraordinary thing it ould be it you should have not chills unning over you."

The looked gloomily out of the bedroom window and wished it was a mile ligher so that he could leap down to be the property of the way of the property of the window and wished it was a mile ligher to the property of the window and wished it was a mile with the window and wished it was a mile with the property of the window and wished it was a mile with the window and window and window and window and window and window

"Got someflik in your eye, nummy?" asked one. "Let me look." "No use, darling," she whispered; "it's too far in."

MORAL REFLECTIONS Education is the cheapest defence of nations

rate as the duty of being happy.

Try to have kindly thoughts of people and the kind words will take care themselves. Gratitude is the fairest blosson that springs from a soul; and the heart of man knoweth none more fro-

Do not mistake southment for pity, the only time you are really define good is when you are doing some thing that actually helps. What we call our fortunes, good of Ill, are but the wise dealings and distributions of a wisdom higher and a kindness greater than our own. The unpunctual woman occasions dislike because she provokes the re-

dislike because she provides the re-flection that we are not of sufficient importance to make her prompt. The very gnarilest and hardest of hearts has some musical strings in it. But they are tuned differently in every one of us, so that the self-same strain which wakens a thrill of sympathotic melody in one may leave another si-lent and untouched. There is no end of the sickness and

There is no end of the sickness and suffering and pain in this world; but few are willing to help and fewer still know how.
Endeavor at all seasons and by all means to diffuse the blossings of knowledge; deem no labor too protracted or too severe which may terminate in the removal of an error.

Many way choose bly duties the minate in the removal of an error.

Many may choose his duties. He may choose to forsake his duties and choose not to have the sorrow they bring. But he will go forth, and what will he find Sorrow without duty—bitter herbs, and no bread with them.

Anybody can wish to live well. Almost everybody does. Even a criminal at times desires goodness; but he does not carry the wish steadily into act—and that is why he remains a criminal. It is not a few faint wishes, but a life-long struggle that makes us

but a life-long struggle that makes us vallant. What more dost thou want when What more dost thon want when thou hast done a man a service? Art thou not content that thou hast done something comfortable to thy nature; and dost thou seek to be paid for it, just as if the eye domanded a recompenac for seeing or the feet for walk-

In Lower California a large num-ber of the smaller desert mammals nover drink. They live and thrive on dry seeds and scraps of vegetation in daces where the heat and oridity are excessive without ever putting their lips to water, and it has even been found impossible to teach some of them to take water in captivity

the theatre. "Will you please so upstairs and get my goats off the dressing table?" said Mrs. Scribb. quired ought not to resemble a great slop without order and without an inventory; we ought to know what we possess, and to be able to make it "Pill show you," snapped the wife. you wonion got now?"
"I'll show you," snappod the wife.
Then sho salled away, and soon returned putting on her gloves.
"Are those what you mean? Why,
I call those kids?"

Scribb and his wife were going to

"I used to," replied Mrs. Scribb,
"but they are getting so old I am
ashamed to call them by that name
any longer."
He took the hint.

The Daughter of a Prodigal.

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Corston." The morning post brought a letter from the yiear. Vera read it with an amount of irritability surprising even to herself. Was this well-meaning man to be continually reminding her of the past? She wrote a blunt, unprocedure and the past? eracions reply to 🕶

"Dear Mr. Varden, -You really "Dear Mr. Varden, You really layerly given me time to settle ddwn, and in future please do not address me by the old name—not even under seal. I have no legal right to the name of Lynn, and I wish to force that I was ever known by it. I am quite sure that I shall be happy enough here. Everybody is nice, from the meanter to the meanest servent. the master to the meanest servant and as Mr. Trederoft is not a society and as Mr. Trederoll is not a society man there is no discomfort and no fuss. That is about all I have to say now, but you shall have a longer lotter in a few weeks' time. But please don't write too often and never mention anything about Glastonice and health, and many large large with the life and people I have done with

White writing in this strain he While writing in this strain her brow was puckered into a frown, and the lips which had once been fond and tender were drawn into a straight line. Truth to tell, now that she had no further need of Mr. Varden she wished him to leave her alone.

wished him to leave her alone.

A few minutes before ten Vera entered the parior, a large, comfortably furnished room, designed for the use of the family only. Mr. Trederoft was standing at the window, fally furning over the pages of a morning paper, but the instant he saw Miss Hope he contreously advanced to be contreously advanced to be the few highly fine into

duties of a maid go, but she is a chat-ter-box, whom you must discourage if she afflicts you with her conversa-tional powers. His lips were smile-ing, but his eyes were sombre. "Miss Hope," he continued, "at times my poor mother has held intervals, and I wish you to be cheerful and enter-taining. Interest her, and humor her in all things. The tay more your rein all things. The tax upon your re-sources will not be too heavy, I think." girl murmared something in but he went on without seem-

abnormally high forchead.
"What have you there, Barker? Oh, the plans of the Birchill Mines." The copies, sir.'

Mr. Trederoft examined the flimsy tracings long and carefully. A hard light glittered in his steely eyes when he raised them at length from the "These people have stolen a march

upon us while we've been sleeping.
Barker," he said. "Who are they?
What are they?" Backed by a London brewer named

'Jabez Corston!" Julian Trederoft's

For a full minute Trederoft stood as still and silent as a man of stone, save for the burning, triumphant eyes; then he was his urbane, unperturbed self again, and spoke almost softly.

"A surprise, Miss Hope! An anclout enemy has declared war, and these conflicts are the breath of life to me—particularly when the foeman is worthy of my steel. A rich brewer named labor forcet.

te me-partfeularly when the foe-man is worthy of my steel. A rich brewer, named Jabez Corston, has pur-chased some coallelds adjoining mine in the neighborhood of Walby, and it has gone forth that he has genius as well as money at his command? His brewery is somewhere in the Mid-lands too. The struggle heaving he His brewery is somewhere in the Mid-lands, 100. The stringche between us promises to be Titanic, and I will bring thin to his knees even if I have to invoke the powers of the Evil One himself!" His whole form seemed to expand with his laugh. "Oh, these passions of mine! I fear that I have shucked you, Miss Hope?" "No-no!"

· was looking him squarely in the face, with an expression in her eyes that made his heart leap. Therein he read eagerness and admiration.

"At all events," he said, "you must not prejudge me. My reputation in the world of finance is none of the sweetest, because I am successful. I never tyrannise over the poor or the hard-working middle-class man. The monopolist and the merchant colossus are my game. But here—" his teeth clicked and he took two turns up and down the room. "But here!" he repeated, then faced the girl, and sently requested her to be sented. leaning forward and una ing at him, her hands clasped together her eyes dilating. Swiftly her manner underwent a change; her eyes dropped, and she walked over to a chair he the wide window, with a murmur of thanks. of thanks.

"Miss Hope," proceeded Julian Trederoft, "you are in every way a remarkable young woman. I have tra-velled far, and seen much of the world, but your like I confoss I have before. I trust that I not offensive?'

"You are an enigma, sir." To most people, yes; but to you I shall make myself plain because of the sympathy between ms. I saw it the moment. I looked into your eyes—when I met you at the railway station. Until then my interest it you ion. Until then my interest in you was amuli chough. I was curious, and is for my own." She was startled by his words, but

bls Inconsequential

assuring.
"That young fellow, Barker--the
dreamy and the listless--is my scere
tary; he works in the small study next
to the library. I don't trust him absolutely, and all papers of real importance will be a series. portance will be in your control."

Vera's face had flushed and paled. Her libs moved in an effort to speak but Julian Trederoft went on tolk

ing.
"I have this morning had news from "I have this morning had news from my ground ballif that an immense tract of coal fields has been bought over my head, and I am going to the seens of operations. The imm who has dared to beard me in my den, so to speak, once did me a grievous wrong." His face whitened, and his breathing became hard. "Miss Hope"—he came nearer and laid his right hand upon her shoulder—"the segundre caused her shoulder—"the scoundrel enused me to be sent to prison for using his name when there was a tack under standing that I might do so within certain limits. I was an ambitious young

awyer in those days-just think of t-only twenty-seven years of age!"

He saw that the girl's brown eyes vere flaming into his own, and glint-

He saw that the girls brown eyes were flaming into his own, and glinting what-pity, triumph, hatred!

"That man was Jabos Corston, and I have waited long years for my chance. My name was not Julian Trederoft then—I assumed it with these estates in obedience to my uncle's will. Corston doesn't know." He ground his teeth. "You have seen one result of his treachery and inhumanity. My poor mother was driven childishly insune. Now, Miss Hope, don't you think that I am justified in panishing the monster?"

'I do." Her voice was clear and firm. It thrilled the man in every fibre. She sprang up, stern and risid. "And I will ald you if I cam."

"Enough!" He laughed now. "I have permitted you to peep at the skeleton in my cupboard, and you will respect my confidence?"

There was stience till he spoke

There was silence till he spoke

again.
"Miss Hope," he said gently, "my
mother is here."

There was a noise of fussy female
voices, and the parler door opened.
Mrs. Tredecreft and the mald, upon
whose arm she was leaning, came into the room, and the mistress was
steening angrify.

to the room, and the mistress was storming amerity.
"So you have actually engaged some person to hang about my skirts without consulting me in the matter?" she cried, facing her son. Then she turned the full battery of her glasses upon Miss Hope, and surveyed her with suspicion and soom.
"You may go, Tacey," Julian Trederoff said to the maid. He took his mother's arm and spoke soothingly.

erof; said to the maid. He took his mother's arm and spoke soothingly. 'You are better this morning, dear?' "Better!" she repeated sharply. 'I shall never be better until I am away from this house of mystery. What is your name, young woman?" "This is Miss Vera Hope, mother. The doctor insists that you take a daily drive, and that you have the constantinghin of someone who will

muanionship of someone who wil understand and interest you. Don't

understand and interest you. From tyon remember?"
"No; I remember nothing, I did not even know that Miss Hope was here until Tacey told me."
She dropped into an easy chair and regarded the new companion doubtfully. She was a woman of seventy, but looked much o'der, Her, frame meet her, his face brightening into a smile.

"My mother will be downstairs very soon," he said. "She has a most every lattles of a maid go, but she is a chatter, and the said of prey; the said when you must discourage if the cross were heady and shifting, and therebox when you must discourage if

her fingers were like claws.
"It is difficult to believe that ther "It is difficult to believe that there is any blood relationship between the two," thought Vera. For the first time it went home to her that Julian Trederoff was both handsome and distinctionally in appearance. Again he speke soothingly to his mother, until her fretful remarks ended in a whim-

per.
"You are altogether too good-look The girl murmured something in rely, but he went on without seeming to hear.

"This is your working-room, Miss Hope—and your playing-room, too, if you like, Music, books, pictures, and comfort. That was my idea when I had the stiff and mely furniture turned-out—comfort. These old-fashioned parlors always appeal to me."

There was a tap on the door, and a tall young man, very thin and very pale, was bidden to enter. His eyes were large and dreamy, and his abundant hair was brushed back from an abnormally high forchead.

"What have you there, Barker? Oh,"

They can be Mrs. Trenerott, when my real name is Marchpane. Everything is turned topsy-turvey."

Julian Trederoft smiled indulgently, and laid a caressing hand upon his mother's shoulder.

"I have explained to Miss Hope how the my total the name of my."

"Lies--all lies. My son never had

sternly, "or I may forget my duty to-ward you." His face was not good to look upon, and his mother shrank from before the baleful glare in his

rible. He reminds me of a great cat-puring one moment, and snarling the ext. Julian Trederoft burst out laughing.

"Jabez Corston!" Julian Trederoft's face hardened, and a bitter smile curied his lips. "Oh, indeed! See that the door." He looked at his watch. "Eleven sharp."

"Yes, sir," the young man said tentatively, but as Mr. Trederoft appeared to have forgotten his existence, he glanced furtively at Miss Hope, ran his fingers through his hair, and quitted the room.

For a full minute Trederoft stood as still and silent as man of stone, save for the burning, triumphant eyes; then he was his urbane, unperturbed self again, and spoke almost softly.

CHAPTER XI. Making Things Plain

Nothing was seen of Mr. Trederoft for three whole days, and Tacey, the maid, informed Miss Hope that these disappearances were not at all un-"He keeps everybody on the jump,"

"He keeps everybody on the Jump," she said, "Never gives any warraing but plumps down, and if things ain't just so you know it."
"I am not interested in gossip, "Tacey!" vera remarked coldly, "Tacey!" echoed the mald. "Miss to you, if you please. I thought you'd thank me to give you a hint, Hope, when the state!"

What airs!" Miss Tacoy scornfully elevated her

Miss Taccy scorning elevated nor filled nose. But that same afternoon a tele-gram arrived, addressed to Miss Hope, announcing the return of the master. It was dated from London, and at first the girl was rather disturbed. Her heart leapt, her hands trembled, and the hot blood rushed into her face.

the hot blood rushed into her face. Why should be telegraph to her in preference to those who managed his household? She approached the house-keeper almost limorously, and mentioned the fact.

"Oh, indeed!" Mrs. Palmer exclaimed, filled with astonishment. She stared curjously at Miss Hope. "Is he bringing anybody to dinner? I've known him turn up with half-a-dozen gentleman, and expect everything in readiness for them."

"The telegram merely says 'Home at seven."

at seven."
"Thank you, miss."
The housekeeper moved stiffly away, and from that hour the importance of Mrs. Trederoft's companious firmly established.
A few minutes after six o'clock a A few inhutes after six o'clock a hackney carriago deposited Julian Trederoft at the gates of the lodge. He discharged the vehicle, and walked along the courtvard rather wearing, but his face lighted up marvellously when he saw Miss Hope coming through the gate from the woods. He advanced to meet her with quickened steps, and gently took one of her hands. The girl flushed, and remembered that they were in full view of the windows.

bered that they were in full view of the windows.

"How have you been getting along?" he naked, rather anxioualy. "You must think this a strange household, Miss Hope. The only visitors who are welcome are the managers of my business places."

"So far I haven't enough to employ me and I am beginning to won-

ploy me, and I am beginning to won-der what I am here for. Mrs. Tred-croft has taken a dislike to me, and I haven't seen her to-day."

trott han taken a distinct to me, and the hard seen her to-day."

A frown passed over his face; then he said quickly:

"My mother is a very old woman, and we must put up with her fads and fancies, Mass Hope. There is plenty of work for you here—probably more than you will care for," he smilled. "I want you to take over the household accounts. Mrs. Palmer muddles up the fluores into something worse than a Chinese puzzle."

They were in the entrance hall by this time, and while the magnate was talking to the buffer, Vera went into the parlor, her mind in a tumult. If work were being made for her from

motives of pity she was determined motives of pity she was determined not to accept it. She felt within her-self that she was not cut out, for a lady's companion, or at all events, not the companion for Mrs. Tredcroft She had tried hard to please the old lady, but every effort had resulted in dismal failure. Miss Hope's much the distriction for the properties of the control

in dismal failure. Miss Hope's music was distracting, her reading theatrical and her society—afterly impossible, That was the verdict of Mrs. Tred-croft.

Irritated and depressed, the girl re-ffred to her own room, and pleading a headache, woman's never-failing privilege, she did not venture down-stairs again until the next morning. Julian Trederoff was already up, and Julian Trederoft was already up, and perambulating the half, a cigar between his lips.
"I was sailly disappointed last even-ing," he said kindly, if half-quizzically, "And I hope that your head is bet-

ter,"
"There is nothing the matter," was
the resentful rejoinder, "I made the
excuse as I wished to have an hour

o myseif. o mysen. "I knew that, of course. But I be-"I know that, of course. But I be-lieve you have practically had sev-eral days entirely to yourself. I may as well admit that I have purposely waylaid you, Miss Hope. Shall we take a turn on the verandah? There-seems to be every probability of a break in the weather, so let us gather roses while we may!"

She clenched her hands and teeth. The man's compelling personality

She clenched her hands and teeth. The man's compelling personality scattered her resolutions to the four winds. She held up her head proudly, and looked him straight in the eyes. "This is the time for a final understanding, Mr. Trederoft."

The became grave at once, and assented.
"We were half-way to it when my mother interrupted us a few days since, Miss Hope, and who was to blame yesterday? Have you foractten our compact?" she repeated.

our compact?"
"Compact?" she repeated.
"Your promise, then, to help me
in the punishment of Jabez Corston.
I told you something of the wrongs
I had suffered at the hands of the merciless monster, and I saw sympathy
in your flashling eyes. Do you shrink
from me?" ng me: "Oh, no---no!" Her heart was beating up into her throat. "You have been wronged—bitterly wronged, and I think that I hate the man for it!"

leen wronged—bitterly wronged, and I think that I hate the man for it!"
He smiled grimly,
"You are capable of deep feeling, Miss Hope, both love and hate, but I doubt if your heart has really been stirred to either yet. Am I right?"
"I don't know," she shivered. "Why do you put these questions to me?"
"I am curious, and not without reason. The bond between us will not be a light one, and I want to assure mayself that you will not weaken when my battle plans are laid bare. Ruthless warfare for a ruthless enemy! My mother is annoyed because I did not consult her before engaging you. My original desire was to set rid of Tacey—a pert gossip with followers, and discovered it the instant I beheld work of a menial. I made a mistake, and discovered it the instant I beheld you. Tacey must remain, and to you, Miss Hope, I offer the post in my household of trusted friend, and then a savage gust of wind whistled in the trees, and the birds suttered work own wore burning, his lowe was soon to be followed by Miss Hope, to Heaven knows I'm in need of one!"
His voice was low but vibrant; his eyes were burning, his brow was

eyes were burning, his brow was moist. "I can see that I have startled and "I don't know what to think, You

There was a short slience, and she heard his labored breathing; then he "Lies—all lies. My son never nanyour smooth features. Don't you listen to his plausible tongue. Miss Hope."

"Silence!" Tredcroft commanded "Silence!" Tredcroft way forget my duty to "Let me take up the thread of the commanded "Let me take up the thread the commanded "Let me take up the take u

story I told you a few days since, Miss speech complete and understand that I am actually must be a large to the large to Jabez Corston, but you may be sur-prised to learn that when I had served

prised to learn that when I had served my sentence every semblance of humanity had left me, and a wild-heast lust for revenge upon the world at lance surged in every artery of my heing. I became an Anarchist, but sickened of their methods and betrayed my trust. The penalty for treachery is death, and one never knows when or where these flends will strike."

witt strike."
The girl gave a gasping little cry.
"Let me finish, please." He drew
in a long breath, and the thumb and
forefinger of his right hand plunged ust reposed by my Anarchist friends for two reasons. I was sent to India for two reasons. I was sent to India for some vile purpose, and revolted. My resolve to desert them became a certainty when I saw an opportun-ity to enrich myself by despoiling one of the gods in their great temples. The skull of this delty belonged to the last of the divinely descended rulers, and in the forehead, just above the nose, were inserted three gems of fab-ulose value—two emeralds and a ruby. I was abountably hard up, and could not see the sense of enduring hard-ships with wealth almost in my grasp. Miss Hope, I was then a thief and a desperado. I will not tell you how I entered the great temple, but enter it I did, and should have been com-pletely successful had I not been dis-turbed. As it was I secured only one of the gems—the ruby, and here it is." nose, were inserted three gems of fal-

that I was helr to my ancle's name and vast fortune. The rest is simple," He gave a short laugh, replacing the ruby in his pocket at the same

The girl's hands were clusped tighty over her heart, and she gazed at din with parted lips and wide eyes, "And the Anarchists—are they still following you, Mr. Trederoft?" she vhispered.

whispored. "Dosship; and the chaps from In-diversibility; and the chaps from In-diverse me is the thought of treach-cry. I don't mind a light in the open, but to be struck down from behind— Bah! And I have no particular de-sire to leave the world now that so much of its goodness is mine."

Vera was trembling. She tried to Vera was trembling. She tried to speak, but no sound passed her movng Hps. "You are not afraid of me?" he

ald gently. "No."
"You helleve what I have told you?"
"Why should I not?"
"Then you realise what I want you
o do, Miss Hope. I have no living
soil whom I can trust. The people thout me have other interests-and all men and women have their price

with one exception," he added soft She was too ngitated to answe

I had no idea that you were coulding down to breakfast, mother. Miss Hope and Mr. Barker have their meals at this table." "Indeed!" snapped Mrs. Trederoft, with a flash of malice. "I call such an arrangement disgraceful. Is it usual for gentlemen to sup with their servants?" ervants con Julian Tredcroft gnawed at his

Julian Trederoft gnawed at his moustache for a few moments.

"When the servants are their equals yes." He paused. "If I am a lonely man I am not a misanthrope, mother." in deference to me I suppose you will make some alteration in this arrangement? But, of course, the girl will be leaving, as I have quite decided that she is useless to me, and Barker I don't mind."

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"Miss Hope stays on in another capacity," Trederoff said. His tones were level, but the sudden fire in his eyes told of suppressed passion. "My financial operations are growing rapidly, and Miss Hope can correspond in French and German. She will be useful to me. If you object to her at the fining table, mother, I will consider what can be done. Your visits are so infrequent and always surprising."

"Shameful—shameful!" The old lady was shaking with temper, "You know that I could not endure this high-faluling creature, and you add insult to injury. You not only keep her here, but I am compelled to meether at meals, or remain in my own rooms upstairs."

"Be reasonable, mother." A gust of impatience swept over the man, and his face hecame absolutely wick."

"He reasonable mother." A gust of impatience swept over the man, and his face became absolutely wicked "I will have no interference in my affairs. Miss thop stays at Trederoft, and she is not going to be banished into solitude for the mere sake of humoring your spitchi whims." "Perhaps you are in love with the

and Mr. Barker strolled into the room, soon to be followed by Miss Hope, to oyes were burning, his brow was soon to be followed by Miss 1rope, or moist.

"I can see that I have startled and numerved you, and no wonder. Perhaps you think that I am a triffe mad?"

"I can see that I have startled and amorning," his pale face flushing faintly. His dress was painfully neat, his manner of speech and appearance strongly reminded the girl of some of the startled and programme strongly reminded the girl of some the strongly reminded the strongly reminded the girl of some the strongly reminded the st one she had seen before. Oh, yes, it was an evangelist who had made him self notorious at Glastonice once upon a time. Could this be the same per-

self notorious at Glastonice once upon a time. Could this be the same person? Her heart sickened for a moment. Then she heard Julian Tred-croft's voice, and there was a general movement to the table. The crisp speech of the master was pleasing after the secretary's drawling monotone. one.
"The new electric machinery has

artived from America, Tomarkor Barker blandly, "A hundred tons of it are on the siding at the Exton ironworks, swathed in miles of banlages. "And what else have you to report?

"And what else have you to report?
You went to the Birchill mines yesterday?"
"Yes, sir." The secretary reflectively opened his second egg. "There is
some marvellons machinery beyond
the lines of the enemy."
"I guess we can beat it."
Heaten grazed sampute at his own.

asping little cry, ease." He drew it the thumb and the humb and the humb and the humb and the ground baillif that our mines are writed out, while the Corston fields are practically mexplored. The water Americal Figure 1. was too strong to

no tobacco. It seemed to me t I only had a chew of tobacco I

die in peace. My larynx had been shot away, so I couldn't speak above a whisper, and therefore I couldn't at-

a whisper, and therefore I comman a arract anybody's attention. Well, str. you can imagine the astonishment of that surgeon when somebody tapped him on the shoulder and he turned around and saw me standing there asking him in a whisper for a chew. He thought he had 'om again and cred. This time I'll struck he helder

cried, "This time I'll sign the pledg for keeps!"
"Next day I was leading my daunt-

less men against the enemy, crying to them, in the words of the poet: 'Charge, Chester, charge!'"

WHEN JOHNNY IS DEAF.

"Johnny!"
That was his mother calling from a takener playing in the

window to Johnny playing in the street, but Johnny didn't hear her

street, but Johnny man t hear aet. And then:
"Johnny! Come here,"
But Johnny is at this moment reaching up to cutch a high buil, and his ears are closed to all calls; where,

oul.

"Johnny!"
And Johnny runs like one possessed, not for home but for the wicket, and there he stands, while from the window comes again the voice:
"Johnny! Come right home!"
And then a moment later:

And then a moment later:
"Johnny! Come here to me!"
With no response from Johany, and

And then after a moment's waltin

he mother's head disappears and sh nulls down the window, realising that it's no use.
In all the world there is probably nobody quite so deaf as the boy st

orce more you hear:

ien once m "John-ny!"

duce you came in are worth

"Johnny!"

was too strong to be fought against. Now a young engineer, named Russell, has invented the most powerful pump ever dreamed of, and Corston has secured the patent."

And the immortal soul of this young fool, Russell," sneered Trederoft. He glanced furtively at Vera, then went on reflectively, "I am not an engineer, but I know that thousands of rounds ag to the making and sands of pounds go to the making and sands of nounds go to the making and itxing of one of these pumps, and Cor-ston's capital is not unlimited. The cast of the conduit will be tremendous, and when all is in working order I may do something."

Barker looked up languidly. Tred-croft's eyes were affame, and his whole aspect revolting. He pushed but this goals are left the table his

back his chair, and left the table, his knotted hands clasped behind him. "I guess that we can beat Corston and this nowly-fledged genius of his whose brain he is sucking. The young fool! Now, had he brought his idea He thrust out his right hand, and in the smilight the precious stone fool! Now, had he brought his idea hashed into the girl's eyes, a myriad of line... Our mines are worked ou Barker, and Corston was smart when the adjoining coalfields ov

That is the truth, absolute and unadulterated, Miss Hope. To my lawyer I told a slightly different tale, representing that the actual robber was
a Russian count. I fled, with the avengers upon my track, but managed to
shake them off for a time, after a
chase of thousands of miles. Finally,
I reached New York, and discovered
that I was helr to my uncle's name
make him ray to me for mercy; [11] he bought the adjoining coalfields ove him: I'll bring him to his knees, and make him peray to me for merey; I'll beggar him and ruin him, as he has heggared and ruined others. Ah, here comes the groom with the post-bag. (Io to the door and meet him, Barker: I'll join you in the study in a few minutes."

The secretary rose and walked slowly from the room, and his master smilled contemptuously. He turned to Yora and subto grayely.

o Vera and spoke gravely.
"I don't trust that fellow a little bil,

"I don't trust that fellow a little bit. Miss Hope, and you must take your cue from me. That listless manner of his doesn't decelve me, and my family lawyer has got to hear about it. You see, it was the lawyer, Mr. Tenby, who palmed Barker upon me." Vern's eyes dilated, and a little gaspwas stifled in her throat. Mr. Tenby had been her father's lawyer. "I would give him the right about if I felt sure that he hadn't—" "I broke off, and made a savide gesture.

If I felt sure that he hadn't—" He broke off, and made a savage gesture, then spoke almost tenderly. "You mustn't mind my moods. Have I frightened you?" "Frightened me!" she said scornfully. "I am beyond that, Mr. Trederoft: I have suffered so much that I am insensible to further pain." "Brave words!" There was a half-chuckte in his tones, but his face betrayed nothing. I am going away for a few days—a week, perhaps," he added abruptly. "No one will know

She was too ngitated to answer him.

CHAPTER XII.

The Mystery Deepens.

The unexpected happened that morning. Mrs. Trederoft suddenly discovered that one him to the him to the him to the him to health, and without a word of warning she appeared at the cight o'clack breakfast table. He son was standing on the hearthrug, in a negligent attitude, with an olbow resting on the chimney-plece. In a moment he was aler', and stopped briskly to meet her, at the same time motioning Tacey to leave the room.

"A pleasant surprise, mother," he

THE HOUSEHOLD SELECTED RECIPES.

said, kissing her cheek. "But you have chosen the first dull morning there's been for nearly a month."

"If it's not too dull for others are not going to complain, Frank."

He conducted her to a big arm to chilr, and her sharp eyes roved over the table.

"Laid for three. Then you knew was, coming down, Frank?"

"Please drop the name of Frank, You know that I have legally assumed that of Julian Trederoft, and there are inquisitive servants in the house. No; I had no idea that you were coming down to breakfast, mother. Miss Hope and Mr. Barker have their meals at this table."

Is ordered! for ten o'clock. I want you to keep in touch with mo, as'I am always apprehensive of something happening. It my presence should be needed here, you can write or wire to Conwall." He lowered his volce to a whisper, "Here's the address—a little Cornish village on the coast, I om frivolous use of it, and the knowledge of it must ever remain a secret. Wern nodded.

"That's about all. Now I'll say good-bye." He took her hand, and pressed it warmly with a lingering clasp. His every were shining into hers.

"Good-bye," Vera said. Onion Soun.-Heat one tablespoor Onion Soup.—Heat one tablespoon-ful of butter in a pan, and fry care-fully in it twelve small onlons peeled and sliced. Put into another pan one quart of milk, one pint of water, a blade of mace, a pinch of sugar, one saltspoonful of pepper. Bring to a builling-point, add the fried onlons cook slowly for belf an hour, ther rook slowly for half an hour, the strain through a sieve. Heat up two yolks of eggs, add one cupful of cream, pour into a soup tureen, then add the soup, and serve at once. 'Good-bye," Vera said. (To be continued.)

BAD GUESSING

By Walt Mason.

"I was just around to the doctor

Mutton Cecils,—Put two cupfuls of chopped cold mutton into a basin, add the yolks of two eggs, two tables spoonfuls of butter, two tablespoonfuls of breaderumbs, one tablespoonful of chopped parsley, and sait and pepper to taste. Stir over the fire until heated through. When cold, form into small round babls; brush over with heaten eggs, then roll in breaderumbs and fry in smoking hot fat. Mutton Cecils, -- Put two cupfuls

Date Pudding,--Five ounces

Date Padding,—Five ounces of chopped dates, a quarter of a pound of breaderambs, three ounces of sugar, six ounces of chopped suct, one teaspoonful of baking powder, a quarter of a pound of flour, the grated riad of half a benon, and a grate of succession. nutmeg. Mix all the ingredients to-gether, moisten with milk, and boll for three hours in a greased basin. Kidneys and Tomatoes,—Cut—two Kidneys and Tomatoes, Cut two sheep's kidneys in silices a quarter of an inch thick, fry two rashers of fatt bacon, and then fry the slices of kidney in the fat. When slightly cooked add two sliced tomatoes and sprinkle all with salt and cayenne pepper; do not overtook the kidneys. Place on a hot dish and pour a little gravy round.

Mayonnaise of Eggs. Boil six or more eggs hard. Shell them and cut them in half lengthways. Have the same number of firm, even-sized to-matoes as you have eggs. Cut the

man's throat and looking at his cylinder escapement. I thought you would have some words of encouragement for me, but all you can think of is your blamed old bill. The sawbones said that I must avoid worry and excitement of all kinds if I would prolong my life. There is nothing that worries are more than your foolish conversasame number of firm, even-sized to-matoes as you have eggs. Cut the tomatoes in half, put them in a bak-ing-on, and bake in the oven till just tender, but not broken. Let these get cold. Then arrange them in two straight lines down a pretty dish; sprinkle a little salt and pepper on each, and lay on each half an egg-with the cut side downwards. Have reach ball and the proporties me more than your foolish conversa-tion about bills and accounts, and so tion about bills and accounts, and so if you don't want to see me fall over a corpse you'll select some happier theme.
"But, to tell the truth, I haven't much confidence in the doctor's verdict. Ever since I was an infant the physicians have been saying that I couldn't last long. When I was in my couldn't last long.

with the cut side downwards. Have seady half a plut of thick mayonnaise is sauce well flavored with Tarragon vinegar. Pour gently over the ergs till they are smoothly coated as well as the tomatoes.

Rice Soup.—Pick over and wash three onnees of rice and place it in a saucepan with one quart of water. Let this cook till the water is reduced to one plut, and a suspicion of milk, a little chopped onion and celety, a pinch of sait, and a suspicion of mace. Place the saucepan on the side of the stoye and simmer the soup till the vegetables are thoroughly cooked. Before serving add a lump of butter, rubbed into half an onnee of butter, rubbed into half an onnee of butter, rubbed into half an onnee of flour, and a tablespoonful of chopped paraley. couldn't last long. When I was in my cradle my parents were greatly worried, I was so frail and had such an angelic look, and they called in the village doctor and he said I'd never live to be a yearling. I was predestined to an early grave. From that hour I began to improve in health, and when I was a year old I was so robust that my father took away my rubber doll and gave me a shot-gan to play with. You never saw a man as budly disappointed as that doctor. The news had spread all over the countryside that he had pronounced my doom, and when I fooled him that way he felt too silly for anything."

You never did have a decent reped parsley. Vegetable Steak.—With those who

Vegetable Steak.—With those who wish to avoid ment this dish is popular. Mix together half a pint of fine breadcrumbs with the same quantity of mashed potatoes, a chopped hard-boiled egg, a little minered onion, some parsley and thyme. Season all with pepper and sait. Bind all together with heaten egg, form into balls, flour thickly. Drop into boiling fat and conk to a golden brown. Serve with a garnish of fried parsley.

Swiss Pudding.—First line a piedish with a short crust and cover the bottom with a layer of apricot lam; then fill up with the following mixture:—Cream two and a half ounces of butter with two ounces of castor sugar, then add the yolks of two eggs, and, by degrees, two ounces of paster of the crust. way he felt too silly for anything."
"You never did have a decent respect for anybody's feelings," commented the greeer. "It was a low-down trick you played that eminent physician, and a person of good moral character would be ashamed of it, but you seem to take a sort of pride in it. Ooctors are jealous of their professional reputation, and such a trick as you played on that man was enough to darken his whole life."

"I suppose you think I should have

"I suppose you think I should have died just to make his reputation as a prophet. Well, I'm naturally gener-ous, but that's asking too much. In one of the briskest engagements of the war I was shot in seventeen places and, by degrees, two ounces of pas-try flour. Flavor all with orange flower-water. Beat the white of one "There must have been a good many of your creditors on the other side, interrupted the grocer.

"It you don't unit butting in with your idiotic remarks." roared the colonel, "I'll quit trading at your measily grocery store, and I'll drop dead just to spite you. When I was carried to the surgeon's tent, bleeding at every vein, like Marce Polo, the sawbones said it was no use wasting time on me. There wasn't enough science, he said, to save me. In thirty minutes I would be as dead as Adam's mother-in-law! So he turned his attention to victims who hadn't been shot up so badly and went ahead sawing off their legs and nocks.

"I was suffering horribly from those, when the growth is a surface of the proper and bring to the boil. Skim well. Add the barley. Simmer "There must have been a good many

all to the oven and set the meringue. Mutton Broth.—One pound of neck of mutton, one quart of water, one tablespoonful of pearl barley, one tablespoonful of chopped parsley, seasoning of salt and pepper. Cut the mutton into small joints. Put it into a saucepan with the water, add the salt and pepper and bring to the boil. Skim well. Add the barley. Simmer gently for three hours, keeping it well skimmed, then sprinkle in the parsley. This broth is immensely in-"I was suffering horribly from those thirty-seven wounds, but my chief inliery gross from the fact that I had no tobacco. It seemed to me that if narsley. This broth is immensely im-

Sea Ple,-One pound of steak, one carrot, one turnip, celery, easpoonful of baking-powder onion, one carrot, one turnip, cetery, one teaspoonful of baking-powder, half a pound of flour, a quarter of a pound of chopped suct, pepper, and salt. Put the steak, cut in rather small pleces, into a sancepan; cut up the carrot and turnip in small pleces, and sprinkle them over the meat, and also the onion, chopped finemeat, and also the onion, chopped finely, then pepper and salt to taste. Pour in water to cover the meat and vegetables; set the saucepan on the fire, and bring to the boil. Put into a basin the flour and suer chopped very fine, and rub them together, add a plinch of salt and the baking-powder, and mix all well together. Make this in a stiff paste with cold water; roll it out the size of the saucepan, and put it neatly on the top of the meat and vegetables; cover closely with the lid, and let it stew gently for one hour and a half. Lift the paste carefully off, dish the meat and vegetables, and place paste on the top, and serve. "So you were having things charged even when in the army, were you?" isked the grocer. "Your dauntless "So you were naving turnes charged even when in the army, were you?" asked the grocer. "Your dauntless men would have thought a lot more of you had you pald cash. Those grunes you have been eating ever

and place paste on the top, and serve and place paste of the lop, and serve.
Golden Syrup Pudding. One tablespoonful of golden syrup, one cupful
of breadermins, haff a cupful of flour,
haff a cupful of finely-chopped suct,
one tablespoonful of sugar, one teaspoonful of baking-powder, four table-

"Johnny: Come here."
But Johnny is at this moment reaching up to catch a high bail, and his ears are closed to all calls; where, upon:
"Johnny, do you hear mo?"
But Johnny, this time with a little staccato in it, and perhaps a faint suggestion of a slipper.
And does that open Johnny's cars?
Why, he's at the but now and propared to hit the buil a crack that will send it half-way down the street, and all things close are as naught to him, litt now hear the yigilant mother, this time gently, for she knows that boys will be boys:

"Johnny, I want you to come in now."

Johnny is at this moment running like a wild man, or boy, making for that tree he was throwing to a moment ago and utterly oblivious of everything in the world, the parental volve, included. But that cleaves the air again now:
"Johnny!"

Johnny is standing with one foot at the root of the tree and the other foot cytended, all ready to jump and the root of the tree and the other foot cytended, all ready to jump and parally and the property of the tree and the other foot cytended, all ready to jump and parally and the property of the p

"Johnny!"
Johnny is standing with one foot at the root of the tree and the other foot extended, all ready to jump and run when the boy at the bat hits the but!

There is nothing which we ough more to encourage in ourselves and others than that disposition of mind which in our language goes under the lile of good-nature, and is more agree able in conversation than wit, and gives a certain air to the countenance which is more aminable than beauty, which is more aminable than beauty, it shows virtue in the fairest light, takes off in some measure from the deformity of vice, and makes even folly and importinence supportable.

In this world the one thing worth having is the opportunity, coupled with the capacity, to do wall and worthly a piece of work, the doing of which is of vital consequence to the

THE BIRTHDAY PRESENT. How Mrs. Firmar Found a Way to Get Even With Her Husband for Disappointing Her So.

strum to her neighbor. "I am tired," admitted Mrs. Fir mar. "This thing of selecting birth mar. "This thing of squeeting intri-day presents for a husband may be a labor of love, but it is working just the same."
"Oh, tell me what you got! Mr. Pulstrum will have a birthday next

"Slipnors are a good present," candinother fretted herself and her that my husband had been in yesterday and had pleked them out and told him that I would probably be in to see that I got those."

"Why, the idea!" "The work of the habierlasher's where I am in the habit of getting his ther and shifts and sorks and things and asked to see some of those fuzzy hats the clerk brought out one which he said my husband had selected yesterday on the chance that I might drop in to get him one for his birthday."

"Well, wasn't that a shame?"

"I thought so; but I asked to look at some thes and was shown a dozen that my husband had selected in case I wanted to hav ties for him. And when I turned to go out the salesman asked me if I would not like to look at the shirts my husband had selected."

"Well, of all things!"

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"Well, of all things!"

"Then I went to the iewellers and asked to see a ring suitable for a gentleman; and I was shown one which my husband had expressed a preference for yesterday, So I deelded not to get a ring, and I asked the salesman to let me see a fountain pen, and he told me that my husband had selected one with an arrange ment for holding it in his pocket. He left word that I was to be shown that one if I looked at fountain pens. So I said to show me a clip for holding a gentleman's tie in place. I was shown one and told that my husband had selected it and left orders that in case I bought it to have his monogram engrayed on it. So I put it then hear or practical Clara took it from her limp grasp and opened gram engraved on it. So I put it down and asked to look at some pins. only to learn that my husband had expressed a preference for opals and had selected a very pretty one." "That must have been very annoy-

ing."
"It was. When I left the jeweller's I was awfully annoyed, I stood in the doorway for a moment, almost au-gry enough to turn and go straight

"That of course you had to get something for your husband."

"Of course. So I went to the bookstore and was shown several sets of books he had chosen on the possibility that I would want to buy books for his present!"

"It was stupid of the salesmen to tell you."

"Why, my husband had instructed them to tell me! Didn't I say he was provokingly disappointing?"

"I would not have spent a penny on him!"

"I thought for a little while that I wouldn't; but we've pretty good

"I thought for a little while that I wouldn't; but we're pretty good chums, and I decided to get him a nice present and at the same thne teach him a lesson. The present I selected will cost him £10, but I think he will admire it."
"Is it something he had not thought to order?"
"Indeed it is."

"Indeed it is."
"Good! What is it?" "A tilee new gown."
"Oo-oh! I wish my husband would give me an excuse like that!"

THE WEDDING CAKE. Formerly Broken Over Bride's Head-

Famous Cakes of Chester, Eng. The legends attached to the wedding cake are fully as old as those of the ring, for we flud the bride of ancient Rome having a cake broken proved by the addition of a sficed on-tion, sliced carrot, and sliced turning contest the cooked in the broth till tender. The Roman bride carried orately ornamented cake of to-day.

The Roman bride carried three

The Roman belde carried three cars of wheat in her hand, and the carly English bride were wreaths of wheat, which were sometimes golden. The grains were thrown over her as we throw rice to-day. Often the wheat was ground, made into small cakes, which were broken over the brlde's head and the pieces distributed to the branch of the property of the p

The grains were thrown over her as we throw rice to-day. Often the wheat was ground, made into small cakes, which were broken over the bride's which were broken over the bride's which were broken over the bride's placed in hoxes. Cakes which were thrown to the onlookers were in vogue during the reign of Queen Elization of the cast of small cakes at the dinner."

In the 17th century French cooks who came to England advanced the coarse little cakes to marvellous specimens decorated with ornamental leings, but even then it was considered essential to break it over the head of the bride, so those who could afford it ordered two, one for the breaking and one to be used as the table's chief attraction.

Perhaps the most tamous wedding rakes are made in Chester, England. These wonderful plum loaves are sent, carefully sealed, to brides in india, Australia and America. Somethines these monstrous confections are five feet in height and are made by men long skilled in their building, individual ideas in decoration are carefully carred out in detail, and the recipie brings forth a most delicious flavor. The cake made in 1893 for the Duke and Duchess of York was most lavish and marvellously carried out in a design of May bloss soms and the white rose of York with the bridegroom's ships and sea emblems like dolphins, mermids and shells worked out in leing. Of late years heart-shaped cakes have been greatly in favor. They re simply oragmented with a convention and she can be presented to the cake of the cak or into years need eaver. They are simply oranmented with a conventional border, the monogram of the happy pair, and the date of the wedding.

IN PASSING.

wonder if she knew When I passed by, Under the gaslight, harrying home. My roving eyo Caught sight of a familiar form caraless grace knew of old; And then the well-known face

And then the weaking a few Hurst on my view
Though eyes may be deceived
The heart cannot.
I think it stopped
As that one passed,
Who owned its every beat
In days gote by. In days gone by.
dared not let Mine eyes her own to meet, But, fourful, gazed on space. While all the blood within my velus seemed as if froze.

Anyway the workingin who turns of a poor job is a ducided improvement on the one who does nothing but stand around and make remarks.

SPECIAL DELIVERY. Mr. Peel, Who "Never Forgets

to Mail a Letter." Brought Worry

Of course it could never have hap-pened unless a man had been en-trusted with it. "It" was the letter, unimportant on the whole, dealing mapply with buttons, that Mrs. Brandt was writing to her mother, Mrs. Cle

lay presents for a husband may be a labor of love, but it is working just the same."

"Oh, fell me what you got! Mr. Pulstrum will have a birthday next month."

"Well, all I wish for you is that he is not such a provokingly disappointing man as Mr. Firmar is."

"Provokingly disappointing? Why, I always considered Mr. Firmar one of the nleest of men!"

"So he is. That's the reason married him. But let me tell you my experience trying to buy him a few birthday presents. First, I went to the shoe store where we trade and asked to see some slippers."

"Slippers are a good present."

"That's what I thought But I was disappointed when the clerk brought me a pair of tan slippers and fold me that my busshand had been in yester-day and had pleked them out and fold be related to read a good the babe's leading to the babe's leading and had pleked them out and fold because of the trade of the sales is the babe's leading to the sales in the sales is the babe's leading to the sales is the sales in the sales is the babe's leading to the sales is the sales in the sales is the sales in the sales is the babe's leading to the sales in the sales is the sales in the sales in the sales in the sales is the sales in th

norm only of shut as funnied on a special delivery stamp and took it to the post-office himself.

At 12.30 the city household was peacefully shunbering; at 12.45 the electric helf buzzed and buzzed insist-

"Oh, I don't dare look!" said Ruth, shuddering—she had inherited her mother's temperament for bridge-crossing, "It's a special delivery." But the more practical Clara took it from her limp grasp and opened it, then burst out laughing.
"Oh, mother, it's just buttons!"
"Has he swallowed them?" shricked Mrs. Clarent "Clara no we kingon!

Mrs. Clement. "Give me my kimono! Help me to get ready! I'll take the 2.30 train." 2.30 train."
"No, no!" explained Clara, "Anna inst wants buttons for Peggy's dress. It's dated a week ago."
At last the meaning reached Mrs.

stead of taking the train she went to brd, relieved although indignant. But young Mr. Peel is still explain WORLDLY REWARDS.

You can emerge above the crowd You can emerge above the crowd; If to one purpose you adhere, beellining to accept defeat, Some morning in some far off year You may, in passing through the street, Br pointed out by other men. As one descrying their regard—You may be praised and envied when You're labored long and well and hard.

if you have courage and are strong And are with patience well endowed, If zea'ously you labor long,

But why take such a foolish course? Why use the talents you may claim?

Why he a man of worthy force? Why work for honor or for fame? Why venture where no trails are blazed

blazed Or bear misfortune's heavy blows? Why fight to have your standard raisod
Above the ramparts of your foes.
When all the sweet rewards for which
You toll so hard, so bravely dare,
May be your own if you are rich

A UNIQUE NEWSPAPER.

Economy. It was at a reception, and the lady, who had been reading up on health culture, mistook Lawyer Williams for

culture, mistook Lawyer Williams for his brother, the doctor. "Is it better," she asked, confidently, to lie on the right side or the left?"
"Madame," replied the lawyer, "If
one is on the right side it isn't often
necessary to lie at all." Bargain Sales. The melancholy days have come, The saddest of the year, When summer clothes are most too

cheap, And winter clothes too dear. The Idea. She (pouting): Before we were mar-ried you often used to catch me in your arms."

He: Yes, and now 1 catch you in my nockets.

Moff talk would be quite a boa this ason of the year.

He who firmly decides to let the world wan as it will, is sure to be happy.

Not everything comes out, in the bathing beach wash.

ratt, Henderson, Woolhouse, Hayes Harry, and Redmond. Crossing at Woolton Avenue. The Metropolitan Board of Works

wrote informing the council that it had no objection to the widening of the crossing over the pipe track at Woolton avenue if carried out at the council's expense and to the satisfaction of the Board.

Cr. Tharratt moved that the matter

Water for Gotch Street.

The Metropolitan Board of Works wrote intimating that it was prepared to extend the water main in Gotch street, from Bower street westwards for a distance of 51 chains, on the usual conditions An appliance for use as a fire plug would be fixed at the end of the main.

It was decided—on the motion of Crs. Plant and Smith-to enter into the necessary guarantees.

Cr. Woolhouse's Opportunity. The Metropolitan Board of Works e removal of vertee post and the fencing off of the foot crossing over the pipe track at Gladstone avenue, but in any similar case in the future the council must obtain the board's consent before starting operations.

Cr. Woolhouse said he had consent to one of the crossings and pot three of them fixed up at the same time. (Laughter).

Private Hospital Approved.

The Public Health Department wrote confirming the council's recommendation that the premises, "Lillie ville," Darebin street, be registered a a private hospital on condition that the hospital be not used for cases of dangerous infectious or contagious disease without the council's consent. -Copy of the letter to be forwarded to Mrs. Hooper.

Typhoid Fever.

The Public Health Department for warded twelve copies of a sheet relating to typhoid fever, requesting that he council post same la conspicuous places throughout she municipality. The town clerk said this had already

The Merri Park.

The Acting Secretary for Lands wrote relative to the land to be used by the Fitzroy cricket club at Merri Park, pointing out that the boundaries as she in on the tracings forwarded did not agree with the arrangement made by the council in a letter to the secretary of the Fitzroy C.C. on the

25th August, 1910. The mayor moved that a reply be sent that the alterations in the conditions was made at the request of the Fitzroy C.C .- Carried.

Board re Gas Supply. The Treasury, Melbourne, wrote informing the council that a Board had been appointed to inquire into and re-port upon the Metropolitan Gas Supand asking that a representative be appointed to give evidence.—Cr. Smith was appointed to attend.

Educational Congress.

James W. Barrett, of 105 Collins street, wrote notifying that an Educational Congress would be held in questing that the council nominate Cr. Lees was appointed to attend.

Bridge over Darobin Creek.

The Shire of Heidelberg forwarded a letter from the Ivanhoe and Alphington Progress Association relative to a bridge over the Darebin Creek, and November to 6th inst. requesting an expression of opinion on

Cr. Johnson approved of a conference being held. They could not do too much to facilitate the means of communication between the two municip-

Cr. Redmond spoke in the same strain, saying he was prepared to even go to the length of instructing their engineer to prepare plans and specifi-cations so as to lay before the confer-

It was decided—on the motion of Crs. Lees and Hayes—that Heidelberg for a hydrant there as well as in other be informed that this council was south ward streets where there was no prepared to confer with them in the

Conference re Electric Tramway. A. Doan, secretary Shire of Preston

wrote forwarding minutes of conference regarding the proposed electric Cr. Harry reported that a sub-com

mittee had been appointed to collect date, after which they would report to Lyric Theatre.

Harry Kerigan, manager of the Lyric Theatre, made application for registration of ground in High atreet, near Robb's parade - Referred to the proper officer for report.

Privato Hospitals.

Nurse K. Donohue applied for the renewal of registration of premises at 22 High street as a midwifery hospital. A similar application was made by Mrs. Hunter for promises, 36 Gladston avenue .- Granted.

Trevena's Summer Suits

If we have never made Clothes for made Clothes for you, now is a good time to let us begin. Our showing of sum mer Materials is equal to the best to be found anywhere, including as it does all the Rest Materials in the Newest Patterns & Coloutings.

logs.
Novel and Fxolu-live Designs in CHOIOE SHIRTS. Rofile and Pleated Prints, especially suited for summer wear, 5/6, 6/6.

T. TREVENA The Hat King.

Reliable Ladice' and Gente' Tallor, 256 BMITH ST., Col. Con. 5410 James Street, Path.

P. J. Slater, secretary Northcote Presbyterian Church, wrote stating that the board of management wished the council to re-consider the matter of asphalting James street (south side so that the work might be completed

ofore the ensuing winter. Cr. Henderson said that in the winter the path was in a disgraceful ondition, and something should be

lone.

Cr. Johnson said he thought if they gave the path a coating of tar it would be as good as asphalt. He moved that the matter be referred to the works committee.

Cr. Schwaebsch in seconding the

Cr. Tharratt moved that the matter be referred to the works committee, with power to act.

They might use a portion of that for James

The motion was carried. Opening of Reid Street.

Several ratepayers of Reid street up. Traffic is obstructed by a fence, which also stops all drainage and causes water to stagnate.

The matter was referred to the committee of the whole, with a view of eeing what could be done towards having the street opened. Cr. Hayes said that when mayor h

ad had an interview with the New Vortheote Brick Co. re The opening of the street, but they had refused point

Opening of Oxford Street. D. Caulfield, secretary East Ward

Progress Association, wrote asking the council to consider the opening up of Oxford street, between Bastings and larke streets .- Referred to finance Gas For Waterloo Road.

From same complaining of the delay rown by the Metropolitan Gas Co in laying down the main along Waterlo

Cr. Smith said the Gas Co. had now road.

Westgarth Street Path. Clara E. Walker wrote drawing council's attention to the had state of the asphalt path in Westgarth street. -It was reported that the matter wa being attended to.

Public Works Department. Cr. Dennis (chairman) submitted he report, recommending—

That accounts amounting to £470 13s 1d be passed for payment.-2. Messrs Watters and Wales, re supply of crushed metal.—That they be informed that their offer will be

notal is required.—Adopted.

Finance Committee. Cr. Lees (chairman) submitted the report, showing that the receipts for the month were £231 7s 3d, and that the present Dr. balance was £9622 18s 2d; also recommending-

1. That accounts amounting to £737 10s 10d be passed for payment. 2. Insurance against claims for accients.—That a policy be taken out with the Union Assurance Society Limited through their agents, Messrs Swift and Corben, for thosum of £250, at the rate of £5 11s 1d per cent.,

less 10 per cent Cr. Lees moved the adoption of the

Cr. Dennis said they had previously done this kind of business with the Colonial Mutual Co, and it was not wise to be "chopping and changing," one representative to take part in the especially as it was an Australian company. He moved an amendment that the name of the Colonial Mutual Co. be substituted. No seconde

Clause carried. 3. Meat Inspector's Report.—143 pigs and 273 calves and cattle ex-

Ordinary Business.

Cr. Redmond moved that the Met ropolitan Board be asked to creet a pillar hydrant in Martin street, between High street and St. David st. At present if a fire broke out in that block there would be no means of

checking it. Cr. Lees moved that the erection of a hydrant in Henderson street be reforred to the works committee. The officer in charge of the fire brigade had drawn his attention to the necessity provision in case of fire. - Carried.

It was decided-on the motion Cis Dennis and Plant-to get the en gineer to report as to the position of the present hydrants, and also that information be obtained as to where additional hydrants were necessary. Cr. Hayes asked that the engineer

report re the right of way at the rear of Armidale street.

Cr. Smith moved that the engineer have the fence enclosing the main drain in the east ward repaired.

The engineer said the matter had been attended to.
Cr Redmond enquired as to whether any reply had been received from the

Board re water supply for Kellett, Hunter, Fenwick, and Raleigh streets. —Cr Woolhouse said the Board would deal with the applications at next meeting.
Roplying to Cr Henderson the mayor said he would undertake to have

report from the Railway Department re approach to Croxton station from Woolton avenue by next meeting. on avenue by next meeting. Cr Tharratt moved that the matte of orecting a lamp in Elm street between High street and the railway be

Cr Plant wanted to know what was the reason for delay in doing the road-way on the east side of Rucker's Hill with tarred Macadam.

NORTHCOTE POLICE COURT. lighting committee and a meeting ar-

MONDAY, JANUARY 15.

TRUANCY.

REST.

PAILING TO VACCINATE

ALLEGED ASSAULT.

CRICKET.

NORTHCOTE V. COLLINGWOOD.

12. Scores-

Plant, not out Sundries

Lookwood, not out Scannell, b Brown Naismith, not out Sundries

Total for I wloket

The second elevens of the above met at

Victoria Park. Northcote's skipper won the toss and batted first on a good wicket.

The batemen failed badly, and the side was

out for a total of 123. Out of this total

Richardson made 77 in good atyle, scoring

all round the wicket, and was last man out to a fine catch in the slipe. Ahern (12) was

the only other double figure soorer. Grigg 5 for 34 and Harris 3 for 7 were Colling.

wood's best bowlers. Collingwood made a

poor showing against the Northcote attack,

and were out for 88. Fox, an old North-

goto cricketer got 31, and Harris 17. Abern

3 for 4, Andrew 3 for 38, Lugton 2 for 23,

NORTHCOTE CLUB ELEVEN V.

CARLTON.

PRESTON V. FJOTSCRAY.

ippe street by D wickets last Haturday.

Northcote Presbyterian Av. Bouth Yarra at Eawkner Park. Northcote 30 and 77 (Richardton 34, Horsley 27, Gough 10 not out), Northcote batted two men shore both innings; South Yarra 134 (Richardton 3 for 35, Shand 5 for 30). South Yarra won by an innings and 27 runs.

Northcote A play Preston at Thornbury, Team-Shand, Richardson, Thomson (2), Horsley, Gough, Teasdale, Clark, Adams, Allen, Bull, Reid.

to-day.

NORTHCOTE .- First Innings

ranged for this week so that a report could be submitted to the committee [Before Dr. Cole, P.M., and Mesara Plant Brown, Bastings and Balley, J.'sP.] of the whole Cr Mason said the light of a street lamp in St. George's road had been obscured by the erection of a new

He would ask that it be renoved.---Referred to engineer. Striking the Rate.

John Chas, Cox (ruant efficer) proceeded against T. (tolding and Matcolm Mortleon for not sending their children to school the required rumber of days, and a fine of 5 was imposed in each instance. Cr Lees moved that a rate be struck f 2/3 in the pound (estimated to bring in £12,280 3, 3d) and that Mr. J. A. Thomson be appointed to collect the

Dog Insp ctor and Cattle Ranger. The mayor intimated that several applications had been received for the position and suggested that the making of an appointment be deferred -

Renewal of Licenses The applications of H. Bishop, T. H. Henderson, J. Jones, E. J. Dickenson L. Dickenson and J. Pitt for regis wrote petitioning the council to use its L. Dickenson and J. Pitt for regis endeavors to have the street opened tration of noxious trades were gran

Pians of McCracken Avenue McCracken Avenue and part of Hartiegton Street, from Hawthorn Road to Arthurton Road, plan 478n -To hear objections (if any) thereto, and to adopt the estimate, etc., or otherwise deal therewith.

Mr., J. Coonish, who has a corner block, was the only objector to come forward. Ho complained that he was over-charged—that while his proportion of the land affected was one seventy seventh he was billed to the extent of ne twenty-fourth of the whole cost. The mayor remarked that Mr Csrnish's apportionment was based on foot frontage not on area.

The matter of the adoption of the plans was adjourned for four weeks to allow of fresh notices being served on Messrs Coghlan and Burt, where the property had changed hands

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P.A.F.S.

P.A.F.S. The ladies branch held their meeting on Thursday night, one new member being proposed. It was decided to hold a sale of gifts in July. Sister Richards resigned as social secretary, and sister Sommens was appointed to the vacancy. An excellent address was delivered by Rev. G. J. Mackay at the Baptist Oburch on Sunday evening last to the various Protestant lodges.

Preston Rifle Club. The Preston rifl+ club held its 200 yards and Yoomans I for 16 secured the wickets The Preston rills club held its 200 yards shoot at Port Melbourne rills range last Saturday, when the shooting, on the whole, was not up to a very high standard considering weather and ranges. One member was so certain of the possible that he struck out a built and an inner for his two sighting shots. The club will be well represented in the M.R.C.A. matches on Saturday, 77th, and A.N.A. day. The two beat shoots for the day were W. Jarman with 44 off the rills eat of the possible 50, and F. Williams runner-up with 30 off the rill. To the low ing are the results for the day:

Score. Hop. Total.

W. Jarman ... 41 9 50

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To day's shoot is 10 shots at 500 yards, iso the M.R.C.A. monthly match as Port delbourne.

Northcote Rifle Club.

[By TABORT].

Fine weather favored the opening day of the 1912 season last Saturday at Port Mel-bourne. The event was a spoon competition over the short distances, 200 and 300 yards, over the short distances, 200 and 300 yards, even shots at each rangs. The attendance was fair and attgether a very pleasant afternoon was spent, and members look forward to a prosperous year. The shooting was good and scores were close, reflecting cradit on the haudicap system in vegue. This trophy was finally won by the energetic scorestry (A. Glandield), with that consistent shot (H. Hook) and U. Wilson close up for second place. The seven best scores were seven best scores were seven seven

To-day another spoon competition is to held at 800 yards, 14 shots. The M.R.C.A. members monthly match will also be held over 100 and 900 yards.

TUBERCULOUS PORK.

Mesers. Smith tand Soos, Northoole, have been sent the following extract from the British "Groser," showing the erringent way the authorities there deal with those who have to do with the sending diseased

with tarred Macadam.

Gr Dennis said the council had decided to put down ordinary metal, roll it with a steam roller and coat it with tar; and it had been resolved to do this at the same time the train track was being tarred. It would only cost one-third as much as the tarred Macadan's and would be sure to give satisfaction.

At the instance of Cr Dennis Urquhart atreet was referred to the engineer for attention.

Gr. Hayes brought up a matter concerning the trant track, and was informed that instructions had been gliven to have the conditions of the lease caarried out.

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LOCAL TRAIN SERVICE

COMPLETE TIME-TABLE.

W. E. Bower proceeded against Walter Mayhew for £6 6s due for rent. Order fo am unt with £1 3s 61 costs Constable Hayes proceeded against Archi-batd W. Mol) ugall for refusing to have his child vaccinated. Fined 404. ALLEGAD ASSAULT.

Horbert Bedford proceeded against Albert Thomas Bokman for assault.

Complainant stated that on the morning of the 4th January the difendant came on to the job where he was working, and after complaining 4 the slow progress belog made with the work clouted him (wirnes) on the face while in the act of picking up a chied.

The defendant stated that Bedford had not commenced work when he called at the joh at a quarter to nine. It was aometimes 10 and 11 when he commenced work, and net being satisfied with the way work was proceeding remarked that complainant's father, who was the sub contrastor, would not get a "draw" on Fidey unless the walls and roof were up. Bedford replied—" If you don's give us our mency we'll leave he job." He did not attempt to strike B ford till he put his hands up in a fighting attitude.

Ciso dismissed, no cests being allowed.

This match was started at the park Saturday last. Northcote's captain winning the tess decided to have first use of a aplendid wicket. Spicer and Yeomans opened to the bowling of Fry and Coburn. After making 8 Yoomans was out l.b w. to Co-burn. McCarron was next, and with Spicer added 20 before Spicer fell a victim to Pitcher. Chesswas joined McCarron, bub did not remain long, being out l.b.w. to Pitcher. Norman Brown followed and he and McCarron gave a splendid exhibition of batting, taking the score from 67 to 196 beore McCarron was out-another l.b.w. desision. Brown went along merrily, and when 4 short of the coveted century was unfortunately run out. He had played splendid innings for 93, including 10 four

and one 6. Billings 21, Bailey 14, Vernon and Plant 17 cach also battod well, and the total reached 285. Coburn was the best bowler, securing 4 for 65. Having twenty minutes to bat Collingwood lost I wicket fo

WEEK DAVS (Sats excepted)

Bowling -Coburn 4 for 65, Pitcher 3 to 101, Ryde: 1 for 37, Keating 1 for 0. COLLING WOOD-First innings.

This match was concluded last Saturday, victory resting with the latter by 78 runs, the scores belog — Carlton, 76 and 101 (Cole 2 for 13, Morris 4 for 30, Hayes 7 for 70, Cox 1 for 20, Bolton 1 for 24); Northoote, 28 and 73 (Schwaebsch 32, Hisps 20 not ou. Phillips 17, Dunn 5 not out).

Northoote play Kew at Merri Park to-day. Team—Bolton, Cole, Cox, Dunn, Baton, Hayes, Hugher, Minyne, Morris, Phillips, Schwaebsch, Scott.

PRESTON V. FOOTSCRA1.

This match was started last Naturday at Footsuray. Praton's capitain won the tore and decided to take first use of the wicket, sending in Froebel and Lawson, but the latter was out third bail. Wyer made 8 and was then caught and bowled by Lowry. Howes and Westmoreland brought the score to 89, when the former was stumped for 32. Westmoreland played a ball on to his wicket after making 40 by good cricket. None of the others reached double figures and the innings closed for 123 runs. Footsorsy then went in and ac call of time had made 70 for the loss of only 3 wickets. Froebel howled 48 balls for 15 runs and Mehogan 36 balls for 8 runs and 1 wicket. To be continued to-day. 7 21 10 27 1 34 4 42 8 26 11 37 2 24 5 41 11 8 35 11 50 2 32 5 48 12 9 22 12 50 3 7 6 29 12 homastowr

WHITTLESEA TO MELBOURNE, VIA ROYAL PARK

Preston Amateurs v. Richmond A.N.A. Amateurs, 152 (Newbound 44, Greenhaigh 24 retired, Muors 21 retired, Freeman 11 retired, Heidigan 13, Martin 10); A.N.A., 62 (Martin 6 for 12, Barker 2 for 13, Hedigan 2 for 20, Freeman 2 for 5). Aunteurs won by 90 runs. Amateurs play Glon Waverley to-day. Drsg leaves Oates' Council Club Hotel at 1.30 sharp. South Preston Mothodists were beston by Suppressives by U wickers last Saturday.
South Preston Methodists journey to Epping this afternoon, when they will meet the local team. Members and friends who intend to participate in the outling are requested to meet the drag at the junction at 2 tharp.

Mathematical Productions of the drag at the suppression of the suppression of the suppression of the suppression of 1 Stops if required.

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(Express from Clifton Hill,

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DANOING.—Preston Florodora Quadrille Club will open an Assembly in the Preston Shire Hall TO-NIGHT. Seven Musicians. Three New Dances to be shown. Fans for Ladies. Gents 1/6, faddes 63. PERGY JOHNSON, M.C.

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My heard grew long and longer,
It troubled me cash day,
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To serre the crows awa).
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I was werse that may me key,
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How to Enjoy "Lil

The following are a few practical thoughts for each day: -Start each day as if commencing a
new life.
Forget the sorrows and anxieties of

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Control your mind in giving attention to only one matter at a time.

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Enow that bodily exercise, according to a remustances of occupation is nee seary.

Know that human beings require bodily rest about eight hours out of each twenty-four, and that when taking rest the mind must be relaxed from

"thought," to enable you to commend the following day's work of action wit fewer vigour,
few nd yourself that "self-respect is a necessity, and that without it "dig

nity" has no value.

Know that when serious occurrence Know that when serious take place in every-day business or in the domestic circle, "life" still lingers to enable you to reflect upon the fore-going thoughts, which will rouse the mind's action, if referred to, and so bring you back to your normal state of feeling.

WHEN JUDGMENT FAILED.

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We have warnings every day not to judge from appearance, and every day, in some particular, we seem to fail to be impressed by these warnings. Perhaps in nothing do we fail so often as in our judgment of the men and women who daily cross our path.

The attendant in one of the largest buildings in the city saw an elderly, plain-looking woman enter and look around her in a somewhat doubtful way, and he at once concluded that he knew her class. "Here," he said, "get out of here; we don't allow collectors for charity in tids building."

The remark attracted the attention of a prominent lawyer who had an office in the building. He was seen to except the wonthe with much deference to the lift, tabulane heside her with his hat in his brand. A little later he met the attendant and said: "That old lady you were about to turn away was Lady A., and her income is £2,600 a week. She has a big mortgage on this building."

WOMEN WHO ARE LOVED MOST

They are not by any means always the most benefifal; but they have that indescribable something that, for lack of a better term, we call personal charto. Their natural and gracious manner, their thoughtfulness for others, the blended good sense and with the conversation, and, above all, hear mysterious power of sympathy, or as the heart of friends to them as the most attracts the waters. It is arrange now you are often thoroughly distinctioned the moment a woman opens her mouth. You think to yourself as you notice the classic contour of face, what a charming personality the must be! But the lines about her mouth as she begins to speak, her mouth as she begins to speak, he choice of words, her hard and rasping tone, lead to an instant revision of the

Aggin, have you not often found the a rather plans and unattractive face has been lit up in conversation with an in-ner held, that the liquid tones of a well modulated voice have stolen into your heart, and that deleancy of in-sight has captured your imagination. Beauty of spirit has more than made up for the lack of physical attractive-

A WOMAN OF TACT. A woman of fact is one who feels tha

A woman of tact is the who feels that the story told to burt your feelings is essentially bad form, and inconsider-ate of the feelings of others. A woman of tact is one who makes her good morning a pleasant greeting, her yest a bright spot in the day and her good-live a hope that she may come tignto.

A woman of fact is one who does not gauge people by their clothes, or their robe, but who condemns bad

namers
A woman of fact is one who is courteens under all circumstances and in every condition in which she may be placed. She is the woman who can rewive the unwelcome guest with a mile so bright and a handshake so smile so bright and a handslinke so oral at that in trying to make the wel-come seem real, it becomes so A woman of tart is one whose love for humanity is second only to her life's devotion, and whose watchword is unselfishness and action. By mak-ing self last, it finally becomes natural to have it so.

KEEP CHILDREN BUSY.

Children should be furnished with employment, which is sometimes difficult to provide. What we call a matural love of mischief is nothing more than activity. Children are restless for employment; they must have something to do, and if they are not so furnished they will do mischief. Do not blame them; it is their nature, and should be checouraged rather than checked. In furnishing little employments you can form the habits and cultivate the tastes. What is begun should be finished. Care should be taken with whatever is done, and neat-aces should be encouraged.

Many old houses in Holland have a precial door which is never open save on the continuous of the when there is a marking on the continuous of the when there is a marking on the continuous of the when there is a marking of the continuous replied: "I assure you are mistaken, for that is then natical or barred up units where the fracen heat comes from."

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A NUISANCE.

Sir, -- Kindly allow me through the columns of your paper to enter an outplistic protest as to the undesirable hour in which nightsoil is removed from newly erected cottages on south-ern side of Gladstone avenue, North-

cate. This procedure is executed at between 10 and 10 30 p.m., which in the interests of public health and common decency is at least two hours too Moreover, this traffic is carried on in front thoroughfare, in lieu of back, and right in the public gaze. Could not a more desirable hour be inforced to obviate this nuisance, and thereby reduce this pestilence

inimum. -- Yours etc., FRESH AIR Northcote, 18, 1, 12.

BOCIAL FIBS.

For example, in declining an invita-For example, in declining an invitation that we would not under any circumstances accept, are we privileged to say that we deeply regret that a previous engagement prevents the pleasure, etc.? When we have been greatly bored, and have so expressed ourselves to various persons in the company, should we say to the host and hostess, even if it be the custom, that we are indebted to them for a very delightful evening? Does our conscience feel easy when we remember that, after being compelled to listen to a sonats, very ill performed, which we pronounced exeruciating, we have deliberately walked up to the performer and praised him? I sour equanimity not disturbed a whit when we say to our friend, "Don't introduce me to that crusty-looking individual!" and the next minute, while shaking his hand, repeat the formula, "Charmed to meet you."?

you "? These and numberless other hypocrisics These and numberless other hypocrisies and fulsehoods are almost the current coin of social speech. Consequently they are not considered what they really are, and he who objects to them is regarded so over-scrupnlous, severely puritanical. What would you have us say? someone may ask. Tell the naked truth, and be unpardonably rude? If it he urged that rudeness it preferable to lack of veracity, it may be claimed that such remarks really deceive nobody; that society does not expect anyone to be society does not expect anyone to be truthful, and no harm is done. If so, Know that it is impossible for the human hody to receive more than a certain quantity of food during any one day.

Arrange your ments according to your scenario.

A mow that an equal amount of food will create a uniformity of badily feeting.

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THE WAY TO SLEEP.

The attitude of the body in sleeping has a direct influence upon the heart, lungs, and digestive organs. The car-riage of the body while awake is also largely affected by its position during the third or more of the day spent in

One should always sleep on the right side. The body should be extended to its full length and the head thrown well back. The left arm should be thrown as ar back as possible, thus expanding When one lies on the left side an unusual weight comes just over the heart, which should, of course, be left as free

which should, of course, be left as free is possible.

The lower the pillow the better. High solsters hold the head at an unusual rogle. Many people are made round-hardened by using too high pillows, he light of sleeping with the head at the property of ach an angle is soon acquired. To cure me's self it is well to reduce the height of the pillow gradually.

HOW ONE SHEEP RESCUED ANOTHER.

While the Rev. Edward Husband, of Folkestone, was riding just a field on its trievele one day, an excited sheep is trieved was rating jet a him on its trieved mae day, no excited sheep can up to him bleating pareously. The moment he stopped the sheep galloped owards the farther end of the field, and hen raced back to him booking at him beseechingly and still bleating. Though dr. Hasband could see nothing but rees at the end of the field, he was arred to go along with the sheep, so utelligently did the creature show that t wasted his help. Therefore on he cout, the sheep leading. At a particular spot he saw it run round and round a the same excited fashion, as much as o say. "Hurry up as fast as you can." And when Mr. Husband reached the lace he found that a sheep had fallen ato a deep stream of water, and was treggling in vain to get out. Thanks, a wiver, to its fellow-sheep and to Mr. Itusband, the anima was saved from learned. tushand, the anima was saved from rowning. And yet people will call neep stupid.

IS IT TRUE?

"Do you know the three quickest e last night.
"I'm no use at puzzles," I answered;
what are the three?"
"Telegraph, telephone, and tell-a-

oman:
I laughed the laugh of superior knowedge, and firmly denied the insinuation;
and yet—the very first moment I get
een to paper, here I am telling the

There must be a fraction of truth in he statement, I suppose, else it would of have been handed down like this to sosterity. But, after all, the faculty f "telling" may arouse approbation instead of cynical remarks, if it is used only for passing on kind and pleasant things, things of importance, and things of interest.

WHAT TO SAY ABOUT BABY.

For the bencht of those who are at a loss to know just what to say on seeing a new baby for the first time, and who naturally feel that they must say omething, we give the following list of expressions, any and all of which are commonly used, there being no patent or copyright in them.

Whether you shall affer to kirs the intant depends some has one it a nee and appearance, and the dent to which you re willing to sacrifice yourself in order o phase the baby's manma. The baby teelf doesn't care a batton for your feelings or your kisses, but you are expected o say:

"What a pretty little thing!"

"Bright-errd little chap, isn't he?"

"Why, how large he is!"

"I don't think I ever saw so young a hidd look about so."

"How much does he weigh?"

"What lovely, silky hair!"

"Looks very like you."

"What a little rosebuddy of a nouth!"

"Do let me see his little toes!" For the bencht of those who are at

nouth!"
"Do let me see his little toes!"
"How very rise he seems."
"I really believe the little thing understands every word we say."
"Ob, what a splendid big boy he is!"

A young tally who was going out to New Zealand to be married went to a West End dressmaker for her trousseau. The dressnaker suggested a warm one. The young lady asked why, accing that the jimute of New Zealand is a beautifully mild one.

The dressmaker repiled: "I assure you, togalam, you are mistaken, for that

THE STAG FOXHOUNDS

"The man I marry must be a Nim rod," remarked the fair Diana Trotter to Mr. Slumkins, at the Dampten autumn lower show.

" Must be a what, Miss Trotter?" "A Nimrod," repeated the fair Diana aving Mr. Slumkins as wise as ever. Miss Trader was at the time on a visi to her uncle, Major Gibbins, her home being Stag Hall, near Cornleigh, in one of the home counties, and her father being a squire of the old school, and Swner of a fine pack of foxkounds, which, doing their name from their owner's esidence, were known far and wide as e "Stag Hounds."

Mr. Slumkins was a wealthy sto-knoker on the look out for a blue blooded vife, and the fair Diana's black eves vere not long in piercing him through. The worst of it was, he had never been icross a horse's back in his life.

"Confound it!" he muttered that night on his solitary chamber. "What a nuisance it is that I never learned to ride! But tor that drawback, the fair Diana might be mine. If I were a good horseman I would purchase a two-hundred guinea hunter, and take the shine c it of them all with her father's staghounds How magnificent to follow a stag! Why should I not learn to ride? There is no reason why. I will begin taking lessons

And he did. Meantime, weeks flew by, and the hunting season arrived. It was when the season had well advanced that one evening there arrived at the Royal Hotel, Cornleigh, Mr. Shunkins, also his two-hundred-guinea hunter- the latter under charge of a railway porter. Mr. Slumkins had wired from town, en gaging rooms, so he was soon seated in a private sitting-room partaking of nner. But dinner over, and the lamp alight, he began to feel lonely, so descended to the coffee-100m, where he beheld a young fellow, seated before the fire, reading a sporting paper. "Fine weather," temarked Mr. Slum-

sins, taking a seat. "I hope we will have a good day with the stag to-mor

"With the what I asked the youn

"The stag," repeated Mr. Slumkins Don't you know that Mr Trotter's staghounds meet every Monday and Fri

erting the contrary afterwards. It is possible to be reasonably sincere even in Mr. Slumkins put on a look of great surprise as he spoke, though he had only possible to be reasonably shaders even in cociety, if we will strictly carry out our anwritten compact to be agreeable—at least to try. And in the furtherance of his object amiability will be a great discovered the meeting days of the hounds twenty-four hours previously in the columns of the Field. In fact, this was his first journey in search of hunting. As he spoke, the young man seemed endeavouring to suppress a cough, "And so you have come down here to

enjoy a little stag-hunting, sir?" he said. "Yes," answered our hero. "Miss Diana Trotter is a friend of mine." Here the young man looked at him monent, and then said suddenly:

"Oh, I think I've heard her speak of ou. You are Mr. Slumkins?" "I am," replied our hero. "Do you

know the lady? "Yes," said the young man, after "I am clerk in the local bank here, don't you know. My name is To a tickell, at your service. By the way, ir, might I ask if you have brought a "A horse !" exclaimed Mr. Shunking

· Bless my soul, I should think so! Two hundred guineas'-worth of a hunter, and titteen guineas'-worth of a hunting suitred coat, top boots, and all." "But, pardon me, sir," said Mr Tickell, "you spoke of stag-hunting."

"I know I did !" exclaimed our hero. " Mr. Trotter's staghounds will see me out to-morrow." "Quite so," continued Mr. Tickell. "But you cannot think of appearing with

stag bounds in a red coat. That is for Puneralthe field." "Bless my soul," cried Mr. Slumkins, "I was not aware of that. What on

carth am I to do?" "I'll tell you what you can do," said Mr. Tickell. I know a fellow who would gladly exchange a regular stag-hunting suit for a tox hunting one. Now, if you like, I will see him, and arrange matters

for the exchange." " My dear sir, you are very good," exlaimed Mr. Shunkins. "I shall be for ever obliged to "au." "Don't mention it, sir," said Mr

l'ickell. "Always willing to oblige. I'll iring the suit in the morning, and can then take my friend back yours. Oh, about your horse. Are you sure you are up to his weight."

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"Well, I should judge you to be about ten stone," continued Mr. Tickell. " Now, if your horse is a ten-stoner, very good; Usual Filently Societies moments.

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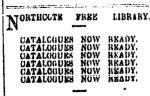
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"My dear sir, you would oblige me very much by coming and having a look at him," cried Mr. Shunkiles, now de idedly nervous. M. Tickell agreed to have a look at

be animal, and presently both were in the stable "Oh, my dear sir !" cried Mr. Tickell, sazing by the light of a born lamp at the hunter of my dear sir, I'm so glad I saw you! Why, this horse is a fifteentoner! I've saved your life?"

"You are extremely land?" cried Mr. Shunkins, with feeling. " However, I can manage to get you a nount to suit your weight," Mr. Tickell continued -- "a horse that is accordanced

to stag hunts! "You are kindness itself!" cried the grateful Mr. Slemkins. "How lucky I met you i"



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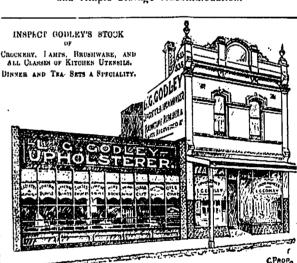
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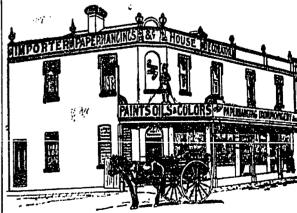
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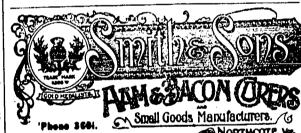
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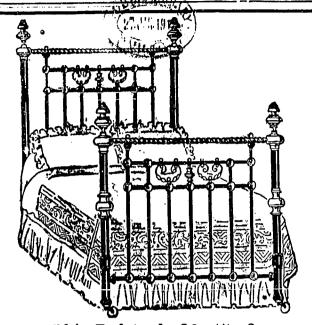
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> sincuse wore required to cope it. Heath; the wheels passed ever both legs no bone strange to say, were broker. This lad's narrow escape from fatal injuries should be a warning to boys who have a fundace for whipping behind." The usual up to date concert will be held The usual up to date concert will be held at Croxton to night. Amongst the many artists to appear, as advertised cleswhere, is Miss Irene Beatmont, everybody's favorite motio balladist; also first appearance of Franks and Grey, the comedy sketch team, who have just finished at the King's Theatro; also first appearance at Croxton of Gue Le Brun, in his roller skate dancing speciality; Arthur Douglas, the Boothe comedian, and others. This programme should attract a large number at Croxton to night.
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stitches were required to close it. Thence

ings) has convened a meeting for Thursday evening next, let inst., to arronge for a local effort to raise funds on behalf of St. Vincent's

Atthe reent Working Men's College annual examinations (Printing) Walter Bott passed with credit in Machining, Grade I, being at the top of his class, and Arthur Harding passed in Composing (Grade II), being second in his class. Both young men are employed at this office.

F. G. Smith, drapers of Northcote (through heir Wangaratia branch) have been success ul in securing the tender for the supply of trapery to the Wangaratia district hospital. The presidenfol Prestonehire (Gr. Robertson) has convened a public meeting at the shite half for Thursday evening, February 1, to consider the advisability of holding the annual children's pionic. All interested are cordially invited to attent.

Sensational bargains in drapery, detailed on our fourth page, are now ruling at Hat-lau and Hattom's sweeping summer cale. An event of special interest will take place at Preston to-morrow afternoon, namely a military church parade on a large scale Particulars will be found in another column Northcote Cricket Club registered theis seventh successive win by defeating Colling wood by 72 on the first innings on Saturday They are now being generally halled as the prospective winners of the premierable.

Preston council on Monday evening struck a rate of 2s in the pound, which is an increase of 31 on the former rate. The council have decided on a more progressive policy, and to realize this they must have the necessary

Ladies and gentlemen willing to assist in forming a Preston stall in connection with the forthcoming Druide' Bazaar at the exhi-bition in aid of St. Vinconi's Hospital, are invited by the wife of the president (Mrs. A. Robertson) to attend a meeting at the chir hall on Tuesday evening, January 30, at 8. Work will be resumed at Miss Margaret B Weir's drawing and painting classes, town hall, Northcote, on Saturday, February 3.

To night at Thornbury Ploture Theatre the star production will be "What Women Suffer," the synopsis of which is advertised, also "Foolshead, protector of the Innocence and "The Shereff's Brother," Mrs Powell, draper and milliner, High

Hill, advertises that she is now holding he half yearly sale, during which genuine bar gains will be offered in all lines. The card of Mr. E. Ingham, professor of usio, appears in our advertising column

ircet, Northcoie, and Queen's parade. Olifion

Visit Hattam's summer sale, where maxiil classes of seasonable goods.

The open air vaudeville and picture enterions given last Saturday night at the Croxion ground gave delight to an immense audience. Three bours refused mirch and pleasure, without a single uninteresting moment, was the verdict of all, which goes to have proved that they are always ready to give hearty and substantial support moment, was the verdiet of all, which goes to prove the popularity of these Saturday nigh entertainments.

Preston council have provided in their estimates this year for the purchase of a new plane for the shire hall. The sum of £84 has been put down, which ought to provide a

A fair amount of asphalting was done at Preston last year, and in this year's estimated a further £200 has been provided for permaoost pathways. F. G. Smith, drapers, Northcote, advertish hat in connection with this ball-yearly sale low on, the balance of their summer milliner

s to be eleared regardless of cost. At the Northcote Lyric to night a lady's handsome gold watch is to be given away to Five Way some lusky patron. Nort wook the gift will be a genileman's double cased silver watch, suffered in

J. W. Mankoy, formerly in business as a draper in Northcote, has decided to signslise his return at the opening of his new shop, High street, with a monster sale, commencing Friday next, February 2, during which the order of the day will be "every line at

The star attraction at the Northcote Lyris (High street) for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday next is the great Pathe color drams, "Henry VIII and Aune Boleyn."

Miss Kelib Sturievant, teacher of dancing and callsthenics, notifies that duties will be counted on 10th February.

The Lyrio, Northcota.

Good business has been recorded right through the week. To night a special vauldeville bill is listed, together with a specially selected programme of the latest photo plays. A lady's gold watch will be presented to one of the audience during the evening. A special attraction for Monday. Tuesday and Wednesday nost will be the l'athecoly historical drama, "Henry VI-1 and Anne Boleya."

The True Tailor's Skill

All Chemists and Stores,

A.N.A. NORTHCOTE BRANCH.

The forinightly meeting was beld on Thurs

tay evening, Procident Frawley in the chair

and a fair attendance of members. Three

leveral complaints were made by one or two

members, which were referred to the commit-tee for report. Mr Haggart reported in re

Metropolitan committee and the larger Mel-bourne movement. The syllabus item was cerds, cupits, and music. The prosident

stated that at next meeting a lecture on Aus-

fralian ideals would be given by Mr.J. L. Unaxe.

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ACCIDENT AT MORTHCOTE STATE SCHOOL

DISTRESSING CURCUM-STANCES

on took place on the local green on Tuesday vening, the occasion being a visit of The At the Northcote State School Kangaroos, who, being such merry fellow Tuesday a serious accident hefel Ada and good sports, are always very welcome a Studd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thornbury, and more especially since their Studd, of Benver's read, and who will good services to the club last year. As a he remembered by many as a second alight return compliment the president was at dremarkably intelligent little singer pleased to entertain the visitors and their pleased to entertain the visitors and their ladies. The night being fine and the green against and fell upon her, and the result was the more serious that she amo down on the steps. Being very if when she went to her class t home side by the narrow imargin of three points. The whole five rinks were engaged. Hart for the Kangaroos was up flon Whalley, ill when she went to her class she was James I on McGregor, and Mair 7 on Ingham, but Castler was down 9 to Hayes and nother was communicated with, and Campbell 11 down to Burgers. The total n the meantime she was removed to were 90-87. At the conclusion of the game the caretaker's cottage. Though the Mr Davo Mair, the genial president ceident occurred about 11 it was not Kangaroos, thanked the Thornbury Club for till 2 pm that the suffering child the orjoyable evening provided, and the the copyages evening provided, and the copyages evening provided, and the copyages to her home. Dr. Mendelschin mayor (Cr. Bastings) and Mr.J. S. Whalley, whose names had been coupled with his revas any serious injury, but later in the marks, suitably responded, saying the visit of the Kangaroos had been a great pleasure, vening when hemorrhage set in he dvised immediate removal to the hosand they would look forward to the next pital Mrs L Baker went in to the Thornbury A team played East Cambet t East Camberwell last Saturday. EAST CAMBERWELL, 107. Children's Hospital and arranged for bed, and an ambilince was procured od the child conveyed there a little der midnight. Ti⇔ little suffere

BOWLING

THORNBURY V. THE KANGAROOS.

The most enjoyable night game of the sea

CANTERBURY 118.

THORNBURY, 47. Sweetland, Williams, Greer, Harmsworth

Whittington, Leigh, Tregellas, Grico Howe, Belyea, Holmes, McConnell Eley, Hickey, Huckerby, Hosken

EAST CAMBERGWELL, 107.
F5ffe, Bickford, Saundere, Pilbean
Ferguson, Constable, Gregory, Davis
McPherson, Buncan, Prout, Cooper
Davies, O'Connor, Smith, Tilley
THORNBURY, 90.
Boyd, Major, Clauseen, J. B. Whalley and been in hed only 5 minutes, when the doctor said she could not stay THOUNDOIN, 500 Boyd, Major, Clauscen, J. H. Whalle Meakin, Farley, King, Dr. Murphy Wright, Hocking, Brown, Ingham Harris, Doran, Dickason, Hayes. there, as the was over age. As fact her age is 14 years & 3 months. St. Vincent's Hospital was then tried, but ailing also to get accommodation here Thornbury B v. Preston B at Thornbury.
PRESTON, 111.
Winnett, Zwar, Braithwalte, Strahle.
DuBeurg, McKenzie, Palerson, Wolker
J. E. White, Musimer, Bartley, Broad-burst the journey had to be continued to the Melbourne Hospital. After such experionces it is needless to describe the patient's condition when she at last huret ... Stanlake, Hardess, Hanna, Pike THORNBURY 81. found ladement. She has been in a very precarious state since, and in pain. A little more tact and onsideration from some of those whose duty it was to act for the injured child would, apparently, have aved a deal of suffering. Thornbury 3-rink v. Canterbury at Can

UNIQUE EVENT AT PRESTON.

MILITARY CHURCH PARADE

The 5th Infantry Regiment, Com-

Sharp, Mulready, Muir, Hammet Dyte, J. H. Smith, Campbell, Hattam . onwealth Military Forces, will arrive This afternoon Thornbury A team play Filtroy and East Melbourne at Thornbury; the B team play Box Hill at Box Hill; and that three-rink team play Cheltenham at Thornbury. On Tuesday evening next Thornbury play a match against Northcote. at Reservoir station by route march from their bivouac to morrow afternoon about 4.30 o'cleek, and will halt for about a couple of hours in the vicinity On arrival of the train, lear ing Princes Bridge at 1.10 p.m., the ing Princes Bridge at 1.10 p.m., the regiment will form up for Divine service. The fine regimental band, under the leadership of Captain T. Riley, will furnish the music. Many members of choirs of various head churches have expressed their willingness to assist and the commanding officer will, it is understood, be very pleased to receive all such assistance. The hymns ordered for the day are well-known to all and popular, and a supply of leaflets will be available for the troops and choir. The service will terminate in time to allow visitors to return by the 6 p m. train. The regiment will camp bat Mont Park for the night, and on Monday will engage in operations with Monday will engage in operations with the service will be a sold a significant in the hoad of the various games as early as possible, bearing in mind that the nights are fast drawing in.

A pairs tourny is on the boards for Monday will engage in operations with NORTHCOTE CLUB A pairs tourney is on the boards for Mon-

Heidelberg and Eltham. PRESTON CLUB. Preston & v. Brighton at Preston. ST. VINCENT'S HOSPITAL. BRIGHTON 110. bolas, Watkins, Box, Graham

Monday will engage in operations with

other troops in the country between

udholz, Kendall, Francis, Crout MAYORESS CONVENES A Coltens, White, Giffen, Heely Woolnough, Adams, Vance, Fossey MEETING. PRESTON A 87. Zwar W., Woods, McDonald, Wilkinson, Arch
McPherton, Olnoy, Ross, Howe
Robinson, Howse, Pale, Rowe
Box, Rojo, Wilkinson C., Robertson TO THE EDITOR Sir,-In your issue of to day I have published a notice convening a meetiog for the 1st prox., at 8 p.m., at the town hall, Northcote, for the purpose Preston A play City at City Green. B play f raising funds to assist the commit tee of St. Vincent's Hospital to pay

Footseray at Preston.
On the Preston green on Monday one of the sections of the V B.A. single-handed champlonship will be played. The first round be gins at 10 a.m. and the final in the section will start at 4 p.m. A strong section has been drawn for Preston, and some closs games should result. Visitors will be welcomed to the green. off an overdraft of £6700 on its main tenance fund. The Lady Mayoress of Melbourne has requested me, with others, to take local action. Knowing that patients from all suburbs are omed to the green. treated at this excellent institution I feel confident that I shall not appeal R. B. Lawrence's Employes to the residents of Northcore in vain is on many previous occasions the

The employes of R. B. Lawrence

o any movement for the assistance of dyer and cleaner, held their pionic last Saturday at Blackburn. The weather public charitable institutions. - Believe was splendid and the drive in the drags ne, yours very truly, A. Bastings, Mayoress. was much appreciated. The attendance was not up to the usual standard nevertheless overyone enjoyed them BILIOUS ATTACKS AND LIVER

TROUBLE. The morning was spent in cricket, counders, and other games, and after An Ailing Woman's Speedy Cure dinner a lengthy programme of sports was carried out, also motor car rides by Bile Beans. " Periodical bilious attacks made my which reflected great credit on the committee. Both at dinner and tea a Fined 10s with 15s costs. lifo a misery," says Mrs. M. Swain, of Five. Ways, Woolloongabba, South Brisbane. "Whilst these were on I capital spread was provided by Messrs uffered in a dreadful manner from erguson Bros. Speeches were almos done away with, the only teasts honored being the health of Mr. Lawrence and ciolent headaches and throbbing and shooting pains across the temples. Dizziness also attacked me, and altofamily and success to the firm and the gother I was in a bad way. These health of the visitors and donor attacks would be followed by retching Mr. Lawrence suitably responded on which strained me inwardly, and I lest behalf of himself and family and Messrs Mosos and Tuckwoll for visitors and ill desire for food. My liver became

lisordered, and my skin assumed an unpleasant colour.
"During the time I suffered I tried The evening was spent with a couple of hours dancing and singing in the hall, after which a start was made for various remedies, but none of them brought permanent rollef. At last I home, to the accompaniment of songa and choruses. The drive home made a fine finish to the day's pleasure, commenced a course of Bile Beans and soon realised that these were doing me which was declared by one and all to to its proper and normal action, the violent headaches were ended and my appetite re-appeared. As I continued with Bile Beans my system was gradu. were: - Misses E. McKinney, Las ally toned up, my complexion regained its clearness, and I had the satisfaction combe and Greenaway, Messrs W. Best, J. Lyons and W. Slater, with W. Shaw treasurer, and J. M. Brown of realising that I renewed energy. hon, secretary.
The following is the result of the health in a wonderful manner. any time I feel at all out-of-sorts a timely dose of Bile Beans quickly

Labies' Events. restores me to first-class condition. B. B. Lawrence handloop, 75 yarde-Miss breenaway 1, Miss Kolman 2, Miss N. Wil

Grennaway 1, Miss Kolman 2, Miss N. Willams 3, Cloderella Raco-Mir. W. Shaw and Miss L. McKinney 1, Mr. E. Cook and Miss Maskell 2. Cup and Plate raco-Miss N. Cullen 1, Miss E. McKinney 2. Hobble Shirt race-Miss Oakford 1, Miss E. McKinney 2. Karried Ladles' tace, 50 yards-Miss N. Cullen 1, Wilson 2, Mrs. W. Best 2. Grand National Sprint, 75 yards-Miss I. Price 1, Miss M. Barker 2, Miss S. Pinchbock 8, Consolation race, 50 yards-Miss L. Norman 1, Miss A. Miller 2, Miss E. Wilson S. Genta Reserve. PANS (PID DENESS

GENTS' EVENTS, Bilverlight Handisan, 1981 yards-- S. Bart Polato race—W. Best 1, J. Lyons 2, Shop handleap, 100 yards—L. Knorp 1, Bolgar 2.

PRESTON POLICE COURT.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23.

Before Dr. Cole, P.M., and Mr. aac Barrow, J.P.

Damage to Property Constable Lizars proceeded agains

ohn Thomas Marshall for wilful dam age to property. Informant gave evidence that he saw lefendant with two other youths break couple of panels of Mr. Zwar's fenc

stott and Bastings.
Defendant pleaded guilty, stating be icted out of "pure mischief.

Vaccination Cases, Cases against Patrick F. Kelly, Wm John Albrecht, John James Owen, Jas. L. Tuttle, and W. Armstrong were adjourned for various

Obstructing a Board of Health Inspector.

James Wm. Mellis, inspector unde he Board of Public Health, proceeded gainst John Donath for obstruction him in the execution of his duty. Mr. J. W. K. Froeman appeared for the prosecution, Mr. Westley for the James Wm Mellis stated that with

Inspector Quin he was taking samples been billed for 38ft. Him of lane No. of milk at Presten on the morning of 30, but as be 1 all other for the 13th November. They were in a herespecially used that the motor car. About 5.30 they saw a be rectified.

milk cart in Garnett street about 50 Referred to the committee. yards away from them. They went after it, whereupon defendant whipped up lus horse and moved away at a rapid pace. Just as the cart was turning round into Plenty road a can of water was emptied out of the cart A little further on a can of milk was up-

set. By this time they had got up alongside the cart and frequently called upon defendant to stop, telling him they were Board of Health Inspectors. Defendant at this stage made a signal to his brother, who lifted up a can of milk and deliberately inputed the contents out. There was in the cart an 18 quart can empty, o gallon can empty, a 50 quar can containing 25 quarts of milk, a can (full) containing 50 quarts of mill nd a can containing 20 quarts of milk

hich had water in it, and a can also had the remains of water in it. Mr. Westley-You took samples he milk remaining in the cart for nalysis? Witness-Yes

There was also a half-pint measure

Were they up to the standard?— hey just got through. Why did you not have the milk that tined in the emptied cans analysed? -There was not sufficient left for

nalysis. Inspector Quin gave corroborative Cross-examined by Mr. Westley witness said the contents of the first

in spilt appeared to be like water.

Frank Rowan chaffeur, also gav Mr. Westley, for defence, said that a had to admit that his client had lone a very foolish thing, but what made him lose his head in this way was in the fact that he had been fined a fortnight before at the Northcote Court for selling milk that was under the standard, and for the condition of which milk the supplier of the milk

Mr. O'Hern) took the sole responsi bility.

John Donath made a statement on these lines and denied on oath that the contents of the first can emptied

The Bench said they looked upor this case as a very serious one. They had no doubt there was water in the 19s 7d be passed for payment. first can. Defendant had denied it, but they did not believe him. The action was more than foolish, it was wicked, and it was a good thing they had officers who displayed such zeal in the public interests.

e public interests.

1. That accounts amounting to £11
Defendant was fined £10 with £1
148 9d be passed for payment. A similar charge against Henry

Donath, brother of the last defendant vas withdrawn on the application of ir. Westley. He was only 15 years Transport of Milk.

R. Smith, Epping, was proceeded against by Inspector Mellis, of the Board of Public Health, for using a nilk can on which the producer's name was not legibly described. Defendant explained that owing to (two cars being overcrowded each trip).
Every event passed off like clockwork,

> Cattle Wandering. F. Pears, proceeded against by Inspector Daye, was fined 5s per head for four of his cows found wandering.

Riding on Paths.

George Martin, Harry Bolger, and

Lylo Fowler were each tinud 10s with 2s 6d costs for riding their bicycles on the footpath. Inspector Days brought Steeling Sand. . Geo. Daye, inspector for the shire, proceeded against Arthur Dunbar for taking sand from the centre of Cramer

Informant stated that he found defendant with three-quarters of a lond on. Fined 50s, with 2s 6d costs. Arthur Smith was fined 50s with

No Tare Weight. James Lucas Murray, Inspector Weights and Monsures, proceeded against Richard Grogan, wood carter, for not having the tare weight marked

2s 6d costs for a similar offence

on his dray. The inspector gave the necessary Defendant pleaded guilty, saying the omission was "just a bit of neglect on the part of his wholeyight."

Fined 10s with £1 3s 6d costs.

Property Sales.

McPhall Bros. will sell by auction on Tuca-day neat, the whole of J. T. Olyer's dairy entile, horers, vehicles, implements, &c., at Gilbert road, Presion.

'A.W.A. NORTHOOTE BRANCH. The last meeting was prosided over by the

T. TREVENA. L. Bolger 2.

440 yands handleap.—J. Davey I. C. Jonkin- 2.
Hobble race, 76 yards.—W. Slater I. S.
Jessop 2.
Handleap Quoit Tournament, 260 up.—J.
Brown I, H. Trournen S.

The sas meeting was presured over by me
vice president (Misc R. Barry). The next King,
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PRESTON SHIRE COUNCIL.

MONDAY, JANUARY 22.

Present: -Crs Robertson (president), Howe, Crispe, Howse, Allchin, Paterson, Stanlake, Warr, and Braith

waite. Drain in Powell Street.

The Public Health Department rote forwarding letter they had re seived from Maggie Neal calling at ntion to the fact that a certain drain a couple of panels of Mr. Zwars tene-ing and also break down a couple of sign boards, the property of Messrs Stott and Bastings.

The writer said she could not leave her windows open on account of the smell and was afraid of her children getting diphtheria. She had : child attending the Children's Hospital and the doctor said she must have fresh air and so the windows must be kept open. On account of the dirty drain the doctor told her to write to

the Roard of Health The secretary had written intime ting that plans were now being pre-pared for the construction of the

W. D. Gibbs, hon, sec. Preston Disrict Football Club, wrote requesting ermission to play premiership matche Referred to parks committee Account Returned.

Referred to the committee of the

whole on the motion of Crs. Allehi

John McKay wrote stating he had

and Warr. The 8.19 Train.

The Railway Department wrote stating that the matter of equipping staions with additional block posts, &c. now in hand, and when the work as completed complaints in regard to delays of 8.19 train should be obviated. The train had only been late six time sirce the 1st December. Cr. Crispe said he would like to say that since the matter had been men

Tennis Club Pavilion. R. Hodgson, hon-sec. Preston Tenis Club, wrote requesting permission to renovate the shed now occupied is

ioned a considerable improvement had

taken place.

om in the shire-hall grounds. Referred to hall committee on the notion of Crs. Crispe and Staniake. Half Cost of Fencing. John Kerr wrote asking council to

ear half cost of a fence between his

and and the council's land in High

street north —Referred to commit of the whole, with power to act. Substitute for Meat Inspector. The Board of Public Health wrote stating they could not approve of Ma A. Howse being appointed temporarily as meat inspector, as he had not the necessary qualification. It would be cossary to appoint a qualified meat nspector to relieve Mr. Sullivan.-

To be considered with inspector's Water for Danella Park.

The Metropolitan Board of Works rote with reference to extension of vater to Danella Park and forwarding the necessary indenture for signature. As soon as the persons desiring the water have deposited the money to defray the cost of the work the pipes

would be laid Cr. Crispe moved that the necessary guarantee be entered into. Cr. Pater son seconded.—Carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE. Cr. Stanlake (chairman) submitted the report, recommending—
1. That accounts amounting to £49

Adopted. Public Works Committee Cr. Paterson submitted the report, ecommending ---

Adopted. Committee of the Whole

Cr. Warr (chairman) submitted the report, recommending—
1. That the council approve and adopt the estimate submitted, showing that the sum of £7564 8s 6d is required for the several purposes in espect of which the council i ised to expend the same, that the net annual value of the property assessable in the Shire of Preston is £41,646 10s, and that a general rate of 2s in the £ is necessary to raise the same.

—Adopted.

2. Letter re Zwar's building in David street.—That the secretary write to the Public Health Department pointing out that the council do not consider they have enough evidence to obtain a conviction (copy of inspector's report to be enclosed.

Cr. Warr moved and Cr. Howse econded the adoption of the clause.

Or. Allchin said he would have to

payore some going to take action. The clause was put and carried, Cr. Allohin voting against; all the rest for.
3. Re subdivision in Bell street, Mussrs Rogers and Co.-That the same be approved of, as the engineer

oppose the clause. He had brought evidence in committee that the rate-

reports the same drained.—Adopted. same can be offic 4. Ment Inspector's report re appointment of acting meat Inspector.

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Treasurer's Report The treasurer (Mr. Dean) reported receipts since last meeting, £25 1s 11d. The overdraft was £2188 14s 6d.

Meat Inspector's Report. Mr. Sullivan reported having inspec ted and branded since previous meeting carcases of meat as follows:--

Cattle, 88; sheep, 1267; pigs, 631.
Regarding substitute to act whilst he was on leave the inspector said he Could murmur a monotone co. had appealed finally to Dr. Johnstone | Glad ! It is gladness made sweet by defeat of the Central Board of Realth, but Le said he could not supply a substitute. This being so he (the inspector) would point out the serious fix the

council would be in supposing anything occurred to incapacitate him from work.

Cr. Warr moved that the matter be

referred to the committee of the whole, with power to act. As Mr. Sullivan had said they might find themselves in a very awkward position.

The president, in seconding the mo tion, said that apparently the Board did not regard the convenience of the council; and it was time the council asserted its authority. It would be a very serious thing if they found them selves in the position that they could not have their meat branded. Some time ago the Board took over the branding at the bacon factories and it seemed that they wanted to take over this portion of the industry as well.— The motion was carried.

Ordinary Dusiness Replying to Cr. Howse the engineer said that the asphalting in Bell, Mary and other streets was still in the contractor's hands and was yet to receive a top dressing.

Cr. Crispe called the engineer's attention to the north side of Station

Cr. Allehin said he thought the daymen might be asked to keep the foot paths in Plenty road, especially between Dundas street Ragian street, a little bit cleaner. There were always large accumulations of dust on them. -Referred to engineer

Cr. Howe moved that the president call a public meeting to test the feeling of the residents on the matter of holding a children's picnic this year. Cr. Howse seconded Carried.

The president said he would be pleased to call a meeting Cr. Crispe remarked that it would be advisable to do the asphalting provided for in the estimates during the summer months, and he would move that the matter of selecting the street to asphalt be referred to the commit-

teo of the whole. Cr. Howe seconded .- Carried. Cr. Stanlake called attention to the state of the drain in Station street just off Bell street -Referred to en Cr. Allebin called attention to th

drain in Paterson street. Striking a rate.

Cr. Warr moved that a rate be struck of 2s in the pound, and tha Mr. J. A. P. Ham be appointed to collect same.—Carried.

NORTH COTE POLICE COURT.

MONDAY, JAN. 22.

Before Messrs Tharratt (chairman) Stott, Redmond, Hayes, McIntosh and Brown, J'sP]

SMOKING IN A NON-SMOKING. For smoking in a non-smoking car riage on the railways Frederick Pearce was fined 5s, with 5s costs.

Impeding a Railway Porter. William Hockey was charged by Detective Borsum, of the Railway Department, with wilfully impeding a railway officer in the execution of his

Mr Hoare for the defence. James Piper, junior porter at the Croxton station, stated that on the arrival of the 6 20 p.m. train from Melbourne on Nov. 15 he saw defendan open the station gate with something like a key and let himself and every-

Cross-examined by Mr Hoare witness said he was quite certain that it wa defendant who opened the gate. Gilbert Cornish, porter at Croxton, said somobody had been opening the gate on the arrival of trains and he put

Piper on to watch.

Defendant said he had lived a Croxton for a number of years and was a periodical ticket holder. He

donied opening the gate as stated. To Detective Borsum-I had a couple of mates with me.—Herber Collett and — Lucas.

Who opened the gate !-- Herber Collett

What did he open it with !- A pair Herbert Bateford Collett, Martin

street, who said he was a monthly ticket holder, admitted opening the He did not know he was doing anything serious. To Detective Borsum-About fifty

were travelling that night
The chairman (to defendant)—We must diamis, the care, but the Pond consider you were a party to the gate being opened and are deserving of re-

Mr Hoare contended that there was no occasion for reprimand. Defendant only did the same as everybody else who went through the gate. He would apply for costs.
The chairman—We think defend

ant and his mates were acting in col-lusion, and have decided to allow no

Riding First on Second-Class Ticket.

Albert Victor Dihm was charged by Detective Borsum with the above offence, and was fined 5s with 5s costs. Estate Agent's Claim.

A Miller sued Mrs. A. Reid for £8 3s 9d, money paid at her re-quest. Mr. McComas for plaintiff, Mr Barker for defendant. The account was made up of legal

and other charges in connection with the purchase of an allotment of land and the building and sale of a house on building society terms.

Plaintiff gave evidence that at the

outset of the negotiations he informed Mrs Reid that that there would be

ORIGINAL POETRY

WHITE GUMS

WHITE GUMS.

Never in rythmical verse shall the song of your co.gs be sung.

Oh, beautiful gums!

Never your melodies caught by harps that our hands have strung.

Oh, beautiful gums of the South.

List. new; but a breath in your leaver, as they swing to and fro,

And never a mertal mouth

Though atune with the joy of the Spring When the but's hear the mating birds sing And burst frem the gloom

And burst from the gloom Of each calyx to bloom Of a far haunting doubt, Dawn flinging its fruitfulness out To the crest and the crown of a night misser

Fair Certainty born of frail Fancy and Hope But, ab ! -The west wind sweeps into your boughs, The west wind saidened by the north:

And weary gnomes with wrinkled brows. In sighing multitudes come forth; And unto you, oh stately gums,
They epeak the anguish of far plains,
White hor ed with desert martyrdoms, White hat ed with desert martyrion Mocked by mirages of coal rains.

Yes, unto you they bring the moan And agony of desert heat— From west by north of the unknown, Vagus dirges stressed by known defeat. As you bend your grey heads as low bendet a prices, Fling forth, as in answer, wild music, wil

music to south and to cast.
Sorrow is this, oh my beautiful gums? Sorrow is this, on my beautiful guins? or a hymn,
Mystical, movine, and deep,
That speaks from the heart of each limb
To a sense that is still asleep—
A sense that is still asleep to the many who
mourn for the dead,
Of the dearts immensity,
Showing us, out where God's acons are spread
Sorrow's futility?

For you sing not of sadness; and yet, o

what do you sing
When your boles, gleaming white through
the winter, turn groy to the glory of epring? ea, of what do you sing through the glow and the gladness of many a noon,
When the wattles fling gold to the fairies
a-rock in the eleepy lagoon,
And your leaves in the secuted south wind

drep mournfully down and away

and sob as they strive to pray?
Is it that you are old
And yet young,
In the buds as they gladly unfold,

In the bude as they gladly unfold,
In the mating-songs sung,
In the bloom of the wattle like gold
Upon emeralds strung,
And the gladness that we who are mortal
to earth and to beaven have flung,
Find only a parsionless dream,
A fault or a slur
In some mighty magnificent theme
That earth is no more than a note of
---one leaf on a mountain spur?

Why, ever a morn when the East smiles up like a child through its tears, and the day, with the sun in its arms, as a mother long cried for appears; Yea, ever at morn when each leaf

Of your crown-As if by enchantment a bountiful chief Throws happiness down To the mesemates and muck In diamonds, rubies and gold Till they lift up their heads from

Of dead night and the sunlight behold ;

Of dead night and the sunlight behold;

a, ever at morn when the wind from the
cast is as nought

But a thought
Of the glad long ago
Blown in from the isles of blest—a
fantasy sweet and low,
In the beart of your heart I have beard
Again and again
A something that brings me no word
But a cadence of pain.

And yet,

It is ment to forget?—

When the storm winds smile the ranges and black wrath is on the bills,

When the valleys quake and quiver and the air with rengeance thrills,

When the hissing rain falls faster and the demons of the gale

Blaze a pathway of disaster where the mountain monarche will.

But the song of your songe? when the mid-

night is near

And the bush is a temple of stillness that only the guilty may fear, is it God's Voice in your leaves, that no wor Of your sweet benedictions man ever can

NORTHOOTE V. COLLINGWOOD.

LOCALS' BUCCE'S CONTINUES.
Northcote still hold their place at the head of the premierable liet. With the nice score of 286 in hand it was generally thoughs that they would win committably against their neighbours, but at one stage it looked as if they were going to be fully extended, but the promising partnership was broken by Northcote's solid attack, and eventually the visiting team found themselves all out for a total of 214, or 72 runs bebind their opponents. Normen liceum further established his reputation for all-roundness by taking four of Collingwood's wlokets for 04 runs, which was the best bowling average on his side. Home good batting was shown by Collingwood. Ryder, who made 41, hit as 0 (off Brown) and five 4's in an hour's batting. A. Brown, who, like Ryan, was run out, played attractively for 57, and his nine 4's. Scores—
NORTHCOTE.

NORTHCOTE. LOCALS SUCCESS CONTINUES.

First innings COLLINGWOOD-First Innings. E. Lookwood, b Plant... T. Scannell, b Brown ... W. Naismith, o Billings, b Brown J. Ryder, run out H. Fry, c Billings, b Brown R. Coburn, b Balloy R. Kerington, at Vernon, b Brown A. Brown, run out ...
J. Keating, l.b.w., b Mitchell
J. Bruce, b Balley ...
F. Pitcher, not out ...
Sundries ...

SECOND ELEVENS.

This match was resumed last Saturday with the scores standing—Northcote 123, Collingwood 89.

Northcote started their second I nings and batted attackilly until 5 o'clock, when they were dismissed for 120 (Richardson 27, Yeomana 22, Hammet 16, Wilkinson 15, James 10). Collingwood, with an hour and a haif to bat, required 165 to win, but at call of time bad leat 7 wickets for 107, Northcote thus winning a good match by 34 runs on the first funings (Yeur ans 3 for 15, Hammet 2 for 24, Lugton 1 for 23, Andrew I for 33).

Northcote v. Melbourne,—This match will be commerced on the Scotch Collegground to-day, and will be resumed on Monday at 11 o'clock. The second cloven will play at Northcote Park. Team—First cloven—Bailey, Billings, Chesswas, F. Lugton, McCarren, Mitchell, Plant, Richardson, Spicer, Vernon, Yeomana. Second elevan—Andrew, Bird, Bolton, Hammet, Hughes, James, Kelso, A. Lugton, Rowe, Schwaebsch, Yeomana, Cax.

Owing to several players being away on holidays the Northcote teams will be comparatively weak, and in consequence the Culb Eleven match against Kow has had to be abandoned, as several of their players will be in the season deleven team.

PRESTON V. FOOTSCRAY. This match was finished last Saturday, obtaining winning by 11 runs. Scoree-reston, 123 and 51, batting 2 men short Westmoreland 46, Huwes 32, Feechel 21);

W.Y.M. writes :- No one read the re-marks by 'Outil Id' in last Friday's Hould with greater interest than the writer, was along with J. More, of this city, claim to be the founders of Northeste cricker "Outfile" is a bit out in his figures when he states that the Northeste orloked club he states that the Northeote criteset club was been twenty five years ago, as previous to that date the writer hal taken over 650 wickets for Northeote, and left the district about the year "Outifuld" stated the club was statted. In those far off days is was a common thing for a number of us to rise about 4.30 a.m. on a summer's menning and have a couple of hours' practice on the aummit of the Northeote hill, where the Northeote Presbyterian Church now stands, and I well remember that anyone standing slip at the upper wicket very cfren stood on a little hillock which marked the last res ing place of two blackfellows belonging to the Merri Merri tribe. Previous to the Northeote Glub being formed we two played with the Northeote Blar Olub, which was founded about 1873. On one occasion we walked up

the Northeote Star Club, which was founded about 1873. On one occasion we walked up to Preston to play the local team—a match that produced figures which I am sure will interest your readers. We had three representatives of the Morris family in our team that day—Bruest, Arthur (our Blackham), and Jim. Preston went in to hat. The first ball I bowled just shaved the leg stump and glanced off the wloketkeeper's leg, when a bye was run. My next flue balls took five wicheste—all clean bowled. The bowling at the other end was taken up by Jim Morris, when he took three wickets in his over without a run being secured. In the third over I took the balance of the wlokets and the team were all out for a leg-bye and only sixteen balls bowled."

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these charges amounting to £7 or £8 and she agreed to them and nover disputed them till quite lately.

Defendant's clerk and Mr. Tredinchick, law clerk, gave corroborative evidence.

The Bonch, after prolonged consideration, made an order for £1 0c 3d, with £1 0s costs.

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Northcote Rifle Club

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This above duffied a "spoon" competition at Port Molbourne last disturday. The range was 600 ydv., and the southerly what made it difficult at times to judge correctly. Several new members were present and performed very creditably. The surprise of the lay was G. Kobelke, who wen the spoon bandsomely from A. Glandeld. They tied in the first shoot, Glandeld with 61 off rifle and 12 hep. (67) In the shoot off Kobelke put up an excellent score for 7 shots, getting 31 out of 35. A glance at the scores in the shoot off is interesting:—

Hep.

at cf 35. A glance _____hoot off is interesting:—

Glanfi-ld—3, 5, 0, 0, 3, 3, 3 (3) 20

Kobelke—5, 4, 5, 5, 3, 5, 4 (6) 35

The winner is to be complimented on his fine of fort, and the first to congratulate him owe, as we he loser, A. Glanfield. Other goo socres owne from the barrels directed by Wilson, U. Talmage, and H. Hook. P scores were as follows:—

Off ride Hep. To'

C. Kobelke—55 12 f

Add 61 6

53 5

55 61 53 49 54 49 50 42 C. Talmage H. Hook W. Sima

This match was inished last Saturday, Footsarsy winning by 11 runs. Scores-Preston, 123 and 51, batting 2 men short (Westmoreland 46, Huwes 32, Freebal 21); Foutscray, 137 (Wayer 2 for 10, Mehegan 2 for 22). Preston were without the services of Lawson and Blundell in the second inning through illness.

The game for to-day is against the Emu at Croxton Park. Preston team—Freebal, Lawson, Wyer, Howes, Mehegan, Westmoreland, Barkor, Blundell, Dickens, Nowbound, Robinson, Blundell and Fyfe.

Northcote Preshyterian A v. Preston. Scores—Preston, 14 and 40 (Teadals 9 for 10, Richardson 8 for 23, Bhand 2 for 11); Northcote, 79 and 2 for 19 (Gongh 23, Richardson 14, Shand 13). Northcote won by 8 wickets.

Northcote Preshyterians play Olinda at Olinda on Monday (A.N.A. Day). Members and friends who intend to participate in the outlog are requested to catch the 7.55 train to Upper Fern Tree Gully, where the coach will meet them.

South Preston Methodist played Epping last Saturday. Scores—Preston, 118 (Ratz 30, Martin 18, Janner 18 reitred, Keller 16); Epping, 94 (Dea 34, King 52; Martin 7 for 21, Campbell 2 for 6). Preston won by 24 South Preston play Brunswick Street at Preston to-day.

Everleigh, 142 and 35 (W. Punch 36 and 19 not out, Bah 17, L. Punch 17, MeDonall 16, Hacking 29) beat Albert Park, 126 and 7 for 23 (W. Punch 8 for 58, MoDonuell 4 for 28, Bain 1 for 3).

W.Y.M. writes:—No one read the remarks by 2 Outl 16" that Priday's Mentholes.

The above olub had an enjoyable afternoon's sport at Port Meihaurne hast Naturday, when the 6th grand appropriate shoot of
the a'x months took place. There was a
good muster of members and some close
sores resulted. The best shoot of the day

Preston Amateurs Trip to Glen Waverly.

When the valleys quake and quiver and the air with vengeance thrills.

When the hirsing rain falls faster and the demons of the gale
Blace a pathway of disaster where the mountain monarche wail,
When your leaves like frightened women turn bleir faces from the sight
And the shrinking burblands cower to the cover of the night,
When up rooted wailes quiver—all sheir glory blown like chaff,
How your bend in calm derision, how your mocking white boughs laugh.

Is it meet to forget?
And yei—
Oh, beautiful gome, white wonderful gume, still young with a century's lore,
Men say that we take from you only such wealth as we bring and no more;
That you are but wood for the sport of the wind,
Almost inanimate things,
Less than the bird without wings,
Harps only by grace and by glory of melodics born of the mind.
Yes, this do men say of you that have given to me,
Whose wealth is so small,
In melodice vague as: if finity
Thoughts that may never know thrall Of words—grave, passionless thoughts
that have made
Life sweet as the summer and sweetest

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It the song of your songe? when the midnight is neef
of the bub is a temple of stillness that
only the guilty may fear,
if God's Volce in your leaves, that no word
and no tone
your sweet benedictions man ever can
worse with his own?
Or is it, oh beautiful gums, that music
and all
The poetry man has yet known,
Are but of a wonderful form the word
Cloak that shall fall
And the tirus God be shown?
That out of the things that we cannot
express
Expressions will come,
No! In the counds and the words we
possess,
But unto the dumb
And the blind and the deaf, yea to all a
melody mighty and strong
Maris yearning for actuate song,
Loading him, bouying him, speeding,
for years that no longer shall weep bloodtears over ages of wrong.

CRICKET.

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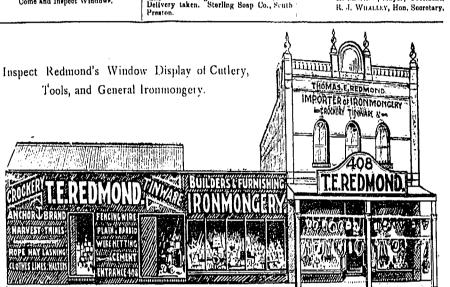
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If once you try their action
For more of them you'll crave.
In Melbourne nothing to beat them
I'm sure can ever be found,
If you seek in cover yourter. I bought a lovely rezor,
And tried it on my chin,
It gashed me well whilst shaving
And tore away the skin; It put me to such torture That racked with awful pain I vowed and vowed I'd never No! nover shave again.
My beard gre w long and longer,
It troubled me each day,
I had a billet effered me

I had a billet cifered me
To scare the crows away.
My old friends did not know me,
I looked just like a bear;
I was worse than any monkey,
With my ragged crop of hair.
At last I got a razor
From Woolhouse's noted shop,
And quickly tried its action
Unon my unly mon.

Upon my ugly mop.
As if by steam is glided,

And truly I declare, In an instant on my visage I'd not a single hair.

I'm sure can ever be found,
If you seek in every quarter,
For many miles around.
If your razors should got blunted
And shaving gives great pain,
Go straight away to Woolhouso,
Who'll put them right again;
Then shaving will be pleasant,
You'll readily agree
If you buy the best from Woulhou
Who well has treated mo.
Hence then I go to Woolhouso. Hinge then I go to Woolhouse, My razors for to buy, None others have in Melbourne

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Cr. Morgan moved that a double pan service be instituted in Epping within boundaries to be fixed.

Or. Mooy acconded.

The president remarked that whatever the opposition this was going through. They would refer any opponents of the scheme "Mr. A. M. Davidson, who had congratula ted the Board. (Langheter).

Cr. Morgan moved that the engineer be instructed to arrange for the construction of the five oulverts decided upon, viz, a.1 F Morgan's O'Horas, Fizgerald's, Young's and Ziebell's (Thomastown).

Reforring to Mr. Winter's request to improve the crossing on the read leading to his property, Thomastown,

Cr. McCoy said the road was there as long as he could remember, and was a convenience to the farmers in the neighborhood.

The president—is the road included in Mr. Winter's title deeds?

Cr. McCoy—Yes; but he says he has no

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