

A MODERN MAIDEN.

I'm a girl of to-day, and I beg leave to say,
When proposing don't fall on your knees;
It is bad for your pants, and my joy 'twould enhance
If instead you would give me a...

FLORIDA SPONGE DIVING.

A Growing Industry in Which Greeks Chiefly Are Employed.
The sponge industry at Tarpon Springs, on the west coast of Florida, has assumed large proportions within the past few years.

Editorials
Opinions of Great Papers on Important Subjects.

MUCH WORK, MANY IDLERS.

THE recent great increase in the number of unemployed able-bodied men and the simultaneous cry from the farm districts for more help draw sharp attention to an incongruous condition.

PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

SINCE the terrible Collinwood catastrophe testimony is piling up to show that the deplorable conditions existing in that ill-fated school building prevail in many communities and that little or no effort has been made to improve them.

FARMS AND THE UNEMPLOYED.

HERE is no reason why any man in the United States should starve, or even why any man should be out of employment, no matter what the conditions of business.

PEARL HARBOR A NEGLECTED OPPORTUNITY.

UR annexation of Hawaii, our development of vast political as well as commercial interests in the Pacific and the obvious desirability of developing our coast defenses and naval auxiliaries according to a consistent and adequate plan, all bespeak the need of making that finest natural harbor in the Pacific a place of service in peace and of security in war.



THE WIVES' MAN.

WOMEN SELLING MEATS.

New York Has a Butcher Shop Which is Said to Be Unique.

In a big uptown market in which there are sold not only meats of all kinds but vegetables and canned goods and some other lines of groceries as well there are employed as salespeople in the butcher's department a considerable number of young women.

Costumes.

I often think with envy of the days of long ago.
When men wore ruffled shirts and walked so stately and so slow.

Left on His Hands.

Gabbie—That's a queer sort of ring for you to be wearing. It isn't suitable for a man at all.

Daily Thought.

The habit of viewing things cheerfully, and of thinking about life hopefully, may be made to grow up in us like any other habit.

SIBBELL LUDINGTON'S RIDE.

An incident of the Revolutionary War, as deserving of its place in popular memory as Paul Revere's ride, is recorded in the Journal of American History.

Too Late.

Marshall P. Wilder, the noted humorist, told a stuttering story at a dinner in Chicago.

Reduces Competition.

Wayneside William (the tramp)—Weary, did ye notice by th' papers that thousand's of men was going back to work?

Care of Olive Oil.

Olive oil is injured by being kept in the light. When used at the table it should be removed to a cool dark place after each meal.

It is Easier to Cultivate a Girl's Imagination than Her Voice.

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HIS FATHER'S HONOR

The last rays of the setting sun threw a shaft of pink and gold into the parlor of the pretty cottage where in sat Mrs. Raymond and her eldest son.



THERE IS JUST ONE OTHER THING.

"What was it, mother?" asked the young man in a whisper. "What was it that kept father back all his life and made people give him the cold shoulder?"

"Yes, there! I've let drop the name and may as well tell you the whole story. George Graham was not the wealthy man he is to-day when he and I and your father were young people.

"I want you to clear my father's name of the stain that lies on it," he said abruptly.
Graham started and changed color.
"It is true then; he does not mean to deny it!" said Raymond to himself exultantly.

"All lies!" he muttered as he threw it down and tore another paper from the bundle.
So he went on, till the table was strewn with papers.
The footman came to him with a decanter of wine and a plate of biscuits, but Raymond did not even know that he had entered the room.