When Dingley, who had been doing "pot boilers" for the 10-cent monthlies for ten or eleven years, got an order from a great magazine for his new serial he was so delighted that he went right down and bought Mrs. Dingley a new set of mission furniture. She had been hinting for it for a year, and when the furniture man arrived she was so excited that she fairly danced in and out of the rooms, study ing effects and trying different arrangements. Dingley, however, had forgotten all about it by that time and was deeply immersed in the plot of his new serial. A "great idea" had just come to him. So he shut himself up in his den, told his wife to "go ahead and fix things anyway she liked," and sat down to work out the

He had scarcely written three words when there was a timid knock on his

"Oh, Richard," cried Mrs. Dingley, softly, "do come and tell me whether you think the divan looks all right in this corner or if it would be better over by the window."

In the goodness of his heart Dingley could not quench her joy; so he put down his pen and sallied forth to give his expert opinion.

"Oh, the thing looks good enough there," he said absent-mindedly. "Say, Kitty, what do you think of a heroine with snow white hair? Wouldn't that be a stunner; and-"

"I don't know," broke in Mrs. Dingley, thoughtfully, "whether it would be in the way there or not. We certainly need something to fill in that space, but it is too much in the shadow now to show the grain of the wood, and over by the window it would-" "Oh, well," repeated Dingley,

"change it round to suit yourself." "Don't you take any interest?"

sighed Mrs. Dingley, crossly.

"Of course, of course, but -" "Well, then, help me to move it over by the window and we'll try it there. Now, that does look better, doesn't

"Lots better," agreed Dingley, getting his breath again. "Now I'll go back and write."

"Wait a minute," cried Mrs. Dingley. "I want you to put the shelves in the book case. I don't understand all those dinky little screws and things."

the boards and props and tried to keep up and scratch my body all over, until his mind on the story. Then he went back to his den again.

"Richard, dear," called Mrs. Dingley, just as he had gotten settled and swung into the great idea once more, "I've decided to move the divan back again. It really takes up all the space in that window and there's no room for any plants, and besides it shuts out the light."

Wearily Dingley rose and once more applied himself to the task of moving the heavy divan. Then, the chairs had to be all replaced and the book case shoved over into the space between the windows. After that, Mrs. Dingley could not be happy until some of the pictures were changed around, lowered or shortened and rehung. It took 15 minutes to decide just whether each picture was straight or not, while Dingley stood on a shaky foot-ladder and Mrs. Dingley stood off and squinted one eye to get the effect.

Once more Dingley, tired and distrait this time, shut himself in his den. And once more the voice of his wife called him back to earth again.

"Dearest" (it was the pleading voice of Mrs. Dingley again), "would you mind-could I disturb you-just once more?"

Dingley swore softly under his breath.

"What in thunder is it now?" he growled. "Don't you know that if I'm not allowed to write this thing I can't pay for the bloomin' furniture?"

"I know, dear," Mrs. Dingley's voice. was almost tearful, "but this is most" important, really!"

Dingley jerked open the door of his

"Well," he demanded, "what do you want? Speak, and be quick about it." "Now, don't be cross," said Mrs. Dingley, pouting. "But just look how dreadful the whole thing looks against

that wall paper. It won't do at all." "Well, do you want me to paper the wall?" roared Dingley.

"No. But I've decided to change things about a little, and I just wanted you to move it all into the other room. Don't you really think it would look

Dingley laid down his pen, popped his paper into a drawer, took off his coat and spent the rest of the day moving. When, the next day, he returned to his serial his "great idea" had fled. The famous magazine bought the thing he wrote, but it was so commonplace that they have never ordered another, and the Dingleys face the proposition of living with that mission furniture for the rest of their

But Mrs. Dingley insisted that her husband is a genius, and that it is all the bad taste of editors and jealousy and spite on their part that keeps Dingley "down." He would be famous if he only got half a chance. And Dingiey thinks so, too.

Family of Good Shots. Three brothers named King living in Bromham, Wilts, England. bave won prizes in the army, shooting to the In Uso For Over 30 Years. value of more than £1,000. Thomas alone has won £400, while John and James have each represented England in international matches.

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Then he started to walk home and was on the mountain when the cries of a wildcat alarmed him. A few minutes later he saw the beast ten feet in front of him. The animal finally sprang. He jumped aside and as the body of the cat struck the road he leaped upon it. For several minutes the fight between the wild animal and the man went on. At length by a quick swing he broke the ani-

A physician dressed the several deep scratches on his face and hands, but otherwise he was uninjured.

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### Squirrels as Waiters.

It has taken Fisk Goodyear of Burchtown, Pa., two years to train his pet squirrels, but his efforts are will be, therefore, by far the highes hidden behind a paste of varying now repaid, and on Thanksgiving he treated his friends to a surprise.

Gathering half a hundred or more gray squirrels, Mr. Goodyear taught them to go into the woods and pick up nuts, carrying them to his home. On Thanksgiving night at a dinner

his guests noticed a small board running from a window to a nut bowl. The host gave one knock on the table with his knife. A squirrel hopped down the plank and dropped a chestnut into the bowl. Two raps brought a squirrel with a walnut, three knocks a shellbark.

his place and cracked the nuts, wind- preventing constipation, add to it. ing up the performance by brushing off the crumbs with his thick bushy when first used, have a beneficial ef-

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Actress a Loyal Kentuckian.

Mary Anderson De Navarro, who recently issued her memoirs, has sent a copy of the book to the Commercial club of Louisville, Ky., with the following note: "For the Commercial of moderate capacity the system club of Louisville, with the best seems efficient and economical. wishes of Mary Anderson De Navarro, a loyal lover of Kentucky."

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The manner in which the Canadian West has attracted settlers in recent years has caused many of our journals Doan's Kidney and public men to "sit up and take no-Pills, as I have tice," to use a current phrase. From every European country and from almost every State in the Union large they are an ideal number of settlers have flocked to the kidney remedy. I prairie provinces of Canada, where suffered with com- free homesteads and wide opportunplications of kid- ities are open to all who desire to ney complaint for avail themselves of them.

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Another feature which attracts the settler is that railway construction is proceeding with such rapidity that almost every district is within easy reach of outside markets, and that good prices for all lines of farm products rule practically from the commencement of agricultural operations. This is a factor which did not prevail when the earlier settlements in the West were made in Canada and in the United States, and has given a great impetus to Canadian Western settlement in recent years.

The free grant system of homesteads which prevails in the prairie provinces, by which every settler who is able and willing to comply with the conditions of actual settlement (by no means onerous) is given 160 acres free, except \$10 for entry, is a great drawing card, and in the last fiscal year gathered in over 189,000 additional to the western population, of which 57,796 were from the United

The further fact, as is strongly brought about by the agent of the Canadian Government, whose address appears elsewhere, that a splendid common school system, practically free, prevails throughout the entire country, and is easy of access in even great inducement to the settler who in mind, and this, coupled with the fact that western Canadian law and Colobar, West Africa, the other day order are proverbial, completes a circle of good and sufficient reasons why the tide of immigration has set in so steadily toward the country to the north of our boundary line.

The Highest Bridge.

Work is now in progress on a suspension bridge over the famous "Royal gorge" of the Arkansas river, in Colorado, at a point where the channel is only 50 feet wide at the bottom and 230 feet wide at the top. This bridge will span the river 267 feet above the surface of the water, and bridge in the world. The material will be of flat steel and steel cables. the curved girders finding secure at tachment in the solid sides of the canyon. The floor of the bridge will be of plate glass one and one-half inches thick, to afford visitors the pleasure of looking down the chasm. On each side will be strong, high steel railings. The bridge is part of an elec-"ie railway scheme.

The Evils of Constipation.

are many; in fact almost every serious illness has its origin in consti-Finally, a grave old squirrel took pation, and some medicines, instead of This is true of most catharties, which, fect, but the dose has to be continually increased, and before long the remedy ceases to have the slightest effect. There is one preparation, however, that can be relied upon to produce the same results with the same dose, even after fifty years' daily use, and this is Brandreth's Pills. which has a record of over 100 years as the standard remedy for constination and all troubles arising from an impure state of the blood.

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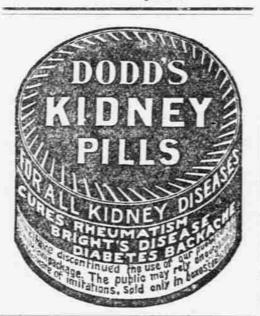
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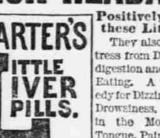
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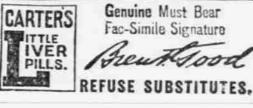
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