"A man lives and learns," remarked the husband with some bitterness.

Well, the school of experience dcesn't bar co-eds," retorted his wife. -Louisville Courier-Journal.

Mrs. Kjones-Did Mrs. Psmith wear her new ball gown? Mr. Kjones-Really, I didn't notice

what she had on. Mrs. Kjones-Ah, that was it, then. I heard that it was hardly noticeable .-- Cleveland Leaders

The best friends a man has are among those who are pooter than himself. The \$10 man finds his admirers in the \$5 circle, and the \$5 man among those still poorer: A man. is inclined to snub those poorer than himself, but they are the ones who come to his help when he is in troublo

"What's the matter, Batch? You been ill at ease. I thought you'd enjoy a home dinner."

'I'd enjoy it thoroughly, Newwed, if I could keep my eye on my hat and coat. Force of habit, you know." -Louisville Courier-Journal,

The porch climber hesitated.

"I'm only doing this," he muttered, "because getting in on the ground floor has never made any money for men in a business way, and it's up to me to get even with the world some how.

Convincing hemself by this specious reasoning, he softly pushed up the window and climbed inside.-Chicago Tribune.

Thirty days of official mourning was begun at the naval academy as a mark of respect to the memory of the late ex-president Grover Cleveland.

The Southern Rallway announced that the resumption of negotiations looking to a reduction in wages of employes of the Southern Railway out side of Washington had been postponed from July 1 until October 1 next.

A very good young man in town called on a girl the other evening. and, after, talking a few minutes, asked her if she would have any objection to his offering up a prayer. She said no, and he got down on his knees and told the Lord that he intended to ask the young woman then present to be his wife, and hoped the Lord would move her to consent. After exhorting fifteen minutes, he arose to his feet, but the girl had left the room, and has steadily refused to see him since.

Very often people meet and have a long conversation, each one knowing that the other is lying. One will say in effect: "I saw a very peculiar star in the heavens last night and flew up there to look at it." Whereupon the other will reply, in effect: "Yes, 1 flew up there myself, and saw you on the way. The star is not so remarkable, after all, when you come to look at it." This nabit is so common that naturalism and simplicity are very popular. This habit is also responsible for the fact that most statements are taken with a grain of allowance.

OF POST-MORTEM PRAISES. I've noticed when a fellow dies, no matter what he's been-A saintly chap or one whose life was



Then the Sun Will Shrink, Lose Its Heat and Inhabitants of the Earth Will Freeze and Starve to Death.

> High Browed Scientists Have It All Worked Out-"Things Are in a Bad Way." Warns Adherent of Nebular Hypothesis -World's Center Giving Forth Warmth May Save Vs for a Time, But Vltimate Destruction Is Inevitable, Wise Ones Say.

sun will have become so far cooled off that we shall be indifferent to everything else that happens.

Another limit to the future of the habitable portion of the earth is brought to light by the rapid progress of erosion that is going on all over the land surface of the world. Wallace estimates that one foot of

washed away by the streams every 3,000 years and deposited at the bottom of the ocean. This amounts to more than 300 feet in a million years. As the main elevation of North Amer ica is 748 feet, and that of Europe 671 feet, it follows that by the operation of present forces Europe will be washed into the sea in 2,000,000 years, and America in 3,000,000 years. What providence has in store for us after that, no man knows. If the sunk-'en portion shall rise at the end of that period, as it did at the end of the coal period, there will be dry land to live on, but it is doubtful if it have such stores of iron and coal as have blessed the present race of human beings.

Hiram Center, 518 South Oak street, Lake City, Minn., says: "I was so bad with kidney trouble that 1 could not straighten up, after stooping without sharp pains shooting through my back. I had dizzy spells, was nervous and my eyesight affected. The kidney secretions were frregular and too fre-

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## Melba in Paris.

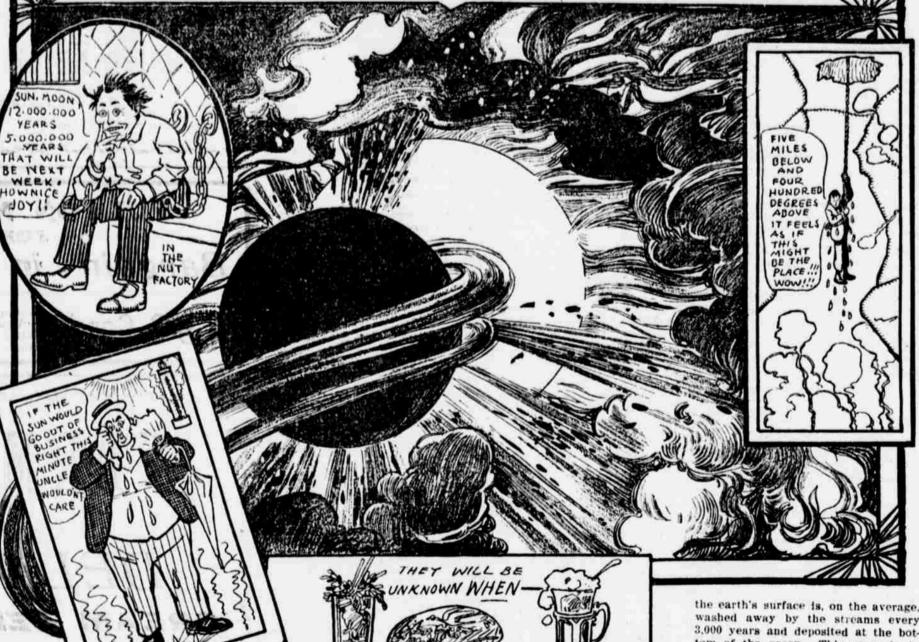
Mme. Melba has seldom received such a remarkable ovation as that which greeted her appearance at the recent opera gala performance in Paris. It cannot, however, compare in delirious enthusiasm with one she received some years ago in St. Petersburg. On one memorable night, after the close of the opera, she was called before the curtain again and again for more than an hour, until she was so exhausted that she could scarcely stand. Her enthusiastic admirers then followed her carriage to the hotel, where they serenaded her, although it was a bitterly cold night, until three o'clock in the morning. On the following day when she reached the station to depart the platform was crowded with hundreds of adoring music lovers. As the train was leaving they took the pencil with which she had written her autograph for all who could get near her, bit it into small pieces and passed them around as souvenirs.

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## But It Was All Right. The poor but proud duke decided to play a safe game, so instead of bearding the dear girl's father in his lair he wrote as follows: "I want your daughter-the flower of your family."



darkly sleeped in sin-His friends forget the bitter words they spoke but yesterday,

And now they find a multitude of pretty things to say.

I fancy, when Y go to rest some one will bring to light.

Some kindly word or goodly act long buried out of sight;

But, if it's all the same to you, just

The the knocking when I'm dead if i

Don't save your kisses to imprint upon my marble brow, While

countless maledictions are hurled upon me now: Say just, one kindly word to me while mourn here alone.

And don't save all your eulogy to carve upon a stone!

What do I care if when I'm dead the Bloomingdale Gazette

Gives me a write-up with a cut in

mourning borders set; It will not flatter me a bit, no matter

what is said. So kindly throw your boquets now and knock me when I'm dead

It may be fine, when one is dead, to have the folks talk so,

To have the flowers come in loads from relatives, you know;

It may be nice to have these things for those you leave behind. But

just as far as I'm concerned, I really do not mind.

quite alive and well today, and Im while I linger here,

Lend me a helping hand at timesgive me a word of cheer,

Just change the game a little bit; just kindly swap the decks.

For will be no judge of flowers when I've cashed in my checks.





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pothesis the end of the

world is to be reached very

gradually through the increasing reign

of cold and the lengthening of the

earth's day. For it is evident that the

sun cannot keep on radiating heat at

the present rate, or, indeed, at any rate, forever. As Lord Kelvin has well said, we know that the sun is cooling off just as certainly as we should know that a hot stone which we encountered in a field was cooling give to me instead off, though we had not seen it long bouquets while I'm living and enough to measure the, rate of its cooling, Heat is not a permanent quality of any known object. The sun must be losing its heat, and hence in time will become a cold and lifeless object.

> If things continue to go on as they now do, astronomers tell us, the sun will lose its life-giving heat long before 12,000,000 years have elapsed. Like all other cooling bodies, the sun must be diminishing in size. Its dlameter must be contracting. Newcomb estimates that in less than 5,000,000 years the sun's diameter will contract to one half its present length, so that the sun will occupy only one-eighth of the

space it now occupies. It is hardly possible for it after that to continue to furnish as much heat as it does now, but it must then cool off with great rapidity.

This reasoning is based on the supposition that the sun is not yet a solid body, but is so hot that its mass is still in a gaseous state. But the force of gravity upon the sun is so great that the gas is compressed into a much smaller proportionate compass than it is on the earth. The force of gravity on the surface of the sun is 27 times that on the earth, so that a man weighing 150 pounds on the earth would weigh nearly two tons on the sun. So great is this pressure of gravity on the gases of the sun that are they reduced to one-quarter the density of the solid nucleus of the earth. But so long as the nucleus of the sun continues to be gaseous it will continue to grow hotter as it diminishes in size. So soon, however, as it loses sufficient heat to allow the material to take on the solid form, a crust will be formed and the radiating heat will rapidly diminish. Probably, also, the heat radiated will diminish long before that time, even though the sun is growing hotter, because of the diminishing size of the globe

The only way that the astronomers can see to avoid this slow paralysis of the sun, and so of the whole solar system, is that lately proposed by Prof. Langley in a sensational article depicting what would happen if a dark world moving at an incredible speed in space should come so near our sun that the two would collide. In this case the original heat of the sun might be restored, but the catastrophe would practically produce such an expansion of its volume and such an increase of its radiating power that everything on the earth would be burned up, producing about such phenomena as are described by the Apostle Peter. Indeed, the resemblance between the words of the apostle and the theory of the Washington astronomer was as striking as it was unexpected, so much so that srme readers may not know from which source the following quotation is taken:



"The heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall be dissolved with fervent heat, and the earth and the works therein shall be burned up."

But the suggestion of the astronomer was pure speculation. There are no apparent signs of any such approaching catastrophe as Dr.' Langley suggests as possible. At any rate, we may settle down to the conclusion that so far as astronomical forces are concerned the present order of things will not be disturbed for three or four million years.

But an equally gloomy prospect is before the world in the distant future from another cause which is in slow operation. The length of the earth's day is slowly increasing through the retarding influence of the tides produced by the moon. To be sure, this effect is so slight that it has not been directly perceptible since accurate inethods of measuring the time of the earth's revolution on its axis have been observed. But that it must be taking place is as sure as that friction will stop a railroad train when the steam is turned off.

The tides raised by the moon's attraction are distributed by the continents so as to present many anomalies, but when considered in themselves they act the same as a wave three feet high constantly running in an opposite direction to the revolution of the earth, and so by friction retarding its motion. Astronomers are agreed that similar tides produced on the moon have reduced her revolution on her axis to a period of 28 days. Eventually the revolution of the earth will be reduced so that our day will be several times longer than now. When that time comes the nights will be so cold that nothing can stand it, and if they could the days will be so hot that what was left by the cold would be destroyed by the heat. But that time, also, is so far in the future that the present generation may put it out of their minds. This catastrophe will not arrive for many million years yet. Indeed, before that time arrives the

There are two other sources of heat to which we may look with much confidence and hope. It was more than a dream of Ericsson to invent an engine which could be run by collecting the direct rays of the sun through immense sun-dials, thus generating the heat necessary to set in motion the wheels of industry. But the successful carrying out of his plans would necessitate the transfer of our great manufacturing centers to the rainless regions of the world where

sunshine prevails. It, therefore, will perpetual be impossible that the desert of not Sahara and the sandy wastes of Central Asia shall in the future usurp the place now assumed by the localities in proximity to the great coal fields of the world, while the latter become overgrown with briars and brambles like the mounds of many an ancient center of civilization.

Still another possible source from which we may draw infinite quantities of heat and power is to be found in the heated center of the earth. As we descend below the surface of the earth, the temperature rises on an average of one degree in 60 feet. At a depth of two miles, therefore, the temperature of boiling water would be reached, and at a depth of five miles a temperature of more than 400 degrees. It would, therefore, not seem by any means impossible to bore into the earth deep enough to make a portion of its heat available for all ordinary purposes.

The world, however, is concerned with impending catastrophes nearer at hand. The prosperity of the present time is largely due to the ranidity with which we are using up the reserved stores of nature upon or near the surface of the earth. Thus geology, while it opens up to mankind the stores of good that are buried for safekeeping in the depths of the earth, points to their limited quantity, and calls upon men to use them economically and leave as much as possible for future generations. Wastefulness of these limited stores is a sin. At the same time it gives the philosophical student of listory a sobering view of the destiny of mer. Nothing is more certain than that man her not been always on the earth, and that he is not always to stay here. The world is like a transcontinental railroad train and the human race like a passenger who gets on at one end and has to get off at the other. Out of mystery man came and into mystery he goes. The visible world is a passing show. All that is unchangeable lies in the world of the unseen.

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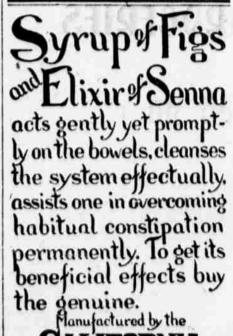
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