## \* "Fourteen Points" 6263 By GEORGE ELMER COBB

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It was at a reunion of some veterans of the Spanish-American war that Abner Thorpe fell from grace. With half a dozen old comrades he went down to Springfield. His wife had demurred. Of late years she had been disposed to direct and dictate. They had plenty to get along with. Abner had an easy time of it, imposed on the fact and, as Mary told her folks confidentially, was getting into sloppy and slovenly ways.

When Abner said resignedly: "All right, Mary, maybe you know best." He was so meek and pleasant about it that, womanlike, she rescinded her first insistency. So Abner got to Springfield and into trouble. He fell In with a slick adventurer who suggested a game of cards, "merely to pass the time away." Abner never afterwards forgot that game, Each hand had scored fourteen points when he observed that it was getting rather monotonous.

"Oh, well, one more hand, and put some spice in it," rallied his compan-"You're some player, friend! ion. Let's call it ten dollars on the best showdown."

"Look here," spurred up the other, feigning sudden interest, "this looks worth while. How much money have you got to risk?"

"Better leave well enough alone," warned Abner, with a serene chuckle. "You can't bluff me," came the

prompt reply. "Two hundred, be ft!" "I'll take it," announced Abner with a beaming face. "Beat that if you

can." And he laid down his cards, "I'm-I'm no gamester, though. I'll take twenty just to be sportlike and buy a little souvenir for Mary, but I won't rob you."

"Hold on." Interrupted the sharper. How's that?"

"That" represented just one card the best. Dolefully Abner saw his entire surplus cash pass into the hands of his clever antagonist. Within an hour he had advised his comrades. borrowing sufficient money to pay his fare home. The story of his temptation and fall preceded his return, and when Mary coldly greeted him there was a latent gleam of sternness in his eye that was foreboding.

During the ensuing week Abner was on the stool of repentance and humiliation. Mary maintained a reserve that depressed him. He learned that she had been seen in close consultation with a nephew who was a lawyer. Several other relatives visited her, their somber faces and mysterious noncommunicating ways indicating that they were allied in some



reer with the handleap of a name that suggests a place of glaring, sun-baked sands and rocks. Yet it has overcome this disadvantage to the extent of now being put down as a national park. Moreover, it occupies a coveted position in Bar Harbor, one of the most popular and fashionable summer resorts of the Atlantic coast.

It was Champlain who named the island. He was sailing along the Maine coast when he sighted a patch of land with a backbone ridge of apparently treeless mountains. "Isle of Desert Mountains," Champlain called It, and sailed away. Later it was visfted by more curious explorers, and, while the original name stuck, Mount Desert island came to be known as a delightfully wooded island, with picturesque mountain trails, shadowy lakes and a remarkable variety of birds and plants.

As these reports spread, Mt. Desert acquired a population of nature enthusiasts, artists, poets and a stendlly increasing representation from the world of fashionable society.

Bar Harbor, the best-known summer colony of Mt. Desert, lies on the east coast of the Island overlooking Frenchman's bay and the blue Atlantic. There are gorgeous villas and expensively simple cottages in Bar Harbor, a country club, golf courses, beaches, and all the rest of the usual summer resort equipment.

But most people find the mountains and lakes of the island more interesting than the artificial atmosphere of the built-up resort. Birds from aretic regions as well as countless varieties from warmer latitudes find their way to the island, and brighten wood and shore with gay flashes of color. Mt. Desert's long standing as a bird refuge, its scenic beauty and its interesting geologic history-which shows that its mountains and 'valleys were cut out in an early glacial period-all combined to make it desirable as a national reservation. The idea was long considered, and at last, in 1917, part of Mt. Desert was set aside as a national playground and an official bird refuge.

FINDING HAPPINESS IN WORK

## Matter Which Is Largely Dependent on Attitude One Assumes Toward Necessary Labor.

Work is God's greatest blessing to man. Until you have learned to look upon your work, not as a curse, not as drudgery, not as a treadmill which you are compelled to turn laboriously every day, you cannot be really happy, you are missing the best that is in life, remarks Forbes Magazine.

No honest work need he drudgery. whether it be sweeping streets, making collars or painting famous pictures. Art is nothing but doing a thing in the best way it can be done. Each one of us can be an artist at his or her work. All we need do is put our whole heart, our whole enthusiasm, our whole souls, our whole talent into doing it with the greatest care, the greatest skill and the greatest efficiency we can command.



Comstock, disgustedly, and laid the book aside.

"Whose 'twaddle'" asked a sweet voice near him, "is it?"

James glanced at the cover.

"By Flory," he quoted contemptuously. "Flory is exactly the sort of lights. person one would expect to touch upon her subjects, like a butterfly among the flowers, with no substance or reality to hold,"

"Haven't you," asked the girl at his side, "imbibed some of Flory's poetic phraseology? Now, I know a man who enraptured over the little books, considers them the acme of art. Certainly they sell well."

James Comstock turned to look into the piquant face upraised to his own. er. Like various other guests at Mrs, Van Houton's house party, he was exceedingly curious concerning this new arrival in their social midst.

The rest of the crowd had been known to each other, either by name or reputation for years, Rhoda Kent was one o' Mrs. Van Houton's discoveries. Te use her son's expression, his mother had "sprung a new one," and she was delighted in her young friend's reserve. .The most favored had been able to learn nothing of Rhodn's past, present or future from her own lips.

It was the unusual charm of her personality which caused deep interest upon all sides, and much conjecture. Her clothing, though in good taste, was so independently simple that many wondered if Mrs. Van Houton had taken on a protege.

James Comstock, being acceptably the most interesting man in the set, was naturally her vis-a-vis. In fact, during the days of proximity in the fine old house his heart had known its first serious affection.

James, the heretofore invulnerable, manner. was, as Billy Van Houton said, "de- Phone 110. cidedly hard hit."

Never before, he gloomily admitted to himself, had face or voice of woman haunted the nightly hours which should be devoted to healthful slumber. So James was justified in possessing more than the usual share of curiosity concerning the real life of the winsome Rhoda.

"Perhaps." he said in answer to her defense of the book discussed, "this 'Flory' may say more, in a light manner, than I am clever enough to grasp. But, fancy, for instance, being married to such a dreamer. Poor husband of Flory! With his wife always soaring above the blue. She isn't so bad at rhyme, though, I'll admit; seems to have a number of little verses scattered through here and there, with a bar of music to start them off. Helps to sell, I suppose. Makes the book look easy to read."

Miss Kent nodded laughingly.



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\$18 No. Locust.

O. E. ELDER,

City Clerk.

Plaintiff.

Bank of North Platte, Nebraska. Notice is hereby given that the un-dersigned have formed a corporation under the name of "Union State Bank of North Flatte, Nebraska," with the principal place of business in the city of North Flatte, Lincoln county, Ne-braska; the general nature of the busi-ness to be transacted being a commer-cial banking business under the laws of the State of Nebraska. The amount of the capital stock is the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00), all of which is to be paid in at the time of commencement of business The commencement of busi-ness shall be the 15th day of June, 1919, or as soon thereafter as author-ized by the State Banking Board of the State of Nebraska, and said corpor-ation shall terminate the 15th day of June, 1969. The affairs of the cor-poration shall be conducted by a board of directors consisting of not less than oration shall be conducted by a board

of directors consisting of not less than three nor more than seven, who shall elect from their number a president and

secret move. Abner was immensely relieved one morning when Mary came into the sitting room where he was cogitating over his sinfulness.

"Now, Abner Thorpe," she said, "you and I are going to understand each other. In your maturer years you show a propensity to squander the little we have. Before you have ruined us we must come to some arrangement of protection for me. Reformation for you, or this is the parting of the WAYS."

"Don't say that, Mary," pleaded Abner pathetically. "I confess I have acted like a lunatic, but never again. Hit me hard. I deserve it. Punish me to the limit."

"Very well, I have taken advice and I have determined to right things or leave you. I have here," and Mary placed on the table a folded paper. "my ultimatum-fourteen points."

Abner's head gave a jerk as if sustaining an electric shock. Fourteen points. It was just that stage of the card game that he had yielded to temptation.

"President Wilson has set the mode for the correction of an involved situntion with his fourteen points, and I have modeled after him. Read, they represent my unalterable decision."

Abner took up the paper bewilderedly. He began to read aloud. "'Point one, I will never gamble again.' Mary, trust me as to that, indeed. Point two, 'nor drink.' I never did. Point three, 'nor use tobacco.' Not guilty. Point four, 'nor swear.' Did you ever hear me do that?"

"No Abner, but what might you not do if you continue in a perverse way?"

"Point five, resumed Abner, 'home from lodge at ten.' I'll guarantee that. Point six, 'shave three times a week.' You're right, Mary, I have been getting careless and lazy. Point seven, 'keep my hair cut.' Certainly, it would improve my frowsy appearance. Point eight, 'let your wife visit her sister Anna three times a year.' Who objects? I'll go with you. Point nine, 'vote for suffrage.' Settled. Point ten, 'paint the house.' I'll get at it before noon. Point eleven, 'fix the leaky roof.' That, too. Point twelve, 'fix the home property so it won't be squandered.' I'll make it over in your name forthwith. Oh, Mary, you're making it easy for me.

"There are two other points," spoke Mary, and her face softened as she then read sincerity and the love that had stood the test of years in her husband's face.

"Oh. yes, I see 'sign.' Give me the pen. There you are. Fourteenth point. 'Seal.' I will, Mary, and never again will you have occasion to complain. Seal-with a kiss," and Abner clasped Mary to his arms and gave those longing, trembling lips a resounding smack.

Until we do this we can be neither successful nor contented, for Providence has ordained that, in order to be happy, we must do the best and the most we are capable of.

Loafers, whether rich or poor, do not know true happiness, do not know the sense of satisfaction which comes from work well done and done with a will.

Whether we find pleasure in our work or whether we find it a bore depends entirely upon our mental attitude toward it, not upon the task itself.

## Seven Wise Men of Greece.

By the expression, "The Seven Wise Men of Greece," is meant a number of men among the Greeks of the sixth century before Christ, distinguished for their practical sagacity and their wise maxims or principles of life. Their names are variously given, but those most generally admitted to the honor are Solon, Chilo, Pittacus, Bias, Periander (in place of whom some give Epimenides), Cleobulus and Thales. They were the authors of the celebrated mottoes inscribed in later days in the Delphian temple. These mottoes, with the name of the author of each, were: "Know Thyself," by Solon; "Consider the end," by Chilo; "Know thy opportunity," by Pittacus; "Most men are bad." by Bias; "Nothing is impossible to industry," by Periander; "Avoid excess," by Cleobulus; and "Suretyship is the precursor of ruin," by Thales,

## Lamb and Mutton.

The dividing line between lamb and mutton is not based wholly upon age; a well-bred and well-fed animal, 12 or 18 months old, may still belong to the lamb class, while a yearling of rangy stock, which has been poorly fed, yields meat of an inferior grade of mutton.

The best grade of mutton consists of fat, heavy meat. Light and flabby meat is not very palatable. Lamb rarely is an economical meat to serve. The relative difference in food value between lamb and mutton is the same as between yeal and beef.

The meat should be of a deep red color and firm to the touch; the fat, creamy, white and solid. Mutton absorbs odors easily, so it must be kept in a cool place under proper conditions.

"But you would not want to be the suffering husband who must listen to his wife singing those things around

the house," she said. "Heaven forbid !" James plously

ejaculated. And the lovely girl at his side arose in response to Mrs. Van Houton's call.

"Come here, Rhoda," cried that merry person. "Here are half a dozen bored people wishing to be entertained. My hope lies in you."

James Comstock gazed after the graceful figure regretfully. The glance she threw back at him was strangely disquieting. For days he had been ary service and the establishment of joyously secure in a consciousness of his office over Hirschfeld's Clothing the girl's preference. Unaccountably Phones: Office 333. Res. Red 856. discouragement came upon him. Rhoda's eyes had gazed at him re- TENTS proachfully, her lips had closed firmly, as though in displeasure. Then presently he heard her voice in song, as ently he heard her voice in song, as she accompanied herself upon the North Platte piano.

It was a little Scotch tune that the girl played and the words sounded vaguely familiar. Comstock leaning forward, listening attentively, found that voice and tune thrilled him with inexplicable tenderness. Where-had -he-heard-the words?-

Idly his gaze fell upon the opened book of "Flory." Then he knew. It was one of the despised Flory's verses that his beloved was singing. And after a round of involuntary handclapping he heard Mrs. Van Houton's triumphant announcement:

"I had not intended to tell you for Phone 908. awhile; we have had such fun keeping our secret. But Rhoda Kent is 'Flory,' as you have guessed, with those delightful books to her credit." Comstock sat staring dully at the volume in his hand long after silence proclaimed that Rhoda's audience had

departed. Bitterly he recalled his recent condemning conversation, with its fervent "Heaven forbid !" that a tional Bank, North Platte, Neb. wife such as she should be his own Well, he had done for himself this time, he bitterly reflected, and this time was all that counted in the world.

"If you please," asked Rhoda severe ly, "may I have that book of 'ally twaddle?

Wretchedly he looked up into the lovely face above his,

"And-I was going to ask you to be my wife,"

"Heaven forbid !" murmured Rhoda. "A wife floating around in the blue." Her voice broke in soft uncontrollable laughter. Eagerly he caught at her hands.

"I will drop the name 'Flory,"" Rhoda said later; "Mrs. James Comstock will give to the book the proper Hides and Junk. dignity which it deserves.

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City of North Platte, Lincoln County, Nebraska; the general nature of the building material, coal, hay, and grain the buying, leasing, selling and conveying of real estate; the buy-ing, erection and maintenance of such buildings and structures as may be deemed necessary for the successful conduct of such business, and to pur-chase real estate as a site therefor, of to ther the same, and to engage in such and successful conduct of the operation and successful conduct of the above as med corporation. The amount of the capital stock in the sum of Seventy-five thousand dol lars (15,000.00) all of which is to be add in at the beginning of business by the conveyance of property to add for that successful conduct of the above and successful conduct of the the business at all be the file or further successful conduct of the corporation and successful conduct of the the business at all be the business at all be the business or poration of such value. The com-mencement of business shall be the business that he corporation at such value. The com-mencement of the corporation shall to any time subject itself shall be the intersecting with Road No. 172, said torad first of the corporation shall to any time subject itself shall be the intersecting with Road No. 172, said road to be 66 feet wide, has reported in favor thereof, all objetions therets or claims for damages by establishing said road, must be filed in the office of cloar, and the successful the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000. The affairs of the corporation shall to any time subject itself shall be the intersecting with Road No. 172, said road to be 66 feet wide, has reported in favor thereof, all objetions therets or claims for damages by establishing said road, must be filed in the office of cloar, such y all of the corporation shall be scretary-treasure, to conduct the sum series of the corporation shall be scretary-treasure, the conduct the business of the corporation shall be the file on the state and of the corporation ther, who shall elect a presi

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secretary and select a vice-president and cashier and such assistant cash-iers and clerks as may be necessary to conduct the business of said corpor-ation. Gust Branting. Samuel G. Anderson. Theodore O. Swenson. Ed Westering. Alfred J. Swenson. John Victor Swenson. Elof A. Olson. Charles W. Swenson.

LEGAL NOTICE. In the District Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska. August Schmidt, Plaintiff,

Vs. Leo J. Lucey, Barton B. Baker, Elean-or Baker, his wife, First National Bank of Lexington, Nebraska, Defend-

HERSHEY, NEBRASKA.

Legal Notice.

Harmon Albert Surber will take notice that Dora Frances Surber, as plaintiff, commenced an action in the District Court of Lincoln County, Nebraska, on April 16, 1919, against you as defendant, the object and prayer of said action being to obtain a divorce from you, the said defendant, on the grounds of extreme cruelty and gross, wanton and cruel desertion.
Notice to new required to answer said petition on or before the 27th day of July 1919, went of the Sixth Principal meridian in Lincoln county, Nebraska, to secure the payment of cotober, 1919.

DORA FRANCES SURBER, sl6010
Plaintiff.

Notice is hereby given that the under the name and style of "Field-Birge Company" with the principal conting its business in the City of North Platts, Lincoln County, Nebraska; the general nature of the sum of \$250,00, for \$480,00, the state of ten per cent per annum after maturity; and one interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum after maturity; and one interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum after maturity; and one interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum after maturity; and one interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum after maturity; and one interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum after maturity; and one interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum after maturity; and one interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum after maturity; the period of the sum of \$250,00, for \$480,00, the state of ten per cent per annum after maturity; the state of ten per cent per annum after maturity; the state of ten per cent per annum after maturity; the state of ten per cent per annum after the per cent per annum after the per cent per annum after the sum of \$250,00, for \$480,00, the state of ten per cent per annum after ten per cent per annum after the per cent per annum after the pen

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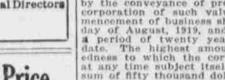
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