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Henry's father was a golf enthusiast; therefore Henry knew all about the game. One time he was asked: "Henry, why is it that men that play golf always yell 'fore' instead of 'look-out' or some such thing?"

Henry thought for a second before an inspiration came from looking at his young sister, who was diligently getting her arithmetic.

"You see," he replied, "it takes too long to yell 'foot-foot,' and that sounds so much like 'two-two' that they just add them together and yell 'four.'"

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A TAG DAY ROMANCE

By JESSIE E. SHERWIN

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It was tag day in the city and a young girl whose attire white neat and well fitting showed signs of mending and wear, stood at the corner of two busy streets, a cardboard in one hand, a white carnation in the other. She was forlornly sad as to face and eyes, staring vaguely at a smiling, pleasant lady who was one of the taggers. The latter had noted her depressed manner and on some intensive impulse of kind heartedness had approached her with motherly interest and had said:

"You must wear the insignia of the day, dear. I know you are one of us in sentiment."

And then the true lady unobtrusively placing flower and card into the girl's hands, mingled with the crowd seeking real subscribers.

The tears came into the eyes of Verda Lund. Amid her loneliness a benign act of consideration meant much, but it emphasized the dreariness and destitution that faced her. Out of work, a stranger in a strange city, she had been compelled that morning to give up the cheap little room she occupied. She was faint and weak.

"Help the good cause!" hailed a brisk, cheery voice, and the abstracted Verda felt tag and flower drawn from her clasp and a bank note substituted.

Bewilderedly she looked up to note a smiling, genial young man. For a moment he seemed quite magnetized by her sorrowful, but soulful eyes. They transmitted to her a strange impressive thrill.

"I won't forget that lovely face in a hurry," he spoke to a companion.

"Oh, wait! wait!" cried Verda. "You have made a mistake," but the surging crowd had swallowed up the two men.

Almost stupidly she stood gazing at the dollar note. There was wafted from a near restaurant a tantalizing whiff of food. She turned towards it almost fiercely. Then she ran away from the temptation. She pushed aside the jostling multitude, staring ahead to try and discover some tagger to whom she could deliver the dollar. She battled her way even more strenuously. Ahead she made out the young man who had given her the money. Finally she neared him. She put out a hand to halt him. He was airily sweeping his lips with the sweet flower.

"Oh, please!" panted Verda, extending the bank note. "I am not a tagger. I had no right to take it."

There she wavered, there a sudden film came across her vision. She swayed weakly. Bryan Latham caught her in his arms as consciousness deserted her.

"Do not move, dear," spoke a gentle womanly voice many hours later and Verda stared vaguely about her. She lay upon a couch in the rest room of an office building. A screen was set across a corner of the apartment and the matron stood regarding her with a smile. "Will you not tell me something about yourself?" she asked. And Verda told her all of her poverty, of the flower and tag and of her temptation to assuage her hunger.

The matron wound a sympathizing arm about her. There were tears of tenderness and pity in her eyes. She went away and returned with a server containing a dainty, but strengthening

repast, the first food of which Verda had partaken for a night and a day.

"It was Mr. Latham who left you here," the woman told her, "a true kind-hearted gentleman, if there ever was one. He was very anxious and interested. He seemed to surmise that you were in trouble. He has telephoned twice about you and wishes you to remain here until business hours are over."

"I am Mr. Latham's sister," interrupted an intruding voice, and a well-dressed lady appeared just beyond the edge of the screen. "Is this the young lady my brother told me about? He telephoned me and if I can be of any service to you let me be your friend."

She was married and had a family of two little children, and when the matron had taken her aside and talked with her in low tones Mrs. Warner returned to the side of Verda.

"You poor friendless dove!" she murmured, kissing her. "We are going to mend some of the injustice of life that has fallen to your lot. My auto is below and when you are strong enough to accompany me we will soon have you under a roof where you must welcome a long, perfect rest."

Verda Lund retired that night the guest of a true souled woman, with plenty of spare for those she could help, and glad to bestow it. She did not mention her brother until several days later, and by that time her little ones had learned to idolize the stranger whose gratitude and joy made her love the whole world.

Very unobtrusively Bryan Latham came to the house at last. He did not obtrude himself upon Verda, but he could not conceal an interest her every time he met the glance of the pleading eyes that had thrilled him from the first.

"It was just a month ago that you came into my life," he told Verda when they were alone together one evening. "See how I cherish the memory," he added, and he drew out a little blank book and within it lay the tag and the faded carnation.

And when their wedding came about, it was two of the little Warner children who scattered the same reminding flower in the path of bride and groom.

Gods of Ancient Rome.

"Going to Church in Ancient Rome" was the title of a lecture delivered in Philadelphia in Houston hall by Dr. George D. Hudzsits, who showed a number of views of temples dedicated to Jupiter, Minerva, Mercury and other gods. The number of gods became so numerous in Rome toward the last, said the lecturer, that the people had to refer to a catalogue. There was one for sowing, one for planting, reaping, binding, housecleaning and, in fact, for every trivial detail of life. Ritual and ceremony choked true devotion, he said, and the sacrifices prayed over by the priests were made with or without the presence of anyone else. Congregational devotion was alien to the spirit of ancient Rome.

Death of Goethe.

When the spirit of Johann von Goethe passed away, March 22, 1832, all Europe took note of the event and pondered on his last words: "Let the Light Enter." He was venerable with age and honors, a wise, many-sided mind, and the greatest poet of Germany. Marek said of him that what he lived was more beautiful than what he wrote; and his life, amid all its weakness and all its sorrows, presents a picture of certain grandeur of soul which cannot be contemplated unmoved.

EARACHE



Ear ache is common among children and is the usual accompaniment of a hard cold. There is a most intimate relation between the air passages of the nose and head and the ears. When acute catarrh, or cold, stops these air passages there is apt to be a discharge draining into the ear, and the result is earache.

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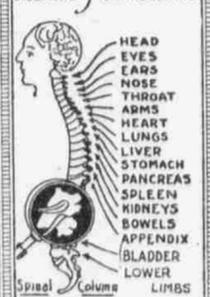
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Spread of Sleeping Sickness Threatens Entire World, According to Scientists of Prominence.

Sleeping sickness, called encephalitis lethargica by the doctors, seems now to have become a domestic evil, says the Medical Record (New York), in quoting a study of this formerly rare disease by Doctor Lhermitte in a French medical journal.

It appears that the disease is epidemic all over the world and that it manifests itself in many forms, the only symptom possessed by all in common being that of deep and prolonged sleep.

In true encephalitis lethargica there are four cardinal symptoms—ocular paralysis, hypersomnia, fever and the general state. The ocular paralysis may be absent at the outbreak of the disease, but once present they are characteristic. So, too, is the type of hypersomnia. It is a narcolepsy, but the subject does not arouse quickly, as in the condition which commonly goes by the name and in which the seizures may be only momentary. However, the permanent sleep may be preceded by narcoleptic crises.

Doctor Lhermitte notes hypertension of the muscles and a state suggesting cataplexy. Tremors are often manifest; the temperature goes to 104 degrees F. He says a Wassermann test and examination of the spinal fluid should always be made.

OLD FISH MARKET MUST GO

London's Famous Billingsgate Forced to Succumb to the Inexorable March of Time.

Billingsgate, London's old-time fish market, is about to move. The course of time and the modern difficulties of transport are responsible for the plan to remove to another site more easy of access, and in which space will not always be at a premium.

Billingsgate was the most important quay on the Thames in late Saxon times, and fish, among other things, were landed there. By the time of Edward I the market was fully established, and the king, who was a confirmed food controller, fixed a tariff of maximum prices. This list included one dozen best soles, 6 cents; best mullet, 4 cents; best haddock, 4 cents; best Thames or Severn lamprey, 8 cents; gallon of oysters, 4 cents, and best porpoise, 12 to 16 cents. The best fresh salmon, after Easter, were to be sold at four for \$1.25. That was in the days when the Thames was full of salmon, and one could catch flounders and flatfish on a line dropped over London bridge. The water is still salty during high tide, but the sea fish do not come up any further than Gravesend, which is 20 miles lower down.

The Diamond Trade.

Considerable activity has prevailed in the diamond trade in British Guiana within the last few months, and prices have advanced to a high level heretofore unknown, states Consul McCann in his formal report. Expeditions are being dispatched to the diamond fields in the interior by those interested in the business in Georgetown. It is currently reported that the English market is eager to absorb any quantity of stones, large or small, but that they are being bought not only for English but also for American markets regardless of present exceptionally high prices.



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His Closing Schedule.

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"Is the sermon nearly finished?" she whispered.

"No. Another half-hour yet," replied the usher. "He's only on his lastly."

"Will it take him that long to say his 'lastly'?" she asked anxiously.

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