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TOWNSEND. ETHEL



ERA Ismail Khan is a frontier station the cutthroat side of the Indus. Its name means that Ismail Khanmay his bones rest once pitched his tent there. but a not too careful philology forgot to add some eloquent syl-

lable which would signify that Ismail Khan-who lies with the prophet cleared out again as rapidly as possible. Unfortunately the maintenance of the Pax Britannica in the valley of the Indus requires the constant presence in that delectable spot of a squadron of horse and a battalion of foot belonging to those fine troops, the Punjab frontier force. In the middle of June it is often impossible to see the compound gate from the verandah at midday owing to the prevalence of a swirling dust storm, and twelve hours later it may be necessary to pour water over the bed to render it sufficiently cool to be laid upon.

Yet the officers of the Piffers-so called by Anglo-Indians as a phonetic way of expressing the initials P. F. F. manage to live there, and, what is still more marvelous, half a dozen Regent street gowns may be seen there whenever the station foregathers at club or gymkhana. Not long ago the C. O. at Bera Ismail Khan had as a daughter the prettiest girl that was to be set eyes upon along the whole 2,000 miles of the Indus. Ethel Townsend was known far and wide as the pride of the Piffers, and I will tell you another time how she won the title. Just now I wish to place on record what Major Dalrymple did for her. Dalrymple did not know, until Townsend married the only child of the chief of the Indus flotilla, that he would never care for any other woman. Mrs. Townsend never even guessed his secret, but it nearly broke his heart when she died in giving birth to the little one who afterward bore her

Ethel always called him uncle, and next to her love for her father she gave him the full warmth of her impulsive affections. But now that she had come back from a seven years' residence in France and Germany she found that there was yet another corner vacant in her heart, and this place was at once bestowed upon Capt., the Hon. Robert McGregor Cameron, whom the natives had christened the Babadursahib, and who was known to his associates as the

Hence it was that when the Guidesto which distinguished section of the Punjab frontier force all these people belonged-were ordered to join an expedition against a particularly obnoxlous tribe in the Bara Khel, Ethel betook herself to Mayor Dalrymple and cried her pretty eyes out on the score that Bob would be sure to get himself killed.

"He wen't be in any greater danger than your father or I, sweetheart," said the major, at his wits' end for words of consolation, "and you have seen us return safely too often to feel

"Oh, dad and you have got good sense, but Bob is such a mad thing—and he will do something ridiculous, and I shall never see him again," boohoo, boohoo-the pride of the Piffers was

"Ethel, my dear, listen to me," and



TROUBLED HIM A LITTLE AT FIRST.

smoothed her golden-brown tresses back from her forehead. "You know how much I value your happiness and how glad I am you are going to marry a man like Cameron. I promise you now that I will look after him as though he were my own son and bring him back safe and sound to you. Come, you have full trust in me?"

Dalrymple knew that his promise was of little avail in view of the chances of a border campaign, but it soothed. the girl's heart, and her tears fell through a smile as she kissed him.

As a rule a mountain battery, two companies of the Scottish Rifles, two native regiments, and a detachment of the Guides should be more than a match for any tribesmen that ever swept down on a marauding foray into the lowlands. But that day the Ghazis fought with demoniacal skill, and, just toward evening, they made a last wild rush that nearly settled matters. Indeed, the square bulged in rather unpleasantly on one side, and had it not been for the way in which Cameron and a dozen. of his sowars laid about them with their sabers it would have been all upwith the expedition.

As it was, everybody breather hard. for the next ten minutes, and the Scotsmen were just beginning to wipe out. their rifles, the barrels having been fouled with drippings from the bayonets, when Dalrymple discovered that. Cameron was missing. Some one had seen him get knocked off his horse and he had evidently been carried away in the rush of the retreating enemy. A was Robert Mon., Wed. and Friday at1:00 pm

his body, at any rate, was not to be found, and anything like pursuit in the growing darkness was quite out of the question.

Townsend and Dalrympe did not dare to speak their thoughts to each other, but a couple of hours later, when the wearied force was seeking rest from the turmoil of the day, a moullah placed all doubts at rest as to Cameron's fate by shrieking out of the gloom that when the next day dawned the followers of the prophet would first crucify the accursed Feringhi in their possession and then wipe the British troops off the face of the earth.

"Jackals," he yelled, "will turn away gorged from your corpses," but it was his figurative eastern way of putting it.

fill his promise to Ethel. To obtain the permission of the brigadier for his project was out of the question, so he consulted with no one, not even Col. Townsend. With the aid of a sub adar he was soon dressed a la Ghazi, and he borrowed the tulwar of a dead tribesman who was lying, among plenty of his kin, on front of the zereba. This, with a couple of revolvers concealed beneath his flowing robes, constituted the whole of his appliances and indeed of his plan also, as he had resolved that if he could not save Cameron he would endeavor to get near him and give him the means of avoiding crucifixion.

The mountain village to which the tribesmen had retreated was distant some four miles. The road approaching the place was fairly free from obstacles, but it twisted and turned in all directions as it climbed up the side of a precipitous gorge, finally reaching a man to save him, and thus insure for plateau about 1,000 feet above the level children morally weak or vicious fathof the small stream that dashed along ers; neither does love (?) in a cottage beneath. The moon was trying to struggle through a great cloud bank, but gave light enough to show the way and to distinguish objects close at hand. Nearing the village—as no semblance of a guard was kept—he passed several scattered groups clustered round fires or huddled among bundles of fodder. Many of the men were groaning and their women bandaging their wounds. Dalrymple shuffled painfully along, finding the native sandals difficult to walk in, and he came upon Cameron suddenly. The Hon. Bob was seated on deliberate in her choice. That the the ground, with his hands apparently tied behind his back, and resting for congratulation or for condemnation, against a low mud hut, inside and in front of which were some twenty of the tribesmen—a few smoking round a fire the others asleep. Dalrymple walked straight up to him, and growled "Sug!"

That is the Persian for all that we mean when we call a man a dog—and more. The action was natural in a tribesman and evoked no comment; in Dalrymple's case it was a fine piece of art. He squatted on the ground close to the prisoner and whispered.

"Steady, Bob; I've come to help you." Cameron had nerves of steel, but the words tried them to their utmost tension. When he could trust his voice he only said:

"Thanks, old chap. It's no use. My left ankle is sprained so I can't walk a yard, even if it were any good. Get back safely and give my love to Ethel. As for you, God bless you." At that moment a horse neighed

loudly at some distance and Dalrymple, in a second, had formed his plan. He whispered again: "Can you manage to stand straight up when you hear a horse coming this way?"

"Yes," said Cameron. "Very well, be ready in five minutes." Then he rose, growled another Persian oath, expectorated again at the prisoner, and left the circle of light cast by the fire. He had little difficulty in finding the animal that had given voice. He was tied up in a rough shed and seemed to be a strong beast. Ethel said afterward that he was the best pony she ever laid eyes upon, but she was prejudiced in his favor. His saddle and headgear were hanging close at hand, and Dalrymple lost no time in getting him ready, although the queer Afghan bridle troubled him a little at first. Then he led him out and mounted him, but at the same moment a fellow sprang out from the rear of the shed and wanted to know in the name of the prophet why a cursed thief was moving off with his master's ghora. There was no time for a long discourse, so Dalrymple gave him the weightiest reason at command by hitting him such a crack with the tulwar on his shaven crown that, like Bret Harte's orator-

"He smiled a kind of sickly smile and curled up on the floor And the subsequent proceedings inter-

ested him no more." Then the fun commenced. He rode up to the hut at a canter, found Cameron

standing, swung him crossways on the saddle in front of him, and started for The excitement on that hillside during the next ten minutes was some

thing remarkable. Jezoils were fired, tom-toms beaten, gongs banged, and not a few Martini bullets whistled past them as they galloped down the pathway. Cameron and Dalrymple weighed twenty-three stone between them, but the little horse would have run away with two more like them. There were no other animals handy, to all appearances, so pursuit was out of the question after the first 100 yards, and in less than half an hour Cameron was in the hands of the doctors, Dalrymple was drinking some hot whisky and water with the brigadier, and the Kabuli was being groomed by about six men, while if he had not been a wise little beast he could have burst himself with gram. Next morning the village was shelled, and when the moullah was hit with a shrapnell the tribesmen gave in and promised to be good.

All this happened six years ago. Since then I have seen a fat youngster held on to the back of a still fatter Kabul: pony, and the name of the youngster was Robert Dalrymple Cameron .-

NO HASTY MARRIAGES.

Higher Education Makes Women Less Dependent. "So long as the attraction of sex remains you cannot abolish marriage!"

excitedly exclaimed the conservative man, according to Vogue. "I have no desire to do away with marriage, but simply to mitigate it," replied the woman propagandist. And most thoughtful people will agree with the woman speaker that the recklessness which characterizes marriage

should be moderated. It is encouraging to those whose hearts are touched by the manifold sorrows of humanity to observe that, in this matter of marriage (a most prolific source of mis-Then Dalrympe swore he would ful- ery to human beings), different agencies are at work, educating people to an appreciation of the gravity of the estate, and its tremendous consequences to individuals and to nations. The higher education of women has, from the start, shown a tendency to disincline those who took the college courses toward early marriages and toward imprudent ones-quite a large percentage of them moreover, taking up careers and remaining single. A recent canvass of college graduates is said to have shown that, while 90 per cent of non-college women become wives, only 55 per cent of college graduates resign their lives into the keeping of husbands. From other sources it is learned that those who marry do not swell the lists of invalld wives; neither do 50 per cent of the children born to them figure in mortality tables, as is the ghastly fact with the everyday woman's children. College women are not apt to marry a translated in these days into a cheap flat in an unwholesome locality-appear to her finer or more winsome than the self-respecting independence of the bread-winning positions that are now within her reach. Years ago some conservative men had the perspicacity to realize and the courage to state that fuller life for women meant the lessening of her interest in marriage (the only profession her foremothers had been permitted to consider) and that she would be harder to please and more phophecies have come to pass is matter according to the observer's point of

A WIFE'S TYRANNY.

lome of the Awful Things She Does to Annoy Her Husband.

She contradicts him at the head of his own table, interrupts his anecdote to set him right on an utterly unimportant little detail-say the date of a transaction, which he makes the 7th of September and she asserts was the 8th; she interferes in all his arrangements, and questions his authority in the stables, the field, the church, the consulting-room; she apportions his food and regulates the amount of wine he may take; should she dislike the smell of tobacco she will not allow him the most transient whiff of the most refined cigarette, and, like her brother with his victim, she teaches the children to despise their father by the frank contempt with which she treats him and the way in which she flouts his opinion and denies his authority. If she is more affectionate than aggressive she renders him ridiculous by her effusiveness. lke the "Sammy, love," which rous Dean Alford's reprobation, she loads him with silly epithets of endearment before folk, oppresses him with person-al attention and treats him generally as a sick child next door to an idiot.

All out of love and its unreasoning tyranny she takes him into custodyin public as in private life-and allows him no kind of freedom. Robust and vigorous as he is, she worries over his health as though he were a confirmed invalid; in the hey-day of his maturity coddling him as if he were an octogenarian bordering on the second childhood. She continually uses the expression, "I shall not allow my husband to do so and se;" or, "I will make my husband do this or that." Never by any chance does she confess his right to free action, bound as he is in the chains of her tyrannous affection. In the end she makes him what she has long fancied him to be, a backboneless valetudinarian, whom the sun scorches to fever and the east wind chills to pneumonia-one who has lost the fruit by "fadding" about the flower .- Chicago Chronicle.

Dr. Clark's Novel Idea

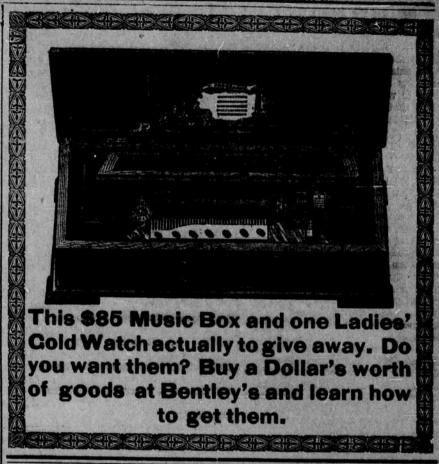
The Rev. F. E. Clark, president of the Christian Endeavorers, suggested a unique plan a week or two ago. It is to start a "chain of prayer," to reach clear around the world, and in which every member of the seciety, if he wishes, might form a link. Each Endeavorer is to offer one short petition every day for other members and for the cause at large. Special objects may from time to time be included. To become a link in the chain requires but one condition, viz., belief in prayer.

It Was Rotten.

A tory speaker in Berwickshire held a nut in his hand and said: "This represents the whole church question. This shell is the free church, good in f's way, but not the best of things. Now crack this nut and you get the established church." He cracked it and it was rotten and he had to retire amid derisive cheers .- Fun.

Blarney. His Reverence-I can't take your cab, Pat. I see your horse has been on

his knees. Pat-Arrah, yer riverence; be alsy about that. The last place he had was with a praste and faith, he had to keep up a simblance of religion.—Sydney Bulletin.







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SHORTER LIFE FOR LAMPS. Incandescent Lights Now Run at a

Higher Tension New York Commercial-Advertiser: A short life and a merry one is to be the guiding principle of the new order of amp manufacture. At one time an incandescent lamp cost so much that it was made to last as long as possible. even if it had to be run at much below its nominal candle power. Now, lamps are cheap, and people insist on having light. A significant sign of the tendency of the times is that the twentyfive-candle power lamp is daily being put in in place of the original standard sixteen-candle-power lamp. It is assumed that when Edison adopted the sixteen-candle power standard for his lamp he took what was probably a very good average of the illumination given out by five-foot gas burners the country over. But during the last fifteen years the gas standard has been raised through improvements in manufacture, and whereas twenty-candle gas was once seldom seen, the larger cities of this country new average well up to twenty-five-candle gas. The public has not been slow to see this, and now demands a unit of light at least equal to the prevailing standard gas unit. The central stations, fortunately for them, realize the situation, and the use of high economy lamps is growing. It is noted, too, that the time-honored 600 hours of life is not nearly so often insisted on as formerly. Indeed, the specific requirement now commonly made is for a lamp that will maintain its candle power at high economy for from 300 to 400 hours. The introduction of lamps of twenty-five-candle power, although already started upon, will doubtless be gradual, as it must naturally be accompanied by a corresponding change in the fittings, outcuts, wiring, etc., if applied to existing

Don't Be Too Critical. Whatever you do never set up for a critic. We don't mean a newspaper one, but in private life, in the domestic circle, in society. It will not do any one any good, and it will do you harm-if you mind being called disagreeable. If you don't like any one's nose, or object to any one's chin, don't put your feelings into words. If any one's manners don't please you remember your own. People are not all made to suit one taste; recollect that. Take things as you find them, unless you can

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swallowed, cannot be made any be Continual fault-finding, continual criticism of the conduct of this one, and the speech of that one, the dress of the other and the opinions of tother, will make home the unhappiest place un the sun. If you are never please with you. And, if it is known that you are hard to suit few will take pains to suit you.

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