the nature of the work that John was called upon to perform by Col. Mortimer would not bear the light of day. John was getting more and more reckless. He drank deeper and played higher, and didn't seem to care much what became of him. He only went to see Leoni occasionally, and she-poor girl!-was worried to death about him. He told her that luck was against him, and that it always was against him when he tried to do what was right; and that is what he tried to make himself believe. When Rush came back to New York from his visit to Farmsted. John invited him to dine with him at the "Club," and questioned him closely as to the wedding preparations. Rush was seriously alarmed by John's appearance and manner. There was a restless, wild look in his eyes, and he started at every strange sound. When Rush asked him if he was not well, he said that he was never better in his life. He ate very little, drank a good deal and talked incessantly about Amy and the approaching wedding. "So I am to be married September third, am I?" he said. "Well, I suppose I shall have to give up my bachelor ways and settle down as a famman. They're all waiting for the wedding day, you say. Well, it's coming; you can't keep it back. I don't say that any one would keep it back. I only say that no one could keep it back. Do have a brandy and soda, Rush; it will do you good. You fellows who stick to one wine through a dinner are too prudent by half. Good brandy never hurt any one. You are going to be there, Rush. Every one's going to be there. We'll have a jolly time at the funeral - I mean the wedding; but where's the difference? They both start you into an unknown country. Queer world, eh, brother? Now tell me something about mother and the girls. I know they are well, but are they happy, Rush?—that's the point; are they happy? You may be bursting with health, but what's health without happiness? They are happy, are they? I hope they may always be so, Rush: I hope they will never be made unhappy on my account; but it takes so little to make mothers and sisters unhappy. They are naturally nervous-a great deal more nervous than fathers and brothers. Well, Rush, old boy, you can't refuse me this toast" (rising unsteadily to his feet): "Here's to the dear ones at home, and may they always love us, Rush, always love us as we-what do I mean?" "As we deserve," suggested Rush. John knit his brows for a second.

"More than that, Rush. That might do for you, but it would never do for me. 'May they always love us, no matter what comes'-that's it, Rush. 'No matter what comes, may our mother and sisters always love us."

Then he cat down and pulled his hair over his forehead and said nothing for some moments. Then he broke out

'Queer things families are, Rush

Look at you and me. No one would ever take us for brothers; we are as unlike in feature as we are in character. You know your duty, old fellow, and you do it like a man; I know mine sometimes, God help me, but I can't do it. When I die, Rush, I want you to have me examined. You'll find my heart in the right place; but when you examine my head you won't find my moral qualities what they ought to be. Then you'll forgive me for lots of things, won't you? You'll say, 'Poor fellow! His heart was all right if his will wasn't as strong as ours; we musn't be too hard on him.' You'll say all this, won't you, Rush?"

And John leaned across the table and seized his brother's hand with a tight grip, and gazed with an expression of intense longing into his face.

Rush knew, of course, that he was flushed with wine, and he supposed that all this talk was merely the result of his potations. To humor him, and because

he really loved him, he replied: "Have no fear on that score, John; we know too well what a warm heart you carry about with you to be hard or you

for a misstep."

He supposed his brother alluded to his increasing habit of drinking.

"Thank you, old man; thank you more than words can tell. I'm nervous tonight. You mustn't mind me; another pony of brandy will set me all right." And, suiting the action to the word, he drank one down without winking.
"Suppose we walk around Madison

square," he resumed. "My head is on fire: these August nights are beautifully cool; perhaps the air will help it.

On their way out they met Mortimer in the hall. He looked dogged and sullen. Seeing John, he beckoned him aside and exchanged a few whispered words with him. At something he said John started back as though he were going to fall, but he clutched the railing of the staircase and recovered himself. He looked so frightfully ill when he rejoined Rush that the latter proposed that they should go home at once: but John said there was nothing the matter with him-he only needed the fresh air out under the trees of the square.

"Mortimer seemed to have something unpleasant to tell you," said Rush, as they seated themselves on a park bench. "I wish, John, that if you have any business troubles you would confide in me; I might help you."

"Thank you, Rush, for your kind offer; but it's nothing—a mere nothing: just a fluctuation in mining stocks that may hurt us, that's all. To-morrow, for all we can tell, they may look better than ever. It's a worrying business. Take my advice, Rush, and keep out of stocks

—particularly mining stocks."

John lighted a cigar, puffed it once or twice, and threw it away. Then he sat for several minutes with his hat off, engaged in his old trick of pulling his hair over his forehead. Jumping to his feet suddenly, he took his brother by the

"Come along, Rush; I've kept you up late enough; it must be after 1 o'clock. I'll walk down to your lodgings with

They walked the whole distance in siience, which was broken by John when they reached the door of the house. Ha

took Rush's hand, and holding it tightly, said: "Good night, Rush; pleasant dreams." Then, suddenly, "We've al-ways been good friends, haven't we, Rush? We've never quarreled, have we? Philip and I have had little fights once in a while; but you and I, Rush, were always good friends. When I die I'll depend upon you to defend me against my enemies; you'll do that, won't you, Rush? You'll see that I have a shred of character left-just enough to bury

"I wish you'd stop talking about dying, John; you'll live to put a monument over all our graves—a big, hearty fellow like you." And Rush tried to laugh; but his brother's manner, even more than his words, impressed him unpleasantly, and he couldn't shake off the impression. It hung over him all that night, and all the next day, and long afterwards.

CHAPTER XIX.



WAS he day efore John Hurlstone's wedding day, and where was the happy bride-groom? Wanderng aimlessly

around the streets, expecting every moment to be seized by the police. They thought they were; and they soon would be, for his connection with the

fraudulent Mutual Dividend Mining company was known to them, and they were only waiting for certain proofs to clap the handcuffs on his wrists. John felt no handcuffs on his wrists. John felt no temptation to run away. Mortimer had tried to induce him to fly with him to Canada, but John seemed to be in a developed her. "Madame," he said developed her. " dazed condition, and positively refused to do anything. He knew that he had committed a state's prison offense, and that it would not be long before he was made to answer for his crimes; but he did not intend to answer for them in a

He sat in his rooms all day and drank brandy, and thought-not so much of the past or the future as of the present. He thought of Leoni, whom he loved and to of children into the hands of these women! whom he was honestly married, and of Amy, his expectant bride, eagerly waiting his coming in the little country town not a hundred miles away. He had not had the courage to tell Amy, and he had hoped that something would happen be-fore the fatal day; but nothing did hap-this bitter experience led her to exercise pen that could help him in any way. His greater caution in regard to all that pertroubles came thicker and faster, and he saw a felon's cell before him.

"After all," he said to himself, "what is the use of fighting against fate? I can is the use of righting against fate? I can reassured by finding how much the child soon end the difficulty, and why not do really knew and had found out without a

To be concluded next week.

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To Sioux City.

The new U. P. line between Lincoln and Sioux City will be open Monday. The train will leave this city at 2:45 p. m., reaching Sioux City at 10:30 p. m. Will leave Sioux City at 7 a. m., reaching Lincoln at 1:50 p. m. These trains will run through solid by way of David City, Columbus and Norfolk, and will make the quickest time of any route. They will connect at Sioux City with diverging lines. This will make eight U. P. trains in and out of Lincoln.

We have just received a very pretty line of papers for covering pantry and closet shelves, etc. They are in cream, salmon, orange, mandarin, heliotrope, royal purple, sky blue, Nile green and other colors. Ladies should call \_ d see these papers. They are the new-est thin, out and add greatly to the appearance of shelves.

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A MOTHER'S MISTAKE.

The Serious Error of Stuffing Young Heads. The Doctor's Severity.

Our Elizabeth was a young woman of many theories. One upon which she acted was this: A baby, from the time he really sees things, is observing constantly; why should he not actually learn things that will be of use to him! She felt that he had so much to learn before he really could be said to know any thing that she must guide his observation so that no time would be lost. Before he was 2 years old he knew a great many things; he had talked distinctly and accurately from the time he was 18 months old, and he asked questions which would have appalled a philosopher. At 20 months he knew literally "his letters" from the red and white blocks he had been taught to study. He knew the names of his father's chesmen and could put the rooks and some of the other pieces in their proper places on the board. He knew all the pictures in a large natural history; he had favorites among them, and could turn at will to the "ichneumon," the "catterpillar hunter,"

the "honey bee, worker, drone."

About this time he looked up from his crib as he was lying down for the night and said to the nurse givl: "Lizzie, I don't want to be lost into a man!" Poor little fellow, it seemed almost as if he felt the weight of in-

creasing cares.

He was just 22 months old when he was taken suddenly and alarmingly iii. The doctor who came at the hasty summons said:
"Your child is very ill; nothing but absolute
quiet and good care will bring him out all

Elizabeth devoted herself night and day to were not on his track, but he over the thumbs. She would share her care with no one but the father. After two weeks of anxiety and of suffering the crisis was passed, the pale boy was up and dressed and on his mother's lap. "Now, doctor," she said as he came in this

morning, "I want to let you see what a smart boy you have saved!" Her eyes were 'ull of tears which pride burned away as she brought out the natural history, the chess-

The doctor sat silent while she went rapidment to me all along that a child the age of rours should have had so acute a brain disrours should have had so acute a brain dis-order, but I now see the cause; if you love your baby"—Elizabeth cast reproachful eyes apon him—"let him alone; put away these things; instead of helping his mental growth, you have retarded it; let him alone, I say. There is one thing in the universe," he said, rising and walking back and forth, "that has almost made an infidel of me, that an all wise Creator should have given the keeping

Although he did not indorse the school which prescribes counter irritants, the scorn in his tone, the blighting glance of his bright eyes affected Elizabeth as one would, and did her good. It drew out the soreness from her heart and set her to vigorous thinking. She closely; she found that the wondrous principle of selection, which the mind exercises, is best left to itself, and as time passed she was

She taught very little, although she fought the hardest battles of her life to keep from doing so. Her old belief would start up at times with all the force of a great temptation. She really wanted to make one test; she believed that she could teach the child spelling almost without his knowing it. When taking little walks with him, she burned to

One day she began, "t-r-e-e," as he stood looking up at a mountain ash tree, rich in red

"What, mamma?" asked the little boy "Oh. nothing; only how beautiful the trees Thus did she bring herself to time. are now." One rich result of her efforts at self control was the success she attained in different departments of her work; her health became better, her perves recovered the tone they had lost during the period of nursing and rearing the baby.

Electric Railways.

The Electric World says that, one year ago, there were barely a score of electric roads in this country, and about another score were projected. Today there are over fifty roads, and nearly seventy more are building or under contract. There is still plenty of room for improvement in the methods adopted, but the roads work and are certainly good enough to advertise the method as a success. We may well apply to this the language that Professor Bryce in his recent noble work on the "American Commonwealth" uses about some of our political conditions: "The Americans surpass all other nations in their power of making the best of bad conditions, getting the largest results out of scanty materials or rough "Many things in that country work better

than they ought to work or could work in any other country." After all, there is no better way of reaching perfection than through experiment and failure, and every one of the successes in electric railroading in this country has been won by the very finest qualities of grit, self help and shrewdness, Our motor engineers know something now about electric roads, and have laid the foundations of an enormous industry by their genius and perseverance.

The Patrolman's Let.

The lot of a patrolman is not easy under any circumstances, and with all the difficulties with which he must contend it is marvelous how few of these useful officers fall by the wayside. If he fails to make an arrest he is heartily condemned by the general public.

A like fate awaits him if he be over zealous in the performance of his duty. It is a mistake to presume that all that is necessary to constitute a perfect policeman is size, endurance and muscle. He must be a man of sound common sense, with the ability to judge human nature and do it quickly. Fearless in the performance of his duty, yet ne must studiously avoid oppression in office, never lose his temper or patience, be punctual and freliable, and, above all, a man of good habits.-Chief of Police in Globe-Democrat.

"ucle Sam Second.

In a review of our new navy, London Engineering says: "In closing these details, we may add that Great Britain has now ten war vessels of 3,000 tons and upward with a minimum speed of nineteen knots per hour, the United States eight, France five, Spain three, Japan two and Russia one. The United States accordingly now claim that, in the important matter of high speed war ships, they rank second and are not far belind Great Britain. The Americans are, in fact, going in for high speed cruisers."

ODDS AND ENIA.

The French are making wooden type with opper faces.

Twelve thousand emigrants sailed from Liverpool for the United States during the week ending April 13.

English army authorities are considering a project for enlisting young boys and letting them grow up into soldiers.

An aged turtle was picked up near Kingston, N. Y., recently, that had the following in-scription on its back: "W. D. Whittaker, Aug. 10, 1771." The prejudices of men emanate from the mind and may be overcome; the prejudices of women emanate from the heart and are im-

pregnable.—D'Argens. A phase of benevolent work, which has come into public notice with especial promi-nence lately, is the progress of town and city

Alden Worley, who lives near Rockdale, Tex., says that he and other men killed 200 rats in his pasture in one day, and could have

killed more, only they got tired. A Venetian class manufacturer is said to be making and selling bonnets by the thou-sand. The glass cloth of which they are made has the same shimmer and brilliancy of color as silk, and is impervious to water.

A Scotch preacher in London recently, speaking of the frequent complaint of preac ers for being dull, gave his hearers this shot: The fault is not that we are poor preachers, but because you are mighty poor stuff to preach to."

A salt vein has been found in middle Kan-sas, 300 miles long, 25 miles wide and 400 feet thick. It is said to be one of the most valuable salt finds in existence.

There is nothing in the world which gives such scope to discontent as idleness, no matter whether forced or voluntary. A man had better be darning stockings than doing noth-

Hundreds of American teachers will attend the World's Sunday School convention, which will take place in London in July next. A Cunard steamship has been chartered and will carry the excursionists at the rate of \$100 each, which covers all expenses of the trip.

W. C. Mills, of Newcomerstown, O., has a stone idol, a pipe and flint implements which were found in that vicinity. The little god is made of fine stone and is perhaps a foot high as he sits with his knees to the front. He has no arms, but his hands are cut in relief upon his shoulders. He has an idiotic head, closed eyes and half open mouth.

The Albuquerque Democrat says: "New Mexico covers a vast lake, and as wells are being sunk in different parts of the territory, this fact is being assured. A well sunk at Gallup has penetrated a body of water sixty feet in depth, and wherever a hole is sunk to the water it is found to exist in inexhaustible quantities,"

The town of Jackson, Ills., is supplied with artificial gas at 40 cents a thousand for lighting purposes and 30 cents for fuel. The gas is made from slack coal by a new process, and the inventors offer to supply Chicago at 25 cents a thousand, and say they could afford to give gas light to every house, office and factory in the city for nothing if they would use fuel gas at 40 cents a thousand

It is somewhat singular how often the omission of a single seemingly insignificant letter will alter the entire meaning of a sentence. For instance, several errors are recorded where the letter "n" has been omitted from the word "window," invariably placing a "widow" in some embarrassing position; as where, on the occasion of a street pageant, a gentleman unwittingly advertised several widows for hire."

The message of President Diaz to the Mexican congress shows that the past year has been a prosperous one for the republic. The mining industries have been largely developed, the cultivation of the vine and the breeding of the silk worm are making steady progress, and during the year more than .000 hectares of surveyed by companies duly authorized, and are now available for colonization or sale.

The oldest of all the obelisks is the beautiful one of rosy granite which stands alone among the green fields upon the banks of the Nile, not far from Cairo. It is the gravestone of a great ancient city which has vanished and left only this relic behind. The city was the Bethshemesh of the Scriptures, the famous On, which is memorable to all Bible readers as the residence of the priest of Potipherah, whose daughter, Assenath, Jo-seph married. The Greeks called it Heliopolis, the city of the sun, because there the worship of the sun had its chief center and its more sacred shrines.

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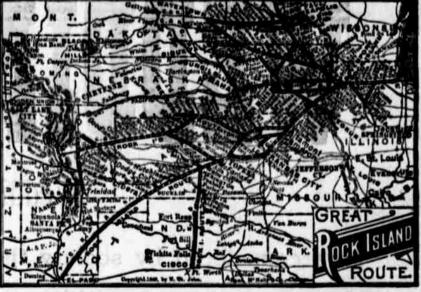
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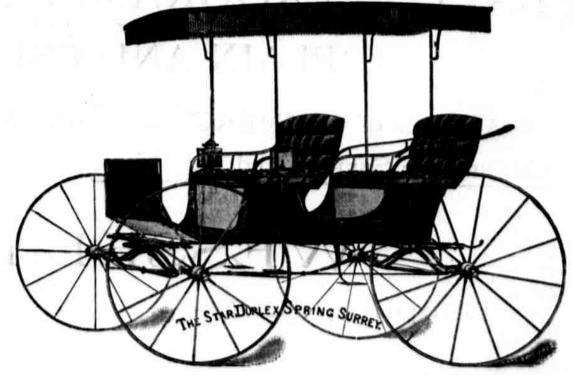
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