

The rumor that England is preparing the island of St. Helena for the possible reception of President Kruger leads special timeliness to an article which will appear in the February Century—the first of the hitherto unreported "Talks with Napoleon," from the diary of Dr. B. E. O'Meara, his physician at St. Helena. The extracts printed in this number are prefaced with an account of the writer's relations with the ex-emperor and the story of the manuscript's discovery by the editor of The Century. A portrait of O'Meara and a map of the island are among the illustrations in this instalment.

In Santiago in the better class of houses the bedrooms are surrounded with a close kind of netting beginning at the floor and gathered at the top. This is intended as a protection against tarantulas.

Important Inventions. Patents have been allowed upon applications prepared and prosecuted by us for interesting subjects as follows:

To C. W. Cross, of Grinnell, for an auxiliary air heater adapted to be connected with a stove in such a manner that it will receive and direct the products of combustion and aid in warming and circulating air in a room, as required to maintain a uniform temperature, by admitting cool air at its bottom, heating it and discharging it at its top. An undivided half is assigned to W. S. Moore of same place.

To J. Morgan, of Atlantic for a plant planting machine adapted to be advanced across a field by horses to set out cabbage and tobacco plants in rows at regular distances apart. A boy on the machine handles plants in succession to automatic plant holders on a wheel and as the wheel revolves it places the plants in a furrow in advance of the wheel by a furrow opener and furrow closer immediately cover the roots and rollers pack the ground around the roots. An undivided half has been assigned to E. Whitney, of Chicago.

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WAMBOLD.

Wambold came out of the mountains. He had long curling black locks, a slender, supple body, and an indefinable air which can, perhaps, best be described as patience. No one in town had ever seen him before, and he did not say anything about his past. He appeared, in fact, to be interested only in the future, and his interest in that was so broad and general that it was almost the sole theme of his discourse. Not only was it the subject of his conversation, but he harangued about it on the street corners evenings after the men had come down from the mines.

"What are you waiting for?" he would cry, standing hatless on the street with the sunset throwing a red light about his emotional face. "You waiting for these mighty mountains to roll up as a scroll? You want the sun to drop down out of the sky and the stars to shoot from their places? Does it need all that to show you that the day of judgment will surely come? Why, you blind leaders of the blind, the miracles are about you on every hand, and they are within yourselves. Nothing is so wonderful as yourselves, and if you will read the book of your own hearts you will find there the assurances of immortality—nay, you will discover an inborn sense of justice which will warn you that the day of judgment must come."

Such words as these he would speak in rather a low voice of even modulation; then, with a sudden wild gesture, he would fairly scream: "Why, then, do you dally? Tomorrow exploding dynamite at your mines may hurl you out of the world. While you are delaying your horse may slip and carry you with him down the precipice. Now is the time to repent! Hurry! Hurry! You can not run fast enough. But the way is difficult and the shadows of night are coming fast. There he waits you on the mountains. Will you run with eager feet?"

Then—the hour being what it was—with a sudden glory the sun would touch the distant snows of the mountain indicated by the preacher, and it would

It proved to be the case. Never before had he been so fierce in his denunciations of anything as he was of that circus. The town was shaken by the storm of his disapproval—and it was divided as to its course of action.

The night the circus came to town Wambold held a prayer service, and he cried with a great voice that Satan was in the midst of them with a scarlet temptation. Some of the children wept. They did not want to belong to Satan, but neither did they want to stay away from the circus.

The blinds of the preacher's cabin were closed that evening, and no light shown through them. The people wondered why. They could never have imagined the truth—that Wambold lay face downward upon the clean linen of his bed crying aloud to the Lord of the hills to give him refuge from the harassments of the evil one. Nor could they have guessed that when the mountains brooded over the sleeping town that the preacher crept out of his house and did not stay his steps till he stood where the showmen were driving the stakes for their tents, and the women were boiling black coffee over their camp fires. He sniffed the indescribable circus aroma—horses, leather, sawdust, fodder—as if it were the sweet south wind breathing upon a bank of violets. He bent an eager ear to the jokes of the men, to the loud laughter of the caged leopard and the loud laughter of the women. Then he stole back again to his darkened cabin.

The next morning the sun smiled with confidential jocularity upon the town, and it beheld every woman and son of woman going to the circus—and the town was clear of hysteria for the first time in a month.

"We'll meet the parson by the roadside a-warnin' us, I'll bet," said Cud White to his wife. But he was wrong. All day, while the drums beat and the horns played, and the ringmaster snapped his whip, and the bareback riders labored at their nimble task—there were two sessions of the circus that day—the blinds of Wambold's cabin remained fast.

After it was all over the people went

THE BLACK WALNUT.

Our European Cousins Are Paying High Prices for It.

The great size often reached by this tree, the richness of the dark brown wood, the unique beauty of the grain sometimes found in burrs, knots, feathers and in the curl of the roots, all make it to make this the most choice and high-priced of all our native woods, says the Berea Quarterly. Twenty-five years ago walnut was extensively used in the manufacture of fine furniture and furnishings in this country, but manufacturers adroitly drew attention to the beauty of darkly stained quartered oak and the use of the rarer wood has greatly declined. But all this time the search for fine black walnut logs has gone on systematically, though quietly, the trade attracting little attention, though the volume of lumber handled has been large. Though found to some extent in the Atlantic states from Massachusetts southward, the great source of supply has been the central portions of the Mississippi valley. The walnut is at home in the rich alluvial bottom lands of the western streams and in the stony limestone soils of the hills and mountains and in such localities the buyers have left few trees unsurveyed. Throughout eastern Kansas, Missouri and Arkansas, as well as the states along the Ohio and its tributaries, may be seen a few logs at this little station, a car or two at that, with carefully heaped sides and painted ends, ready for the market. If you ask where the market is you will find that the great bulk of this rare lumber goes to Europe. While we have been led into an enthusiastic admiration for fine oak, stained according to the degree of antiquity it is supposed to represent, our European cousins have been paying fancy prices for the rich black walnut that we have allowed to go "out of fashion."

LOVING WIFE

And the Trouble She Saved Her Husband by Thoughtfulness.

Philadelphia Inquirer: "You've all read lots of jokes about the woman who gets up in the dead of the night to rifle her husband's pockets," said a friend of the Saunterer. "They usually confine themselves to the pilfering of what small change happens to be there. But here's a case I know of, of a woman in West Philadelphia, who showed much more enterprise than that, and who, I think, deserves the palm. It happened the other night. The woman's husband is a traveling man and is now home for a couple of months. He was out the other night, and as he did not get in until between two and three in the morning, he was pretty sleepy and his slumber was resultantly heavy. His wife happened to be just out of change at the time, and she thought of the old way of getting it. She got up quietly and proceeded to go through the suit which her husband had just taken off. There was not a cent of change to be found, and she saw with dismay that the smallest thing was a ten-dollar bill. She didn't have nerve enough to take that, and she was rather in despair for a moment. Then she came upon a little bundle of tickets bound with an elastic. Her face brightened up and she put the package in her jewel box. The next morning the clerk at the redemption office of one of the railroads paid out three dollars and thirty-two cents for seven unused return coupons, and the woman went briskly off to spend her ill-gotten gains. And when she told a friend, and the friend suggested that her husband wouldn't bless her when he wanted the tickets, she answered in a very injured tone, 'Why, just think of the trouble I saved him in going way down to that horrid office myself!'"

STATISTICS OF HUMAN LIFE.

Value Which Should Be Attached to Every One's Words.

Statistical scientists will not let us alone. Everything we do or say is submitted to the closest analysis; and the figures emerge full of warning and reproach, says Collier's Weekly. The newest tabulation of our doings comes from the workshop of M. Alfred Arkas, who is minutest in estimate. He has worked out, first, an approximate calculation of the number of words the normal man utters in the course of a year. Ignoring the utterances of the miner's vocabulary of 200 words, or on the university professor's thesaurus of many thousands, it appears that we let fall 11,800,000 words between January and December. Every year we shake hands about 1,200 times, expending on the ceremony a force sufficient to raise a locomotive weighing eighty tons. The raising of our eyelids is accomplished 94,600,000 times per year and represents the consumption of energy capable of lifting a weight of fifty-one pounds. Turning to the division of our time, it is found that a normal man living twenty-four years has spent no less than twenty-four years nine months and fifteen days asleep and eleven years and eight months at work. His recreation has occupied exactly the same length of time as his work. He has passed five years and ten months in moving about and the same space of time in the operation of feeding. His toilet has occupied two years and eleven months. Two years and eleven months, also, passed in doing nothing or in little things that are not easily classed. The surprise is the estimate that a man passes exactly the same time in thinking as in speaking—one year five months and a half. Which gives one a new idea of the value of what ought to be attached to every man's utterance.

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