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THE LOVE OF HIS LIFE.

Oh, no. I never mention her, I never breathe her name, There is no memory to stir To life a wasted fiame. No vision of her haunts me now, Unbroken is my rest. No kiss is huid apon her brow, None on her lips is pressed.

I never bother as to how Is worn the forchend tress, Her whims and freaks don't erieve me now, Her woes cause no distress. There is no anguish in my soul Lest she another choose. I pen no lovesick rigmarole To conjure up the blues.

Ah, no I never mention her. The girl who'll rule my life, Whose maiden name I'll alter To the denrer name of wife, I tell no friends delightedly Of the treasure I shall get. speak not of her. For you see I have not met her yet.

-N. Y. Journas. THE HAUNTED POOL.

The sun was setting over the Ganges one bright summer evening in 1871. The day had been a hot one even for India, and it was an unspeakable relief to every one when the scorehing sun began to decline at last, and the lengthening shadows of the tall palms along the riverbank told that night was at hand.

And now the Hindu inhabitants of the neighboring village, who had been knows that I can find my way through lying motionless all the afternoon under the shade of their reed-thatched roofs, or of the vast overarching banyan trees around them, came trooping down to the water in a body.

Instantly the whole bank of the great river-ployely and silent all through the lor burning day-became all alive with noise and bustle. Children paded in the broad, still pools, or chased tother in and out of the tall, bamboo clump that grew along mink. Women filled their earthen pitchers from the stream, or washed their threadbare clothes. Men began to soour their brass lotahs (drinking vessels), or to kindle fires for the cooking of their evening meals; while a little farther down the stream, a group of young girs, wading out in the shallow water, fellto splashing each other with might and main, amid shouts of merry laughter.

"to anyone unaccustomed to the ways of India't would have seemed strange enough o see, upon the wrists and ankles i nearly all the girls, and many of theimothers likewise, heavy bangles of solisilver, which any Western lady might ave been proud to wear. But the Eindopensants, to whom savings-banks are uerly unknown, have no way of

swarming with the most expert and till he came to two bamboo-clumps close ves in the world Suddenly, one of the girls, who had ventured a little farther out into the water with a piercing shrick, as if dragged down by some overpowering force. A few bubbles that rose sullenly to the surface were the only token of her fate, while her terrified companions turned and rushed back to the shore as fast as possible, screaming: "A crocodile! a crocodile!"

THE RED CLOUD CHIEF er's bearing; on the contrary, he here sioner full in the face with the air of a A.C. HOSMER, - - Proprietor man who knew his own value, and had something to tell which he felt to be worth hearing; but Mr. Sparks, with whom Ismail was an old acquaintance, appeared to understand these signs perfeetly, and said

"What has Ismail to tell? I am list-

ening." "I have been at the village of Ramganj," answered the Mahratta, laying a slight stress upon the last word. "Ramganj?" echoed Mr. Sparks.

"Ah, to be sure; the place where that crocodile's een beating up so many people.

"Are you quite sure, Sahib?" asked the Hindu, keenly watching the effect of his words, "that it was a crocodile that did it?"

The Euglishman started, and looked fixedly at Ismail's immovable face:

"That's how I heard the story told," rejoined he. "If it wasn't a crocodile, what was it?"

"Did the Commissioner, Sahib," inquired Ismail. "ever hear of a crocodile being so nice in his eating as to devour none but women, and only such women as had plenty of silver bangles on?"

Again Mr. Sparks gave a slight start, and the sparkle of his eye showed that he was beginning to guess the riddle, but he took care to make no interruption, seeing that Ismail wished to have the pleasure of telling the whole story himself.

"I went to the village," continued Ismail, "and talked with the people. Then I dived into the river (my lord water as well as through thickets), and at the bottom I came upon a noosed TOTIC

The Commissioner nodded with the air of a man who understood the whole affair perfectly, but still he said nothing.

"The Sahib understands how it was done," proceeded the Hinda. "When any woman worth robbing went into the water, the noose tangled her feet, and the robber, hidden among the bushes on the opposite bank, dragged her down and drowned her, and then plundered the corpse at his leisure.'

"I see," said Mr. Sparks. "Well, Ismail, you know there's a Government reward of a thousand ruppes (\$500) for every murderer brought to justice; see what you can make of the case.'

The Mahratia's black eyes flashed fire, for five hundred dollars is more to a Hindu than five thousand to a white man, and such a chance did not come to him every day. He went out without a word, but Mr. Sparks felt satisfied that there would be news of the criminal before long.

Ismail plunged at once into the surrounding jungle, and traversed it at a pace which few men could have kept up over such ground and in such a climate. ceeping their money safe except by till he came in sight of Ramgani, but carrying it about with them in this instead of entering the village he struck fashot-a somewhat hazardous plan, down a by-path to the river, swam must be owned, in a country across, went slowly up the opposite side

Imitation Stained Glass,

Among the many uses of the printing press none is more novel than the production of imitation stained glass. Designs for any pattern desired are engraved on wood. The blocks of wood man of San Francisco, has disowned the are placed on an old-fashioned hand boy who, as student of the Chicago press, and then are inked with oil colors university, has become a Christain .compounded with special reference to Chicago News. the use for which they are intended. may thoroughly permeate the paper. the month.-Boston Post. Each color is, of course, printed at a separate impression. Having coment pieces of paper which compose the sign are soaked in warm water half an hour, taken out, the water sponged off and then coated on one side with a thin cement. A similar coat of cement is given the glass to which the paper is to be applied, and then the paper is laid on in place, and varnished over. The plain glass window becomes at once, to all appearances, a window of stained glass. The effects of the lead lines, the irregular pieces of stained glass, the heads of saints and soldiers, the antique, or the modern Japanese designs are all to be had as brilliant in color

as the genuine glass. "Will the stuff last?" was asked of a Broadway dealer.

"We have had it in all sorts of places, where it was subject to the action of frost, moisture, the direct rays of the George Washington's relatives was apsun, and artificial heat for five years, pointed not long ago. In the War De-We warrant it for ten years, if the owner partment is a grandniece of Kosciusko. of the glass will varnish it as often as In the Interior Department is employed he would a piece of furniture."

"Suppose it gets dirty?"

any other varnished surface. Its merits are only now becoming known because N. Y. Sun. of a prejudice against imitations, and a fear among some people that the frost delphia, who has already distinguished will ruin it. But within a year we have himself by his gifts of works of art to applied over forty thousand square feet various institutions, recently celebrated of it. Our customers include the best his seventy-third birthday by giving to Long Branch and Saratoga hotels, own- the Women's School of Design in Philaers of new business blocks on Broad- delphia twenty-two choice copies of old way, fashionable churches in New York masters, especially imported by himand Brooklyn, and apartment houses. | self. They comprise covies of works When the reporter of a Brooklyn paper by Giotto, Fra Angelico, Michael Anwrote up one of the churches there as gelo. Leonarda da Vinci, Raffael, Corhaving magnificent new stained glass reggio, Titian and Andrea del Sarto .windows, when, in fact, the old six-by- Philadelphia Press. nine glass in the old frames had been covered with our paper, we naturally the last descendant left in New Jersey hopped on to the top rail of the fence, flapped our wings and crowed."

"How does the cost compare with genuine glass?"

"It costs about one-tenth as much. We put a large window in a country blooded Indian. He was born and church for eleven dollars. A real glass window opposite cost one hundred and sixty-tive dollars. Members of the con- Delawares removed to a reservation in gregation have assured us that ours is New York, and the race is now pracmore admired than the other. The cost tically extinct. -Newark Register. of decorating a window is seventy-five cents a foot. Any one can do the work. -N. Y. Sun.

A Chinese Prince and His Cabalistic Acte.

We shall shortly have in the courts a institutions in the West, and no living

PERSONAL AND IMPERSONAL.

- Senator Sharon, it is said, pays one percent. of all the taxes collected in San Francisco. -- Sam Bo, the son of a wealthy China- hasn't changed much since I quit it, ex- fallen into ruin, however. It is com-

-A remarkable instance occurs in Then a sheet of very thin hand-made the death of Mrs. Elizabeth Weeks of porous paper is laid on, and a prolonged Portland, Me. Her birth, marriage and mpression given, in order that the color | death occu red alike on the 21st day of

-General Washington and General Sherman, by a curious historical coincipleted the printing process, the differ- dence, issued their farewell orders to the army on the same day a century apart-November 1, 1783-1883.

-Mitchell Putnam, one hundred and three years of age, traveled alone from Texas to South Carolina to see his former home. He was a soldier in the war of 1812 and in the Texan struggle. -Warren County, Georgia, boasts of

resident who participated in seventeen battles for the lost cause, was wounded several times, has been struck by lightning three times, lay insensible from one shock three days, is now not more than forty years of age; and is as healthy as any man, and weighs over two hundred pounds. - Chicago Times.

-A Washington correspondent writes that in one of the departments at Washington a needy female descendant of a great-granddaughter of Thomas Jef-

ferson. Her little salary supports her "Use soap and water as you would on aged and invalid mother, who is the last surviving grandchild of Jefferson .--

-Rev. Dr. D. L. Magoon, of Phila-

years of age, and was nearly a pureraised near Crookstown. Many years ago most of the descendants of the

-Rev. Dr. J. W. Scott, of Washington, D. C., recently visited his daughter, Mrs. General Harrison, at Indianapolis, and stopped for a few days in Ohio. For forty years Dr. Scott was prominently identified with educational

"A LITTLE NONSENSE."

-You'll have to take the will for the

-After December the yard-stick

-A sick friend writes to us to as-

-A Yankee has invented a new

will be used no longer in measuring

goods. Thirty-six inches is thought to

certain the shortest road to health.

There are two paths-allopaths and

homeopaths; you take your choice and

process for lasting boots and shoes. If

he can last a ten-year-old boy's shoes so

that they will last two weeks without re-

quiring half-soling, he should open

a branch office in this town .- Norris-

-- It is said that a baby can wear out

a one dollar pair of kid shoes in twenty-

four hours. This is pretty fast work,

but a Brooklyn baby can do much

better. It can wear out the patience of

an average man in about seven minutes.

going up to see your mother about this,"

"That's all right," velled back the

small boy; you just go right along up

there. Pa filled a man full of buck-

shot the other day for going to see my

narchetype, the entomarchetype, the

onithmarchetype, and so forth, opens in

Boston this week. Persons are re-

quested to purchase their tickets in ad-

vance and avoid the rush at the door .-

-A Chicago young man in a rash

moment, says an exchange, told his

girl that if she would hang up her stock-

ing on Hallow E'en he would fill it to

the brim with something nice. When

he saw her stocking he was undecided

whether to get into it himself or buy

her a sewing machine.-N. Y. Graphic.

piano for his daughter. His house is

small, and, to economize room, the lower

part of the partition between the kitchen

and the parlor was cut out, and the

long end of the piano stuck through.

Priscilla now sits at the keyboard, sing-

ing, "Who will care for mother now?"

and the mother rolls out doughnuts on

the other end of the piano in the kitchen.

Culture at table d'hote, the other even-

ing, "I breakfasted yesterday with Mrs.

Brainwait and we enjoyed a delicious

repast-excellent coffee, superior bread,

and piscatorial giobes done admirably."

"What?" asked her friend. "Piscato-

rial globes," repeated the Boston miss.

"And what under the sun are they?" "I

-"Oh, yes," said the eldest Miss

-Louisville Courier-Journal.

-A Georgia farmer bought a grand

-A course of lectures on the arch-

-"Never mind, my young kid, I'm

pay your money.-Boston Courier.

town Herald.

-N. Y. Muil.

ma."-Texas Siftings.

Rockland Courier-Gazette.

be long enough.-N. Y. Independent.

when the latter presented his bill.

- Running Trains by Signal.

Well, it is some years since I have

it is done, but I'm afraid you'll find it so that once led down to' the stream is simple it will not make very interesting most likely growing up to bushes Tho reading matter for your paper. First, mill itself was dismantled years ago; you know, there are divisions of a rail- and you will see wheels and other parts the old Chicago, Burlington & Quincy walk, where they have stood so long road, where I used to work, is divided that they have grown gray and mossy into three dispatchers' divisions-the as the granite boulders which support first from Chicago to Mendota; the sec- them. It is a peculiarity of people who third from Galesburg west to Quincy throw away nor destroy anything which and Burlington. I used to work at Au- has once been of service, although no rora, and we had charge of the first, or one knows better than they know that cast division. When a regular train for all coming time these objects must ule time it started without orders, each lumberman will never be found converttelegraph operator on the line reporting ing his worn-out yokes and sleds to any to us when the train passed his station. This report we entered on a sheet kept They have acquired in his eyes a sacredalways before us, and at a glance we ness from their associations; and he could tell where every train on our divi- leans them carefully-tenderly, we may sion was at any time. If a train was say-against the walls which flank his schedule time it lost its right to the will rest so long as he lives, with the road, and had to run as an extra. An hope on his part that no one will come extra train always had to have orders after him to disturb their repose. Scatbefore it could leave the Chicago yard." "How do trains get those orders?"

is ready to pull out of Chicago he goes to the telegraph office and asks for his abandoned. orders. The operator tells the dispatcher at Aurora that the train is ready to start, lect. Boards are gone from its walls, and the dispatcher sends a regular telegram to the conductor and engineer of The roof is broken, and a portion of it e train. If the train is to run wild the telegram reads:

"To Conductor and Engineer Train No. 15 (for instance): Run to Aurora as a wild train." "This is signed by the chief train dispatcher. Then the conductor sends an answer to the chief dispatcher, thus: "'I understand I am to run to Aurora as a wild train. John Smith, Conductor, No. 15."

"The dispatcher replies thus: "To John Smith, Conductor No. 15: Your nderstanding is correct."

"The conductor now delivers a copy of the order to the engineer, and the train is ready to start. Of course, abbreviations are used in much of this telegraphing. For instance, the conductor's understanding of his order is sent over the line thus; '13, run to Aurora as a wild train'-13 meaning 'I understand': and the dispatcher's reply to this is simply: To John Smith, conductor No. 15; O. K,' with the dispatcher's initials.' "What is a wild train?"

"A train that has to look out for nothing on the road but regular trains. It keeps out of the way of all trains that have schedule time, that's all."

"Suppose there are extra trains on the road for this No. 15 to meet, how do you give orders then?"

"Simply add where he is to meet extras. As 'Run to Aurora as a wild train, meeting extra, Brown conductor, how gently the forces of Nature are at Hinsdale, and extra, Jones conduc- operating to take apart and to scatter,

Picts ve Saw-Mill Relics in Maine.

Many of the old mills are gone, but worked at train-dispatching," said the now and then one is yet to be met with old train-dispatcher, "but I suppose it on the bank of some rapid stream, all cepting that it is easier now that they monly off the traveled road a little. have double tracks where they used to and the spot where it stands seems all have single. No, there's no secret about the more lonely from the tokens it bears it; I don't mind telling you how of the busy scene it has been. The way road. For instance, the main line of of its machinery leaning against the ond from Mendota to Galesburg, and the have such property that they never was ready to leave Chicagoon its sched- remain utterly worthless. The true other purpose, nor using them for fuel. not ready to leave on or near its house on the roadside, and there they tered along the path to the mill one wilf see lying on the grounds beams and Well, when Conductor Smith, say, planks which had been brought so far in their purposeless removal and there

> The mill will bear marks of long negleaving the frame exposed as a skeleton. has fallen from the weight of snow with which it was loaded in winter. The foundations have been washed away on one side, and the old frame leans out over the water. Braces have fallen at one end. and hang swinging by a single pin. The water-wheel has broken loose from the side of the mill, and fallen into' the channel of the stream. There it lies, its rim half filled with sand, its floats gone, and the joints all open from alternate shrinking and sweiling and warping in the sun. Lower down the stream huge beams are lodged among the rocks. These were parts of the foundation of the mill. Mud-sills they may have been, laid deep and firmly bedded in the ground to sustain the weight and jarring movement of the mill-gear resting on them. Now the water and weather have rounded off their corpers and worn the surface smooth. Knots, if there were any, protrude in rounded knobs. Spikes and nails are left prominent, and are coated thick with rust. The worn surface of the wood has a silken lustre, where the loosened fibers, bleached almost tc whiteness, show the sheen of a satin finish. The rings of annual growth, as they were cut through in hewing, appear in layers along the side of the tim-ber, and there show how slowly and

-Samuel Budd Riley, believed to be of the ancient Delaware Indians, who once occupied the State, died at Hamilton Square, a small village near Trenton, recently. He was seventy-one

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Several day passed before any of the village women dared to approach the scene of this terrible mischance. At length one, holder than the rest, ventured in again, and the others, seeing to the same spot, and pulled at the that no harm came of her daring, began half-several cord, which instantly to follow her example. More than a week passed without any accident, and usual, when, one evening, a second girl disappeared in precisely the same manner as the first.

The terror was now universal, and all the best hunters of the village set themselves with one accord to get rid of this destroying crocodile. Baits were laid, traps set, men posted along the bank with loaded guns to keep watch for the monster; but, look for him as they might, nothing was to be seen of him.

Several days later the wife of one of the villagers was washing her white wrapper on the bank of the river when it slipped from her hands and floated slowly out into the wide, still pool formed by the bend of the stream. The woman at once waded after it, and had just succeeded in clutching it, when she was seen by those on the bank to give a sudden start, throw her arms convulwater just as the other two had done before. .

About three days after this last catastrophe, Mr. Heary Sparks, the British Commissioner for the District of Jungleywallah, was at work in his office amid a perfect mound of papers, halting every now and then to wipe his streaming face (which, despite the enormous punkah, or swinging-fan, worked by his native servant outside with a cord passed through a hole in the wall, looked very much like a halfmelted snowball), when he was suddenly disturbed by a knock at the door.

inscription. But at the first glimpse of the person who entered his face cleared at once.

of a Mahratta. His tigure, nearly six feet in height, was so gaunt and sinewy that it seemed to be made of pin-wire, and his piercing black eyes looked out from beneath the folds of his white turban with the quick, keen, watchful glance of a practical hunter.

In truth, Isranil, the Mahratta, was ment courier, he was in constant request as a detective, and, for tracking down either a wild beast or a criminal, he had no equal in Bengal.

and said in his own language:

gether, and groping in the water be- Franco-Chinese trial, which promises man has a more loving constituency side them, pulled a rope.

His next move was to hunt out a big stream than the rest, disappeared under stone, upon the sharp edge of which be sawed the cord to and fro till it held only by one strand. One siash of his long, sharp kaife would have done the work much quicker, but Ismail doubtless had his reasons for what he did. Then placing the stone in the shallow water with the sharp side uppermost, and the rope lying right across it, he vanished in the thicket.

An hour had passed since his dissappearance, and night had already set in. when a dark figure came creeping up parted in his hand.

The man started, and held up the everything was beginning to go on as broken ends to the light of the rising moon, but finding them rough and frayed as if by constant rubbing, and feeling the sharp-edged stone lying just underneath, he appeared satisfied that it must have been an accident, and knelt down to knot the cord together again.

So engrossed was the villain with his treacherous work that he never lifted his head to look around him, but even had he been less preoccupied he would scarcely have heard the poiseless footfall of one who had been tracking the from Paris for Marseilles, where she tiger and antelope through their native took passage on the Nadyr. The voyage jungles ever since he was ten years old. lasted forty days. At last she arrived The rogue was still quite unsuspicious at Shanghai, and showed the draft, but of harm, when a tall, shadowy figure no one knew the Chinaman. There rose behind him as suddenly as if it had was no Rue des Europeens. The destarted up through the earth, and a ceived voyager had the writing on her tremendous blow from a heavy bamboo slip of paper translated, and it read: club, falling upon his bowed head like sively into the air and disappear under a thunderbolt, felled him senseless to which Mlle. Hortense G- has shown the earth.

> That very night the crestfallen robber was sent off to the nearest British sta- why I have delivered to her this certifition, escorted by a strong guard of native policemen, to be tried and executed, as he deserved, while Ismail received from the hands of the Commissioner himself, together with a Chinaman in the Place de la Concorde. warm commendation of his shrewdness. The yellow-skinned visage and pig-tail the thousand suppress which he had so suffered considerably in the encounter. well earned .- David Ker, in The Conti-

-A good many young people try to be original, and make a miserable mis-

take in the endeavor. They imagine "Come in!" eried he, snappisily, ex- they can turn the whole world round by pecting the entrance of some Hindu some eccentricity of dress or behavior. farmer or peasant with a complaint as or by some method of speech. In gealong and unintelligible as an Assyrian eral, they offend their friends, and defact, people had better let well alone. take up the custom of those about them. The visitor was a tall native, with the and rest assured that what the collective handsome features and stately bearing wisdom of the world agrees to do, is on the whole, best .-- The Household.

-In the neighborhood of Agrn. in India, sixty-five children, from a few months to four years old, are stated to have been carried off by wolves during the recent hot weather and the rains, The ravines bordering on the Jumna well used to tracking other game beside and Chumbal Rivers are infested by deer or tigers. Over and above his oc-cupations as scout, hunter and Govern- coming more and more daring year by vear.

-Along the side of the Sierra Valley at an altitude of fifty to one hundred Cliding into the room as noisclessly fect, there is a warm belt, free from lady-love for the first time, and the maras a shadow, he made a low salaar, frost and climate changes, and which riage took place on Tuesday, the happy can produce all the hardy fruits to great couple starting at once for the West." "May the humblest of his servants perfection.-San Francisco Call.

some of the spiciest developments. A than he has, scattered broadcast over Chinaman, who had saved some money the land. He was a Professor in Miami while a watter in a cafe, and arrayed in University, one of the Founders of the most gorgeous Oriental costumes, Farmers' College, and the organizer of poised as a Celestial Prince, made the ac- two successful female seminaries, and quaintance one day in June of Mile. in every place was loved and honored. G-at a concert in the Champs He is now in his eighty-fourth year, as Elysees. Harassed by her creditors, fall of life and energy as many men of who threatened to eject her from her fifty, and takes a full interest in all home, the supposititions Chinese Prince questions to make the world wiser and was a perfect godsend. They had din- better and happier.-Chicago Tribune. ner together, during which the "Prince" spoke of his immense wealth. To believe him he owned half of the city of Shanghai. As he had forgotten his ocket-book Mile. G---- had to pay the deed." is what the heir said to the lawyer bill. The next day, perceiving her embarrassed position, he told her he would give her a draft for 300,000 frances, and drawing from his pocket a long sheet of Chinese paper scribbled it full of grotesque characters. At the bottom he wrote the following address in French: "M. Esen-Ang, banker, 13 Rue des Europeens, Shanghai.'

As soon as he departed Mile. Greflected that no one here would cash the draft, and as her creditors would not wait until a remittance should arrive from Shanghai, she quickly made up her mind to leave for the Flowerv Kingdom. That same evening she departed

me from the moment I made her acquaintance until this morning. That is cate as a recommendation. Paris, June 21, 1883.

Mlle. Hortense G ---- returned in the steerage. Three days ago she met the She has begun suit against him for 100,-000 francs for damages and her voyage

little romance. Here is the story of one from the Burlington Free Press:

"May the humblest of his servants perfection. San Francisco Call. peak to the Sahib?" (master). There was nothing particularly hum-There was nothing particularly humble, it must be admitted, in the speak. money loned him and · Mail. stations."-Chicago News. other kinds of food-

apervine. "But do you never hold regular trains for extras?"

"Oh, yes, often. If a wild train can gain more time than a regular train would lose we sometimes hold the regular train at a station until the wild train gets there."

"How do you do that?"

"Well, suppose Smith's wild train was coming west and I should see that it could reach Hinsdale five minutes later than the regular eastward-bound train's time for leaving there: I would rather delay the regular train five minutes than have the wild train wait twenty or thirty minutes at Riverside, so I send a telegram thus:

"'To the Operator, Hinsdale: Hold train No. 12 until 10:55 o'clock for No. 15.' "Then to the operator at Riverside I

send thus: " 'To Conductor and Engineer No. 15. River-

side: You have until 10:55 o'clock to make Hinsdale for No. 12.' "There you see I have one train held

while another train is on the road." "How does the operator at Hinsdale stop No. 12."

"As soon as he receives orders to hold the train, he shows a green flag or lantern which always means that there are telegraphic orders for the train."

"That seems very simple," said the Daily News representative, but often there are many accidents attributed to the dispatchers.'

"Yes, but most of the collisions that are so attributed are results of carelessness on the part of the line operators. Sometimes an operator receives an order to hold a train and forgets to show his green signal. If the train does not happen to stop at that station regularly it may go whizzing by and get away from the operator before he can catch That is one cause of accidents, for of course the other train thinks it has a clear road and comes right along. Another cause is the failure of engineers to see the green light. This is not of very frequent occurrence, however, for engineers are the most watchful men on earth, I believe. I often wonder how they manage to see everything along the road and keep watch of their machinery and clocks and steam-gauges and time-cards all at the same time.

"How do dispatchers keep this recordsheet of which you speak?"

"They have a sheet ruled into squares. The lines across the sheet indicate the stations on the road and the lines up and down show the trains. Every time a train is reported as passing a station the dispatcher marks the time in the square that indicates both that train and that station. Thus, if train No. 15 leaves Riverside at 9:10 the dispatcher makes those figures in the square that is below the number of the train and to the right or left of the name of that station. A glance, therefore, shows him where the train was last reported as leaving. If in due time it is not reported as leaving the next station the dispatcher calls up the operator and asks if the train is in sight. If it is not, and the dispatcher has reason to think the train is stalled or broken down between stations, he gives the operators on each side of it orders to hold all trains until the trouble is removed. There is nothing intricate, you see, in the system. If every man does his plain duty there is no danger from running trains by telegraph. The main trouble is, cheap

atom by atom, the fabric the sunbeams wrought ages and ages before.-Boston Transcript.

A Bad Place.

The country hotel is not a place of blissful repose, and there is one in Arkansas which is rarely visited the second time by the same man. Several nights ago a gentleman, hungry, wet and tired. stopped at the place, and after partly satisfying his appetite with corn bread and bacon, went to bed. Just as he sun! to sleep, a negro entered the room. shook the tired man, and said:

"Boss, yer'll hafter git outen dis bed. De boss's son hab jes' got married an hab fotch his wife home. Hate ter 'sturb yer, but de happy pa'r must hat dis room.

"Why didn't you tell me before I tool the room?" said the tired man arising "Case da wan't married den, sah."

"Didn't you know that he was going to marry?

"Sorter 'spicioned it, sah, but yer see de lady dun fooled de boss' son three times, an' we didn't know but sho was gwine ter fool him agin."

"I wish she had. I don't see why people want to marry when it imposes a hardship on others.

"Doan see myse'f, boss. Jes' step di way, an' I'll show yer a good room.

The tired man was shown into a room which could not have been much worse than the one he had just left, and which was certainly no better. He threw himself on the bed, and had probably beer asleep five minutes, when the negro entered again, shook him, and said:

"Hates to interrup' yer, Colonel?"

"Then, why the devil do you?"

"Showed yer in the wrong room, sah. Dis one hab dun been engaged by s travelin' gentleman. "He can't have it."

"I'd 'vise yer, boss, not ter argy wid him. Bad man an' totes a self-cocker.

Show yer ter yer room, sah?" The tired man followed the colored gentleman to another room, which was little better than a stable. "Yer ken rest here, sah, mighty peaceable."

The man was soon asleep, but after awhile he was aroused by the negro, who said:

"I haster 'sturb yer again, sah. Travelin' man down stairs what 'gaged dis room. Said dat ef I didn't give him de room or de dollar extra what he paid fur it, dat he'd kill bof ob us."

"Here, take him the dollar."

"Thankee' sah. I feels safe now," and he left. The next morning the man learned that there had been no marriage. but that the negro had been paid extra by travelers for the best rooms, and that the dollar had secured him his room as the last man who arrived only offered the black rascal fifty cents -Arkansaw Traveler.

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