

RELEASED ON DEATH MISSION.

Italian Lover's Vengeance Aided by a Jailer.

Giuseppe Serao, a workman, aged 25, was arrested some weeks ago at Bari, Italy, for a burglary in which he was implicated and sentenced to four months' imprisonment.

He spent the first part of his imprisonment in counting the days until his release, when he would be married to his sweetheart, who had sworn that she would never forsake him.

But one day the jailer told him that the marriage banns of the girl and another man had been published.

Serao was terribly upset, and declared that he would rather see the girl dead than married to anyone else.

The jailer later agreed that he was right, and after some hesitation he acceded to the prisoner's request to let him go and kill her.

Serao swore solemnly that he would not tarry an instant longer than was necessary for the deed, and the jailer released him to fulfill the noble duty of a lover.

Serao returned to prison a couple of hours later. He had stabbed the girl dead, and was content to await his own further punishment. The jailer has been arrested.

APPEAL TO VANITY SUCCEEDED.

Idea of Church Worker Has Greatly Increased Collections.

Here is a story of a church worker who stands a pretty good show of some day becoming secretary of the United States treasury. He serves in a church that is popular with young men. Shortly after he assumed the duties of usher there was an apparent increase in the general collections. At the same time it was noticed that the young men who attended church singly or in pairs were seated, whenever it was possible, in a pew where there was at least one good-looking girl. At first it was thought that that circumstance might indicate a possible connection on the young man's part with a matrimonial agency, but that suggestion he denied indignantly.

"If you'll just watch the collections," he said, "you'll know why I seat them so. I've kept an eye on those co-educational pews and I find that any man will contribute twice as much money to the church when there is a young woman sitting beside him to see how much he gives. Propinquity may in some such cases promote matrimony, but that is not my lookout. It is the collections I am interested in."

Singing Pigeons.

The queer Chinese change pigeons into song birds by fastening whistles to their breasts. The wind of their flight then causes a weird and plaintive music that is seldom silenced in the pigeon-haunted cities of Peking and Canton.

The Belgians, great pigeon flyers, fasten whistles beneath the wings of valuable racing carriers, asserting that the shrill noise is a sure protection against hawks and other birds of prey.

As a similar protection, reeds, emitting an odd wailing sound, are fixed to the tail feathers of the dispatch-bearing pigeons of the German army. —Philadelphia Bulletin.

A Boat in a Knapsack.

A Servian named Merchep has devised what he terms "a boat in a knapsack" for army purposes. The boat is composed of linen rendered impermeable by a coating of rubber; it is provided with oars, which fold into each other to the size of an ordinary walking stick, and a cork seat, which also serves to keep it taut when open. The model can accommodate one person only, but larger ones may be made on the same plan for the conveyance of troops and baggage when crossing rivers. Merchep's invention has been tried on the Seine by naval experts, who speak of it in high terms.

Her Trouble.

Old Mrs. Smith was a chronic complainer and was constantly sending for the family physician and giving him a list of her fancied ailments. He always listened quite patiently, but was getting a little tired of hearing the same things over and over.

One day when the old lady considered herself in an unusually bad way she sent for the doctor, and, after going over the usual list, ended by saying: "Really, doctor, I do not know what in the world is wrong with me. I can neither lay nor set."

The doctor looked at her a moment, then said in a solemn tone: "Madam, you must be a rooster."

Work Uplifts.

All business and all work should lift up, and not hold down; it should make free, and not enslave; it should ennoble, and not degrade. It is as honorable to make shoes or anchors as it is to paint pictures or write books. The shoemaker should learn the secret through his work of finding the sandals of manhood for his own feet. The blacksmith should learn, through the making of anchors for his great ships, to find the anchor that is to hold his own soul to the truth amid the storms of life.—Rev. J. W. Lee, D. D.

Flattered.

"What are you looking so pleased about?" asked one shade of another.

"Well," replied the one addressed, with the ghost of a chuckle, "I took a little trip back to the old home and saw what was on my tombstone."

With an unconscious puffing of his plumage he passed on.

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