"I've known stranger things to made appointments for the after-

you are in a Rembrandt effect."
"Oh, for goodness' sake—"
"The sad and solemn fact is, James, that during the past half century Eton has always batted twelve men in their home matches, though they field eleven. Every Eton boy knows that. Sir Arthur Pelham has never been to Eton as a member of the

Somers grew quite excited. He grasped his colleague's shoulder in grip of iron.
"Are you sure of that?" he almost

"James, you pain me, both phy sically and metaphorically." "By Jove, that's great!" chortled ne chief. "I was beginning to weaken, I admit. He means to fight, and he has a terrific case. Now, I can he has a terrific case. Now, I don't would be a specific case. Now, I don't would be actly what will be actly what will be actly would be actly what will be actly be

buzzed inside my head-"
"Moths!"

to myself: "That little devil is watching me, and he'll raise Cain if I spoil "I am Julius Slavinski, born in ing me, and he'll raise Cain if I spoil
his pet romance.' Anyhow, I didn't
do it. But how in the world did you
think of that cricket catch?"

to know that we are generous.

"I am Julius Slavinski, born in
Posen, und I vass schoolmasder in
Hanover undil 1910. Den I join der
Cherman segred service, as I taug

One cannot think a catch at cricket. lish."

It's an agile and rather dangerous When he mentioned Posen, Somers gression. I got hold of a barrister the other day who was at Eton, and asked him to evolve a few posers for a pretender. He began with the Wall game, which uses all sorts of outlandish words, but anyone can read them up. The river, too, has a language and literature of its own. But that little college peculiarity in cricket is just one of those simple things which do not leap to the eye. Of course, if Eton hung a bell on the middle stump, or Eton made the umpire stand behind the wicket-keeper, or did something equally bizarre and humorous, we should hear of it every time the bell rang or the umpire Slavinski was frankly astonished. time the bell rang or the umpire Slavinski was frankly astonished. stopped a fast one. But, twelve a "You know!" he cried. uck among so many? If thirteen here for? Where did you live in the

twelve form an Etonian eleven?" "I begame Prideaux's tongue was certainly to Altershod." "They will. I'll dispose of them prideaux's tongue was certainly promptly—be sure of that. I may loose now, sure sign that not only to be able to persuade the home office had the scent been good in the chase.

I doubt whether I have taken the right course, but once I have appealed to Scotland Yard there is no drawing back. I take it."

"Oh, yes. It may be shown that Miss Daunt went of her own free will."

"Really, Mr.—"

"I have appurpose, was deputed next morning to hunt up two or three officers who had served in Sir Arthur's battalion during the initial stages of the war. He was also asked to trace his own house-master and dame at Eton.

"Really, Mr.—"

"I see. You swapped notes. You understand that?"

"Oh, yess. I know mosd of de Somers had a protracted session with "Prideaux."

"Prideaux."

"Your theories both as to cricket and young ladies about to be married require revision."

"I've known stranger things to made a protracted session with the commissioner and the official head of the criminal investigation department. At its close the latter made appropriate to the latter made appropriate for the latter mad somers rose. Sir Arthur renewed the home and foreign offices.

his promise to let him hear without. The chief looked very pleased with a moment's delay if an appointment himself when he entered his private were made by either "Vaquero" or office, where Prideaux awaited him. "Matador," and the detectives went "Ca marche!" he cried, reaching Once clear of for a box of cigars.

nearly half an "Is that French?" inquired Pri-

to their waiting taxi. Once clear of the gate, Somers bit nearly half an inch off a cigar.

"Why on earth you should butt in with that tosh about cricket!" he began.

"Beware, James!" cooed Prideaux, almost in a whisper. "Fools step in, or butt in, where angels fear to tread. Sir Arthur Pelham may have been a fool for a few seconds, but you certainly are not nor ever will be an angel."

Long experience rendered the chif wary when Prideaux's utterances silkiest.

Tora box of cigars.

"Is that French?" inquired Prideaux.

"No. Irish. It means 'Go aisy!"

Anything doing?"

"I've spoken Lyndhurst, Pelham on the 'phone, with the fair Phyllis listening in. I heard her say, 'Arthur, don't be silly—there's a maid in the hall,' so they don't care if it snows down there. Jameson is busy. I'm learning to like these young officers. I only hope the government is not getting rid of the bright youths and keeping the duffers."

"Never mind the government. We

All right," he growled, striking a match, "get it off your chest."

Prideaux squirmed around to take a good look at him.

"It's odd," he cackled, "but I've never before noticed how handsome you are in a Rembrandt effect."

Never mind the government. We have enough on our shoulders without taking on the whole of Whitehall. Shall we have 'Vaquero' up?"

"Let's."

In due course a lanky, olive-skinned man, still wearing a chauffeur's uni-"Never mind the government. We

man, still wearing a chauffeur's uni-form, was brought in. His escort, at a nod from the superintendent, waited in the outer room.

"Well," said the chief, cheerily, pointing to a chair, "how are you feeling this morning?"

The 'prisoner looked surprised. Probably his knowledge of Prussian officialdom led him to expect a far less friendly greating. He set down

less friendly greeting. He sat down, and shook his head despondently.

"All iss black," he said. "My coundry iss tefeated, yess, und I haf losd efferyding. Whad iss dere lefd?"

"Well, if that is so, you can make a fresh start. Suppose you begin by a fresh start. Suppose you begin by elling us your real name?

"My pazpord—"
"We have your Dutch passport, but it's a fake—what you call Ersatz. Now, I don't want to frighten you, but I must tell you exactly what will and I had gone in beyond our depth you here. You will be sent to Paris.' "Weren't you nearly telling him that we had his friends safe in jail?"

"Of course, I was. But something buzzed inside we had his even glistened like those of a trapped animal.

"Eef I dell der drude." he gestel to Paris."

"Of course, I was. But something "Eef I dell der drude," he gasped. "weel you sed me vree?" "I make no promises, but you understand English ways well enough hink of that cricket catch?"

Cherman segred service, as I taug

"James, you're incoherent with joy."

French and Idalian bedder dan Eeng-

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can pazpord."
"Excellent! So you were then an

Helding, who is now Sir Ardur Pen-

"That's too big a stride. Did you work a wireless station in Hull?"
"No. I haff no technique."
"Who did work it?"

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'I spogue Idalian mosdly. I wass

here at all? You must have mixed ski again. with people."

dere a 'wop.'"

What excuse had you for being

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"Excellent! So you were then an American citizen."

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"Whad? You know," cried Slavin-

a New York Idalian—what dey call they didn't go to Hull. They were Karl von Helding is now Sir Arthur held a commission in the guards. dere a 'wop.'"

How can he possibly be Karl von Helding is now Sir Arthur held a commission in the guards.

Jewelry, Leather Goods and Silverware at Prices That Make Xmas Shopping a Pleasure

Some of the Special Items for Thursday

For months our buyers scoured the markets of the world for merchandise to supply the Christmas demands of the people of Omaha and vicinity, the fruits of which labor we now present to you in this wonderful array of new, novel and desirable Jewelry, Leather Goods and Silverware-the cream of the products of the master craftsmen of Europe, Asia and America.

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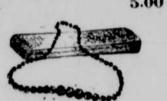
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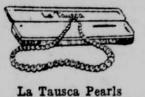
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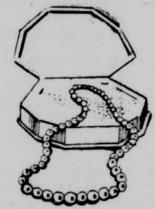
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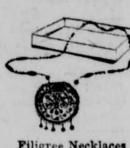
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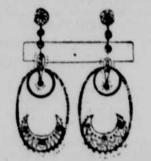
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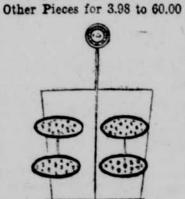
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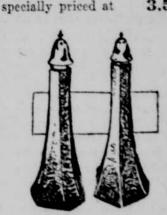
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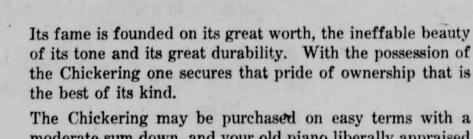


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