

OLD MR. NICKLEPOD.

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"I haven't the slightest objection to Jack, my dear, and when he has saved money enough to provide for you in case of sickness or misfortune I will gladly give my consent to your marriage."

The smile deepened about the girl's mouth as she wondered what must have been her expression of countenance when giving utterance to these words. She felt it to be the most delectable speech of her life.

"Nod up and down," said Flossie. "Don't you dare do it sideways." The Judge reached for the trumpet and yelled into it.

What do we mean to-day by that common phrase, a gentleman? By the lights of history, from gens, gentilis, it should mean a man of family, "one of a kint house," one of a notable descent, thus embodying an ancient stupid belief and implying a modern scientific theory.

A Home in India. The Quiver for May. A mud paved court, open to the sky—that glorious sun-illumined sky of India, that gives poetry to everything, but enclosed with walls and surrounded by a sort of arcade or veranda.

Collision With a Hairpin. "March weather," remarked old Mr. Rottle, as he seated himself at the breakfast table and examined his napkin to see whether he recognized the stains.

"How's your pa?" Mr. Nicklepod continued. "Quite well, but a little cross," said Florence, bending over the "porringer" as she called it.

"The Judge nodded, the ear-trumpet being on Flossie's side. "Are you agreed?" was the next direct question put by the old gentleman.

An engine coming east on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad burst her boiler when midway between Keyser and Cumberland, Md., and its fireman, Miller, of Cumberland.

Symptoms of Coffee Poisoning. Chronic poisoning by coffee has been studied by Guellot, of Reims, who finds it among well-to-do overfed individuals, while tea poisoning occurs in hard worked and half starved women.

The sugar trust investigation was commenced in New York recently and the petitioners declare that Harry O. Havemeyer and others have formed an association known as the sugar refiners' company, assuming without the authority of legislative enactment and without being chartered or incorporated.

A few days ago a drunken Kentuckian of the name of "Dick" roamed around to the cafe of the New York hotel threatening to "do up" any one who would not agree with him in all things.