

# By Hugh Pendexter

## Marrow was a solo and the solo

#### (Convright, by Joseph B. Bowles.)

their kindly services and sorrowful at pleasure in possessing a fractured tendance

As school-teacher in No. 6 I was slowly through the clouds of dust.

kicked his sturdy legs in a kindly Guess I'm in fer a slege of it." matron's arms and had refused to recognize death.

As the different carriages radiated Currier from the cemetery the lagging pace gave way before a tight rein and the fan of mourners disappeared in byways and cross-roads, each intent on arriving home in good season for the evening chores. And I was interested to observe that Obed Splodgett was to be our guest at the supper table. I had seen him once or twice before and had been impressed by the habitual, cheery expression on his rugged face and had come to associate him with things amiable; and in a community where life is sometimes viewed in a somber light I anticipated pleasure in studying him at close range.

"Gim'me th' heel piece, Meth," he said, heartily, as we drew up to the table; and my host placed the toughest slice of the loaf on his plate, to good trainin' an' a lesson ter him." which Mrs. Currier added burned, rind pieces of pork.

home to care for the live stock.

of a burryin' last week an' th' hearse hurry through the meal and evade was comin' from this way."

to escape a draught from the window



It was Alva Binger's funeral. Al-| wagon shortly after leaving us the though he had died in Otisville, an ad- night before and had broken a leg. Joining town, all his neighbors in Dis- My host suggested that I accompany trict No. 6 gave up the day to decent him on a visit to the injured man, and black and grave contemplation as to as I was curious to note if anything who would be the next to require agreeable had occurred to mar Obed's

limb I accepted the invitation. We found him propped up in a most expected to be present at the obse- uncomfortable chair, trying to read quies, and in company with my host, without his spectacles. "I've snapped Methuel Currier, drove silently and a leg four times," he saluted, "but th' doctor thinks this is th' worst yet. "Alva's baby grandson will miss An', d'ye know, I kind of feel as though him," Is remarked, recalling how a he'd made a botch of settin' th' bones. splendid boy, the only one to disre- I jest tapped my foot on th' floor begard the pathos of the day, had fore ye come in an' it hurt like sin.

> "Ain't heard 'em talkin' on th' poor farm yet, have ye, Obed ?" joked Mr.

> "Almost," the other grinned. "S'pose ye'll soon have an addition over there in th' Binger baby, won't ye?"

I enjoyed his frown as Mr. Currier replied: "Baby's been adopted."

"Then he won't go?" was the dispirited query.

"Wal, not fer another week," modified my host. "I should have said he was only temporary adopted. Goln' a week from next Monday.

Mr. Splodgett brightened perceptibly on being assured the baby's lease on respectability was not permanent, and he chuckled at my host's short lived triumph and said? "Ye told me that before. That's nothin'. Th' fact remains, he's got ter go. Wal, it'll be a It was a relief to be at school on

the Monday Mr. Currier went after the "Many at th' funeral?" asked Si, child to take it to the poor form. I the hired man, who had remained at did not care to see, him when he passed through the district, and there-"Yas," affirmed Mr. Splodgett, "an' fore, when I came home to dinner and I shouldn't be surprised if we had and learned he had not arrived, but was other soon. Sister Lurinda dreamed expected every minute, 1 tried to

him. Just as I had refused pie, much | read: Si shuddered and moved his chair to SI's amazement, and was leaving the table, a wagon drove into the yard and Mrs. Currier announced: "Here's Meth with th' baby."

But it was not her husband; it was he optimistic Mr. Splodgett, half reclining on an improvised couch, while his sister, a grim, wooden faced woman, very deaf and seldom known to speak, held the reins.

"Meth here?" he inquired. "I can't come in. Had all I could do ter glt inter th' wagon. If th' fish peddler hadn't come along an' gim'me a boost I'd still be ter home, I guess. Most tipped over twice. Gee! but that leg frets me."



ENTIRE CITY NOW SUFFERING FROM "THAW-MAD."

Persons Who Attend Trial Especially Afflicted-Even Judge and Lawyers Show Effects of the Disorder.

New York .-- "Thaw-mad" is the new disease which is puzzling doctors in New York. Its insidious effects are not confined closely to the habitues of the courtroom, but it is a regular passing salutation on the streets.

Imagine a sane individual stopping friend on the street and saying:

"Psycopathic Pete, how are your genteel scratches this evening?" And then imagine his once equally serious companion saying:

"Brain storm, Bill: my scratches are all of a paranoiac or pazzuzzling quality. You show signs of a fulminatory quality.

All of which goes to prove that there has sprung up among those who have attended the trial day after day or have read the minute details of the proceedings, a sort of mild madnessa madness incapable of exact defining. but very real.

The strain upon those most interested in the trial is greater than can be expressed. Though all are as eager and alert as before, wanting to catch each circumstance as it transpires, they begin to evidence the truth of the old saw: "A man can stand only so much.

On the lawyers themselves the strain has been great. Justice Fitzgerald, who was calmness and tolerance itself through the early stages of the case, has grown sharp in his speech to the lawyers. The persistent Mr. Delmas seems to wax weary of his tax, and Jerome, so alert and incisive when he began his labors, grows tired, but keeps doggedly at his work.

During lulls in the courtroom all sorts of weird Mother Goose rhymes are written and passed about to be laughed over by those who wish to while away the time.

Such a fine old child memory of the nursery as "Baa-baa, black sheep," has been paraphrased within the week to

"Delphin Delmas, have you any wool? Yas mum, yas mum, three bags full!

Not that there is the slightest reason in the rhyme, but just because the strain of the pathetic, the tragic, the drab has been so great that the contrast becomes silly. One writer of reputation has shown his oddity by the constant accumulation of fresh lead pencils. One day he sharpened 42 and filled his pockets till they bulged. Apparently even then he was possessed of a fear that they might not last him through the morning session.

Requests to make a noise like a 'systematic delusion," or to give an harajah Gaikwar, of Baroda, India. imitation of a "paranoiae at play,



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Gen. Antonio Paredes was the leader of the latest revolution in Venczuela. His movement to overthrow the rule of Castro was organized in New York. Shortly after his return and invasion he was captured by government troops and, with seventeen of his followers, was executed.



PENNSYLVANIA GIRL ACCEPTS | Miss McLean was decided upon as UNIQUE POSITION IN INDIA.

Miss McLean, of Lawrenceville, Well Fitted to Occupy Post-Has Obtained Degrees from California and Yale Universities.

Lawrenceville, Pa.-It is safe to say that every woman of artistic taste and a love for the beauties of the arts of an ancient civilization will be pleased at and perhaps envious of the distinction which has come to Miss Mary E. McLean, who has been appointed tutor and companion to the wife of the Ma-

possessing all the necessary qualifica tions, with her lovely personality as a kind of bonus.

There are a few young women in America possessing a better educational equipment for the novel post tion she is to occupy. She went from here to Oakland, Cal., where she was graduated from the girls' high school

She next entered the University of California, from which she was gradu ated with the degree of bachelor of ated with the degree of bachelor of philosophy. This was supplemented by two years' study and travel in Smokers appreciate the quality value of Lewis' Single Binder cigar. Mour dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill. by two years' study and travel in Europe

Returning to America, Miss McLean entered Yale university, from which she obtained the coveted degree of

#### BUTTON THEIR OWN WAISTS.

Women Have Surmounted New Yor! Great Obstacle.

Marvelous as it may seem, New York women have lately discovered a way of fastening their waists up the back without calling for assistance. Thought not lacking in generosity, they became so tired of the outstretched palm of the chambermaids that they now feel that it is time to guard their pockets. The Gotham woman discov ered that if she put her blouse on hind side before, with the sleeves hanging free, it could be fastened from top to bottom, with the exception of the hooks at the neck, and then turned around and the arms slipped into the sleeves without unduly straining the fastenings. So simple! So strange that no one had thought of it before. Or is it possible other women have used the plan and meanly kept it to themselves? Will the waist that buttons in the back now have a new lease of life?

FIFTEEN YEARS OF ECZEMA.

#### Terrible Itching Prevented Sleep-Hands, Arms and Legs Affected -Cuticura Cured in 6 Days.

"I had eczema nearly fifteen years. The affected parts were my hands, arms and legs. They were the worst in the winter time, and were always itchy, and I could not keep from scratching them. I had to keep both hands bandaged all the time, and at night I would have to scratch though the bandages as the itching was so severe, and at times I would have to tear everything off my hands to scratch the skin. I could not rest or sleep. I had several physicians treat me but they could not give me a permanent cure nor even could they stop the itching. After using the Cuticura Soap, one box of Cuticura Ointment and two bottles of Cuticura Resolvent for about six days the Itching had ceased, and now the sores have disappeared, and I never felt better in my life than I do now. Edward Worell, Band 30th U. S. Infantry, Fort Crook, Nebraska."

Found Out for Himself. Doubts being entertained as to the stability of the steeple of St. Michael's church, Bath, England, the rector climbed it and investigated. He is an enthusiastic mountaineer.

People appreciate the delicate taste and natural action of Garfield Tea, the mild herb laxative. Best for liver, kidneys and bowels. Guaranteed under the Pure Food and Drugs Law.

We attract hearts by the qualities we display; we retain them by the qualities we possess .-- Suard.

Reticence has been responsible for many a lamentable failure.

# "Lem'me Heft Him."

while Mrs. Currier pleated her apron and mused: "Why, who can it be? We're all well here, I believe. Ye don't feel sick, do ye, Methuel?"

"Naw, I don't, an' I ain't goin' ter," snapped her husband. "What ye tryin' ter pin it onter me fer?" "Ye might be sick an' not know it,'

reminded Si, reassuringly.

returned to the sitting room Obed re- my host, grimly, yet resting one foot marked: "Wal, won't that younker on the hub of the wheel and holding have a hard time of it! I'm only up the crowing infant in his arms. sfraid he won't grow up ter appreciate The wind blew back a corner of the un' enjoy it. That's th' way with blanket so that the little face peeped babies, half of 'em don't see th' value out and Mr. Splodgett's countenance of their trials. So he's goin' onter "b' poor farm."

"I ain't said that," growled Mr. Cur-"It may come ter that, an' mebbe not. Fer a week he's ter stay with one of asked. th' neighbors over there. Mebbe they'll keep him right along.

Mr. Currier was a bit rough in ordering Si to look after the cattle, that tickled his chin. Then he said: "It's tough, but mebbe it's got ter be as ye say. Obed. Ye Mr. Splodgett apologetically with a see, there won't be only a few dollars red face as he raised his head. But left from th' foreclosure sale of Alva's I could swear he kissed the little furm. Th' best I can do, if those folks cheek. won't adopt th' baby, is ter board him His sister's inexpressive face stole on th' farm at th' expense of th' town a bit of animation as she snatched an' save th' money agin th' day he the tiny form from his awkward lap quits th' place ter hustle fer himself, and gently patted the brown hair and He's a fine boy baby, too."

lets that could not help but smoke illy, monotonous voice, "Shall we go back Apparently he was disappointed to now, Obed?" learn the poor infant would some time emerge from pauperism, if he Obed nodded and the wagon began to lived and if the other selectmen permitted Mr. Currier to carry out his charitable purpose, with a few dollars ishly. "We've got him. We're goin in his pocket. For after allowing sev- ter take him home. I'd planned on it eral matches to burn his fingers he right along. Only I didn't wanter observed: "Liable ter make a boy come between him an' this experience uppish, something of a dude, ye know. ter start him in life as a heir."

strated. Mr. Currier, "even if th' other s'lectmen agree ter my scheme."

noon the next day I found Mr. Currier for Obed's having lived, and I could cation of being in a hurry. As he quaint old man in No. 6 no longer Splodgett had been thrown from his the iron hand of a youngster.

Mrs. Currier had hardly explained her husband's absence when another wagon whirled into the yard and my heart sank as I saw the small bundle fied.

my host was so carefully holding in the hollow of his left arm. I had hoped the baby had found a permanent home with his foster mother of the week. Mr. Currier's face looked very sour as he tossed the lines to SI and said: "Hang this bein' s'lectman an' cartin' babies ter th' poor house! I don't mind a growed-up pauper, 'cause they are usually shiftless an' jest as lief be there as anywhere. But this little cuss ain't done nothin' ter desarve it. Anyway, we'll

give him one more independent dinner before he comes ter takin' town charity. Hello, Obed. No use ter speak ter yer sister. Hitch, an' come in."

"Lem'me see him, Meth. I can't git down, ye know," said Mr. Splodgett, his face now reflecting only pleasure.

"Ye might wait till ye git well an" As we pushed back our chairs and call on him at th' poor farm," replied grew solemn.

He gingerly picked up one kicking, worsted covered foot between his ier, frowning at the bowl of his pipe, rough thumb and finger and eyed it in deep surprise. "Lem'me heft him," he

The baby did not mind the transfer and lost no time in clutching one fat, dimpled hand in the grisly whiskers

"Smells like new milk," remarked

rearranged the blanket with deft fin-Mr. Splodgett cut his tobacco in pel- gers. Then she asked in her usual

> "Hold on!" cried Mr. Currier, as turn. "Ye've forgot th' baby!"

"No, we ain't," grinned Obed sheep When he's older he'll enjoy thinkin' it over. Better pull th' blanket over "He won't bave more'n \$40," remon him more, Lurinda, or else lem'me hold him. Gee lang, there."

And that night nature was gladder When I returned from school at and the woods and hills more desirable harnessing his horse with every indl- look through the years and see a buckled the straps he told me Mr. braving rainstorms, but being ruled by

have been made, and the responses have apparently pleased and satis-

The "idiots' quadrille" and the "imbeciles' promenade" were among the suggestions that have been made as a method of relaxation, but no dancing master has appeared as yet to take the matter in hand. Still the trial is not ended.

> The weary, dreary hours drag on, and one thing seems now certainthough the Thaw case has been the most sensational in the history of modern murder trials-it will hold the record before it closes as the most brain dulling cause celebre of modern days.

GREAT COTTON INVENTION.

# Machine to Take Fuzz from Seed Wil Effect Ten Per Cent. Saving.

Washington .-- One of the most important devices in the history of cotton culture has been perfected by experts of the department of agriculture. It is a machine for the removal of the fuzz on cotton seed and for the separation of light from heavy seed. The process has been in course of

development for about two years, and it is the opinion of the cotton experts of the department that its universal use would effect a saving of about ten per cent. of the entire cotton crop. As the crop of America amounts to about \$750,000,000 a year, it easily can be realized that such a saving would be of vast importance.

By the removal of the fuzz from the cotton seed the seed may be planted with an ordinary gravity drill. By the ease with which the smooth seed can be manipulated they can be planted in hills without unnecessary waste, and the plants so located can be tilled in two directions.

GETS GIFT OF HOLY LAND.

#### Prominent Jew of Texas Receives Deed to Burial Plot in Palestine.

Terrell, Tex .- Jacob Label of this city is in receipt of a burial lot at Saffed, Palestine. This is four yards of land, as they measure land in Palestine by the yard.

Mr. Label, who performs for his people in this city the duties of rabbi, is agent for a charitable institution in the holy land, an institution somewhing like an orphan's home in this country, and the deed to the plot of land was sent to him by the management of the institution as a token of their appreciation of his services. Mr. Label has been in this country

sociations from doing business in Okfor 26 years. He looks forward with much pleasure to spending his declining years in the holy land, and hopes to be buried in the lot, which has been presented to him by his friends.

Miss McLean is the daughter of the the occult, and the mysterious phan- cently entered on her duties. tasmagoria of the Indian rites, as practiced thousands of years ago.

When the Maharajah and the Mayear ago they decided to engage an be fitted to relieve her highness of which meant a thorough knowledge of social customs and a wide familiarity with the history of India. The Maharajah consulted a friend in New

# THE CONSTITUTION IS FREAKY.

Ideas.

Kansas City.-Among the freak propositions offered in the Oklahoma constitution are the following: Levying a tax of one per cent on the gross receipts of railroads; to eliminate the upon any railroad in the state. name of Almighty God from the constitution, substituting in the preamble, "The supreme ruler of the universe; taxing peddlers and taxing theaters and circuses; to locate the capital of the state on a barren prairie at the exact geographical center of the state; to prohibit the system of "you scratch my back and I'll scratch yours" through the trading of votes on proposed bills in legislatures; poll tax qualifications for voters; providing for | Macon.

the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people and compelling the legislature to ratify such election or expel members voling against it; compelling insurance cent of surplus reserve fund within the state; prohibiting the leaving of a large estate to one child; compelling corporation officials and employes to testify and then denying them the right of immunity from evidence tending to incriminate themselves; providing that all persons of good moral character may be admitted to practice law in any of the conrts of Oklahoma without examination and to allow persons not lawyers to serve as county judge, and a provision forever prohibiting all foreign building and loav as-

lahoma A proposition to prevent the piping of gas out of Oklahoma by denying pipe lines the right of eminent domain | and forbidding them from crossing was that the walls were too strong.

doctor of philosophy. Since that time late George McLean, of Lawrence she has been engaged in literary work ville, and is a charming young wom- in New York city until she received an deeply interested in the study of her present appointment, and has re

Miss McLean, who is now in India, has written to her friends here that the Maharani is a very beautiful and harani-which means the "little intelligent woman. The Maharajah princess"-were in this country a himself is a graduate of Oxford and possessed of vast wealth. To the American college woman who would great disappointment of Miss McLean everything about the palace, even to the fatigue of social duties when oc- the rugs and furnishings, is imported casion required, and to aid her in from England. She has had the greatsuch duties. It was somewhat of a est difficulty in making the people task to select one capable of perform. ' who are fitting up her bungalow uning such a work of delicate diplomacy derstand that she wants everything Indian, not English.

Her highness is a Brahmin of the highest caste, dresses in native costume, and wears its accompanying York and after an exhaustive inquiry veil of 15 or 20 yards length.

Oklahoma Offers Some Strange New public highways or alleys without consent of the state is now under consideration by the convention. Also a

proposition to make it a misdemeanor for any person other than employes of the road, physicians and nurses in case of emergency, to ride on a pass

BUILDS HOUSE WITH CHIPS.

### Georgia Doctor Has Unique Idea for Utilizing Waste Marble.

Macon, Ga .- The patchwork palace being built by Dr. W. W. Billingslea on Walnut street has reached the second story. In many respects this will be the most unique dwelling-house in

It was something over a year ago when Dr. Billingslea conceived the idea of building a house with the chips from the marble used in building the new federal building in this companies to invest at least 75 per city. It was to be his own house planned and built by himself, after his own ideas, so he drew the plans in April and started to work.

He made arrangements with the contractors at the government building to cart away all the chips and broken marble. With day laborers he mixed the cement and marble and up grew the walls.

With the exception of the day labor, Dr. Billingslea has done all the work on the house. Up to date the material, labor and every expense amounts to less than \$1,000, and he expects to complete the building for less than \$1,500.

The building was inspected by Inspector Blumbarten, of the govern ment building, whose only criticism

rs. Win For children teething, softens the gutas, reduces in-fammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

It's about all some people can do to keep from being done.

# TWO YEARS IN BED

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Cured Stubborn Rheumatism When Other Treatment Gave No Relief.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have been curing the most stubborn cases of rheumatism for nearly a géneration and thousands of grateful patients have given testimony that cannot be ignored.

Mr. Robert Odbert, a machinist, living at 201 Cameron Street, Detroit, Mich., had a very distressing experience with rheumatism for about two years. He makes the following statement: "About the year 1887 I felt the effects of rheumatism which gradually grew worse until I was compelled to give up work for a time. The years of '97 and '98 I was confined to my bed most of the time. I was under doctors' treatment but found no relief. My legs were swollen from the hips downward and red blotches appeared all over them. Frequently they pained me so that I had to bind them tightly with strips of linen. This sometimes relieved the pain but at other times failed to do so. At times I had to crawl to my work, using two crutches. During these spells I suffered greatly from pain around my heart which I attributed to the rheumatism.

"At last my mother wrote me and asked me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I did and in a short time I found myself getting better and have had no trouble since. I may here add that I consider myself perfectly cured. I have not had the least sign of the disease since and feel better now than I ever did. For these reasons I recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to any one affected the same as I was.' Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold by all druggists, or sent by mail, postpaid on receipt of price, 50 cents per box, six boxes for \$2.50, by the Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Schenectady, N.Y.

