

A new series of New Zealand stamps has been issued, which are already eagerly sought for by collectors. It may have contributed to this that an English syndicate had offered the government to take a large quantity of them but with the condition that the postoffice should promise not to sell the new stamps in New Zealand before the expiration of three months, and to sell no stamps during the same time to any foreign concern. The proposition was declined. The advertising thus given by the London concern to the issue has caused an enormous demand for the stamps in the colony from the first day of their issue.

A NAVAL HERO'S STORY.

(From the Times-Herald, Chicago, Ill.)

Late in 1861, when President Lincoln issued a call for volunteers, L. J. Clark, of Warren, Trumbull Co., Ohio, was among the first to respond. He joined the mortar fleet of Admiral Porter just before the memorable operations on the Mississippi river began. It was at the terrific bombardment of the Vicksburg forts, that the hero of this story fell with a shattered arm from a charge of shrapnel.

After painful months in the hospital he recovered sufficiently to be sent to his home at Warren, Ohio. Another call for troops fired his patriotic zeal and Clark soon enlisted in Company H, of the 7th Ohio Volunteers. In the army of the Potomac, he was in many engagements. Being wounded in a skirmish near Richmond, he was sent to the hospital and thence home.

Soon afterward he began the study and then the practice of veterinary surgery. "and the wider field than the Ohio village afforded, he went to Chicago, where he now has a wide practice, is a member of the Post, G. A. R., and lives at 4395 Ashland Ave.

Several years ago Dr. Clark's old wounds began to trouble him. He grew weak and emaciated, and his friends despaired of his life. He finally recovered sufficiently to be out, but was a mere shadow, weighing only 90 pounds. The best medical attendance failed to restore his lost strength and vigor.

"A friend gave me a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People," said Dr. Clark, "and they helped me so much that I bought a half dozen boxes and took them. I soon regained my strength, now weigh 190 pounds and, except for injuries that can never be remedied, am as well as ever."

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March 8, 1897. SAMUEL PITCHER, M. D.

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"Mr. Abijah Goddard," says the Boston Transcript, "better known, perhaps, to the people of Brookline as Deacon Goddard, celebrated yesterday his ninety-fifth birthday. He was born on the farm where he now resides, and his parents, Joseph and Mary (Aspinwall) Goddard were from New England stock. His father held many town offices. While the British occupied Boston great stores of military supplies were secreted on the old farm by the continentals. Fascines were made there, and, when completed, were loaded into heavy ox-carts and taken to Dorchester Heights."

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A DREAM REALIZED.

John Overton sat alone, smoking his pipe. He could hear the men as they laughed and joked around the campfire, but he could not join in their merry-making.

Five years ago he had left his eastern home to endure the privations of a mining engineer in a new country. A scheme carried out successfully placed his name prominently before the scientific world. He felt elated that night, yet his thoughts would turn to her. In the years that had gone by much of the bitterness of that quarrel had passed away. After all, she was only a girl then, sweet Priscilla Grey.

His mother had dreaded to see him go away so far. She had enough for both, but when he and Priscilla quarreled the course of his life seemed changed.

His mother had died since, and he had come into her fortune. Yet still he tarried. He had grown to love the West.

"Why is the paleface brother sad?" "Why, you naughty little girl, why did you stray so far from home at this time?" Overton exclaimed, as he looked upon the dark, sweet face so near his own.

"Father came to see you, and I came, too. I am going away, Overton. The heart of Robin aches within her. She loves the mountains, she loves her father, she loves Overton. When he is sad she is sad. When he is gone the winds sigh more deeply in the pines; the brook, as it leaps over the stones, is not so gay. Even the sun shines not so brightly when Overton is not here."

As her sweet, monotonous tones ceased Overton looked into her face. Her mother had been the daughter of a noble chief of a tribe of Indians, and her father was an officer at the fort. She was, perhaps, 15, and carried herself with the dignity of her race. She had her father's classic features, but the sadness of her mother's people shone in her great black eyes.

When Overton came to the north-west country he had some work to do at the fort where she lived. He had killed a huge snake one day. An instant later and it would have been upon her. Since then she had loved him with the unreasoning affection of an animal. Her father joined them as they sat there. Taking Robin's hand, he drew her to him.

"Poor little one! I am going to send her East, Overton."

"No better plan could suggest itself. You should have sent her some time ago. Be a good little girl, Robin."



KILLED A HUGE SNAKE. Learn a lot, but don't forget your old friends.

"I shall never forget," and turning quickly she glided away.

Unusually bright, her constant companionship with her father had deepened her intellect. They learned to love her in the school. With careful treatment her skin grew fine-grained and fairer. Her hands were small, soft and dimpled. She did not look like an alien, and few could guess that Indian blood ran in her veins.

Her habitual sadness never left her, but her smiles were ready and often. She combined the best of the two races from which she sprung, and a more charming woman was never introduced into the gay world than Robin, daughter of Captain Strathmore.

Overton had made rapid strides in his profession. The years seemingly left no impression on his handsome face. To his heart he still clasped his dream, of Priscilla.

She had been married, and was now a widow, still as lovely and fair as in her sweet girlhood, so rumor had it.

For the first time in many years he decided to go home, back to the old haunts, the old friends, and Priscilla. Alas! He found them changed. The old house was the same, but his mother had gone away. At the club new faces greeted him. Selfish, narrow, aimless men stagnated in the little town. He felt then and there like taking the next train back where he could breathe the pure, sweet air and feel the freedom and ambition of the plains.

A relative was to entertain that evening, and he was the guest of honor. He came in a little late, and gazed a moment in the corridor. Looking across the room, he saw the object of his dream, the Priscilla of long ago. She was certainly lovely, but—

Accustomed as he was to read human nature, he saw in that face everything which he left out of his ideal.

She had thrown him over for a rich man. He had thought that she had been forced to it by her parents, and had pitied her so much.

She looked so complacent, so self-satisfied, so worldly. Everything she did seemed to be for effect.

"What an idiot I have been," He turned and walked to the piazza.

"What an artificial atmosphere! I am going back by the first train."

He turned to go, but before him stood a magnificent woman. Was it her expression or was it her face that reminded him of that one old masters so loved to portray?

Her regal head, her beautiful face, had the dignity of a queen. As she smiled he thought of the running streams in the mountains, the music of the pines of the beautiful Western country of his adoption; then her sweet, monotonous voice broke the silence:

"Has the paleface forgotten the Robin of the springtime?"

His lips could form no words. He opened his arms and clasped her to his heart.—Philadelphia Item.

HAVE YOU A PIAZZA?

With a Little Furnishing It Can Be Made an Ideal Summer Retreat.

J. Harry Adams illustrates and describes in the Woman's Home Companion some very clever devices for furnishing the front piazza. "While a few chairs are the only necessary pieces of furniture for the comfortable disposal of the several members of the family, it is oftentimes a pleasure to convert the piazza, or a portion of it, into a convenient lounging and reading room. It will be a very simple matter to arrange the few odd pieces of furniture necessary to bring about the change. A few chairs, a table, divan, hammock and some stools, a rug and some large plants in jardinières, if tastefully arranged, will work a wonderful change in the appearance of any piazza; and if the sun should shine on any part sufficient to annoy the occupants, a few large bamboo screens can be fastened in place to shade it nicely and protect one's eyes from the unpleasant too light. When old furniture is to be renovated for this purpose it should be well fastened together with screws to insure the strength and safety necessary; then, having been sandpapered to remove rough places and old varnish, two or three successive thin coats of some desirable colored paint can be applied until the appearance is satisfactory. Upholstered seats or backs that are pretty well worn can be recovered with denim or other serviceable and strong material, and fastened in place with upholstery tacks with large oval heads. If the old furniture that is found in the attic or cellar should not be available for piazza use, it is possible to make some very good pieces from some boxes, boards and a little upholstery-goods. Furniture of this description will be found very serviceable on a piazza, as it needs little or no care, and if somewhat abused regret will not follow, as in the abuse of a better grade that has been purchased. Awnings about the upper part of a piazza are oftentimes a necessity to keep the sunlight off, and consequently keep it cool, and in any event they prove a satisfactory shield to the eyes from the light above. Where they are used the mild and subdued under light that prevails is soft and pleasing, particularly if a buff or straw-colored canvas is employed."

A PLEA FOR THE HOME WOMAN

The Most Brilliant Gifts Are Not Too Much to Bring to a Home.

"The home woman seems to some one who might have fitted certain narrow conditions of the past and certain prosaic ones of the present, but never the needs of progress. The fact is, the needs of a home and the qualifications of a home-keeper stand first in importance," is the position taken by Mary R. Baldwin when writing of "The Possibilities of a Home Woman" in the Woman's Home Companion. "So few women realize the possibilities for exercising the most thoughtful energies in learning to be a home-maker. The opportunities for developing endowments, scientific, intellectual or executive, to their fullest scope, are as present here as anywhere else. The girl who never dreams of having a home of her own and some one at the head of it whom she can delight to honor and love is generally lacking in her feminine make-up. Mothers who, after their daughters arrive at a suitable age to instruct them upon the subject of love, marriage and the duties of home-keeping, neglect this part of training, must sometimes awaken to the fact of what they have missed. And yet one would not cast a shadow over the bright dreams of youth and force a young creature out of her girlhood by emphasizing to her the sober realities of life before she takes up the duties that belong to a future experience. The girl must not be cheated out of one stage of her development; if she is, through any cause, she will carry through her life a sense of having been defrauded of something that was rightly hers. If a girl is kept true and truthful and pure, she has the foundation qualities upon which to build the happiness of a home. But she needs direction in those habits that have a direct bearing upon its peace and comfort, and one must be a very inexperienced or selfish person who refuses to regard the small things in the affairs of a home. The most thorough education, the most brilliant gifts, the most fascinating personality—these are not too much to bring to a home, and the investment of the wealth of mind and heart will insure rich returns to the sacred spot where love and service should go hand in hand."

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