Words of Counsel and Warning to All Em bryo Dead-Beats.

Young man, I have watched you with unqualified admiration. The first time I beheld you, I saw at glance that the aim and object of your existence was to be a tough boy, and you have since been my daily study. and each day has added to my delight in observing the rapid strides you are making toward your high and ennobling ideal.

I am pleased at the martyr-like devotion with which you struggle with the cigar at which your face pales, your head reels and your stomach trembles, but to which you adhere, nevertheless, with a more than Spartan firmness.

Again am I made happy at the fine, manly instinct which leads vou to fanity with your improving conversation, and I feel certain that the ladies, whom you are naturally proud to have as auditors, must wish that you were their own offspring, or at least that your exemplary companionship.

I presume that you are up to the taste of liquor also, for I can not think worthily tough as you appear can have neglected so important an element of toughness as to take a drink now and tipsy. Of course you do not like the taste of liquor, any more than you delight in the flavor of tobacco. I understand that perfectly, and honor you all the more because of your self-denial. No worthy object can be achieved without more or less of discomfort; and I make sure that one day you will be a great destroyer of to bacco and a competent drunkard.

Young man, the path which you have marked out for yourself in life is perhaps not without its rough and rugged places, but it is full of promise for yourself and for others also.

The ruddy glow in your cheeks which betrays your youth-of which as a tough you are naturally ashamed-will shortly turn to the livid hue which Man, with a capital M, and your elastic step will after a time materialize into the elegant slouch of the anotheosis of the tough boy, the Dead Beat. Your pearly teeth will long ere then have turned to a beautiful amber, or still more beautiful jet, if, indeed, you have not succeeded in casting them from you as reminders of childhood, and therefore unworthy of so transcendant a character as yourself.

In that happy day you will have risen above the few weaknesses which yet adhere to you. You will have overcome the foolish pride which causes you to wash your face every day of your life and which leads you to wear clothing fashionable in cut and devoid of tatters. You will also have risen above the sordid ambition of securing a name and a place in the world, or of reaching that station of affluence of which in your childish moments you still dream. In a word, you will have become the perfect being, the butterfly of which you are as yet (I beg your pardon) but the ugly grub.

And then the good you are destined to accomplish! In a few years you will have so far succeeded in demoralizing position with reference to the six knives your stomach, and racking your nerves, and wearing out your heart, and, in short, knocking out your entire physical system, that you will be the making of the fortunes of a half a score of doctors; and should you succeed in finding sizes of lasts could be made; that is to a young woman fool enough to marry say, thirteen lengths, each with six you, and should you have children, it will be your proud satisfaction to know that your greatness shall live after you, the "block," or the piece at the top, and that your children, thanks to their | which is removable. Then some men parent's toughness, shall in their turn rather, so short-as they shall live.

Yes, young man, you are a noble creature. Keep on in your glorious ten, a few years hence, let it consist only of these simple but proud words: "He was a tough."—Boston Transcript.

SANTA ANNA'S WIDOW.

The Sad Lot of the Wife of the Once Dicta-

tor of Mexico. A striking example of the vicissitudes of life is furnished by the history of model. In a little box which he has President Santa Anna's widow, who lives here in a sort of cloistered seclusion. Not that she is poor, for she has ample means; not that she is unhappy, tion. The lathe itself has been in use not that she could not, if she chose, attract to her drawing room a limited be the result of a high order of genius. circle of friends and acquaintances, but The inventor of the improvement on it simply because she has no energy; is in in each of its ingenious features.reality too indolent to take or even feel Chicago News. any interest in the ordinary affairs of the world and passes her days in a rocking-chair, idly dreaming.

When General Santa Anna married Dolores Tosta she was extremely beautiful, but was an unsophisticated child, only thirteen years of age, who from when her enamored spouse installed her in regal style and ordered everybody to address her as "Sue Alleza." (your Highness). However, by the aid waiting." she was soon able to play her | said: part in the great world which at first seemed to her a wonderland. As Santa Anna was at that epoch a dictator inclined he kin demand a wote of de rather than a constitutional President, club on de queshun: 'Hey we or hey his whims were humored and orders im- we not lost confidence in our Presiplicitly obeyed. When his young wife | dent?' I has now to inform you that five dollars a pound. Twenty-five attended mass priests, followed by their | Major Exclamation Harrison, an active | years ago the price was seventy-five acolytes bearing a large gilded cross member of our club, has demanded in and lighted tapers, sallied forth to writin dat such a wote be taken. Dis escort her from her coach to her am de first time in de history of dis orseat in the cathedral and at the con- ganizashun dat such a vote has been clusion of the ceremony accompanied demanded. De seckretary will call de If they find the whaling grounds closed her to the pavement and stood there, roll." with bowed heads and downcast eyes, until her carriage disappeared. The Dietator, to further honor his bride, call, and of the one hundred and speculative business and we can never potato-mashers, scoop-shovels, and so twenty-five gentlemen, who were dred and eighty-seven voted that they hear of the catch." wore a rich white uniform, profusely When the result had been announced trimmed with gold lace. They were Brother Gardner said: called "Los Mosqueteros de Su Álteza" (Her Highness' Musketeers), and when to be demanded by dese purceedins. comes from the South Sea and arrives ever "Su Alteza" attended the theater Three y'ars ago de Major begun borthe guard rode in front and at the sides rowin' my hoe an' spade an' axe an' of her carriage, each bearing a lighted | wheelbarrer. As time wore on his and Hudson Bay. Whales are torch. During the performance these fam'ly borrered sugar an' butter an' eaught there at all seasons of the mosqueteros remained in the corridor flour. As confidence increased, I was year, and the bone coming to New of the theater, ready to escort their axed to lend de Major my Sunday princess to the palace.

At the conclusion of the war of axed to hand over her shawlan' breast-At the conclusion of the war of 1846-47, between Mexico and the off. De odder eavenin' de Major come off. De odder eavenin' de Major come who had resisted the American force long and bravely, yet was defeated, lost his prestige, was accused of various misdemeanors-even of treasonand was banished by the dominant party. Then his child-wife developed into a noble-hearted woman and tried by every means in her power to console the fallen Dictator. In 1874 the Mexican Government permitted General Santa Anna to return to his native land, but the exile's spirit was crushed and he died soon afterward, utterly neglected by all parties and ignored by all classes, even by men he had loved and aided. Only his devoted wife re-

mained true to the last. To-day none of the generation that case bowed humbly before "Su Altemember her existence and but few young Mexicans are even aware that the resides in this capital.—Mexico Chr. Polledelphia Times.

LAST-MAKING.

All Shapes, Sizes and Styles Turned Out by

from persimmon wood," said a North Side last-maker to a reporter. "All experience has demonstrated that maple is the best adapted to the purpose, a rather hard, tough wood being required, which, when properly dried, will neither shrink nor swell, that finishes smoothly, and does not easily splinter. Maple fulfills all the requirements, and no other wood which is as plenty and no more expensive will fill the bill as well. Lasts are sometimes made from beech when maple can not be had, and applewood, if it was plenty and cheap, could be used to excellent advantage. This firm owns timber in Michigan, where the last-blocks are got out and aired for two years, after which they are kiln-dried at the factory mingle choice slang and elegant pro- for two or three weeks, in order to remove every suspicion of moisture, and when the timber is seasoned in this

manner the lasts will hold their shape. "We turn out about one hundred thousand pairs of lasts in a year, which their boys could have the benefit of are made to order for manufacturers. of which we have about one hundred and fifty on our books. One Chicago boot and shoe house takes over onethat one so unmistakably and praise- tenth of our total product. We have a capacity of five hundred pairs of lasts per day, but average about three hundred and fifty pairs. We have eight then, and possibly occasionally to get lathes, but they are not all running constantly. Another factory here turns out one-half or two-thirds the amount of our product, and there is little other manufacturing done in the West. A factory at Dayton, O., about as large as this, turns out regulated sizes to sell to wholesalers for small shoe-makers through the country. Our work is all done on order, and we have twentysix hundred pairs of models, of which

> "Iron-soled lasts are used for ma chine-sewed work. They cost from 75 cents to \$1.25 per pair. Plain lasts cost from 40 to 75 cents, according to the number made from one model Some parties sell lasts made from half green stuff at 25 cents. In Massachusetts, the first State in the Union in the boot and shoe making industry, there are about thirty factories, and others

are scattered through the East. "Yes, lasts are made to last, and the iron-soled ones are hard to wear out. But pegging-lasts get broken up in one way and another, and have to be replaced, while the great point in our favor is the fact that new styles in footgear are periodically introduced requiring entirely new sets of lasts. But the most interesting part of the whole business is the machine which does the

The first thing to strike the beholder was that a last was being turned out automatically of the same form as the pattern, which was revolving on an axis having the rough maple block at the other end. It required a little reflection to grasp the principle, while the detail would bear the close analysis of a practiced mechanic. The model came in contact with a wheel with a rounded surface pressing close against it, and bringing the block at the opposite end in exactly the same varying on a cutter-head, which were arranged in graduated distances from a common center.

The last-maker explained that from the same model ninety-one different different widths. Another man took the lasts from the lathe and sawed out shaved or trimmed the heels and toes, greatly aid in making the medical pro- the only hand labor necessary. Next fession a profitable one so long-or, the lasts were sand-papered, then polished with beeswax, and a number had iron heels, toes or soles attached. Skilled labor is required to operate career, and when your epitaph is writ- this machinery, and the men make

> The foreman of another factory on South Canal street took great pride in showing an attachment to the lathean improvement which fourteen years' thought and experience had producedand which, by securing a reverse action of the rough block to that of the model, turned a left last from a right introduced in a waste space on the lathe is located a gearing and automatic clutch, which, with the aid of a crossed belt, produces the reverse acsome twenty years, and is conceded to remarked that there was a "headfull"

President Gardner Demonstrates the Ne

There was a painful silence as the

tary proceeded with his monotonous price goes up. This makes it a very organized for her a body-guard of eighty-eight members present one hun- tell what our stock is worth until we on, you can't blame a woman for giving chosen from the highest rank of officers | had not lost confidence in the Presiin the military service. This guard dent. The exception was the Major.

"My frens, some explanashun seems butes an' plug hat, and my wife was ober to borrow my pink undershirt fur hisself, an' Mrs. Gardner's zebra hose fur his wife, dev hevin' bin invited to a 'lasses candy levce. I felt it solemn oughly supplied that there is no longer dooty to draw a line somewhar's, an' I drawed it dat night on undershirt an' stockings. De Major went away in a and San Francisco, which are the great huff, and de call fur dis wote which has jist bin taken am de result. I obgreat amount used to come from Nanhas jist bin taken am de result. I obsarve dat de Major am heah in pusson,

"I hasn't got nuffin to say, 'cept dat I wish I hadn't done it," replied the Major from his corner. "Wery well. Dis chair has no feelin's toward you. De meetin' will purceed wid de reg'lar rowtine of bizness.' -Detroit Free Press.

-It is said that about 10,000,000 crowns yearly are sent home to the fatherland by Swedes dwelling in America.

OF GENERAL INTEREST.

-Key West has one hundred and thirty-one eigar factories, each employing from ten to three hundred

-Germany devotes nine million acres to the cultivation of the potato. The yield last year was twenty-three

-The story comes from Paris that a sausage-maker there displays a placard in his window announcing: "Every link carefully inoculated by M. Pas--Ordinary every-day English speech

employs only about twelve hundred words, according to a stenographer who has made a careful examination of the matter .- N. Y. Times. -Pale young celery and eucalyptus the names of two new tints of

green. The former is almost like the pretty linden green; the latter is a very soft sea green.—Chicago Mail. -The Popular Science News asserts that the average length of life is con-

stantly increasing, and the time may yet come when persons one hundred years old will excite no more curiosity than one eighty years old at the present -"The Washington monument,"

N. Y.) Times, "is a great disappointment to visitors. While the structure is in reality 555 feet high, it does not appear, in the eyes of the average mortal, to be over 250. -There is one fishing town on the Maine coast where, if you should shout

out "Captain!" on the public street, ten out of every dozen men within reach of your voice would turn to you and ask: captains of fishing vessels .-- Boston Transcript -A novel sentence was that pro-

nounced by Judge Church, of Meadville, Pa., on two young chaps conrieted of riot: "Go to hear Francis Murphy, sign the pledge, keep sober, be industrious, and sentence will be suspended if this order is obeyed."-Pittsburgh Post.

-The language of sealing-way promises to supplant that of flowers. Red wax must be used for business only, black wax for mourning and blue to signify love. Five tints of blue are made, to express all the gradations of passion. Pink wax is for congratulations, and white is for wedding and bali invitations .-- Chicago Times.

-One of the largest trees ever put into the water by a Skagit logging camp was one that was at Jackson's, a few miles above Mt. Vernon. The tree contained three twenty-four-foot logs which scaled as follows: Butt, 7,512 feet; second, 5,732; top, 5,826-a total main work." and the lastman led the of 20,070 feet of lumber in the tree. tutions for the education of these unforway to where a most ingenious device The diameter at the small ends was 78. tunates, in which 2,000 teachers and 1 and 64 inches, respectively.—Chicago Enterprise.

the Crown Princess of Germany was a tralia, 10 in Belgium, 1 in Brazil, 7 in "full-dress" carriage, and it has been | Canada, 4 in Denmark, 67 in France. lispatched to Berlin. The interior is 46 in Great Britain, 2 in Japan, 35 in ined with blue silk damask, with gold Italy, 1 in Luxemburg, 2 in Mexico, 2 fringe and tassels. The outside is of in Holland, 1 in New Zealand, 7 in Norclaret color, with lines of crimson, and all the mountings are of brass. On the Sweden, 7 in Spain, 38 in the United doors and panels the English and Prus- States and 1 in Bombay. sian arms are emblazoned in relief .-Longion Truth.

-It is some time since we saw a beter condensed piece of reporting than the following paragraph from a medi-cal paper: "In the Solferino mine, erable effects."-N. Y. Independent.

-The population of London now exceeds every other city, ancient or modern, in the world. New York and all its adjacent cities combined are not equal to two-thirds of it. Scotland, Switzerland, and the Australian colonies each contains fewer souls, while Norway, Servia, Greece and Denmark

wires, and when the work is done it is impossible even for the scientific eye to of several different individuals.

York hotels that by moving a pointer writing materials, chambermaid, mesice-water or hall-boy. At one hotel the dial is divided into three sections: one for catables, one for drinkables and a third for ordinary hotel service. N Y. Tribune.

Are Uncertain.

that varies more widely in its market price than whalebone," said a New York dealer to a reporter recently, "In January it may sell for two dollars a pound and in the following June for cents a pound. It varies in price according to the catch, and this in turn depends upon the luck of the sailors. by ice, meet with a shipwreek, or for Amidst the deepest silence the secre- any reason fail to catch whales the "What part does whalebone chiefly

"The main supply is brought from the North Pacific whalers and comes in, in November. A smaller quantity about June. Now and then a small supply comes from Davis Straits York is apt to disturb the price. Many years ago it was the custom of whaling captains, when out of stores to stop at some Pacific port and exchange some of their whalebone for the necessary supplies and in this way smaller lots would come in and trouble any need of continuing this practice. The supply comes from New Bedford tucket, but the shallowness of its har-

phrase, are done up in bundles of about two hundred pounds each, and are sent to the market in that shape. In cutting up whalebone there is a loss of about twenty per cent. on the raw material. The hair is worth ten cents a pound for mixing with horse-hair for upholstering purposes, and it is some-times used in the manufacture of brushes."-Boston Record.

-A Boston minister objects having his sermons printed on the same page with advertisements of Old Bour-bon.—Boston Globe.

of the entire number of Unitarian churches in America has been founded during the last twenty years.

when the city fell into the hands of Saladin. -There are in the Church of England at least twenty-five sisterhoods and ab Lat eight Diocesan Orders of Deacon-

of Long Island and Alabama. twenty or thirty years ago. Veni, vidi, vici is pronounced Wanee, weede, weeke. This revolution is due to Prof. George M. Lane, who thinks he finds

'Well, what yer want?" They are sermon recently preached by the Each loaf was wrapped in a new handkerchief

-Dr. Loomis' statements before the taken that overtraining should not

occur.-N. Y. Tribune. -A German statistician says that there are about 800,000 deaf mutes in the world, 63 per cent, of whom are born thus, and 37 per cent. become so later. There are altogether 397 insti-26,473 pupils are found. Of these institutions, 90 are found in Germany, 17 in -The Queen's birthday present to Austria. 11 in Switzerland, 2 in Ausway, 1 in Portugal, 10 in Russia, 17 in

PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

-Two stapid Michigan hunters shot woman, mistaking her for a bear. A woman should never be mistaken for anything but a dear .- Detroit Tribune. -Monkeys are sold for food in France, but in this country they hang on the front gates every moonlight night and kiss the prettiest girls in

-Evil to him, etc. -"Look here, my friend, your molasses and whisky are not pure," said Gilhooly to an Austin grocer. Grocer (striking a tragic attitude)-"To the pure all things are pure."-Texas Siftings.

-It is a marked indication of the inhe invariably feels aggrieved when he then travels five thousand miles withdelphia Call.

dearest friend, "I'm getting worried about John. Before we were married he used to pick me up in his arms as if I weighed but ten pounds instead of 136, and now he says it tires him to hold the baby."-Somerville Journal. -A babbler once told a secret that

had been trusted to him to a friend. "Of course you will not repeat it," he added earnestly. "Don't fidget," was the ready reply, "I shall be quite as careful of it as you have been."-Chicago Ledger.

-Old Mr. Bently (reading the paper) -"I see that in a recent storm at sea ship loaded with passengers went ashore." Old Mrs. Bently (placidly) -"How fortunate! I can imagine just how glad those passengers must have been to get on dry land."-N. Y. Sun. -"Is the King of Wurtemberg com-

ing over here to lecture, or sing, or anything?" asked Le Diggs. "Not that I know of," replied DeWiggs. "Why," correspondent that he loves Americans,

him when he had finished, said to him: "You are tired. I understand it. It's the same way with me when evening comes. Ah, this head work is something terrible!"-Paris Echo. -"Mrs. Prime is a beautiful woman.

isn't she?" "Yes, she is quite handsome, but they say she paints." "Well, suppose she does, what of it?" "I don't like to see a woman resort to such dodges to make herself attractive." "I don't see why she shouldn't. When it has got to be all the rage to decorate herself a dab with the brush now and

have the talent of his father or grandfather, but he can always have the manhood and honorable characteristics. A man may live in poverty and still be all a man in the best acceptation of the term .- Chicago Inter Ocean.

The Boston Record tells the following story of the late Prof. Sophocles, of Harvard: The old Greek was catechizing his class one day on the ancient history of his native country. "When did Theodophilus live?" he asked of one sophomore. "Before Christ." "Wrong!" shouted the professor. And then addressing the next sophomore : "When did Theodophilus live?" "After Christ!" "Wrong!" shouted the professor again. And then he repeated the question to a third student: "When did Theodophilus live?" "Neither before nor after Christ!" "You are right, young man!" said the professor. There never was any such man as Theodophilus." It was one af the little historical traps that Sophocles liked to set for the budding wisdom of Harvard.

Bereavement and Consolation.

It is not in the parting hour when those fondly love Have breathed to us their last farewell and winged their way above: Nor yet when in the darksome grave we lay them to their rest,
The sharpest pangs of sorrow rends the strick-en mourner's breast.

Tis when we seek our lonely home, and which could the darkest cloud dispel and every care beguile: the hour of prayer,
"Tis then the heart most feels it., loss—the loved ones are not there.

memory brings to view
The visions of departed joys, our grief was stirred anew Though faith may own a Father's hand, yet nature will rebel And feel how hard it is to say, "He hath done all things well.

O, mournful memories of the past! ye wear Ye haunt us in our dreams by night through each weary da The home which late like Eden's bower in dooming beauty smiled, Go make a barren wilderness-a descrt waste

But why thus yield to fruitless grief? Are they not happier far, The sainted ones for whom we mourn, we who linger here? Our hearts should glow with grateful love to Him whose watchful eye Saw dangers gathering in their path, and call-ed them to the sky. Not long shall we the loss deplore, for soon

the hour will come When we with those so fondly loved slumber in the tomb. Then let the remnant of our days be service given, Who hid our idols in the grave, lest we should Not willingly the Lord afflicts, nor grieves the

sons of men;
"Tis but to wean our souls from earth and

break the power of sin. He saw us wandering from His path, and sent

the chastening red To turn our feet from error's way and Shall we defeat His wise design and waste our days in tears, Ungrateful for the numerous gifts Heaven in mercy spares?

Let faith and hope be cherished still, brighter days shall dawn. And plants of peace shall spring anew from

HER MARRIAGE GIFT.

seeds of sorrow sown.

-Louise Grant, in Good Housekeeping.

It was Phil Barrada's wedding-day, and the girl he was to have married had jilted him-gone off with another man at the last moment.

That was not all. John Pommery, the banker, was deeply in debt to Barrada, and it had been the tacit understanding that this marriage was to cancel all obligations.

Not that there had been the slightest approach to a bargain, even in thought -Phil loved, and supposed himself loved again-but naturally, he had been more easy in money-matters with the man whose son-in-law he expected to be, than | 1.32" he would have been with a stranger. Phil staggered under the blow, but

the banker seemed crushed. He sat in his elegant library, his hands hanging limp from the arms of his chair, his fine form shranken into pose I care, so long as I have got you?" such a pitiable heap of shame and dismay that few would have known him. Barrada stood by the mantelpiece, his handsome face white, his hands clenched. It was rage that shook his

The manner in which he had been Pommery had chosen. "See here, Pommery!" he said to the overwhelmed banker bitterly. "Rouse

up, man! I want to talk to you. I came here to be married, and I must have my John Pommery stared at him helplessly, with dropped jaw.

"Good heavens, man, don't look at me that way!" exclaimed Barrada, impatiently. "You have other daughters. Let us have a wedding in spite of Rose. thought Rose. But even the memory of Will you do it? I mean it -yes. De- that doubt died now. cide quickly; there is no time to lose." The banker straightened himself, and tried to look a little more rational. "Which -which?" he gasped.

At that moment a young girl, perhaps fifteen, ran into the library. "Papa, are you ill?" she cried in a She was Lil Ponnery, the youngest

of Mr. Pommery's daughters, and possessed the least claims to beauty. She was in white, of course, which made her gipsy skin seem even darker not Lil's. by contrast. But she had splendid big black eyes, which turned in luminous wonder now on Phil Barrada, as he ex- heart, dazzled her sweet true soul more claimed, coming forward and taking than the glitter of gems from a queen's her hand in his:

"Lil, you are sorry for me. You like me a little, I know. Will you put on the bridal-veil your sister has discarded, and come with me and be married tomorrow? I will never let you regret it." Lil's very lips turned white and stiff. Her father put his arm around her. "She is such a child, Barrada," he

said faintly. "All the better," Phil answered stern-ly, keeping fast hold of the little quiver-hunter fashion. He looked just too "All the better," Phil answered sterning hand. "She is more likely to be honest and true. Neither you nor she shall ever regret it, if you give her to me, sir. What do you say, Lil?"

turning her little, dark, startled face the old peacock loose. The old bird towards him. "My child!" "Shall I, papa? Would you like it?" Mr. Pommery drew a long anxious

breath. Such a marriage would keep I saw that swell-hunter break cover money matters on the old footing, and from the woods. He was after quail, to pay Barrada now would break him. It did not take him long to decide. "Yes," he said, "it would gratify me very much, and save us all-your moth-

er and sisters-from great humiliation. "Then I will," said Lil. Her father went himself with her her sisters and mother, and explained briefly. There was not time to get excited, and by the next day all was ready, and

the ceremony was over, almost before anyone had discovered that the bride was Lil. instead of Rose. It was a nine days' wonder, and then was succeeded by some other eccentric corruscation in the fashionable heavens.

Four years went by. Lil had spent them at school, Phil Barrada in traveling. Rose Pommery Stratton was home again, a lovely and interesting widow,

She was entirely dependent on her father, and not too welcome in his house. She almost hated Lil, in her envv of her, as the mistress of Barrada's splendid home. Phil had kept his word, and tried his

hasty and seemingly ill-judged mar-He was the master of large means, and he had helped Mr. Pommery lavish-ly, while he had poured out gifts on Lil,

best that no regrets should follow that

and staved abroad purposely to leave her unembarrassed. They had corresponded freely and constantly, and seemed, neither of them, to have repented. He was coming home now;

pected daily, hourly almost. "Shall certainly be with you by the tenth," he wrote Lil, "and bring with me a marriage-gift for my wife-some Barrada's main income was derived Mrs. Stratton heard, with feelings of

her sister simperingly. "Phil Barrada the moon disappear for a moment under thinks so much of beauty in a woman. I am not sure I ought to risk seeing him

after all that has happened. What would you do if he fell in love with me

over again?" Lil scarcely heard her. She was a good deal more anxious as to what her sband would think about her than she was concerning his falling in love over again with Rose. She was so little self-conscious that

she did not know the plain, darkskinned child had become one of the most beautiful women to be found anywhere.

The time seemed very long to her. The tenth came and went, and still no Barrada. She began to be very anxious. The morning papers of the eleventh brought disastrous news.

The Grand Consolidated Golden Mining Company had gone by the board-burst like a pricked bubble. It was told at the breakfast-table, and

every one turned white but Rose, who burst into an exultant laugh. "That is what keeps him," sneered. "It is to be hoped your present is safe, Lil."

"Rose," said John Pommery almost

fiercely, "another speech like that will cost you the slight welcome you at present have under my roof. Mind it! Lil sat like one turned to stone. Presently she rose, and went out of the room, motioning the others back when they would have followed her.

The next moment a note was brought to the banker, signed "Phil Barrada," and saying: "I am in the library. Come to me without letting Lil know."

"I want to be alone," she said simply.

Smothering an exclamation, Pommery left the room. The two men met agitatedly. "How does she take it?" demanded Phil eagerly. "Shall I go and shoot my-

self, or will you get her a divorce? You can, I dare say," he said, in a jesting tone, that jarred fearfully on his fatherin-law's already shaken nerves. There was a small bay-windowed alcove opening from the library, across which a curtain swung at pleasure.

Neither of the men had noticed that at the first tone of Barrada's voice, this curtain had lifted, and shown Lil, just as she had fled there from the diningroom. As those dreadful words fell from her

husband's lips, she moved towards him. He turned suddenly and saw her, and, notwithstanding the wonderful transformation in her, knew her. The next moment she was in his arms

Pommery stole quietly out of the room. "Let them settle it themselves," he muttered "Why, how is this?" asked Barrada at last, looking fondly down into the radiant, blushing face upon his bosom. "You don't mean to say you love me,

A happy, sweet laugh, and closerclinging arms answered him. "But have you heard? Do you know that misfortunes have overtaken me?" And then, to his amazement, Lil

burst into tears. "Oh, Phil!" she said; "promise me you will never again say such dreadful things as you said just now to papa." "I promise," he answered, laughing. "I was only jesting, anyway, you little cheated was maddening. To have been goose! My money is not gone. I sold deladed until this last sup, me moment. out of the mine over a year ago. Lucky, and then for saken for the creature Rose | wasn't I? Oh, Lil!" holding her off to look at her-"oh, my darling! How beautiful you are!"

> "Am I, indeed? Do I really seem so to you?" cried Lil joyfully. "I have not seen so lovely a face in all my travels," he answered enthusias-

tically "I am so glad!" she said, nestling down into his arms again. It had been almost on her lips to ask if she was as handsome as he once Not for worlds would she have men

tioned her sister. "But all the same," said Phil presenty. "I have brought you a marriage-gift. Wait till you see that. Oh, you needn't look?" he added, laughing. "I haven't got it about me. It wasn't exactly a scared voice, flinging her arms around convenient article to put in my pocket." The gift in question proved to be a jewel-casket of most costly description. enriched with diamond, ruby, and pearl treasures, such as would have turned the head of almost any woman, but did

To find herself beautiful in her husband's eyes, and dearly beloved in his diadem could have done.

Hunting for Grouse.

"Occasionally a mighty Nimrod from the city comes out to hunt game in my neighborhood," said a Greenfield farmer vesterday. "A few days ago I saw a swell of a chap edging up through my sugar bush to the wheat field. He had on long-legged boots, and was toggled purty for anything. He carried a darling of a gun, and he went dodging around as if he expected to start up a Bengal tiger from behind every stump. "Papa?" questioned the girl timidly, I took a short cut to the barn and turned understood what was wanted of him. He pulled down his eye at me and started for the back lots. I followed down along the fence, and pretty soon and he soon sighted the peacock. The bird had his tail fanned out and his head up, and could be seen half a mile away. Nimrod got his gun off his shoulder and began to creep up, and by and by he blazed away. I saw the whole charge of shot tear into the ground yards away from the old bird. but he knew his business. Down he fell, wings and legs flopping, and pretty soon he expired. The young man with the darling of a gun reached him about the same time I did.

"Beautiful shot,' says he. " 'I reckon,' says I, 'but what are you hunting?' "'Grouse,' says he, 'and this is the

finest one I ever saw.

"Grouse, you numskull; but you have killed my peacock!" "Well, the usual results followed. His Denver to Omaha, chin began to quiver, the cold sweat started out, and he wanted to know how much I would take to let him off. I sent him to the house to see the old woman. She has got a way of wiping her eyes and choking her voice over the death of that peacock which always brings in \$5 extra. She let this young swell off for \$10, which is the usual price, and as he started down the highway for Detroit the old bird got up and marched back to the barn with a chuckle that set every hen to laughing. That's five times we've played it on the swell Nimrods within six months, and I expect more fun this summer than a horse can draw."-Detroit Free Press.

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an' p'raps he would like to state his side of de case."

writes a Potomac penciler in the Troy

Nevadaville, Col., a loose rock knocked A. Warren out of the bucket. A piece of jawbone was found at the twelve hundred-foot level and a piece of skull and his coat at the thirteen hundredfoot level. These comprised the recov-

have scarcely half as many. Yet at the beginning of the present century the population of all London did not reach one million. The Paris Figaro has published an article on the "Manufacture of Skeletons," in which the writer says that just out of Paris there is an establishment where human bones of all sorts are collected and, after being carefully prepared, are fastened together with

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come from?" bor and the greater convenience of New Bedford drove its trade away. On board ship the slaps of whalebone, as they are termed in mercantile

SCHOOL AND CHURCH.

-It is estimated that fully one-third

-The schools of Austria have been forbidden using paper ruled in square or diagonal lines, as such paper has

been found to injure the eyesight of pupils. In future only paper plain or ruled straight across is to be employed. -Pastor Schneller, of Bethlehem, now preaches regularly at Hebron, the ancient city where Abraham, Isaac and Jacob were buried. The Gospel has not been preached there since 1187,

esses. In the American Protestant Episcopal Church there are fourteen sisterhoods and two well established Orders of Deaconesses, in the Dioceses -The pronunciation of Latin, as now taught at Harvard, would sound like burlesque to those who learned Latin

Quintilian .- Boston Traveller. -For over three centuries a quaint ceremony has been performed at St. Margaret's, London, over which church Canon Farrar presides. After the Canon, a basket containing nineteen loaves of bread was brought forward, and nineteen aged persons presented themselves at the chancel rail, and each received a loaf and six pence.

his authority for it in a careful study of

New York Medical Society concerning the danger of overtraining in college gymnasiums are not novel, but they are decidedly timely; and coming from so distinguished a source, they will doubtless have some effect. All college authorities, and even the students themselves, have known of late years that if training was overdone, heart and lung troubles were sure to follow. They always have said that in their own particular institutions care was

every community .- Newman Independ-

ward cussedness of a man's nature that buys an accident insurance policy and out so much as a stone bruise .- Phila--"Really," confided Angelina to her

"I see that he has just told a newspaper and that is a pad symptom, you know.' "So it is." - Pittsburgh Chronicle. -One of our brother journalists went into a barber-shop the other day to have his hair cut and fell asleep during the operation. The barber, who awoke

-A great many young men are growing up these days who will likely who had long ago wished she had have often to mention the honorable known when she was well off, and marplace held by their ancestors. They ried a rich man while she could get seem to forget that honorable ancestry him. demand honorable successors, and that any let-down from the high mark of ancestry is rightly charged up by the public as a disgrace. A man may not

One of Sophocles' Traps.

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