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Secret of the Pyramids. A Brooklyn engineer of note, who spent several years in Egyptian exploration, is of opinion that the mystery of the pyramids has been solved.

Tricks of Smugglers. Double-bottomed bottles and other vessels are common contrivances for smugglers. In order not to arouse suspicion they are usually filled with some beverage, beer or wine, and this is duly declared by the man in charge of the vehicle in which they are carried.

Industrious French Workmen. Nearly all the workmen employed in the naval arsenal at Toulon, France, add to their salaries by exercising an other trade during their leisure hours.

Microbe of Gray Hair. They have discovered a new microbe in New York and it is quite popular among actors and society women. It is called the chromophage, its special function being to turn the hair gray at a comparatively early age.

Use of Denatured Alcohol. Not alone among automobilists, engineers and men of commercial pursuits generally is there a deep current of interest apparent in the problem of the adaptability of denatured alcohol to their several needs.

What is Realism? Probably the simplest definition explains realism as the attempt to see and depict the world as it is. Unfortunately, this is meaningless.

Miss Elizabeth Bolt started a factory at Woburn, Mass., on a small scale a few years ago and now employs more than 400 men and women.

Of the more than 2,000 coal tar dyes now in use all but six are poisonous. It is surprising that the chemist makes a mistake now and then and uses one of the 1,994?

The record automobile run of 4,999 miles across the continent took 15 days, two hours and 12 minutes, cost \$1,000 and required 350 gallons of gasoline.

The New York newspaper man who is to marry a rich girl may be a poor reporter without being a poor reporter.

Queer language, ours! When a doctored bank defaulter breaks down he always looks all broken up.

SADDEST PLACE in NEW YORK IT IS BEYOND THE DOOR THAT IS NEVER CLOSED THE FOUNDLING ASYLUM, WHERE EVERY DAY HAS ITS TRAGEDIES THE OLD STORY OF HUMAN FRAILTY

New York.—The saddest place in the city. It is not as though death had given her no choice in the matter. She has absolute choice.

He only wanted the loan of it for a few weeks, as the wife had given birth to her first child and it had died. She was dangerously ill and delirious, and they were afraid unless she had a child to nurse and love the shock would kill her.

After she went out of sight, the Sister of Charity who sits in the little office next to the room with the cradle went in and took the baby in her arms. It was well-dressed and about four weeks old.

Now and then a strange figure comes to the little room, a lone, troubled figure. Out of place and incongruous, the figure will not bother over the appeal of the cradle, but will go straight to the sister in the office

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There was a step in the little room and the sister glanced out. A plump, rosy-cheeked girl of about 19 stood there staring happily around her. She held out a five-dollar bill.

Could Bring Him Back. Gently and tenderly the sister told her it was too late to get her back, that she had left it for good, and no money could bring him back to

stands in a niche the statue of a woman holding a child close to her breast. And every woman who seeks the little low door under the ivy vines holds a child close to her breast, but when she comes away her arms are empty.

Anyone may enter through the doorway. There is no one to stop you of question you as to why you have come. You stand in a small, square room. There is no carpet on the floor, no pictures on the walls.

But the room is not empty. Facing up and down the floor is a woman, hardly past girlhood. She does not look very strong. Her long brown chignon veil is thrown back from her face.

Last Look at Her Child. After a while she lays it down gently in the little white cradle and steps to the door, but there is no sound, and the door still stands open.

Not Usually Fatal Except in the Case of Children. In an article in the September Homekeeper on the "Emergency Treatment of Sudden Illness or Accident," Dr. Kate Lindsay says:

One of the most persistent of popular fallacies is the belief in the "blue storm," or great gale which always appears on or about September 22, to mark the autumnal equinox.

her. The big, round, childish eyes brimmed with tears; she sank down on one of the settees, and poured out in broken, stumbling English her story on the sister's shoulder.

Sometimes, years afterward, a mother will return, seeking trace of the child whom she deserted. She may have married happily, and be an honored, loved wife and mother, but in spite of all there will ring in her ears the last cry of the baby she forsaken, and the memory of the little, frail hands that clung to her, and she back to the little door under the ivy to seek her nameless foundling.

Small Debt Worried Him. Edward Goyette, who lived in Montreal 15 years ago, returned recently and paid the water department \$12.25 which he owed when he left.

Many Visit Sacred City. Benares, the sacred city of India, is visited annually by nearly 2,000,000 pilgrims.

Spider's Wonderful Strength. Recently in the village of Havana, in New York state, an insignificant-looking little garden spider pounced upon a milkmaid, bit it, entangled it in her threads and actually hoisted it off the ground.

Reward of Diligence. The man who attends to his own business will have leisure later to enjoy meddling with other people's.

Open Air Work for Women. Mrs. A. G. Conroy operating a ranch in Colorado where wild flowers are collected and pressed for use in souvenirs and memo cards.

To Give Work to Russian Company. As nothing came of the attempt last year to raise in Beltschew the British loaning with her treasure during the Crimean war, the Russian admiralty officials at Sebastopol now propose to entrust the task of bringing up the treasure to a Russian salvage system.

Opals Found in New South Wales. Valuable finds of opals have been made near Walgett, N. S. W., one patch of stone worth \$200 having been struck, while two miners found a stone for which they received \$200.

Man Made Toilet

The woman hasn't been married very long, and so she has not yet learned all of her duties. She has learned that she is expected to be in good humor most times, and to put away certain things that her lord and master has used and then left where they dropped, with an abiding faith that when he returned that way they would all be nicely again in their places.

It was on the evening of the day of the function that the heroine of this story began leisurely to prepare for it. She had arranged her tresses, and, arrayed in a kimono, was slowly beautifying her nails when her husband rushed into the room.

"Well, I'm ready to begin," he said. "Good; you're a little late; you'd better hurry," replied his better half, absently.

Directly a very cross voice floated over the baluster to her. "You didn't get out one of my dress shirts for me," it said.

"I don't know where your dress shirts are," responded the woman in the case.

"Well, I'll be—blamed," said the voice, and now to the crossness was added a note of astonishment.

"Oh! mother always attended to those things, and I haven't an idea where they are. Just look them up like a good girl."

"The good girl looked up the pearl studs. She found them under some race-track cards and a razor strip in a seldom-opened drawer.

"What else?" she asked, but the irony in her tone was absolutely lost. "A white tie," replied her mate. "I hope there's one here somewhere. You don't know whether there is or not, do you?"

"I haven't worn any of your ties for some time," replied the victim, sedate and found the cravat after an exhaustive search among the man's stockings.

WOMEN WHO CHARM

Health is the first essential. In Ridge Women to Win and Hold Men's Admiration, Respect and Love.



To be a successful wife, to retain the love and admiration of her husband, should be a woman's constant study. At the first indication of ill-health, painful or irregular periods, headache or backache, secure Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and begin its use.

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Legally Her Husband's Heir. Boston had one woman who is legally her husband's heir. She is Mrs. Elmer Carlisle Ripley, one of the assistant superintendents of the public schools of the city and the wife of Principal Fred H. Ripley, of the Longfellow school of Roxbury.

Sheer white goods, in fact, any fine wash goods when new, owe much of their attractiveness to the way they are laundered, this being done in a manner to enhance their textile beauty.

Wild Animals on the Ocean. A scientist has made some interesting observations as to the love of different wild animals for the sea. The polar bear, he says, is the only one that takes naturally to the sea, and is quite jolly when aboard ship.

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