Chauncey Depew's Opinion of the Sex as After Dinner Orators.

COMPLIMENT TO MRS. BALLINGTON BOOTH

The Great Salvationist Believes the Gift Lies in the Cause She Espouses, Not in Herself-Fritis of Feminine Fashion.

"I do not see," gold Chauncey Depew the other day to a reporter of the New York why women should not become successful after dinner speakers. There is a possibility of them becoming even more popular in this art than men. I do not know but what it would be a lucrative pro fession for some bright, clever woman to adopt. But it would not be worth the effort it would cost unless there was especial

What do you consider the requirements for a successful after dinner speaker, particularly in women?" I asked.
"One of the first essentials to build upor

would be a 'ready thinker,' combined with fluent and graceful speaking, a pleasing personality, a sparkling supply of wit and humor and well studied diction. All these attributes are absolutely necessary to a suc-

cessful after dinner speaker," he replied.
"One of the finest after dinner speeches ever listened to was delivered after a theat-rical supper, just as the gray mist of the morning was giving way to daybreak, by Fanny Davenport at the Hoffman house. Fanny was then in her prime, and a prettier picture I seldom look upon, or a pret-tier speech I seldom listen to, as she stood there addressing the dinner party. Her words and movements were poetic, and the talent displayed phenomenal.

"Mrs. James Pender of London is another and entertaining after dinner She never fails to please her most fastidious hearers.
"Lady Evans, who was Miss de Grass-

Stevens Van Wart of New York, now wife of Sir Francis Evans, Gladstonian member for Southampton, England, made all the after dinner and afternoon speeches for her husband, in his absence, during his last election, and she proved to be a universal favorite, a fascinating speaker, and very much sought after as an after dinner

"Brooklyn can boast of one or two won derfully talented women who are known as successful after dinner speakers. But the very best after dinner address I ever listened to by a woman was delivered, unex pectedly, by Mrs. Ballington Booth. If sh would adopt the profession to the exclusion of all else I think she would be the greatest success the world has ever known among women after dinner speakers, and equally as good as any of the other sex I have ever Her well chosen words are forceful still dainty and poetic, her attitudes are graceful, and she would always be the magnet of a dinner party as a speaker. She is original, practical and entertaining, and I predict a bright and successful future for her in this calling, should she ever adopt

After hearing such glowing accounts of ch praiseworthy women who are the public as after dinner speakers from the crowned king of after dinner speakers, I sought an interview with them. The following is what Mrs. Ballington Booth said about her ideas of women as after dinner speakers, her experiences and why she does

speakers, her experiences and why she does not follow it as a profession:
"I am quite sure that Hon. Chauncey Depew is far more qualified to speak upon this question than myself, hence his opinion would be far more valuable. Still, as have spoken occasionally in what might be described as after dinner speeches, and as I have very definite opinions upon the sub far as I am personally concerned, I will give them to you, lest any misunderstanding should arise concerning my work in this direction.

'I have not done so very much after dinner speaking, eight or ten times at the most, and then only when I felt that there was a good opening and opportunity for introduc-ing the subject of my other work to people who could not be reached in any other way. and whose interest and influence might be made materially useful to the lost and outcast ones whose cause we champion

'If I have been successful in this style of speaking it has, in my opinion, been en tirely due to my theme and not to me as My life work and my religion are vital subjects, burnt into my very soul by God, and as I speak always and only on these subjects I talk from the heart, not the head, of living truths, not fancies or senti-ment or fiction. To talk naturally and with real (not assumed) feeling, are two great essentials to public speaking, and those who live in their subject and speak out from a heart inspiration are bound to lose self consciousness, and being moved themselves, they carry their audience with them without effort. Besides, we believe that God, whose message we deliver, if we deliver it faith fully, will Himself inspire our hearts as He did His messengers of old."

"I should imagine that dinner itself was the greatest hindrance in the way of after dinner speakers. I have never taken part in such a dinner, but I have been on hand at its conclusion to fill my part of the My first reason for this is that I am Salvationist, and costly banquets are dis tasteful to us, as well as inconsistent our lives, which are consecrated to God for the seeking and saving of the poor and out-cast. I should feel the shadow of this inconsistency hanging heavily over me while I pictured the need, misery and sorrow of the poor, had I just been partaking of costly viands. Consequently, speaking is far easier and can be done with less effort if one has eaten sparingly, and I think this applies to the brief and sociable after dinner speaking as well as to public platform addresses. If you are to speak at all, you must speak well—that is, you must do your best and make a mark. You must do something worth doing, even if the time allotted to you be only ten or fifteen minutes. In my pointon those who talk only for the sake of talking had better remain silent.

The French nature, which apparently in many cases is thoroughly superficial and keenly anxious for new sensations, provided they are unique and pleasurable as well, has lately been more than satisfied by the "di vorce dinner," a species of entertainment that could not by any possibility pass off with the slightest degree of success in any country other than France, or in any company other than a French one

The invitations tell the party invited that they are expected to dine with Mme. A. B or C in order to celebrate her happy libera-tion from Monaleur A, B or C, says the Philadelphia Times, and sometimes to offer cor gratulations on her approaching marriage with Monsieur D. It apears that it is not with Monsieur D. It apears that it is not good form for a divorced man to give an af-fair of this sort to a mixed company. He privileged only to invite his men friends ne women may rejoice openly and and their friends of both sexes are

expected to be joyful with them.

It is said that the desire to give one of unique affairs has made it positively unsafe for a woman to introduce a husband worth keeping to another woman. Frequently an engagement precedes even the divorce, though such a peculiar state of af-fairs, it is needless to remark, is of too Frenchy a description to ever be understood nations who hold the marriage tie in The flip and trivial way sacred reverence. of looking at certain matters that to us ap-pear most consequential gives the French nation its reputation for artificiality, and is the spirit that prompts and carries out such affairs as "divorce dinners."

For the nonce fluffy tresses are the style Women were went to brush their hair down; now they brush it up, comb it up and blow it up with a fan to produce the effect of thistledown and corn tassels, says the New World's hairdresser.

The hair is first done up dry, then crimped all over and finally dressed, the coffure being suggested by the style of the hat. There is a quantity of bottled stuff for the head toilet, but by all odds the best, cheapest and most satisfactory is layender water. The sicohol, which is the "body" of all tell t waters, refreshes, if it does not entirely cleanse the scalp; it stimulates the setton of the glands, and, as it evaporates, the offensive odors of perspiration are carried

GRACEFUL WOMEN SPEAKERS | hair dry, glossy and comparatively sweet,

which nothing else will do.
Violet water, too, makes a nice shampoo, but it lacks the essential oil of the lavender, and, moreover, it is not as refreshing. These waters are only recommended for well-kept keads of dry, coarse hair. For the vast 40,000 who have not the con-

veniences for good grooming and brushing bay rum will be found excellent. When the water is all over the scalp rack the hair with a coarse comb and then brush until the head is red, hot and clean, and the hair is dry and fluffy. For naturally only tresses this is one of the quickest methods of dry

little fine scent of violet, lilac hyacinth, sandal wood, valley lily or Egyptian lily goes a long ways as a hair cleaner. A tablespoonful is enough to perfume and bring out the natural gloss of the hair, but it is not cleansing nor to be used on only hair.

Somebody asked Miss Benfey, the parlor reader, who had just finished a winter's work in this city and gone to California for long tour, how she found her fashionable audiences in the matter of appreciation says the New York Times. "The average fashionable audience, she said, is very sympathetic and easy to read to; the exceptional is politely cold and hypocritical and like a stone wall to the reader. A person who has never tested an audience she went on, "can have no idea of the dif-ference it makes to a performer what the response is. One of my best patrons, a wealthy and well known society woman, has me frequently to read at her house privately. I find on such occasions herself and one or two other women, never more than three, in full evening dress, awaiting me. They are all intelligent, cultivated women, but those evenings exhaust me morthan any other work I do. I cannot seen to move my hearers. It is not the want of sympathy of numbers, for I read one evening to an actress alone, and she crice and laughed and fluttered in response every emotion of the sentences. I do no

know what it is, but it is there. Another hard reading is that I undertake for families. Some of the most interesting work have had this season has been in the pub-lic school course managed by Hon. Seth Low and Felix Adler. Over in Seventieth street and First avenue I read one evening to an audience mainly of the parents of the school children. I used the 'Tale of Two Cities,' There was little applause, ex cept for the peasant scene, but they followed me closely, swaying in their chairs and answering the fipe passages with their eyes. Another of these audiences, mostly hoys, showed the power of George Eliot They understood Adam Bede without know ing why. And here, by the way, is a curious bit about Prof. Oliver, the mathe-matician of Cornell. He chanced to be one of my hearers at a reading not long ago wondered whether it was a scientific facthat the mind of a mathematician moved more quickly than other minds. I should like to know.

The seats in a Broadway cable car were all occupied the other day when a pretty woman, escorted by a man of distinguished appearance, entered. There was a mo-ment's pause before a gentleman sitting a few places away from the door rose and yielded his place to the lady. With a courteous "Thank you," she took the seat, and both men raised their hats in further recognition of the act of politeness. After a short ride the lady and gentle man got off.

"Do you know," asked the hunband when they reached the street, "to whom you were indebted for a seat just now?" "No," wonderingly replied the wife; "do

"Yes," was the quiet answer; "he the man who defeated me," and, if Mrs. W. B. Hornblower made a vehement exclamation, Senator David B. Hill must no ascribe it to non-appreciation of his cour-tesy, but to the wifely loyalty and pride for which she is famed among her friends

A writer recently contributed a paper t a magazine on the subject of "Child Study," advocating its incorporation into the curriculi of our colleges and universities. The writer has been forestalled by eight years in the Mothers' club of Milwaukee, which sprang into being and has existed for no other purpose than to comprehend the child in all his phases, physical, mental and

The first department of child life was comparatively exhausted very soon. Bath-ing, diet, hygienic living were studied and comprehended, and in about a year the club passed from a discussion of the physical welfare of the child to a consideration of his mental being, and the members dived down among educational problems taking as the basis of their work Bain': 'Education" and Spencer's work on educa

In this connection the local schools came under inspection and criticism, and the woman's school alliance was born to a distinctive work.

About this time, too, says the Milwauke Journal, the Mothers' club became interested in the Froebellan theories of child culture and engaged Miss Elizabeth Harrison of the Chicago kindergartens to give a course of lectures before it and its friends. From Froebel to psychology wasn't a very step, and when the club took up that ab sorbing study many of the puzzling mora questions that mothers have to settle were discussed at the meetings. The theories of James, Spencer and Sully were studied, and when the club became deeply interested in the many problems of heredity, Dr. Birge of the state university came to lectured before it, the fathers being asked

to come in and listen on that occasion.

Much like this club is the Mothers' society of Brooklyn, which grew from a parlor meet-ing of half a dozen women ten years ago into the organization which today stands chief sponsor for the Froebel academy in he sister city-an institution of education unique even among Froebel institutions and to which educators come for ideas from namy parts of the country.

Child study has been begun, and by the nost competent of persons-the mothers.

A pretty story is going the rounds about Rosa Bonheur. Some time ago a Russian grand duke was visiting Paris, and chanced to dine in her company. They got on very well, and at desert they are philopena together-that is to say, they shared a double almond. But the duke, when next day they met, forgot to say "philopena," and lost the bet. He asked the artist what lost the bet. He asked the artist what present he should give her, and she added aughingly: "Any animal that would do to ething pretty, you know.' paint; som duke smiled and departed

Nothing more was heard of him, and the lady had quite forgotten the affair, when some months afterwards, the royal forfeit arrived-towit, three enormous polar bears

A popular woman writer insists that one of the most effective ways in which a woman may do missionary work is that of horoughly training every servant that falls The universal plea that just as ne has assimilated our approved methods she shakes off the dust (alast too often lit-eral dust) of our culinary department she inswers by the assertion that this is a selfish view to take of the case. She point out the obvicus fact that if each house keeper would conscientlously put her own interests outside the matter and go seriusly to work to revise and improve domestic servants for the good of the cause the number of efficient helpers could but be steadily increasing. As it is, there is only now and then a woman who does her duty by the kitchen, and consequently that branch of home life is slowly deteriorating

When a New York house that has been pristocrat in its time is torn down i proves a treasure to some of the folks of the town. Doors of old house in Bleecker and Hudson streets are proudly pointed to as doing their normal duty in some uptown nansion, whose mortar is hardly dry, and nantels and wainscoting are equally sought and applied. A colonial mansion belonging and applied. to the Gociet estate was, not long ago, dis-mantled, and the artist, Millet, got pos-session of the woodwork in one of its rooms. This he had set up in his studio, and from t painted the beautifully truthful interior which forms so fine a background for his two women in "How the Gossip Grew"—one

of his most popular pictures. FASHION NOTES.

Coarse, pliable straws are a special feaaway. There is just enough oil and fragrance in the lavender flowers to "dress" and perfume the hair. Even if allowed to dry, without combing or brushing, it leaves the

The use of French cashmere is revived It drapes beautifully, and combines prettily with changeable taffeta silks, Tropical suiting is a new fabric for travand morning gowns. It is light in weight and has a smooth surface.

Plaids are coming in again. Fine little checks, with green, yellow and black com-bined, are the favorite mixture in taffeta A new kind of fine India muslin, beauti

fully embroidered with ivory-colored thread in various light designs, is being used in place of lace draperies. A cool gray green is one of the new colors which gave a hint of its existence last year, and now appears in silks and crepons under

the name of 'roseau.' An odd and rather expensive collar band is formed of ostrich feathers fastened at the back with a diamond buckle. A tie of white lace, gathered double, finishes the

A new material called "bure" is being used in Paris. It is coarsely woven, like canvas or nun's veiling, with heavy threads,

and has a fancy surface which gives it the appearance of being heavy. An odd gown for spring is made in semi tailor fashion, with skirt and long coat basque of fawn cloth, vest of pale pink chiffon, ornamented with rosettes of the same, and single revers of Danish leather. Eton jackets have taken on the addition of

circular frills about six inches deep, which form a basque. The front turns back in wide revers, and is sometimes buttoned with one or two buttons at the waist The latest riding habits have a patent at tachment of springs and hooks which will promptly fly apart in case of accident, and

leave the rider free, making it impossible to be dragged from the saddle. The Roumanian blouse, which is now a great favorite, is made of white Japanese surah or taffeta silk, and has for trimming velvet dog collar and wide belt, embroidered with jet, gold and colored spangles.

Cotton crepon is a desirable material for summer gowns, and it can be had in black and all the light tints. It is especially recommended for its laundry qualifications, as it washes perfectly and requires no ironing. It is difficult to discover a real novelty in fans, but a pretty and inexpensive kind when closed, resembles a series of colored rounded frills, edged with tinsel; these ac ord with the gown and give much effect at little cost.

Turquoise and odd shades of pink and green are seen in the new chiffons. This material, when made up into fancy neckwear and bodice trimmings, is often edged with satin baby ribbon in white or black, and the effect is novel and pretty.

The rage for chiffon must be at its height for it can hardly be employed in more ways than at the present time. It trims wool and silk dresses alike, frilled on in narrow ruffle to take the place of lace. And entire dresse: are made of this gauzy stuff.

"Sans Gene" is the name of a short waisted cute little jacket made of velvet and jetted or embroidered, which is one of the novelties of the season. It is out square across the waist at the back, square in front s sleeveless, and worn over any pretty

FEMININE NOTES.

Greek ladies had steel and brass mirrors parasols, fans and smelling bottles. The family boot and shoe stretcher, with corn and bunion pieces of brass, is a modern

Miss Jennie Forsyth of Boston has been appointed right worthy grand superintendent of the Juvenile Templars of the World. In the sixteenth century no lady was con

at her breast. It was oval in shape, about 4x6 inches in size. The question whether a female claiming to

be a "lady" was libeled by being called a "woman" has been decided by a British judge and jury in the negative. Mrs. J. Pierpont Morgan is credited with the intention of erecting a monument over the unmarked grave of brave Molly Pitcher of revolutionary celebrity, which lies near West Point, adjacent to the Morgan country seat at Highland Falls on the Hudson.

Worth, the man milliner, while not a robust man, is fond of manly exercise and spends much of his spare time in a gymis arbitrary in his l lations with his customers and will not per mit the selection of any material he does not think will be "becoming."

Mrs. Virginia C. Meredith of Cambridge City, Ind, proprietor of one of the finest Shorthorn herds in the country, is writing for the Breeders Gazette a series of able papers on women as farmers. She believe there is no spot equal to a farm for at once furnishing a competence and enabling a woman to establish a beautiful home and bring up her children nobly.

Mme. Bernhardt says her most trying task is the fitting on of dresses. It is im-possible to get dressmakers—their eyes being vitiated by the long habit of the corset tight body and abrupt hip and dorsal curves—to follow properly the lines of the body, or to indicate them in seeming to veil them. When a dress is a success sevveil them. eral copies are taken of it.

The newspaper woman finds herself ofter sort of clearing house for points from friends to other women. One of these drifted in lately: 'Do advise women who own cameos to clean them. I have seen so many dirty cameos lately on women of therwise elegant appearance. easily cared for by brushing with tepid, lightly soapy water.'

Few people know that the beautiful lacknown as Fayal lace is made from the fibers of the leaves of the bitter aloe, a relative of the common century plant. This lace is manufactured by women, and the neces sary skill is so rarely attained that there are but about twenty-five persons on the islands-the Azores-who can make it. The art needs to be practiced from childhood. In these days curious occupations are constantly developing. A late one is that o "shoebreaker." An English woman will, for half a crown a pair, take your new shoes and wear them long enough to take off the tight stiffness that new shoes are apt to have. It takes about three days to ng them to the happy condition of com which poets sing of, and in busy time she has as many as six pairs going at once wearing each two hours every day.

### INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

England will use American letter boxes. Australia makes horse shoes of cowhides New England cotton manufacturers will ould branches in the south. New York is to have a slot machine that

vill furnish gas. France is manufacturing a new kind of from solidified petroleum and other materials. Electrically operated machinery is used

a considerable extent at the Joliet works of the Illinois Steel company. Petroleum has been used by W. E. Crane of Waterbury, Conn., as a fuel for heating crucibles in which alloys are to be made and, in view of the low price of petroleum compared to coal in some localities, the pro-

cess is of much interest. A wonderful nugget of tin has been discovered in the mines of North Dundas, Tas-It is estimated to weigh 5,400 The assay of a small piece shows mania. that the large mass of ore contains 67 per cent of metallic tin.

The thickest known coal seam in the world is the Wyoming, near Twin Creek in the Green river coal basin, Wyoming It is eighty feet thick with only one thin parting of shale near the roof, and upwards f 300 feet of solid coal underlie the property of 4,000 acres.

To do the work now accomplished by ower and power machinery in our mechan cal industries and upon our railroads, says Carroll D. Wright, would require men representing a population of 172,500,000, in addition to the present population of the country of 65,000,000, or a total population, with hand processes and with horse power, 227.500,000, which population would obliged to subsist upon present means. an economic view the cost to the country would be enormous. The present cost of operating the railroads of the country with steam power is, in round numbers, \$502, 690,000 per annum, but to carry on the same amount of work with men and horses would cost the country \$11,308,500,000,

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IN HAUNTS OF THE SOCIAL EXILE

A Thrilling Episode with "Harity's Son" and Its Finale-How Charley's Girl Was Saved-Marriage of Americans

on the European Plan

MONTEREY, Mex., March 30 .- (Correspondence of The Bee.)-Among all the odd things in Mexico there is nothing more pecuvery exclusive gentleman and is usually tired of this place. As Monterey is so close to the border it is very convenient for Americans who find it desirable to travel in foreign countries. This accounts for the large American colony, as it is called, here, In one hotel alone there are eight gentlemen for whom it wonld be inconvenient to return to the states. And, strange as it may seem, they do nothing to conceal that fact, but are quite free in telling you that some people are too anxious to meet them

When the writer registered at this hotel and mentioned the fact that he was here for his health the proprietor said in the most indifferent way imaginable: "Yes, yes, of course, I understand, but, sir, we never ask any questions in this house." I was mystified and could not rest until I asked some one what he meant. So spotting a saintly-looking old gentleman, I sat down beside him, offered him a cigar and started a conversation on general subjects, gradually leading up to the subject. At last I broke out with, "What does that man mean by saying that no questions are asked in this house? I am here for my health and would just as lief answer questions as not."

and they fancy they will not return for

The old man turned around in his chair, looked me full in the face, smiled and said:

"You'll do, my boy; you're all right; ome have a drink." The mystery was only growing darker and I was almost convinced that I was getting mixed up in an insane asylum, but was prepared to investigate matters, so followed my newly made friend into the "cantina." There he clapped me on the back and said:

my boy; but you know among ourselves we never try to disguise facts; there is no use t don't go."

The truth flashed across my mind. He considered me a criminal. It was per-fectly evident to me that all the talking I could do would never convince the man otherwise. So we dratik as friends and

"That talk is all right among the ladies,

NOTHING BUT MONEY.

Another friend of mine who is young, as well as the best dressed man in town, was blowing himself. He said that is what he is here for, and in a little over a year had spent \$15,000. We ate many a good dinner together where the champagne was paid for by some corporation, bank or individual at the rate of \$6 a bottle. Of course as a guest I could not ask any questions. Another acquaintance of mine flashed upon

me a package of United States greenbacks containing \$2,000, and said, "just as soon as this is gone." That night as he was returning from a visit to his girl he was held up by two Mexicans and robbed of his money. He told a friend of mine he sus-pected me of having a hand in the robbery, for he said I was the only man to whom he had shown the money. My friend became highly enraged and challenged him to fight a duel. The challenge was accepted, but the time the fight was to come off the fel low had disappeared.

Another fellow who spends his money very

freely confessed to me that the cause of his sojourn in Mexico was his attractiveness to

the women. "Oh." he said, "they are all after me. I would be a real good boy if they would only leave me alone." He began to discuss the matter and said: "Now look here in Mexico." where the women don't appreciate my style of beauty, I have no trouble. I attend to my business; they to theirs. I have been here six months and haven't married a single woman." I sympathized with him and we became fast friends. One day when he was very despondent he said he wished he were down here through financial difficulties and not on account of a few crazy women. "Why," he said, "if a fellow has stolen some money he can go home and give himself up. but if I go home some addle-pated father or brother will shoot me, and I am not looking for any such excitement. I tell you what, my boy, if you can't play the Don Juan any better than I did don't try it, but marry and settle down; it's more comfortable

HARITY'S SON.

This story which is about a New Yorke met here, shows that even criminals will sometimes forget themselves. This man is about 35 years of age, of pleasing address and frank, easy manners. He had been introduced to me under the name of Moody and as I had no reason for suspicion I o course thought it his right name. One thing I noticed about him was that he neve mentioned his former life except to say that he was a New Yorker. But as he seemed so honest and not very talkative I thought very little of it. One evening we were scated on the plaza opposite the hotel. conversation had taken in a variety of sub jects, until at last we began discussing "situations and desirable jobs." I told him what I would consider as a desirable position and then Moody said: "I will tell you how I got jobs when I was a young fellow. It wasn't any trouble at all then. I would go to the office of the man from whom I wanted employment and say I'm Harity's son and that would get me the situation every time." "'Harity?' I questioned, and as I did so the man started as though he had received an electric shock, rose fully a foot from the bench, and then sank back and stare me in the face. I smiled. That smile That smile seemed to reassure him. Turning his eyes heavenward, his limbs became stiff and numb-the man had a violent spasm.

rubbed his hands and face as he murmured unintelligible words. At last he seemed to regain consciousness, and opening his eyes stared at me with a look that made In a few moments more he smiled and said quite calmly:
"Miles, I never dreamt you were a detective, but it is all up with me now. In an instant I realized the full meaning of the scene. His real name was Harity and not Moody, and he had unconsciously given it away. He thought me a detec tive on his track, but I would not have

known that man's secret for \$1,000.
"Moody," I said, "I'm not a detective."
He turned to me and asked, "how then did you know my name was Harity? "Why," I said, "you just told me you were Harity's aon."
"Did I? Did I?" he exclaimed;" I'm a

fool, that's what I am." And then he began to laugh a wild, hys-terical laugh, and I left him. That night he disappeared, and I have never heard of him

CHARLEY'S GIRLS.

Charley had a room adjoining mine, bu he was so occupied I saw but little of him Once I asked him if he was married, and he said. "no, not married, but living." "With an American or Mexican? I asked. "Hoth," he answered.
Shortly after this Charley suddenly left

town, and the day following I answered many questions as to his whereabouts. A Mexican woman hung around his room day, and when night Came a young Ameri can woman about 25 years of age, remark ably good looking, called and inquired for Charley. In answer to her questions I told her he had gone home. This was very welcome news to her, as she immediately dropped into a chair and fainted away. dropped into a chair and lainted away, rushed about crying for help, but as no one came, I doused a pitcher of water over her and she soon returned to consciousness.

She stared about in a very idiotic way and talked of Charley in a very compromising way. At last she became furious and used such language as only a Texan woman can use. To make a suitable climax in tirade against poor Charley she pulled out a little pearl-handled revolver, and brand-



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ishing it in the air, told in detail how she would blow Charley's brains out if she were ever fortunate enough to meet him again. did not argue the case with her, but now suggested that she give me the gun for safe-keeping. She said, "Yes, you can have it to remember me by," and, as I pocketed it, she drew from the mysterious folds of her dress a bottle of laudanum and before I could catch her hand she had swallowed the contents. Now, I am a bashful man before women even when they behave themselves;

when one faints away, pulls a revolver and poisons herself all in five minutes I am un-nerved. There she sat with an empty bottle in her hand and I was petrified.
my wits I ran for a doctor. I Regaining with me, pumped her out and said the only way to keep her alive was to keep her awake. thought the matter over and could not see now I was interested in keeping her awake She wasn't my girl. Why or alive either. didn't Charley take care of his own girl and not leave her around as a burden to other people? These questions of course remained unanswered. There was no one clse to keep her awake so I undertook the job. I brought her out on the plaza and walked her up and down, which was no easy matter at first, but after a time she seemed to walk mechanically. The doctor had promised to relieve me at 11 o'clock, but at 12 he had not arrived. So I hired a cogidor to walk her about while I went to find the doctor. When I found him we returned to the plaza, but nowhere could we find Charley's girl or the cogidor. At last we inquired of a stræger. Yes, he had seen a policeman leading them to the station. We reached the station just as they were shutting them in a cell. The doctor explained that the girl had been poisoned and she was returned to us. We then brought her to the doctor's house and put her in charge of the doctor's wife, and then I saw the last of Charley'

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