

## A Summer Outing.

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Horn range. A pair of mischievous little pine squirrels grew familiar with us, and at each meal waited impatiently for our table crumbs, while a number of magpies with galloping flight and fretful scoldings, hovered near all day. It was wonderful how quickly, under the stimulus of pure air and out-of-door life, appetite and strength increased. Mountains that we at first pronounced too steep and high to climb were ascended without difficulty later. Each day brought a change of program. Fishing, hunting, berrying, mountain climbing, gathering flowers, taking views and lounging in camp in easy chairs and hammocks were all ours, and we enjoyed them to the fullest. Target practice with .22 calibre rifles became a popular amusement, and in these contests the true aim and steady nerves of the women won for them many records which, in comparison with those made by the sterner sex, amply justified the chaffing that followed. The day's enjoyments reached their climax when, under the ample awning of our dining room, the evening camp fire was lighted. Then it was that the day's experiences were related, stories told, plans for the morrow made and jokes indulged in, while songs and instrumental music awoke latent echoes in woods and mountains near and far.

When the time at length arrived for breaking camp it was with feelings of sincere regret that we set about preparations for returning to our city homes. It was then that we first realized that all unconsciously we had acquired a sense of ownership in our beautiful surroundings, a feeling that resented, as unwarranted intrusion, the inevitable coming of strangers after we had gone. It was easy to imagine on that last morning that the music of the water was more subdued and filled with minor strains, that the eyes of our saucy little squirrels looked regret for our parting, and that the querulous notes of the magpies were changed to protesting farewells, and as we turned our faces homeward, rested, reinvigorated and happy, we felt that we were better men and women for having lived even for so short a time "near to Nature's heart."

The half has never been told, but it isn't woman's fault.—Town Topics.

## IDEAL AND REAL.

## THE MAN SHE DREAMS ABOUT.

About thirty years of age.  
Six feet tall.  
Very dark.  
Very commanding.  
Princely bearing.  
Stylish.  
Flashing white teeth.  
Clean shaven.  
Bright.  
Witty.  
Intellectual.  
Athletic.  
Native New Yorker.  
College graduate.  
Money—not considered.

## THE MAN SHE MARRIES.

Age, fifty-five.  
Undersized.  
Slightly gray and inclined to baldness.  
Upper teeth fake.  
Stoop-shouldered.  
Mustache and whiskers.  
Invalid.  
Chicago man.  
Millionaire.

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MARY JOHNSTON.

Nothing is more noticeable in both "To Have and To Hold" and "Prisoners of Hope" than the author's love of Nature, which finds expression in charming descriptions of the Virginia mountains among which she spent her childhood; and it is not less noticeable and is equally refreshing and restful in the pictures of the Tidewater section of the Old Dominion with which she is equally familiar. Buchanan, the little Virginia town in which Miss Johnston was born, is situated on the James where it breaks through the Blue Ridge. The surrounding country is a region of mountains and valleys, of forests and running waters, and in her childhood the author of "To Have and To Hold" was never

so happy as when rambling up and down the river, or over the mountain sides and through the beautiful woods in which the region abounds. There were in the family two old and faithful servants, and with either of these for guardian Miss Johnston and her sisters were allowed to roam the country-side at will. The town itself was so small that a walk of a mile in any direction brought one into the deep woods or up on the mountain side. It was an almost ideal environment for a child fond of nature as she was; and the impressions of those early days have furnished most of the beautiful pictures of forest and mountain and sky in both of her romances.

Why David B. Hill Wears  
A Silk Hat.

There are probably no two men in Albany, says The Saturday Evening Post, so nearly alike and so much unlike as ex Governor David B. Hill and Governor Theodore Roosevelt. Both men are fighters, although their methods differ. Both are brave and eloquent, and each received his office from a political party with which he in many respects differed. The two Governors often meet, and there is usually a little quiet fun between them when they come together. Both men have the gift of saying sharp things. Not long ago the New York State newspaper men gave a banquet at Stanwix Hall, in Albany, and among the guests of honor were the two Governors. Colonel Roosevelt came first. He wore an evening suit and his famous brown sombrero made famous by the Rough Riders. It was a combination costume at once original and picturesque. Among the last of the guests to arrive was Mr. Hill, who was conventionally attired, even to his silk hat.

"Ah!" exclaimed Colonel Roosevelt in his peculiar staccato manner, as he grasped Mr. Hill's hand, "now we have with us a real Albany swell. Governor Hill is the only man here tonight with a silk hat."

"I've got a slouch hat myself," returned Mr. Hill softly, "but I left it at home. I've given up wearing it since I went out of the advertising business." Then dinner was announced and the remainder of the evening passed pleasantly.

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A New York gentleman has a very fine Angora cat, and so fine a specimen of her kind that she is famous in a large circle of fashionable folk. She is not rugged in health, yet she cannot be persuaded to take physic. It has been put in her milk, it has been mixed with her meat, it has even been rudely and violently rubbed in her mouth, but never has she been deluded or forced into swallowing any of it. Last week a green Irish girl appeared among the household servants. She heard about the failure to treat the cat. "Sure," said she, "give me the medicine and some lard and I'll warrant she'll be eating all I give her." She mixed the powder and the grease and smeared it on the cat's sides. Pussay at once licked both sides clean and swallowed all the physic. "Faith," said the servant girl, "everybody in Ireland does know how to give medicine to a cat."—Our Dumb Animals.

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