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Of all the forms the rhymesters choose,
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Since Theseus slew the Minos calf, No form doth save afflatus so,
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Ever beneficent, sweet and refined to you.
Doomed though you seemed-one might swear without perjury-
Doomed to the practise of physic and surgery,
Yet, growing weary of pills and physicianing,
Off to the Arctic you packed, expeditioning.
Roving and dreaming, Ambition, that heady sin, Gave you a spirit too restless for medicine;
That, I presume, as Romance is the quest of us,
Made you an Author-the same as the rest of us.
Ah, but the rest of us clamor distressfully,
"How do you manage the game so successfully? Tell us, disclose to us how under Heaven you Squeeze from the inkpot so splendid a revenue!" Then, when you'd published your volume that vindicates England's South African raid (or the Syndicate's), Pleadin:- that Britain's extreme bellicosity Wasn't (as most of us think) an atrocityStraightway they gave you a cross with a chain to it(Oh, what an konor! I could not attain to it, Not if I lived to the age of Methusalem!)-

Made you a Knight of St. John of Jerusalem! Faith! as a teller of tales you've the trick with you! Still there's a bone I've been longing to pick with you: Holmes is your hero of drama and serial; All of us know where you dug the material Whence he was moulded-'tis almost a platitude; Yet your detective, in shameless ingratitudeSherlock your sleuthhound with motives ulterior Sneers at Poe's "Dupin" as "very inferior!" Labels Gaboriau's clever "Lecoq," indeed, Merely "a bungler," a creature to mock, indeed! This, when your plots and your methods in story owe More than a trifle to Poe and Gaboriau, Sets all the Muses of Helicon sorrowing. Borrow, Sir Knight, but be decent in borrowing! Still let us own that your bent is a cheery one, Little you've written to bore or to weary one, Plenty that's slovenly, nothing with harm in it, Much with abundance of vigor and charm in it. Give me detectives with brains analytical Rather than weaklings with morals mephiticalStories of battles and man's intrepidity Rather than wails of neurotic morbidity! Give me adventures and fierce dinotheriums Rather than Hewlett's ecstatic deliriums! Frankly, Sir Conan, some hours I've eased with you And, on the whole, I am pretty well pleased with you.
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## Mr. Pepys Passes a Fairly Pleasant. Christmas

(This is taken from the Diary of Samuel Pepys, December 25, 1662.) 25th (Christmas Day). Up pretty early, leaving my wife not well in bed, and with my boy walked, it being a most breve, cold and dry frosty morning, and had a pleasant walk to White Hall, where I intended to have received the Communion with the family, but I came a little too late. So I walked up into the house and spent my time looking over pictures, particularly the ships in King Henry the VIIIth's Voyage to Bullen; marking the great difference between their build then and now. By and by down to the chappell again, where Bishop Morley preached upon the song of the Angels, "Glory to God on high, on earth peace, and good will towards men." Methought he made but a poor sermon, but long, and reprehending the mistaken jollity of the Court for the true joy that shall and ought to be on these days, he particularized concerning their excess in plays and gaming, saying that he whose office it is to keep the gamesters in order and within bounds, serves but for a second rather in a duell, meaning the groom-porter. Upon which it was worth observing how far they are come from taking the reprehensions of a bishop seriously, that they all laughed in the chappell when he reflected on their ill actions and courses. He did much press us to join these publique days of joy and hospitality. But one that stood by whispered in my ear that the Bishop himself do not spend one groat to the poor himself. The sermon donc. a good anthem followed, and then the King came down to receive the Sacrament. But I staid not, but calling my boy from the Lord's lodgings, and giving Sarah some good advice, by my Lord's order, to be sober and look after the house, I walked home again with great pleasure, and there dined by my wife's bed-side with great content, having a mess of brave plum-porridge and a roasted pullet for dinner, and I sent for a mince-pie abroad, my wife not being well to make any herself yet. After dinner sat talking a good while with her, her pain being become less, and then to see Sir W. Pen a little, and so to my office, practising arithmetique alone and making an end of last night's book with great content till eleven at night, and so home to supper and to bed.

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No, the author's business is to turn out enough copy to supply the demand. Somebody in every publishing house should read and edit manuscripts before they are intrusted to the intelligent compositor; thus would worthy authors be spared the mortification of realizing too late that they had inflicted painfully bad English, unintentionally funny French or German phrases, and all sorts of anachronisms upon a trustful public. In a recently published historical romance of the year 1664 or thereabout, one Angus McAlpine, an ardent adherent of the House of Stuart, is made to sing defiantly, "the cavalier song then in vogue":
"King Charles! and wholl do him right now?
King Charles! who's ripe for fight nowo?"
Now an editor with the range of reading, the memory and the affection for reference books that editors are supposed to have, would have said firmly at this point: "No, Mr. McAlpine; we can't let your sing that song. Robert Browning is going to write it about two centuries hence, and his ancestors are quite capable of getting out an injunction to restrain you from anticipatory infringement of copyright." The same watchful editor would have saved the same overtaxed author from allowing several characters to speak of a famous old city on the Hudson as "Albany" at a time when it still bore its Dutch name of "Beverwyck." Mind you, such little slips are not wholly the author's fault. What with disentangling plots and seeing that the proper persons get married to one another and that the improper ones are hanged, drawn and quartered, the poor author has already more than enough to do. Blame the publishers, who will not hire somebody who knows something to read and correct manuscripts before they are put into print.

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The dinner was served up in the great hall, where the squire always held his Christmas banquet. A blazing, crackling fire of logs had been heaped on to warm the spacious apartment, and the flame went sparkling and wreathing up the wide-mouthed chimney.

The great picture of the crusader and his white horse had been profusely decorated with greens for the occasion, and holly and ivy had likewise been wreathed round the helmet and weapons on the opposite wall, which I understood were the arms of the same warrior. I must own, by the by, I had strong doubts about the authenticity of the painting and armor as having belonged to the crusader, they certainly having the stamp of more recent days; but I was told that the painting had been so considered time out of mind; and that as to the armor, it had been found in a lumber room and elevated to its present situation by the squire, who at once determined it to be the armor of the family hero; and as he was absolute authority on all such subjects in his own household, the matter had passed into current acceptation.
A sideboard was set out just under this chivalric trophy, on which was a display of plate that might have vied (at least in variety) with Belshazzar's parade of the vessels of the temple; "flagons, cans, cups, beakers, goblets, hasins, and ewers," the gorgeous utensils of good companionship that had gradually accumulated through many generations of jovial housekeepers. Before these stood the two Yule candles, beaming like two stars of the first magnitude; other lights were distributed in branches like a firmament of silver.

We were ushered into this banqueting scene with the sound of minstrelsy, the old harper being seated on a stool beside the fireplace and twanging his instrument with a vast deal more power than melody. Never did Christmas board display a more goodly and gracious assemblage of countenances; those who were not handsome were at least happy, and happiness is a rare improver of your hard-favored visage.

I always consider an old English family as well worth studying as a collection of Holbein's portraits or Albert Dürer's prints. There is much antig̣uarian lore to be acquired, much knowledge of the physiognomies of former times. Perhaps it may be from having continually before their eyes those rows of old family portraits, with which the mansions of this country are stocked; certain it is that the quaint features of antiquity are often most faithfully perpetuated in these lines, and I have traced an old family nose through a whole picture gallery, legitimately handed down from generation to generation, almost from the time of the Conquest. Some-

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When the cloth was removed the butler brought in a huge silver vessel of rare and curious workmanship, which he placed before the squire. Its appearance was hailed with acclamation, being the Wassail Bowl, so renowned in Christmas festivity. The contents had been prepared by the squire himself; for it was a beverage in the skillful mixture of which he particularly prided himself, alleging that it was too abstruse and complex for the comprehension of an ordinary servant. It was a potation, indeed, that might well make the heart of a toper leap within him, being composed of the richest and raciest wines, highly spiced and sweetened, with roasted apples bobbing about the surface.
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"GEE! I WISH SANTA CLAUS KNEW THAT."


## flerry Chrisfmas!



MERRY CHRISTMAS to all our friends; not only to those who are friendly to us, but to all to whom we are friendly. Merry Christmas to our admirers, if we have some; also to our critics and disapprovers. What would we do without our disapprovers! How could we add to present duties the heavy burden of self-examination and correction, so much of which they save us! Joy and full stockings to them all and long life!
Merry Christmas to the President, and to the President-elect, and to all the office-holders and to all the officeseekers! What a large, wholesale, bountiful wish, to be sure! But now is the time to wish it, with March two months ahead, and the aspirants for office still all behind the chalk line. Dear aspiring friends, our country is your pie, and we are part of our country. But don't mind us! Help yourselves as freely as you can-to large pieces while they last, to smaller ones next, and finally to the crumbs of crust and the plate. There may not be enough to go around, but that is not a Christmas thought. It is more seasonable to dream the dream of Father Christmas Debs; the multitude invited to sit down and basketfuls of offices gathered up after the feeding.
To the Third Party Candidate Merry Christmas, and congratulations that Santa Claus is not going to leave any third term stick in his stocking! Here's wishing staunch ribs and a tully time to the Indispensable One and every enjoyment and valuable acquisition that is compatible with constitutional government by the people under the laws.
Merry Christmas also to the Constitution! It was a fairly rough passage, old lady, but you made a port; you made a port!
To all the social workers, Merry

Christmas, especially Miss Addams, ma'am, to you! Human society is a pretty tough lump of dough. Knead it, ladies and gentlemen, knead it! Get the Christmas yeast properly distributed through that mass. At the bottom we are all with you. If you have a candidate and we oppose him it is because we would not have you all impounded in any one fold. If you advocate a law, and we oppose it, it is because we do not think the law will really further what you have in view. But in most things that you want and try for, we are with you because they are the things that accord with the Christmas message of good will to men.
And Merry Christmas to the suffragists! Maybe they will all get the vote while we are here to see. Maybe not. But, anyhow, the scramble for it is instructive, and perpetually induces thoughts that must be fruitful. There are many of you nowadays, ladies, but you are not yet the only women in the land. If you find some Christmas morning the tyrant man in your stocking, it is to wonder what you will do with him. shall you hang him on the Christmas tree and leave him to go with it to the ash barrel?
And to the Antis, Merry Christmas! Dear friends, it may be we are mileposts on the road of progress. It may be we shall be whipped in our contention. That looks quite possible. But while there is left in you the conviction that your side is right, stick to your cause! Votes are far from being the whole story in this dispute. You generally profess and harbor ideals of human life and of the nature and distribution of its duties which are considerably to seek in the lively ranks of our opponents. If you have to vote, those ideals will more than ever depend on your support. It may seem a humble office to be the ballast of the ship of state, but there is a lot of sail spreading nowadays on her old poles, and ballast there must be or she'll go
over. By no means, please you, scorn that office, nor even scorn the poor assurance that never in your doing of it will you lack the company of your brethren.

And now, if the orchestra will play a proper tune, let us sing a few stanzas:

Merry Christmas, Merry Christmas,
To the whole gyrating ball! To Turk and Slav and Jew and Celt
And Teuton, great and small!
To all who dance the turkey trot, And all who dance the jig,
And all who pipe for dancing, both The little and the big!
Go whirl, go whirl, oh merry orb, While some teetotal spin, And others in their turns absorb Champagne, or even gin!
There's a time for sober thinking,
.There's a time to throw a fit.
A time to climb the heights of rhymeMy brothers, this is it!
Ering on Thomas Fortune Ryan, Bring on Thomas Nelson Page, And Thomas Woodrow Wilson to The forefront of the stage! Play, play the Monticello reel, Ye bandsmen through your cheers, For here's to Old Virginny, ain't She spry for all her years! Go whirl, go whirl, oh, merry sphere! Lo, portents in the sky!
When everybody's turning queer,
What use is it to cry?
When everybody's turning good,
What can we do but shout?
What counts is how we feel within; Not what we do without.

Męrry Christmas, Merry Christmas, To the sinner and the saint! Do your Christmas shopping early ! Mix some red in with your paint! Get greens and holly berries, And mistletoe the door;
Send Christmas cards to all the rich, And turkeys to the poor! For the aged earth is spinning With a quite unusual spin, And excuse us, please, for grinning At the kind of times we're in. Lift the lid up just a trifle, Let the inner spirit call Merry Christmas! Merry Christmas! Merry Christmas to us all! Edward S. Martin

"smoking jackets? yes, ma'am-for a lady or a gentleman, ma'am?"


## The Cynic's Christmas

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HRISTMAS is here! Let us garnish each dwelling
With evergreen branches and mistletoe boughs!
With thoughts philanthropic our bosoms are swelling,
No shadow should darken our brows!
But alas! when we're fixing festoons to the ceiling,
The ladders we stand on are apt to give way,
When a desolate feeling comes over us stealing;
'Tis hard to be merry and gay!
And it's difficult, too, to be thoroughly jolly
When painfully punctured by pieces of holly!

Christmas is here! Let the plums and the suet
Be mingled once more in ungrudging supplies!
Let the lover of punch hasten swiftly to brew it!
Make ready a score of mince-pies!
But alas! let us not be completely forgetful
Of how indigestion is fostered and bred,
How a surfeit of food makes the family fretful While alcohol flies to the head;

Lest a fortnight devoted to over-nutrition
Entail a recourse to the nearest physician!

Christmas is here! Ev'ry mother shall borrow
Her spouse's best stockings to tie to the cot
Of the baby who hopes they'll contain, on the morrow,
Drums, trumpets and goodness knows what!
But it's rather a blow when the footwear allotted
To hold Teddy bears, dolls and candy and skates,
Is returned to its owner, misshapen and clotted With toffee and chew-gum and dates;

While a drum is a bore if you constantly thump it,
And life can be poisoned by sounds from a trumpet?
Christmas is here! Little children excited
Make domiciles vocal with shouts of applause,
As they ask that the candle-decked fir-tree be lighted

- In honor of kind Santa Claus.

But alas! for the person of years known as "riper"!
By clatter and racket his nerves are unstrung;
He is followed about, like a second Pied Piper, By droves of the clamorous young!

All in vain does he seek for some haven of quiet;
No room in the building is free from their riot!
Christmas is here! Let us load our relations
With gifts that are costly and offerings rare,
And assume, as we lavish our tips and donations,
A noble and bountiful air!
But alas! when we've purchased the costliest jewel For dear Cousin Jane, and dispatched it by post, And she sends in return a small mat, worked in crewel, And worth fifty cents at the most,

Shall we say, recollecting the present we bought her,
"Dear Jane is a trifle more 'dear' than we thought her?"

Christmas is here! Let us go serenading,
In glees and in madrigals raising our voice,
In the snow of the street, 'neath your window parading,
O maidens divine of our choice!
But alas! we forget how our last Christmas carols
Were ruined by parents' inhuman attacks,
When they brought out their shotguns and emptied both barrels
Bang into the napes of our backs!
(If one justly expects some applause and encoring,
A bullet can be indescribably boring!)
Christmas is here! At a season so sprightly
We banish all thoughts about mundane affairs,
And attempt to be gay, and to smile fairly brightly,
In spite of our worries and cares.
But financial embarrassments mortify most men
Whose hearts a prognostic of bankruptcy grips,
When the dustmen and milkmen, policemen and postmen Demand their habitual tips.

Then, oh, tell me-and grateful I'll be to you, veryOh, tell me why Christmas was ever called "Merry"! Harry Graham.

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## - LIFE.


"if happiness came as readily

## A Ballade of Battery Park

DEAD are the days of postilions and chaises; Soon we shall wish to like meteors go; Sooth, in this age of contentions and crazes, If you've no motor you're greatly de trop! You might as well be a "man with a hoe"; You might as well be a dog with no bark! Once your position was weightier, though, Had you a dwelling on Battery Park!

That was a station where "pishes" or praises Had no more force than the light thistle-blow; Conscious your portion was cast among daisies, Fast you might fare, or move sauntering slow; How you were quoted, your con or your pro, If you but dropped just the slightest remark! Folk, sotto voce, said, "That's so and so," Had you a dwelling on Battery Park!

Ah, but the picture that retrospect raises Out of the past with its glamour and glow!-
Shimmer of lights on the minuet's mazes,
Curtsy of belle and the bowing of beau;
Flourish of snuff-box and fine furbelow;
Surely it seems long ago as the ark!
Yet there were pleasures and triumphs, I trow, Once 'twas a dwelling on Battery Park.

## Envoi

Friend, of our foibles this life is a show, From our first breath to the fall of the dark! Now 'tis a house upon Millionaire's Row; Once 'twas a dwelling on Battery Park. Clinton Scollard.

if we had a little more sense

"TWO SOULS WITH BUT A SINGLE THOUGHT"

## Sanctum Talks



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OOD morning, Life! Merry Christmas!"
" Good morning !-Why, hello, Santa Claus! When did you drop down?"
"Oh, I've been here all the time, only you didn't see me-I'm always hanging around."
"Yes, Santa, that's the trouble with you; you're an expensive person to maintain. We think you only come at Christmas, but you begin-"
"Yes; I begin about the first of October and last until the first of June. 'But look here, Life--"
"Well, Santa?"
"I have been hearing some cruel news about myself and I want you to set me right with the public."
"That's a hard job, Santa; I cannot always set myself right with the public. What's the charge? "
" Well, they say that I cater only to rich people-that I'm a snob."
"That seems reasonable."
"Oh, they are insinuating all sorts of things about me. I heard only the other day that some woman had taken my place and I was no longer the master of my own occupation."
"Yes, I've heard that."
"It's a base slander. I may be henpecked, but-"
" I understand, Santa."
"And they say that the quality of my toys has been steadily deteriorating. There was a time when a sled
would last for several years; but now it's apt to fall to pieces inside of two weeks."
" Well? "
. They say also that I've been multiplying."
"Multiplying?"
"Yes; that I have been putting out duplicates of myself so that any old department store can use me for commercial purposes-not to speak of the Volunteers of America."
"You seem to be making a pretty good case out of yourself, Santa."
"Look here, Life! You don't understand me. In the first place, I admit it. Everything I have said is true, but that isn't the point."
"Well, what is the point?"
"Life, are you a philosopher?"
"Heavens, no! I am guilty of almost anything but that."
"Well, then, good-bye; I was going to explain, but I won't now."
"Oh, you might just as well as long as you are here. Tell me what you think about yourself."
"Well, here's the point, Life; believe it or not as you will. These things are true. I have been commercialized; I have been discriminating in favor of the rich, but the fact is that I am what anybody makes me."
"How's that?"
"Simply that I am what you think I am. If you happen to be sour, then I am a hypocrite and a sham; but if you happen to have sympathy and fancy and imagination and longings, then you can make me just what you want me to be-do you see, Life? "
"Well, Santa Claus, I don't know whether : see or not, but I will take your word for it, and I will put in a reading notice telling all the unbelievers that there is something real about you after all-something undying and sentimental and true for those who wish to believe in you. Is that about right?"
"That's about right, Life, Much obliged."
"Don't mention it. Love to the missus. Good-bye."

## The Stocking

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SING of Pieter Dundervelt
In quaint New Amsterdam who dwelt

And loved a maid in beaty's bloom
That wight Annette von Schlagenboom.

Like all true lovers, more or less, Otr Piet inclined to bashfulness,

And when he should have pressed his suit
Was silent, speechless, dumb and mute.
'Twas drawing near that night of nights
When good Saint Nicholas delights
To ride with gifts for old and young,
When backward Pieter found his tongue.
"Oh, will you deign, Annette," said he,
"To take a Yuletide gift from me?"
Annette, without a thought of ill,
Replied, in Dutch, " Of course I will!"

Saint Nicholas with reindeer sleigh
Had made his rounds and gone his way,

And fair Annette, while others slept, On tiptoe down the stairway crept

Before the dawn, her only thought
To see what gifts the Saint had brought.

And there a marvel met her eyes!
A stocking, not of common size,
But six feet long and even more
Now hung where hers had hung before,

Beneath the kitchen mantelshelf, And snug within was Piet himself!

The situation seemed absurd;
Annette, however, kept her word;
That is, to make the tale complete, She took her gift and married Piet.
A. G.


#  The Girl of His Choice 

BY THOMAS L. MASSON

"GREAT news, isn't it?"
Bildat, just returned home from a long business trip, had left his house in the morning for his office, and his wonder increased as he observed joyful groups of men, some hurrying hither and thither, and others actually dancing for joy. It was evident that a national event of great importance had occurred, and he was just about to inquire what all the gaiety meant when his old friend Paceway came running towards him.
"What is the news?" cried Bildat.
"Haven't you heard? All the marriages have been dissolved. We are free men. Hurrah!"
"Bravo! Whoop! Tiger!" re-echoed from the crowd.
"What do you mean?" exclaimed Bildat.
"I mean what I say. We are no longer married men, bound down by the yoke of centuries. A compromise has been made with the Suffragettes by which, in exchange for the right to vote, every marriage has been annulled. Never so happy in my life."
"Am I no longer a married man?" stammered Bildat.
" NO, SIR!"
"But my wife doesn't know it."
" She may learn it at any moment-if she hasn't already."

Bildat was growing more excited.
" But suppose," he persisted, "I want to stay married."
Paceway shouted with cynical joy while other men in the crowd began to guy Bildat.
" Muzzer's darling 'ittle boy!" said one.
" Mollycoddle!" said another.
"Give him time," insisted a third, more soberly, "to realize his freedom."

Paceway grabbed his friend by the arm and led him around a corner.
"Better keep quiet, old chap," he whispered, "and not utter such treasonable sentiments or you may get mobbed. Of course you don't want to stay married. Think of what this means!"

Bildat's eyes began to glisten with joy.
"It's dawning upon me!" he cried.
"Really, old fellow, it seems too good to be true. How did it come about?"
"Perfectly simple. The whole change is based upon the fundamental proposition that every married man at the end of five years would not have gotten married if he could do the thing over again; or else he would not have married the same woman. That's a great truth, isn't it?"
"By Jove, that's so! But how am I to break the news to my wife? She may object."
"Egotist! It won't do her any good. It's the law! You're entitled to police protection. Well, I must be off. l've been invited to a stag picnic given this afternoon by the Past Husband's Hip, Hip Hooray Chapter!"


Bildat turned and almost ran back home. He was delayed for a moment by an announcement of the new régime placarded on a public building, with the following synopsis of the rules and regulations:

## PUBLIC NOTICE.

From this date all marriages are dissolved. If for any unknown reason a citizen who has been married five years or more should wish to continue with the same wife, he will have to marry her over again after making application to the courts and furnishing suitable bond.

No marriage shall last longer than five years. Positively no exceptions made in the case of young and ardent couples married for the first time. Marriages may be renewed if insisted upon. But all parties are cautioned against taking this extreme step.

All husbands, in exchange for their freedom, must present their homes to their wives. Children's claims adjusted by the Social Service Court.

Hereafter all women are equal to men and may propose to men freely.

All courting must hereafter be done in public. Special parks will be provided-also other courting places. Publicity is the only safeguard of the state.

All persons of the apposite sex meeting for the first time are compelled under penalty of the law to notify the authorities and register their names and addresses.

A kiss is equivalent to an engagement, and mar-
riage must follow within ten days. Parties are cautioned, therefore, not to kiss unless they mean business and are willing to remain married for five years.

A graded tax will be levied on all bachelors. Every man will have to give to the state each jear an amount equivalent to the sum he spends for whiskey, tobacco and gambling. It is estimated that the amount thus raised will pay the expenses of the new system. The fund will be used for all purposes, among others, to pay expenses of all marrying couples who need assistance.

It having been demonstrated that children no longer have any respect for their parents, the public school system has been extended so that they will be cared for entirely by the state. Parents may visit them at certain hours.

For every baby born the mother will receive a bounty according to her needs. All medical attendance free.

In case any contracting parties married for five years under the new law become dissatisfied before the end of the period, they cannot have the marriage annulled. Nor can they remarry until the end of the period. But they are free to separate. Each will be taxed, however, from the date of separation.

Bildat, gulping down mentally these iconoclastic rules, rushed on to his own home. Springing up two steps at a time, he confronted his wife, who had a pair of his trousers on an ironing board, and was smoothing them out. There was an aqueous look to her eyes, which, hardened husband that he was, he ignored.
"You've heard?"
"Yes. I've heard!"
"Great news, eh?" said Bildat, feeling some embar:assment; but the thought that the law was behind him and that he had nothing to fear gave him courage.
"I'll have my things removed at once," he said.
"Well," exclaimed the now obsolete Mrs. Bildat, "you'll let me do the packing. You never could pack anything anyway."

She threw down the trousers.
"Ungrateful wretch!" she exclaimed. "Here I have catered to you all these years, and just because this is a new experiment, it appeals to your unbalanced masculine imagination. You know I have never been a suffragette! Well, go!"
"My dear!-pardon memadam! Remember that wiser heads than ours have
ved at
"Children no longer respect their parents"
decided that this is the best for all concerned. Ta, ta! The expressman will call for my trunks to-morrow."
"Coward!"
Unheeding this epithet, Bildat, throwing some things hastily into a handbag, turned and fled. He reached the street, where the procession was growing. Husbands were hurrying along on foot with their hand luggage, some of them singing gently to themselves, others shouting joyfully. A group of four grizzled veterans, on a moving van they had hired, were singing old college songs. Many autos, laden with trunks and piles of clothes just as they were taken from the closets, whizzed by.

Bildat hurried to the nearest hotel, already filled to overflowing with guests. He happened to be a friend of the proprietor, who whispered:
"Wish this was going to be a permanent thing, but of course it won't last."
"Why not?"
"You forget, my dear boy, that we'll all be getting married over again and settling down within a few weeks. Better get busy and pick out a young and handsome wife before they are all taken. Best I can give you now is a cot on the twenty-seventh floor."

Bildat took it, and placing his bag under the cot, returned to the street. He wandered unconsciously into a nearby park and observed with surprise that it had been supplied with weatherproof sofas, instead of the old-fashioned benches.

Overcome with the excitement of the day and absorbed in his delightful sense of new-born freedom, he sank down
 to rest, closing his eyes dreamily. Presently a soft voice broke the silence.
" Hello, dearie."
A handsome woman in the prime of life, splendidly gowned, who had just stepped out of an auto, sat down beside him and attempted to take his hand. Bildat coyly drew it away, which only made the handsome woman edge nearer.
"Have a care!" said Bildat. "Remember that I am under the protection of the law."
" But you must listen. I saw you in the distance, and recognized you immediately as my affinity. I cannot live without you. Say that you will be mine!"

Bildat moved to the other side of the sofa.
"I don't wish to be disagreeable," he said, "but my dear madam, you

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must remember that I'm nobody's fool. I've been married for the past fifteen years, and now, when I marry again, I have in mind some delightfully fresh young creature about seventeen, or less than half your age-'
"Sir!"
His companion, flushing with indignation, flounced away, just as a policeman, armed with a pad, came up.
"Nothing doing," said Bildat. "I didn't even want to know her."
"That's all right," said the policeman. "How much did you pay for that cigar?"
"Twenty cents."
"Then you'll have to pay me that amount."
He pulled out a pocket cash register.
"Um. Isn't that tax payable at the time the cigars are bought?"
"Oh, that's another tax which you all have to pay when you get your cigars. This is a charge for smoking in any public place. It's the same thing if you bring a cigar into a surface car."
Bildat paid him and walked over to the nearest cigar store.
"Give me a couple of five cent cigars."
"We're all out. There's been such a frightful demand for them. But here's a two cent stogie you can have for four cents."
Bildat, carefully concealing his purchase, went back on the park sofa and ruminated.
The park itself was rapidly filling up with couples in all stages of newly found bliss. An old gentleman, nearly eighty, whom Bildat recognized as a prominent millionaire, was proudly walking with a beautiful young girl of barely seventeen, a look of intense pride on his face.
" Maybe I wasn't up with the lark

"I'm nobody's fool"
this morning," he whispered to Bildat as he passed.
Bildat sighed. He suddenly remembered a beautiful young girl whom he had met at a dinner party with his former wife a short time before; he recalled her engaging manners, and her fascination for him.
He looked up her address at the drug store.
He telephoned for his chauffeur to meet him at once.
He dashed out into the country where she lived-a delightful place in a gilt-edged suburb. Passing him on the way, crowds of rejuvenated husbands waving flags, saluted him as he sped onward.

He reached the house. A long line of autos was in front. He ran up the stairs and rang the bell.
"Am I too late?" he gasped.
The butler smiled as cynically as he could, considering that he himself had just been relieved from a twelve-year bondage.
"Here's a check, sir. You're number forty-four."
Bildat gazed into the reception room, which was crowded with more or less handsome gentlemen, all of them wearing flowers in their buttonholes and immaculately garbed. It suddenly occurred to him with a sense of shame that he had on an old suit.

He chided himself that he hadn't stopped to change his clothes and put on the trousers his wife had been pressing. A little forethought might have made a great difference in his life for at least the next five years.

At this moment the door opened and the girl of his choice came out. She looked Bildat over critically and said to the butler:
"What is his number?"
"Forty-four."
Then she turned to Bildat, her voice quivering with rage.
"I know you! You don't suppose I'd waste five years with you, do you, for all your money? Why, you'll be completely bald in another year. Think of a commonplace, respectable old Has-Been like you masquerading for a suitor! You're wasting time. Go home to your hotel and sing yourself to sleep. James, take back his check!"

Bildat, groaning to himself, left the crowded house.

Three weeks later he wearily climbed the steps of the imposing residence that had once been his home. By force of habit he took out his old latch key and attempted to open the door. But wiser heads had changed the lock and his key was useless.
Ringing the bell, he was greeted by his old servant with a welcome smile, and presently he found himself in the living room. Five minutes later, as his former wife entered, he sprang forward, and before she could stop him, he had thrown his arms about her with a feverish cry of joy.
"Oh, my darling!" he cried. "Let me come back to you. I knew not what I did. I've slept on a cot for over two weeks and only yesterday I got a room with bare walls. The buttons are falling off my clothes. I'm rapidly getting a case of nervous indigestion. Haven't had a good home

meal since I left. I never knew before the real depth and sincerity of my love for you. Take me back. We'll go to court and get married all over again."
"One moment."
She disentangled herself from his embrace, and holding him at arm's length, said sternly, and yet with a touch of her old-time gentleness.
" And so, my dear, you've decided to come back. I see by the papers this morning that thousands of other misguided husbands who were so enthusiastic over making changes are all trying to do the same thing. Sorry you're having such a tough time of it."

At this moment the portières opened and a tall, handsome young man, smoking one of the pure Havana perfectos that Bildat had left behind in his haste, entered the room. On his feet were a pair of comfortable homemade slippers, and in the brand new velvet dressing sackthe work of loving hands-he looked the picture of ease and comfort.

The former Mrs. Bildat assisted her supplicating husband to his feet, while she politely opened the outside door.
"You come around in five years more, my dear," she said, "and I'll let you know. Ta, ta!"

## Interest

## Creditor loquitur.

$\mathrm{A}^{\mathrm{T}}$T ease I dwell whilst thou, dear Interest, Dost bring me all that makes life gay and brightRich viands to cajole my appetite, The well-made clothes in which I'm always drest, My handsome house with rooms for many a guest,

The motor-car which takes me in its flight Like Sinbad's wide-winged Roc o'er vale and height, And all things else that men regard as best.

I have no need to work: the funds I lend Work for me night and day without surcease; They fetch me whatsoe'er I want to spend;

As more I let them out, so they increase-
They form a golden chain without an end,
A flock of sheep each with a golden fleecs.

## Debtor loquitur.

Damned Interest, thou canker at life's heart, Never one instant ceasing to destroy All comfort, all sweet sleep, all peace, all joy! A cruel, gnawing, insidious worm thou art, Obscene and vile, loath from thy prey to part, With fiendish zest which never learns to cloy. Prometheus' Vulture art thou, keen to dart Thy merciless bill in Pluto's foul employ!

Harmless at first, thou dost with ruin lower And crushest those that would at last rebel.
To all who put themselves within thy power
Thou bringest foretaste of the pangs of hell!
Ch, cursed ravener of comfort's flower
Why did I yield to thine infernal spell?
Nathan Haskcll Dole.

"just like the great white way-not a street marked on any of the lamps"

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## No More Poetry



$\mathrm{M}^{\mathrm{R}}$. EDMUND GOSSE declares that there can be no more poetry because our language " is worn and rubbed off."

Sometime ago, Max Mueller conducted an exciting controversy with other philologists with regard to the great question as to whether we think before we write, or whether it is necessary for us to use words first before we can begin the process of thinking. If the latter is true, Mr. Gosse may be right ; but if, on the other hand, we are capable of thinking first -in other words, if our sensations precede language-his statement is then equivalent to declaring that we can have
no more sensations, because we have no more words into which to translate them.

Other countries may be short on sensations, but so far as we are concerned, there is no immediate cause for alarm over the lack of them. The cost of living furnishes a new sensation almost every day. We are constantly living in expectation that there may spring from among the politicians an honest man. Suffragitis develops new hysteria every week. Life in New York keeps one in continuous curiosity as to what will happen, the choice lying between being "shot up" or run down. The coal trust keeps us shivering on the brink of the great question as to where the next ton is coming from. Death lies lurking in the simple oyster and the virtuous appearing cream. In fact, the idea that we may become short on new sensations does not seem a likely one. What seems to be likely, however, is that we shall be so busy with new sensations in the future that there will be no time to sit down in a leisurely fashion and write real poetry.


FOR A GOOD BOY


IF MONEY COULD BUY THESE THINGS

mistaken identity

## A Safe and Sane Christmas

ITr is known by nearly everybody that Life was the first periodical to advocate a safe and sane Fourth of July. Life proposes to follow up this success of the Fourth by the advocacy of a safe and sane Christmas. It is hoped that the movement will become widespread. Everybody is invited to join it. Everybody is interested, for the present Christmas practices involve everybody.
Please understand that it is not [Life's desire to do away with Christ;mas. On the contrary, its best tradi,tions must be preserved. Santa Claus must continue to reign. But that a radical change in our methods of celebrating Christmas is greatly needed, everyone will admit. Only by educatfing the people up to a simpler and
higher standard can satisfactory results be obtained.
Here are some of the reforms greatly needed:
Prevention of imitation Santa Clauses from exhibition on the streets by charitable organizations, or in dry goods stores for commercial purposes. This horrible practice ruthlessly shatters all of the fine sentiment about Santa Claus, which should be carefully preserved, and not made to serve the purposes of trades people or doubtful charities.
The total elimination of presentgiving to any but children. This will keep the Christmas spirit where it belongs, and will do away entirely with a whole mass of worry and anxiety and hypocrisy. It is not too much to

"aw! what's the USE $o^{\prime}$ bein' GOOD? IT DIDN'T GET ME NOTHIN'."


Benevolent lady: the worst trouble i find with people of your class is that you don't put by a certain amount of money regularly
say that upwards of fifty millions a year are spent by people in this country on superfluous Christmas presentspresents that they don't want to give, but feel obliged to; and presents that they receive but would rather not.

The habit of trimming Christmas trees with lighted candles.

We have also been asked to add to our programme the request to do your Christmas shopping early. We gladly do this, although it must be remembered that under our sane system, all other minor reforms which should naturally go to make a safe and sane Christmas are included.

One gentleman wishes to abolish the Christmas dinner; another the reprehensible practice of compelling tired business men to burn their own Christmas trees.

Are you with us?


UNDER THE MISTLETOE
When he's bashful a little encouragement is NECESSARY.



TWO KINDS

## - LIFE.



OF HUNGER

The Winner in Life's Contest


THE WINNING TITLE
[Near-sighted minister, opening prayer-book at wrong page:]
"Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

THE winning title to the contest picture reproduced on this page was sent in by

GEORGE A. McCARTER, io Ball Street,

> Roxbury, Mass.

The picture was first published in Life's issue of October thirty-first, and again in the Thanksgiving Number, November seventh.

The contest closed at noon on Monday, November eleventh.

There were in all 8,469 answers received, over two thousand of them having reached us on the closing day. From all of the answers, fifty were selected among the probabilities. Each of the five judges took a separate list of these fifty titles and independently selected five which in his judgment were the best. This re-
sulted in fifteen titles. Then each judge made from this list a final selection of three titles, placing them in the order of merit. It was then discovered that three of the judges had the winning title first on their lists, one had it second, while one did not have it at all.
Several of the best titles were not considered by the judges, as they were duplicated hundreds of times. The

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titles finally considered by the judges were (omitting the winning title) the fourteen that follow:

Minister, reading: "Those whom God hath joined to-gether-

Groom, interrupting: " Not God-eugenics!"
The penniless bridegroom as he pictures the wedding guests during the ceremony.

When the size of the rent proves to be a topic of interest at the Union.

The nightmare of a bride-to-be.
At last woman has taken the place of man.
Something old, something new,
Something borrowed, something blue-
But a blue garter should stay put.
The loyal members of the Never Wed League attend en masse the marriage of the first seceders from their organization.

A winsome bride, confused, may falter, And finds herself "Left at the altar."

## Untimely Willingness

Clergyman (reads) : "Let him now speak, or else hereafter forever hold his peace."

Excited bridegroom: "I will."
Half a leg, half a leg, saw the " 400 "-
Were they dismay'd? No. They laughed and stayed, Noble " 400 "!

Benediction over;
Wedding march half through;
The priest decides it's up to him To tell them that'll do.

## "Soled."

'Twas just a little rip that caused the ripple.
Methodical Percy carries to extremes his determination to be always on the right side of Alice.

## Nothing to Worry About

DR. H. L. FAIRCHILD, of the Uniyersity of Rochester, says that New York may some day be covered with a cap of ice even as Greeniand is covered now.

But it is no matter. On the contrary, it will help business. It would be a fine excuse for the coal trust to organize a shortage, while the ice trust has proved itself thoroughly resourceful in keeping up the price of ice, regardless of the severity of the winter. It would be a poor trust indeed that couldn't easily meet a trifling little emergency of that sort.


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## A fittle $\mathfrak{C o n f e s s i o n}$

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 AM the Christmas Spirit.I am a thoroughly well-meaning Christmas Spirit and, in many ways, I feel as vigorous as I ever did.
I try to ingratiate my way into the hearts of all humankind and bring them good cheer.

I try to recall to them the great benefits of kindliness and generosity.

I do not aim to be a hard taskmaster.

I ask the people for a single day in each year to pause in their headlong race for power, preferment and pelf.

I ask each one to fill his heart with love, his hands with gifts and scatter his benefactions broadcast upon the poor, the needy and the friendless.

I do my best, but I find it pretty rough sledding these days.

I am told by business men that they are entirely in sympathy with my movement, but they haven't time to participate. Occasionally they give me a little money, but it is cold, oh, so cold!

I am told by many tidy little housewives that they should dearly love to help me along, but that the cost of living is so high there is little left for extras.

I find it hard to get in touch with the great army of clerks, for they are extraordinarily busy. But when I finally do steal a moment of their time I am told they are too tired when Christmas comes to yield to the Christmas Spirit.

I try to interest Mrs. Climber and Mrs. Oldtree. If I succeed in forcing my way through the bodyguard of maids, modistes and milliners, I find both of these ladies alike. They tell me that their social duties consume all their time and that I must see their secretaries. The Christmas Spirit cannot do business through secretaries.

I often become discouraged.


THE PUPPY HE GAVE HER LAST CHRISTMAS

I often fear that I am a relic of a blessed uncivilization.

I am getting so that I actually dread the annual ceremonial in my honor.

I often wonder whether once a year is not too infrequent for a matter of such importance to the race.

I wonder if it wouldn't be better to have Christmas once a month and then we would get used to it. We
would get the habit. We would keep in practise and know what to do with it. We would not make fools of ourselves and a mockery of the day.

I do not know, but at all events I am not wholly satisfied with the trend of things.

I do not know.
I am the Christmas Spirit.
Ellis O. Jones.

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UNCLE'S NIGHTMARE
at Christmas time

" did you wish me to take your picture."
" N-NO-I WANTED to GIT one!"


Fond Mother: oh, isn't that cute! flossie's going TO BE A SUFFRAGETTE.


| " While there is Life there's Hope" |  |  |
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## $\mathbb{C b r i s t m a s} \mathfrak{G i f t s}$

HE needed pots and a new floor broom, And window shades for the children's room;Her sheets were down to a threadbare three And her table cloths were a sight to see. She wanted scarfs and a towel rack And a good, plain, useful dressing sack, Some kitchen spoons and a box for bread, A pair of scissors and sewing thread. She hoped some practical friend would stop And figure out that she'd like a mop, Or a bath room rug or a lacquered tray Or a few plain plates for every day. She hoped and hoped and she wished a lot, But these, of course, were the things she got:
A cut glass vase and a bonbonnière, A china thing for receiving hair, Some oyster forks, a manicure set, A chafing dish and a cellaret, A boudoir cap and a drawn-work mat, And a sterling this and a sterling that; A gilt-edged book of a lofty theme, And fancy bags till she longed to scream; Some curling tongs and a powder puff And a bunch of other useless stuff. But though she inwardly raged she wrote To all of her friends the self-same note, And said to each of the damfool host"Just how did you guess what I needed most?"

Ella Bentley Arthur.

## Cbrístmas Origins

THE Romans had a variety of feasts. Almost every day, in fact, there was something doing in the feasting way. But after all the Saturnalia was the feast, to speak classically, with the punch.

That, no doubt, is why it has been perpetuated in our Christmas.
The Saturnalia was celebrated in honor of Saturn, and while we do not consciously think of him during Christmastide, it is a fact that we often laugh saturninely when we survey the presents we have received and compare them with the presents we have given.
The giving of gifts, by the way, is a modern feature. The Saturnalia was distinguished rather by what people did not give. Particularly they did not give a hang when they entered upon the celebration of the Saturnalia.

The Saturnalia lasted about three weeks without, however, any preliminary bunk about the tired salesperson and doing your shopping early.

The Romans were wont, by way of making the Saturnalia pass off lightly, to throw a number of undesirable citizens to the lions, but we, more refined in our notions of what is funny, enjoy a quiet laugh at the old joke about "peace on earth, good will to men."

young monopolists
the early influence of environment

## - LIFE.


J. Frost, Painter
"، 'Twas the night b

## -LIFE.


the night before Christmas"


Love or Pie?

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this drawing lacks action

What They Want for Christmas
$T \mathrm{HE}$ nagged husband-a windshield. The dead-A Gabriel horn.
The condemned criminal-A shock absorber.
The hired girl-Brakes.
The boy-A top.
The baby-A hood.
The drunkard-A tank.
The baseball fan-A long stroke.
The drowning man-A clutch.
The country lover-A sparkplug.
The carver-A universal joint.
The mathematician-A differential.
The tiger-A full elliptical spring.
The hippopotamus-A splash system.

## How Not to Do It

$\Gamma$ UROPE is full of parcel posts, but there are no zone systems such as has been adopted for this world power of ours. When we remember what a struggle it was to get a parcel post of any kind, perhaps we should not be surprised, even if grieved, that it should be adopted in a way to make it as ineffective and as unattractive as possible.

## A Japanese Love Song

W HITE flower of the iris, Pale lily of the shade, Small dreamer of the ocean, My little Eastern maid; Chill blows the wind from westward,
It could but bring you pain, To leave your sacred mountains And tempt the bounding main.

Wee geisha of the garden, Slim priestess of the hill, Your lips are sweet for kissing, And I would kiss them still, But that the wide West calls me, To leave your fragile spell White flower of the iris, Pale cherry-bloom, farewell.

Leolyn Louise Everett.

skinny's christmas dream
"A little more of the roast beef, sir, or will you try some of the turkey?"

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EVEN THE PLAINEST WOMAN LOOKS WELL ON HORSEBACK


THE WORM TURNS

## Secrets of the Craft

What the Editor Wants

MY dear Mr. Inkling: We want in a twinkling A story just tinkling

With humor and zest;
Not gloomy or fearful,
Or morbid or tearful,
But pleasant and cheerful-
And one of your best.
The kind that we meet with
But seldom; a treat with
A plot that's replete with
Heart interest, you know;
Original, truly;
And yet not unduly
Bizarre or unruly,
But quite comme il faut.
We like brisk narrations
With bright conversations
And lively flirtations
(That end with a ring),
Or young politicians
And maidens with missions
Who better Conditions
And that sort of thing.
We're fond of the prattle
Of punchers of cattle;
We'll stand for the rattle
Of guns, and a deal
Of ranch or hacienda;
Or maybe you'll send a
Romance à la Zenda All flashing with steel.

We trust that you're shipping A tale simply ripping
And virile and gripping, Yet nothing above Our Readers, nor slushy
Nor mushy nor gushy, But-oh, slightly blushy, With plenty of love!

Arthur Guiterman.

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A BIRD DOG

## The Ideals

AMAN fluttered across the sky, and the people looked up and wendered. Said another Man:
"I did not know that could be done."
Then he said, " How does he do it, with his muscles or with a machine?" Last he said, "I'd like to do that." Said a Woman:
"I did not know that could be done, myself."

Then she said, "Why do they do such dangerous things?"
Last she said, "I'm glad my husband doesn't do that."
The Child said, "Why, mamma, that's an angel."


THE TEAM SHOWED THE EFFECT OF STRENUOUS COACHING.

" there now, Jimsy! didn't I tell you there's a santa claus?"

## Humane Loeb

ACCORDING to a recent rule made by the health officer at New York, no Atlantic liners will be permitted hereafter to dock at night. Collector Loeb, when he heard this news, expressed himself as being very glad, as it would mean shorter hours for the customs force.

There can be no doubt that the customs force has too much to do. You cannot insult decent people, rip open their baggage, and subject them to every possible indig-nity-to say nothing of the constant insinuation that they are thieves and blacklegs-without fatigue. Entirely aside, therefore, from the physical part of it, Collector Loeb shows his sympathetic spirit when he expresses his pleasure that hereafter the customs house officers will have shorter hours.

The exasperating delay and the wear and tear upon the passengers are, of course, of no special consequence.


DAD'S MERRY XMAS

## Life's Confidential Guide to Prominent People

LINDSEY, JUDGE BENJAMIN B.-A Denver lawyer, known as the children's advocate, who has shown his belief in chilfor them to have a childhood.

BAER, GEORGE-It is generally supposed that this gentleman makes his living out of coal mines and railroads. This is a misof the United States, who are so delighted that they usually refer to him as being divinely appointed for that particular purpose.
BURNS, WILLIAM J.-" The friend of labor and the foe of graft." A gentleman who spends a great deal of his time in oog purpose. Has succeeded in throwing Sherlock Holmes into the shade: and if he can keep from writing for The Ladies' Home Journal will undoubtedly make a success.

CHRISTIAN X., KING OF DENMARK.A young man of steady habits, good appearance and mediocre ability, who has ust become a king in a small way. It is spectable monarchs in Europe.

PINERO, SIR ARTHUR-A self-made member of the English nobility, and also a highbrow playwright. Writes and speaks English well; is also a good stage manatastefully should apply to him.
COBB, TY.-A gentleman with red blood in his veins and a chip on his shoulder, who believes in maintaining his rights even if baseball stops. Member of the Detroit cluding his brother players and the country at large) except the management:

SMITH, WILLIAM ALDEN, OF MICHIIGAN, - Senator of the United States who has recently offended the British Board of Trade by telling the truth about them. Knows little of nautical matters,
but gets there just the same.

ISMAY, J. BRUCE-A gentleman who spends a portion of his time in being saved by the White Star Line, and in explaining why it is worth while to do it. Is very fond of rooming by himself, and believes in the survival of the unfittest. At one time he occasionally visited the United States, but it is not believed that $h=$ will continue the practise in the future.
RUSSELL. T.ILLIAN.-This lady has the unique distinction of having been genuinely and sincerely loved by more American citizens than any other. She is also the ed the secret of perpetual youth

LA FOLLETTE, ROBERT MARION.- 1 Presidential impossibility from Wisconsin. noted for his courage, his honesty and his ity except good taste, a sense of humor, ordinary perception and sympathy for his audience.
FRICK, H. C.-A Pittsburgh millionaire, recently elected a member of the kindergarten class for philanthropists. He is bebuildings in New York. Where he got the money nobody knows, and Mr. Carnegie won't say.
KING GEORGE V. OF ENGLAND.-The husband of Queen Mary. This gentleman officiates at ceremonies and receives Amerivisits to England. He also travels reviews troops, and wears splendid clothes. He reads and writes and also rides horseback, and uses words when talking. He wears a beard.
SMOOT, REED.-President of Anti-Race Suicide Club. Honorary member of leading department stores. Prominent foorCan be seen in the Senate occasionally.
balfour, arthur J. - Philosopher, historian, conversationalist, and, incidentally, statesman. Carries a stick and leads ministries-occasionally Known as a private life. Recently retired.

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## Afterwards

THERE had been a frightful automobile accident. Mr. Pitkin was riding out in the afternoon with his entire family-his wife, two daughters, two sons and himself. There was a moment when they attempted to cross the railroad track-a sudden vibra-tion-a crash-and then utter and inconceivable darkness; darkness that stretched itself over the unlimited areas of all time and all space; darkness that resolved itself into utter nothingness-a black void in which all memory, all consciousness, were as if they had never been.
And then-
"This looks as if it might be the right place," said Mr. Pitkin to his wife, as they gazed up at a modest and severely elegant building to which a stranger had directed them a few moments before. " My! but I'm hungry," he added.
"So am I," said Mrs. Pitkin.
"So are we!" echoed the other members of the family.
They made their way through a quiet entrance. A wonderful person met them. Her eyes were luminous with sympathy and deference. And with a few graceful touches she deftly
removed their raps. The Pitkins were charmed by the unusual attention. Mr. Pitkin put his hand in his pocket. His only change was a dollar bill. But the lady who served them (it was evident that she must have been a lady) smiled and shook her head.
"To accept anything from a stranger," she said, " would lessen my selfrespect. Beside, it is forbidden."
The Pitkins passed in. Such a head waiter! His face showed every kindly feeling, while at the same time his silence was indicative of an innate understanding of the feelings of his guests. He led them to a table overlooking a broad vista of handsome arclitecture in the distance. Pitkin, noticing that the table had been appaently reserved, once more put his hand in his pocket and drew out a five dollar bill. The head waiter smiled and waived him off.
" You are entitled to the best we have," he whispered, " and surely my self-respect-"
Seven kinds of bread and two kinds of butter were placed before them. The classic quiet of the place impressed Pitkin.
"No music?" he said to the waiter.
" No, sir-unless you wish it."
"Heaven forbid!"
They ordered their dinner.


A YOUTHFUL INVESTIGATOR
Santa: hello! Five stockings and only four kittens! well, i'll fill only four of them and perhaps next time they'll be more careful in The count.


The Knight: hang it! I've cone and rescued my own wife.
"One portion will be enough for fcur," suggested the waiter.
"Do you mean-" said Pitkin.
"Yes. There is no extra charge."
While they were eating their meal Pitkin called attention to the wonderful effect of the interior decorations, which were in perfect taste and produced an intensely soothing effect upon everybody. There was no noise. An atmosphere of perfect harmony and peace pervaded the whole establishment.

Pitkin paid the bill, expressing his astonishment that it should be only half of what he expected. The waiter brought back the exact change and shook his head when Pitkin offered him a tip.
"My self-respect-"
Pitkin called the head waiter.
"Is the proprietor in?" he said.
"Yes, sir."
A tall gentleman stepped forward,
By this time, almost unconsciously,

a sensational development


EXTRACT FROM NOVEL
. ' ' how very interesting,' lisped our heroine, hiding a yawn behind her fan"
faint strains of music could be heard in the distance. Pitkin suddenly realized the thing that had happened. He turned to the tall gentleman.
"It all comes back to me," he said. "But-where are we? Is this-"

The gentleman smiled. He waved his arm around the crowded room where every face bore an expression of intense bliss.
"No," he said, "this is not the real heaven. That is a larger place than this."
"Then what is this?"
" This, my friend, is a special little neaven all by itself that we have reserved exclusively for the use of New Yorkers."

## The Treatment of Old Women

ADISTINGUISHED Japanese gentleman, Sheishu Iwashita, who has recently paid a visit to New York after an absence of thirty years, has expressed himself as shocked at the decadence in our manners; and especially with respect to the treatment of old women. He seys:
"But what do you see in the cars now in New York? Many old women stand in the cars while young men are seated. Sometimes these chaps offer their seats to nicely dressed girls, but never to poor looking old women."

We are sorry that our friend has
evidently so far misrepresented the motives that actuate us in New York, however they may differ from those in other parts of the country.
The idea that old women should be treated with any degree of respect belongs to a reactionary period. And if our friend would only stop to think for a moment he would see that there is no logic or reason in it.

An old woman is not useful. The necessity even for wearing fashionable clothes in order that our milliners and dressmakers may be maintained is, with her, a past issue. She does not appeal to our sense of beauty; and in fact, viewed from any standpoint, she has absolutely no commercial value.

The idea, therefore, that she should be treated with respect in New York is not only unreasonable, but extremely unjust. And we are greatly surprised that the Japanese gentleman should have brought such an unwarranted charge against us.

We believe that there are remote places in country districts where old women are still permitted to sit in doorways and sun themselves on balmy days, and where their wants are attended to by younger persons who have more time than brains upon their hands, but this condition is rapidly passing away.
As we gradually flock to the cities, we learn better. We learn that anything which is superfluous should not be tolerated. A general movement for the extinction of old women, either by chloroform or gas, should soon be in order.


TYPOGRAPHICALLY SPEAKING heavy, extended text, and open face

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## Views

YOUNG people have views. They consider it exceedingly important that they should have views about things; definite, clear cut, unalterable views that show great sagacity and perspicacity and erudition and orientation; big, broad, comprehensive views that compass the cosmos, reach infinitely into both ends of eternity, and correct all the aberrations of the universe; keen, incisive, penetrant views that sink into the very soul of spirituality and hit the bull's-eye of the heart of things at any given range; views that ramify the uttermost reaches of rarefied ether; that roam the gamut of heaven, earth, hell and infinity with firm and confident tread.

As fast as they grow older, their views change and, if they finally reach years of wisdom, they have almost no views at all. They find that views, besides being erroneous in something like nine hundred ninety-nine thousand nine hundred ninety-nine cases out of a million, are decidedly bothersome and very apt to interfere with the landscape. When that time comes, it is their great delight to sit and smoke a silent pipe and smile indulgently while the views of ambitious youth are being aired. Examine your views. They will tell you your exact location with respect to evolution.
E. O. J.

CAUGHT

the " scrap" heap. left from the last campaign


SPORTS OF ALL NATIONS
decoying woodpeckers for the manufacture of bird's-eye maple


SPORTS OF ALL NATIONS
CONFETTI THROWING IN RUSSIA


# Order Your Psychic Christmas Early 

All Those Who are Desirous of Having an Ideal Christmas Should Consult Immediately With Swami Baa Baa-You Can Have It at Any Time of the Year-Order Early

AT the request of a great number of our customers, Swami Baa Baa, the most potent and all-seeing yogi in the world, has devised a new psychic Christmas for all those who have entered the first harmonic plane.

Up to the present time the American people have been under the thrall of a materialistic Christmas spirit which has become exceedingly uncomfortable. All those, however, who desire to avail themselves of Swami Baa Baa's offer should vibrate their names at once.

Concentrate, and call for our Psychic Christmas.
By going into the silence (according to the formula provided) you can prevent any friend from sending you a Christmas present that you don't want.

You can receive by ordinary (mental) telepathy a list of the presents that your friends want; these can be ordered through our mental shopping department; you do nothing but sit still and concentrate.

Have you any children? If not, we will be very glad to supply sets of astral children, who will stay with you over the holidays and make the house reverberate with joy. You do nothing but sit back and have a good time.

We furnish astral Santa Clauses to go down the chimney at any hour of the day or night in plain view of the family. Please state whether you desire to have your Santa Claus come by old-fashioned reindeer, automobile or biplane.

It is quite possible for the Baa Baa to do everything from this office; but our experience has been that it is the personal touch that counts. We therefore advise you to have your astral body trained to trim the Christmas tree and hang up the stockings. You do nothing yourself.

For a small extra sum

" that's the place fer us, Jimmy. our Winter overcoats'd be Jest about the thing down there."
we positively guarantee you against the presence of any relative at Christmas dinner. You have but to look in a crystal ball provided by us and you can will away any person you want to; this gives you a feeling of ease and security that, to be appreciated, must be felt.

It must be remembered that the Christmas spirit which all of us feel is a mental thing and that up to the present time this has been sadly encroached upon by the irritating tasks of providing materialistic presents, making trips, etc. All this Swami Baa Baa has done away with. The inner spirit of exhilarating vibratory power is greatly intensified on every plane of tattvic thought. At the same time all the physical objections are removed.

In case you do not care to go through your Christmas at the season of the year usually assigned to it, we should be glad to furnish you with one at any time during the year.

If, for example, you wish to spend December at the seashore, we will give you our formula so that you can send your astral body and subliminal self in bathing twice a day, with the thermometer anywhere below zero.

What you must get rid of is the belief that the things you see are real. Those who have entered the first harmonic plane and are struggling up the chromatic scale to the eighteenth realm of bliss, know perfectly that all things are possible to one who has united with Swami Baa Baa, and is under his supreme guidance.

The idea that Christmas comes but once a year, therefore, is entirely erroneous, so far as we are concerned. You can have your Christmas every week, or not at all. Write for terms.
Life's Vibration Parlors.

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" mR. STOXON-BONDS, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK-_-"
"I DECLINE TO BE INTERVIEWED."
" AHEM, I, ER, WOULD LIKE TO ASK YOU_"
" having consulted my attorney, i refuse to answer."
" for the hand of your daughter in marriage."

## The Jest

LOVE is a silly little dream,
When moments rose and golden seem,
Alight with rapture's blessèd beam.

Love is a silly little sigh.
Love is a pleasant little lie,
Too swift to come, too swift to fly.
Love is a silly little jest.
Love is an errant dreamer's quest,
We watch and laugh at with the rest.

Love is the spirit's secret cry,
That lasts till life's last heart-beats die-
And, oh, a sorry fool am I,
Who claimed to pass its passion by!
Leolyn Louise Everett.


Shade of Orpheus: great jupiter! she beats me to a frazzle. I moved trees and stones, but i never moved three families in one week.

"the first conversation lozenge"

"THE FIRST DENTIST"

"THE FIRST MEDIUM"

"the first tootsie wootsie"

"the first rogue's gallery"

"the first twins"

## Cook and Peary Now Running Government

Putting Things on a Truly Progressive BasisHave Patience, Everybody-Your Time is Coming

THE old order has passed away. The landslide for Cook and Peary, Life's candidates for President and Vice-President, showed that the American people were back of us in our efforts to produce a truly representative government.
" It will naturally take some little time," said President Cook yesterday, "to get things straightened out. One of the most difficult matters is to get people to readjust their minds to the new conditions. Well, Peary and I are going to prove to everybody that the old Constitution you have all thought so much of is not only useless, but a positive menace to society. The proof? Hasn't it lain in the facts? And what are the facts? A select body of millionaires controlling the sacred processes of government, and at least three millions of people practically starving in a land of plenty. This only briefly indicates the condition. Why all of this unrest-this frightful crudeness in our methods of living? People have gone around swearing by the Constitution, instead of at it, and have declared that it was the finest instrument in the world. Give us a little time and we will show everybody how to live."

The first act of the new President, after abolishing the Constitution, the Senate, Congress, and the Judiciary, was to secure a small bookkeeping department. A model filing system was introduced, and the whole business of the United States is run by half a dozen people under the direction of President Cook, who declares that he has time on his hands.
"A dollar is a dollar," said Vice-President Peary. " no matter where it is in the country. And hereafter a foot of land is to be a foot of land, no matter where it is; and it is worth exactly the same, no matter where it is-whether it is on Broadway or on top of the Rocky Mountains."

This adjustment was sweeping in its nature, and was the source of great embarrassment to a great many people for some time. A great number who owned small plots of land throughout the country found themselves much more affluent tham they had previously been under the old régime.

Now what has become of all those thus thrown out of employment-the editors, congressmen, senators, and wealthy classes who have achieved their fortunes, not by any original inventiveness upon their part, but by sharp manipulations?
"This problem," said President Cook, "was one which required our prolonged attention. We succeeded, however. in solving it very easily. All we did was to stop immigra-tion-refuse to let any outsiders come here and settle, and


THE LION AND THE HORNETS
make all those people who had hitherto been a drug on the republic-that is to say, congressmen, senators, newspaper editors, and the wealthy classes-perform the work which had previously been done by the newly arrived immigrants. What is the result? Our coal is being mined, our railroads are being run, our factories are being manned by those people who have hitherto spent their time in buncoing the others."

There is naturally considerable excitement among the people who have heretofore been running the government to suit themselves; but they are all so busy working in the mines and waiting on people in the restaurants and doing other menial jobs that they don't have much time to think.

A former prominent senator of the United States, who is now waiting on the table at the Waldorf-Astoria, said yesterday :
" Never was so happy in my life! I am doing real work. I have to pay attention to the wants of others, and when night comes I am so tired that I don't have time to think about myself. It is true that my position is a humble one, but humility is a quality the value of which I never before realized. Cook and Peary forever!"

Mr. John D. Rockefeller, who has secured a job as general superintendent of the grounds at the Pocantico Golf Links, expressed himself in the same way.
"I look back upon all my wealth as a horrible nightmare," he said. "Now that I really have to earn a few dollars a week for myself, I feel like a new man."
"What I cannot help but think of," said President Cook at a late hour last night, " is the terrible thought that the American people might not have trusted us!"

"GO BACK, YE IGNORANT BRUTE! DON'T YE KNOW WHAT A RED FLAG'S FOR?"


Homesick

The Last Reality
by our lending pessimist
T
HE newspapers recently chronicled the fact that, owing to the ravages of certain reprehensible insects, there would be no Christmas trees forthcoming this year for the children; and they lamented thereon.
Why should we bewail? Everything else about the Christmas ceremony is artificial. The gifts are artificial. They are made of cheap material (most of them in other countries), and fall to pieces before the end of the week. The candles are made of some mixture produced by the trusts, and colored with artificial paints.
The homes in which this artificial ceremony is produced are themselves becoming more and more artificial. The women are away upon purely artificial occupations, such as the smashing of windows and the making of speeches in a cause which renders them more or less unfit to perform the natural functions for which they were intended. And as for the poor jaded old father, he consoles himself with artificial wines and whiskeys.
And when the family sits down to a Christmas dinner, they indulge in artificial food, permitted under an artificial government, the by-product of an artificial civilization.
Why then should we object if the poor old Christmas trees, the only relics that link us with nature, are in very shame disappearing from such an artificial celebration?

## A Compendium of Timely Information

How to Ride a Camel


Position,
Place an ordinary camel in a recumbent position.


Position 3
Lean back gracefully a little farther than possible and inhale deeply.


Position 5 Sit naturally in the saddle and from time
to time speak sharply, but encouragingly, to to time speak
your mount.


Position 2
Put the left foot in the stirrup and vault lightly into the saddle.


Position 4
Reverse position and exhale quickly.


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$\mathrm{H}^{1}$E used to be a self-made man And then he lived in clover, But now he's different to your scanHis wife has made him over

## Real Places Not Down on the Map

BOYVILLE-This place lies just between Babyhood Junction and Youth Center. The foothills of Maturity begin their gentle ascent here, and in the distance, faintly outlined against the sky, may be seen the mountains of Fate. There are various
spires of these mountains, one of them called Fame Peak, rising to a great height. This can be reached from Boyville by various passes, most of these are hidden and obscure. By searching diligently, however, their entrances can be found at the base of the hills. But the search must be earnest and persevering.
Boyville is a pleasantly situated stretch of country, fed by turbulent streams, and upon which the sun shines always. It is only, indeed, when you begin to climb into the mountains that you meet with clouds and shadows.
There have been various attempts to
rebuild Boyville and introduce into it modern improvements. One attempt was the erection of a church. But this structure is only tolerated by the inhabitants, who avoid it when possible and much prefer the fields. Another attempt has been a school, but while it is completely filled part of the time, owing to the obnoxious supervision of a class of old fogies called Olympians, there is little enthusiasm. The inhabitants, however, are exceedingly curious and eager for knowledge, but for some singular reason they don't like the kind that can be obtained indoors.
Boyville is not governed in the ordinary manner. Its spirit appears to be one of pure lawlessness. Defiance of all authority, indeed, is its main boast. Fighting is the order of the day.
Occasionally someone leaves Boyville, starts out of it quietly and ascends the distant mountain of Fame. But he soon wanders back to Boyville and remains there the rest of his life. He can't get beyond it.

TIME is like a taxi cab; when you have reached the end of your journey, you always feel that the register has been working against you.


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An eminent German scientist who recently visited this country with a number of his colleagues was dining at an American house and telling how much he had enjoyed various phases of his visit.
"How did you like our railroad trains?" his host asked him.
"Ach, dhey are woonderful," the German gentleman replied; "so swift, so safe-chenerally-und such luxury in all dhe furnishings und opp'indmends. All is excellent excebt one thing-our wives do not like dhe upper berths."
-Harper's Weekly.

## A Famous Victory

"I would have you to know, sir, we came over with William the Conqueror."
" It must have been some kind of a conqueror who could make you come over with anything."
-Baltimore American.


A merry christmas for some one

## Good Counsel

Little children, always be Kind to everything you see. Do not kick the table's legs, Don't beat unoffending eggs.
Do not mischievously try To poke things in a needle's eye; Nor guilty be of such a fault As to pinch the table salt.
Do not pull a teapot's nose. Don't ask bread what time it rose. Little pitchers' ears don't tweak, Nor smack the apple's rosy cheek.

## But remember it is right

 To all things to be polite: Let the hay-scales have their way, Wish the calendar good day.Kiss the clock upon its face, Return the arm-chair's fond embrace. Greet the sieve in merry strain, Ask the window how's its pane.
If you learn to show such traits To your dumb inani-mates, Toward your playmates then you'll find You've an amiable mind.
-Carolyn Wells in Harper's Weekly.

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## The Origin of Santa Claus

About 300 A. D. a boy was born in Lycia. His parents called him Nicholas, but-so the chronicles tell us-though that was a man's name, he preserved the nature of a child, for he chose "to kepe vertues, meknes, and simpleness, and therefore the children doe him worship before all other saints."
The modern child's "Santa Claus" is a Dutch contraction of "Sankt Nikolaus." "Sank'ni K'lans," and the saint's custom of giving presents secretly and in the dead of night is the development of a deed of charity he per-
formed when he assisted three young women out of grave misfortune by tossing three well-filled purses into their bedroom long after they had retired.
Thus, Santa Claus comes about when the children are asleep and gives them their hearts' desires. St. Nicholas's Day was originally early in December, but later it was confounded with Christmas.
There is an old ballad describing the saint and his customs, thus:
St. Nicholas money used to give to maydens secretlie,
Who, that he still may use his wonted liberalitie,

The mothers all their children on the Eve do cause to fast,
And when they every one at night in senseless sleepe are cast,
Both Apples, Nuttes, and Peares they bring and other things besides,
As caps and shoes and petticotes, which secretly they hide,
And in the morning found, they say, that this St. Nicholas brought.

The idea that St. Nicholas was an old hoary-bearded man comes from the ancient representations of Saturn, who was pictured as a patriarch, and also from the confounding of the Christmas saint with Father Time, who always has his special day a week after Christmas.
Despite the pagan origin of the majority of our Christmas customs, they have been so much infused with the spirit of peace and good-will that their original significance is completely lost, and there is an entirely different sentiment in the merry festival of to-day. -Scrap Book.

A union butcher workman was suing a packing firm to recover damages for injuries sustained in a Kansas City establishment. A colored laborer in the plant was called as a witness.
" Did you work with Jones, the plaint iff?"
" Yassah."
" Do you know the foreman and the other officers of the plant?"
" Yassah."
"What are your relations with them ?" continued the attorney.
"Now, yo' look-a-here, boss," said the witness. "I'se skeared. That's a-why I looks so white. Them folks ain't no relations of mine."-Argonaut.



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"Yessir, I'm still pumping the organ. An' say, Charlie, I'm gettin' to be a pretty fine pumper. The other day they had a big organist over from. New Haven and I pumped a piece he couldn't play!" -Everybody's.

## The Plagiarist

A young author obtained permission from the celebrated satirist, Piron, to read to him a tragedy which was on the eve of being brought out. At every verse that was pillaged Piron took off his hat and bowed, and so frequently had he occasion to do this that the author, surprised, asked what he meant?
"Oh," replied Piron, "it is only a habit I have got of saluting my old acquaintances."

## What Book?

We never cease to marvel at the genius of Miss Marion E. Potter, the editor of the United States Catalog, whose knowledge of books in print, and whose accuracy in the titles, is a constant source of wonder.

The first number of the United States Catalog was issued in 1902 and contained all the books then in print, arranged in such a way that one could not only find any book, but could also locate books on any subject. Every year thereafter another volume has been issued by the H. W. Wilson Company, Minneapolis, under Miss Potter's editorship.
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Mrs. Newrich: We're going to live in a better neighborhood hereafter.
Mrs, Keen: Ah! So are we.
Mrs. Newrich: Then you are going to move, too?
Mrs. Keen : No; we're going to stay right here.-Boston Transcript.

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## "Dear Sir"

A pernicious gentleman, named Charles R. Wiers, has come out with the statement that " Dear Sir," " Madam," and "Gentlemen" should hereafter be discontinued as a beginning for letters, principally because "they are not applicable to personal conversation." Also because "a person who asks a question or states a proposition is more concerned about the answer than of a lot of senseless preliminary." Also because "their omission gives a letter originality and distinction."
Go to, dear Mr. Wiers, you don't know what you are talking about. What you really mean is that you want to introduce a custom of getting people to write and say exactly what they mean without any superfluosity. Then, in order to carry out your dictum and be consistent, we should likewise be expected to apply the rule to other intercourse.

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What is the use, for example, of saying: "How do you do?" or "How are you?"
Nine times out of ten we don't care how the person is, and besides we know pretty well by looking at him.
How about love letters?
When a man meets his best girl he doesn't necessarily begin by saying:
"My Darling," "My Sweetheart," " My Pet."
But if he should leave these things off from the beginning of a love letter, he might get into serious trouble. In fact, to carry out Wiers' point, he would not write his love letters at all, because half the love letters do not state what the man really means anyway.
Then what are you going to do with a man who writes to his wife? Are you going to have him express his real feelings about her in a letter?
Most of the apparently inadequate things that we do or say in the way of greeting really stand for something deeper. However much they may fail to fill the bill, they are exponents of a kindly attitude toward our fellow-man. Usually the fellow who is able to say the pleasantest things in the nicest way is the one from whom we derive the greatest comfort. And because this is apparently artificial is no reason why necessarily he should be a hypocrite.
Mr. Wiers is like many inept reformers; he rushes ahead without realizing that the results he expects to accomplish are not worth the time expended to get them.

Peckham: My wife talks, talks, talks all the time.
Underthum: You're wrong. She must listen part of the time or my wife wouldn't be with her so much.
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Hearts are trumps. A, B, Z and X
are playing. You are Z. B has the lead.
Arrange all the cards in the deck in four equal parts and then allot them to the different players. Some teachers tell what cards are in each hand. This with me is unnecessary. Any old cards will do. Now we will begin.
$B$ leads the $Q . S$ and $A$, who has been expecting just such a play (as B winked twice) puts on his 2 S , and the trick goes to X with the K .

X then follows with K.D and takes four tricks in succession, after which B finishes his J C and runs out the game. Now it is obvious that if X had
lead the remaining heart, he would have captured the remaining tricks, because, by leading through his left hand opponent's ten-ace, he could easily have made the spades. Why did he not do this?

And he has always been a good player.

Many beginners fail to see the value of the cards. That is where they fail. And there are also times when it is fatal to get out the trumps.
If $Z$ had only known this he might have saved the game.

Next week I will tell when to lead an ace.

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## Patriotic

Mr. Bryce, the British Ambassador, tells a brief story to illustrate the exalted opinion that he thinks Americans generally have of their nationality.

It was in a schoolroom, and during a review of history since the creation.
"Who was the first man?" the cxamining teacher asked.
"Washington," hastily replied a bright boy, quoting a familiar slogan, "First in war, first in peace, first-"
"Wrong. Adam was the first man."
"Oh," the pupil sniffed disgustedly,
"if you are talking about foreign-ers-." New York Tribune.

A certain teacher used to say, "A very large portion of learning hath escaped me. I mean that portion which I was ashamed to learn from men who were my inferiors. Therefore do not, O my disciples, let it be accounted a disgrace by you to ask questions of those who are your inferiors, whereby ye may become accomplished and perfect."

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The poulterers' shops were still half open, and the fruiterers' were radiant in their glory. There were great, round, pot-bellied baskets of chestnuts, shaped like the waistcoats of jolly old gentlemen, lolling at the doors, and tumbling out into the street in their apoplectic opulence. There were ruddy, brownfaced, broad-girthed Spanish onions, shining in the fatness of their growth like Spanish friars, and winking from their shelves in wanton slyness at the girls as they went by, and glanced denurely at the hung-up mistletoe. There were pears and apples, clustered high in blooming pyramids; there were bunches of grapes, made, in the shopkeepers' benevolence, to dangle from conspicuous hooks, that people's mouths might water gratis as they passed; there were piles of filberts, mossy and brown, recalling in their fragrance ancient walks among the woods, and pleasant shufflings ankle deep through withered leaves; there were Norfolk biffins, squat and swarthy, setting off the yellow of the oranges and lemons, and, in the great compactness of their juicy persons, urgently entreating and beseeching to be carried home in paper bags and eaten after dinner.

The very gold and silver fish, set forth among these choice fruits in a bowl, though members of a dull and stagnantblooded race, appeared to know that there was something going on; and, to a fish, went gasping round and round their little world in slow and passionless excitement. The grocers! oh, the grocers!



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nearly closed, with perhaps two shutters down, or one; but through those gaps such glimpses ! It was not alone that the scales descending on the counter made a merry sound, or that the twine and roller parted company so briskly, or that the canisters were rattled up and down like juggling tricks, or even that the blended scents of tea and coffee were so grateful to the nose, or even that the raisins were so plentiful and pure, the almonds so extremely white, the sticks of cinnamon so long and straight, the other spices so delicious, the candied fruits so caked and spotted with molten sugar as to make the coldest lookers-on feel faint and subsequently bilious.
Nor was it that the figs were moist and pulpy, or that the French plums blushed in modest tartness from their highly decorated boxes, or that everything was good to eat, and in its Christmas dress; but the customers were all so hurried and so eager in the hopeful promise of the day that they tumbled up against each other at the door in the best humor possible; while the grocer and his people were so frank and fresh that the polished hearts with which they fastened their aprons behind might have been their own, worn outside for general inspection and for Christmas daws to peck at if they chose.

But soon the steeples called good people all to church and chapel, and away they came, flocking through the streets in their best clothes, and with their gayest faces. At the same time there emerged from scores of by-streets, lanes and nameless turnings, innumerable people, carrying their dinners to the bakers' shops. The sight of these poor travelers appeared to interest the Spirit very



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## No Great Haste

At a lecture a well known authority on cconomics mentioned the fact that in some parts the number of men was considerably larger than that of women, and he added humorously
" I can therefore recommend the ladies to emigrate to that part of the world."
A young lady seated in one of the last rows got up and, full of indignation, was leaving the room rather noisily, whereupon the lecturer remarked:
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## Dr. Opimian on Christmas

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There are many poetical charms in the heraldings of Christmas-" The halcyon builds its nest on the tranquil sea""The bird of dawning singeth all night long." I have never verified either of these poetical facts. I am willing to take them for granted. I like the idea of the Yule-log, the enormous block of wood carefully selected long before, and preserved where it would be thoroughly dry, which burned in the old-fashioned hearth. It would not suit the stoves of our modern salons. We could not burn it in our kitchens, where a small fire in the midst of a mass of black iron roasts, and bakes, and boils, and steams, and broils, and fries, by a complicated apparatus which, whatever may be its other virtues, leaves no space for a Christmas fire.

I like the festoons of holly on the walls and windows; the dance under the mistletoe; the gigantic satusage; the baron of beef; the vast globe of plumpudding, the true image of the earth, flattened at the poles; the tapping of the old October; the inexhaustible bowl of punch; the life and joy of the old hall, when the squire and his household and his neighborhood were as one.


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("Gryll Grange.")

## Perpetual

Wife (apologizing for extraz̃agance) : Christmas comes but once a year.

Husband: Yes, but confound it, gift-making comes with every wedding, funeral, operation, ocean voyage, graduation and christening.

## Kissing Under the Mistletoe

The mistletoe was held in great reverence by the Druids. It was believed to be particularly and divinely healing; in fact it was given this attribute for centuries. It had special significance as the cause of the death of Balder, the Norse Apollo, who was killed by an arrow made from its branches. Subsequently Balder was restored to life, the mistletoe tree was placed under the care of Friga, and from that time until it touched the earth was never again to be an instrument of evil.
The present custom of kissing under the mistletoe is the outcome of an old practise of the Druids. Persons of opposite sexes passed under the suspended vine and gave each other the kiss of love and peace in full assurance that, though it had caused Balder's death, it had lost all its power of doing harm since his restoration

## Strong Land and Language

" Wonderful soil here," said the traveler; "I've never seen such big corn."
"Yes," said the farmer, " and we had to plant a dwarf variety to keep it down to this size."-St. Paul Dispatch.
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Suddenly it occurred to Bilter that there was a chance for a new sensation. Nothing had happened to him out of the ordinary for such a long time that almost anything would be welcome. At any rate, it might be worth trying.
The vague impulse took shape. Involuntarily Bilter paused in front of a florist's window. Then he entered.
" How much are violets?"
"Four dollars a bunch."
"Give me a bunch."
Armed with the flowers, he proceeded to his home. He bowed with mock dramatic action as he presented her with them.
"For the most charming woman in the world."
She looked at him wonderingly
"What is the matter with you?"
"Nothing. I am just filled with love and admiration of you, that's all. Here is a slight tribute."
She examined the violets.
"How lovely!" Her face flushed with pleasure.
At dinner Bilter held her chair and patted her softly on the cheek.
"What a becoming gown," he said. " Just suits you."

## Free Trial for Xmas



## " You're joking."

"I really mean it. Before this, I have been blind. I have not observed your delightful qualities closely enough."
After dinner he said:
"Really, my dear, I am beginning to realize that I do not admire you enough."

## "Oh, go 'long!"

Nevertheless, Mrs. Bilter was highly pleased. The following morning at breakfast she was positively pleasant, when heretofore they usually had said nothing to each other.
"Here's a bargain!" exclaimed Bilter, handing her the paper. "Why don't you take advantage of it?"
"You actually mean that? Why, you have chided me for-"
"I know it, but that was in my old manner. You see, it is not for me to say what you should buy or not. You know best. You are rumning that end."
Mrs. Bilter laid down the paper and came over to him.
"What has changed you so?" she asked. "You are like a different person; I feel as though I were married all over again."
" I thought it out. I made up my mind that married life is an art, that it requires all of the attention that ought to be paid to any art. I am not flattering you. I am just giving you your due. You are a very remarkable woman in many ways, and from this time forth you shall be equal with me in every way-indeed, superior. My affairs are yours."

Can I buy anything I like? "
Anything. You know my income. You have as much right to it as I have."
"And you really mean all this?"
Certainly. I would be polite to a lady I met almost anywhere by chance, would I not? Then why not you, whom I have selected as a permanent companion?"
Bilter's reputation for being polite to his wife grew. The neighbors heard of it. His friends at first jollied him about it and then referred to it sheepishly. The fact was that they were secretly ashamed of themselves.
By and by some of them tried itand found that it worked. Bilter became the head of a new cult. It was a silent cult, without officers, and no one mentioned it-but the idea had gone forth that common every day politeness between men and their wives was a most uncommon thing and that hereafter it was to be the order of the day.
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Just how that people became latter day sponsors for the Christmas tree is doubtful, though it is possible that it is traceable to the Saturnalia, and may have been imported into Germany by
some of the conquering legions. The Germans have a legend of St. Maternus's sleeping beneath a fir tree, and of a miracle that occurred upon that occasion.

There is another theory that the notion of this tree came from Egypt. The palm tree is supposed to put forth a shoot every month, and a spray of this tree, with twelve shoots on it, was useci in Egypt at their winter solstice celebration as being symbolical of the ended year. The Germans attribute the actual in-
stitution of the fir tree as part of the Christmas celebration to Martin Luther, but there is no reliable information on this subject. The Dutch, especially in New Amsterdam, were responsible for the vogue which the tree gained in America. It is now one of our oldest holiday customs.
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And stood a while in thought.
And as in garford thought he stood,
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One two, one two, and through and through
His maxwell blade went cadillac. He left it dead, and with its head He croxton-kectoned back.

And hast thou slain the commertruck? Come to my arms, my bergdoll boy! Ch , stoddard-day-ton berliet!

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She was a leading spirit in the Woman's Club and served on half a dozen committees. When there was a church bazaar they depended on her to attend to the decorations, arrange the raffles, make the candy and see that everything went off all right. Every Monday night she attended the meeting of the council and assisted the solons in keeping the village clean, neat and efficient. She took a deep interest in the welfare of the hospital, the Children's Fresh Air Fund and the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

She did all this giadly and with unbounded enthusiasm. Her heart swelled with pride to know that she was an integral and indispensable factor of the civic welfare. Her only regret was that it took up her time. When the neighbors called she apologized profusely for the slatternly condition of herself, her house and her children, saying that somehow she simply couldn't find time to attend to them. And the neighbors would go away and say it was strange that she could arrange the decorations of the church so beautifully and yet have practically no decorations at home.

She would also apologize to her husband, admitting the justice of all his complaints concerning the unkempt state of the house and the children, and promise that she would be able to get around to them as soon as the private theatricals for the benefit of homeless pets were out of the way.

Her husband listened to all she said and pondered it well. He was a practical man and could see that everything she said was the exact truth. So he said to himself: "Here I am married to the most popular woman in town, and I am extremely proud of the fact, but I should not let my own petty concerns and comforts interfere with those larger activities. It is most selfish of me to want her to narrow her field down to taking charge of a single establishment."

Having pondered this well and convinced himself that it was the only just and proper attitude for a self-sacrificing husband to take, he waited until preparations were well under way for the Society Circus and Street Fair, which were to occupy a week of the village's time and a month or two of his wife's; and then he quietly bought a ticket to Reno, resolved to sacrifice himself and thus release his wife for a more boundless sphere of duty.

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The Americans in Panama, by William R. Scott. (The Statler Publishing Company.)
The Financier, by Theodore Dreiser. (Harper \& Bros. \$1.40.)
Paris à la Carte, by Julian Street. (John Lane Company. 60 cents.)
Thy Rod and Thy Staff, by Arthur Christopher Benson. (G. P. Putnam's Sons.)
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Without thee, all romantic Deeds Would change to weak, schoolgirlish " ee's"!
Alas, unless one wisely heeds,
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Unless we had thy helpful start
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And what would Cupid be without Thy help in Ducky, Dove and Dear? Despair, Distraction, Darkest Doubt, Without thee would be Denced queer!
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