

TENDERNESS.

Not unto every heart is God's good gift. Of simple tenderness allowed; we meet With love in many fashions when we lift First to our lips life's waters, bitter-sweet.

WITHOUT DUE AUTHORITY.

He stood at the street corner, looking drearly into the growing fog. A minute or two before he had been standing behind the railings in the park, absorbed in an effort, altogether unavailing, to save the souls of his fellow citizens in this metropolis of evils.

sadly. "Sometimes I—I almost wish my profession allowed me to think so, too, doctor. But it doesn't." "Hang your profession!" jerked out Jeff. "You're not a parson?"

"Yes—where—to the south of France? My dear doctor, that's not for me—at least not now. Once—he stopped, and his eyes grew dreamy. "Not now," he said again.

room. The darkness was whirling round him now and he fell on his knees beside the bed. Jeff, coming in late that night to tell him of his success, found him there kneeling beneath the wall where the crucifix had hung.

Jeff tilted his chair, waiting. It came at last. The preacher caught his eye, and hesitated for a moment. "I told you a lie, then," he said. "Go on."

And in the dead preacher's hand was a piece of crumpled paper, upon which was written "John Allingham Taylor" and a date—that was all.

"I'm going to have a spelling bee to-night," said Uncle John, "and I'll give a pair of skates to the boy who can best spell 'man.'" The children turned and stared into one another's eyes.



QUALITIES OF AN IDEAL WOMAN.

THE ideal woman according to the countess of Jersey must possess the following four qualities—patience, tact, foresight and unselfishness.

Nun Rather than Wife. Miss Mattie McQuaid, of Cleveland, Ohio, will become a nun because her employer proposed marriage to her.



MISS MATTIE McQUAID.

President Kruger of the Transvaal is a man not easily impressed by rank, title, or worldly splendor of any kind, and not in the least ashamed of his own plain origin and rough upbringing.

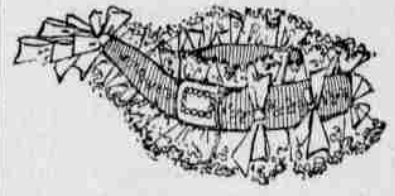
Plants That Thrive Indoors. Plants suitable for indoor window-gardens are: Geraniums; begonias, not including the Rex sections, as these are not adapted to house culture.

Smoking Rooms for Women. So many Englishwomen are users of tobacco that some leading London hotels have been compelled to fit up smoking-rooms for fair devotees of the weed.

The Old Fashioned Woman. "When one judges truly what it is to be 'old-fashioned' in some of the modern 'progressive' ideas, it does not appear so bad."

miss, as well, the true aim and essence of life. And there are often strong compensations in the attitude of the 'old-fashioned.' It brings fewer after-regrets; fewer pictures one wants to blot out.

Garters for Brides. The latest bridal garter is of white elastic. Running over the surface of the elastic is a delicate tracery in blue in the pattern of a tiny flower. Here



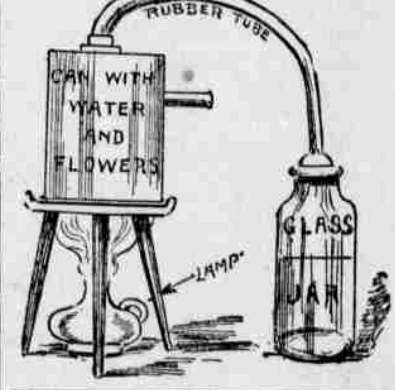
GARTER FOR A BRIDE.

and there knots of very narrow white ribbon. Bordering the elastic is a ruffle of white lace of fine pattern.

Believes in Women Angels. Some preacher in New Jersey recently declared that he did not believe there were any women angels in heaven.

Home Distillery. If any woman wishes to save the cost of buying toilet waters she may save it by manufacturing them at home.

New England Women Farmers. There is a colony of women in New England known as the Mary Wilkins farmers who have demonstrated their ability to conduct a farm in its every department as systematically and successfully as any of their male neighbors.



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There is only one sudden death among women to every eight among men.