A Companionable Girl

By EDGAR L. THOMPSON

Maxico, elecking in a bank. I was sent the Pecus river.

I had about fifty talles in go, traveler on horseleck and, of course, curried -Cealther revolver at my him. I tout a mack with me, but ate it up before to edock. About 2 in the aftermone I passed a house where there were a lot of borses tird to pours before the door up to the door and called out

"Hello, there!" I heard a commission tunide, and pretty seen a man came to the door. He boked as if he were ready to bill some one if necessary, and I noticed be held his right hand behind him, as that he could have easily drawn on me He asked what I wanted and school i told him he said there were a little and pork and curu pour in the berne that I could have if I could worry these down I dismounted, went in and found an other man and a girl apparently about twenty years old. They gave me the estables, and when I had finished my mest one of the men asked me where I was going. I told him, and after a conference with the others be caree to me and said

"Neighbor, would you mind helpin' a ed through on the way you're gold?" "Pit be very glad to do no." I replied. "Well, Moll, you'd better yo with him and you'd better ticke two of the bornes with you. We won't need 'em

You wouldn't infind leadin' 'em, would "Not a bit," sald Mail.

We'd been on the road together about so bout when we heard a distant clat ter of horses hoofs behind us. Mol boked at me. frightened. I usked her what scared her, and she sold she was afraid road agents were coming. At the same time who turned her horse's head into a thicket beside the road. I followed her, and after riding a few hundred rards from the road she stop ped We fishened and fished to hear the footfalls. Madd busheef awfully wared and said she believed schoere she had heard behind us had seen us turn into the wood and were following as and that the reason they made no sound was because they were riding on

I thought of the thousand dollars. carried, and, thinking a girl might be better able to heep it from uses. I fuld her I had money with me and asked ber if she could concent it on her per on for me till the danger had pursed She was too frightened to toply at esce, but when I got bec afterthough took the bills and cranmed them into her bosom. I was much pleasant for I felt that they were sofer there from

It was soon evident that some per son, or rather persons, more after us for we heard them near us in the wood. but we were in a depression, with the bushes thick between us and them and although we got glimpers of them. they didn't find us. Our great fear was that one of the hornes would be tray us by a whiter, but fort we escaped that, and in time our purothers gave up hunting for us in that vicinity. We heard a man call to an other, "We've come too far: they turn ed in farther back." Then we heard

The girl, taking the lead, started up and made for the road farther on. I following But when she reached it she kept on the turf. I was astonish ed at the energy and foresight she displayed. She clang to the hal borses. though occasionally when fearful of being overhauled she showed signs of turning them addift. Finally, hearing approaching hoof beats on the road in the direction we were going, she let the horses go, striking them with her

whip, and they made off into the wood This done, she modulated her gait. and we rode on at a slow canter. We met a man driving a team, and I experfed Moll would warn him of the road agents shead of him, but she didn't, and we went on till he had passed out of hearing, when she bemn to lash her horse like a fury 1 spurred my own mount to do his best. out it was soon evident that he could not keep up with hers, and the first thing I knew he stumbled and fell. throwing me over his head on the turf beside the road.

I heard the road agents coming, but I could now do nothing to escape them. Indeed, it wasn't necessary since Moll had gone on with the money, at which I was much pleased, as I considered it saved. When our pursuers three hen came up to me I recognized one of the customers of the bank where I was employed, and he recogalted me He told me that they were after horse thieves, and when I told him my experience be pronounced my friend Moll one of them. The look on my face startled the party, and when they asked for an explanation I told them that Molt had the bank's thou-

sand dollars. One of the men went after the led horses Moll had let go, while the other two went on after Moll Had my horse not stumbled I would not have been in a position to inform the pursuers of the direction she had taken and the money I had given her for safe keeping would have been lost. As it was she was enplured, but not hanged because she was a woman. Those I had left at the house escap-

ed with their plunder. SIRES AND SONS.

William Rankin of New York has celebrated his one hundred and fourth birthday.

Senor Guillermo Billinghurst, exmayor of Lima, just elected president of Peru, was born of English parents. who settled in Peru over sixty years

Some years ago Finland's composer, lan Sibilius, received a government pension for life. It is now announced that the czar has made an addition to this of \$500 a year.

tharon Hengetmuller von Hengervar,

Colonet Leroy Springs, one of the he found the electric lump, and taking greatest editon mill owners and man- as before one in each hand he stenithly agers in the south, who recently added a KLIKELIKE plant to his holdings, begen as a grovery clerk in a little store in Charlotte, N. C.

Deputy Fire Chief William Guerin. head of the bureau of the prevention. one day with \$1,000 for a tunn who had New York, has won a degree of bache just opened a store in a scrifement on lor of inwa by attending night school day. He is about to apply for aduda-

John Laws, recently elected register of deeds of Orange county, N. C. has held the same position for sixty-three years and is said to be the oldest ofthe world. He is ninety Thinking I might get a discour, I rock. Years old and is one of the two North Carolina survivors of the Mexican war.

Flippant Flings.

A woman wearing a long hatpin may be ejected from a street car in Berlin. Here the rest of the folks have to get or, Portland (Mex Press. Foso Ligh, a Chinese student, says

he has learned to speak English fluently in six weeks. Listen to Foon Ligh Milwaukee Sentinel. A Boston physician tells you what

site you simply by holding your hand. But the couples who "hold hands" do not need to be told. New York World.

The flussian genius who proposes to make fresh laid eggs out of the air must be a descendant of the philosopher of Laputa, who sought to extract sunbeams from cucumbers.-New York

Fashion Frills

The fashion notes indicate that the standing mem only skirt is to play to capacity business for another season -Philadelphia Ledger

Since British suffragettes have tak es to climbing telegraph poles to cut the wires it would seem a foregone opelission that the hobble skirt will have to give way to bloomers.-New York World

The west no longer shoots up a francer because he happens to wear a white shirt and a plug bat, but those dandles who are revising the side whishers, frilled shirts and spats of 1800 will do well to remain east of the Musisshopi - Cleveland Lender.

Burglars

By NELLIE D. SWIFT

"What's that?" Mrs. Blunt sat up in led, at the same time clutching her bushand's arm in a viselike grip. "What's what?" granted Mr. Blunt.

trying to wake himself up. "Hurgiars! Didn't you hear 'em?"

"No. Where?" "Downstairs. They've run against

some glassware and smashed it." "I'm going down," said Mr. Blunt, attempting to rise but his wife held going to a bureau, took a revolver, then, taking an electric light in his left hand, pressed his thumb on the jets suffer from neuromobilitis, but button and descended the staircase, what they need is bridewell sentences ile passed from the lower hall to the -Chicago News. them go in the direction from which drawing room and from the drawing It is incorrect to speak of the carecut giass dish that had been knocked buried.-St. Louis Republic. off the sideboard. He looked in a drawer in the sideboard where the silver in daily use was kept, expectfeeling in the dark, had knocked off them. - New York Herald. the dish and, fearing to have awakened the household, had taken himself away

as soon as possible. Mr. Blunt opened a door that led into the pantry, through which he passed into the kitchen. All was silent and empty. He tried the door leading out on to a back stoop and found it locked. But he found a window sash unlocked and made up his mind that the burglar had found an entrance and an exist through that window. He locked it and, having satisfied himself that the burglar had left the premises without having had time to take any booty, went back to his room, where he found his wife standing shivering in the middle of the room. She had expected every moment to hear a report and that her husband would be killed.

"Are they gone?" she cried. "You."

"How did they get in?" "He or they must have entered and gone out by the kitchen window. Please caution Susan to be more careful about locking the sashes."

Mrs. Blunt had lighted the gas, and her husband, who was facing a mirror, was somewhat startled at his appearance as reflected in it. He was in his nightshirt, with a revolver in one hand and a tubular electric lamp in the other, both the lamp and the revolver looking equally terrible. The expectation of facing a burglar had been somewhat trying to him, and his usually florid face was pale. Nevertheless he assured his wife that the burglar had gone and there was no need for her to feel frightened. They returned to bed, but Mrs. Blunt would not consent to the gas being turned off. To-

ward morning they fell into a doze. The episode unhinged Mrs. Blunt's nerves, and Mr. Blunt, though he poohpooled at her fears, never went to bed without thinking how reckless he had been in going down to face a burglar with a light in his hand that would show the villain just where he was. He would not be so foolish again. He would carry the lamp, but would not flash until occasion required. Mrs. Blunt declared that if there was again evidence of burglars in the house she would lock her husband in their bedroom. But Mr. Blunt declared that his manliness would not permit him to leave any man to roam about his house

and carry away his property. One night when he was wakeful and his wife was sound asleep Mr. Blunt

the revently retired as antessador of Getting cautiously out of bed he slipwas sure he heard sounds downstalrs. Austria Hungary, and been in Wasn ped on his coat, for the house was cold, ington for eighteen years and was the tiptoed to the bureau, where he found dean of the capital's diplomatic corps. the revolver, then to the mantel where unlocked the bedroom door and felt his way by the banister downstairs.

In the hall below he felt something jar against his leg. At the same time a street lamp throwing a faint light into the drawing room showed blue the dim figure of a man on the other side of the room. It occurred to Mr. Blunt and studying at old times during the that he was standing in the dark and while he could see the man indistinctly the man couldn't see him at all. His first impulse was to run opstairs and lock himself in his bedroom; his second was to shoot the introder before the fellow was aware of his presence; otherwise he might be murdered by a desperate man. Raising his revolver, he shut his eyes and let drive.

He heard a shrick upstairs and sounds sade by something running away. The first came from Mrs. Blunt; the second was like the flight of an animal and came from the cat. Hearing nothing further, Mr. Blunt crouched behind a newel post and finshed his tamp into the drawing room. He saw no one, but a hole with radiant cracks had been made in a corner of a mirror rest. ing on the mantel.

Ton't be frightened, my dear. Come down here."

Mrs. Blunt, who was hanging on to the banister above, responded faintly:

'Heavens! Are you killed?" "Not exactly. I'm only a foot." "What is it?" "Shot at reflection in the mirror."

"Oh, dear! Did you break the mir-"I made a hole in it. That confound ed cat ran by me and upset me."

"Did you hurt yourself?" "I mean she startled me, and I lost

my head " The next morning Mrs. Blust race

her husband's revolver to a peddler. Train and Track.

freland's largest railroad system has a mileage of 1.121.

Railless electric trolley cars are meet ing with public favor in England. The Delaware, Lackawanna and

Western railroad forbids use of liquot by employees whether off or on duty. The fastest train in Germany is the so called "D-Zug 20" between Berlin

and Hamburg, which maintains an average speed of 55.177 miles per four Retween Potosi and Rio Muiato. Bollyia, the new railroad reaches an at titude of about 16,000 feet at one point This is claimed to be the greatest height ever attained by rail.

Foreign Affairs.

The Balkans are tired of having Centrat America monopolize the revolution oustness - Roston Journal

Wonder what old Omar Khayyam would say to the "strangling of Per sin." New York American.

That the kniser and the crown prince are at odds is merely an evidence that the one is getting old and the other im intient New York World

With steel gaffs on its rudimentary quirs the dove of peace is circling shove the Mexican battleholds uttering shricks of defiance.-Chicago News.

The Speed Mania.

They say that scorehing automobil-

room to the dining room, where he less pedestrian in the present tense found the fragments on the floor of a The careless pedestrian is dead and

A scientist declares that the speed mania has converted a great many au tomobilists into nervous wrecks. ing to find it gone. It was all there would like to have him diagnose the and he concluded that the burglar, case of the man who has to dodge

College and School.

Cleveland's public schools last year Nest \$1,438,122

Raltimore may locate its new nor mal school in a suburban district.

Pittsburgh school officials propos giving a seat and bath privileges to every pupil.

Simmons college, in Boston, gives n regular four year course of which the aim is to send out every graduateit is a woman's college-technically trained to earn ber living in some speettic occupation.

SHE GOT RILED

By ARCHIBALD PETERS

The reason I loved Marigold was because she was such a frail little thing. so different from me, a strapping farmer's boy who could follow a plow all day and sling my legs at a barn dance till 4 o'clock in the morning. I wasn't afraid of the devil himself. while Marigold, though a country girl, didn't dare go near a cow. Her mother had to do all the milking.

"What would you do," I asked her If a robber came into the house?"

"I should die of fright," she replied. This troubled me, for I proposed. after our wedding day, to take my wife on to my farm, and I didn't see how I could stay within eyesight of my house all the while. If a tramp should some along or a criminal of any kind he would have an easy job of getting away with whatever he could carry. But it wasn't this that troubled me so much; it was the prospect of coming home some day and finding my wife murdered or that she had been frightened to death, which was about the same thing.

Well, we were married. The house on my farm was about 100 years old. It would require ten men a month to knock it to pieces, so heavy and so well knitted together was its framework. In the kitchen was a fireplace six feet unfounded.-Chicago Record-Herald. wide. The furniture was as old as the

horses and as strong. It was so Kenyy

that I had easters put on every piece. When I went out in the morning Markeold would ask how for I was going-whether I would be within cutt,

One day I was obliged to drive to the county cout on some highest and he away several hours. Marigold didn't. obtact to my going-in that way she was pinetry but I could see she assented with doesd. If I could have sent any one else I would have stayed at home But I couldn't very well do so, and, timld as my wife was, I knew she wouldn't have permitted such a course. in the morning, drame to town, attended to my business and reached ome in time for the noon ment. I didn't see Muricold in the yard

watching for me, and this frightened Driving up to the front door, I let the horses stand without his hing and ran into the ball. The rooms were all n disorder. With my beart in my throat I can to the rear. In the kitchon I saw a sight. Most of the furniture had been rolled against the fireplace, and a board was placed one end a bedstead and the other gainst the wall. Something awful and have happened that something my wife had always dreaded. cal weakness as to a premonition of pursuing scientific investigations evil. Oh, why had I left her? If I found her alive I would never leave

Behind the kitches was the woodionse, and running through the woodhouse, keeping my eyes open all the while for my wife's dead body, I emerged into the back yard. What cas my surprise and relief to see Mariold sitting quietly on a stump a short distance from the rear of the house with my shotgun over her knees, her nger on the trigger.

"For heaven's sake, sweetheart, what as happened?"

She was so intent upon something on the roof of the house that she did not reply. I turned my eyes in that direction and was thunderstruck at seeing a man's head raised above the chimsey. But it was lowered immediately, and, taking another glance at my wife, I saw her with the gun to her shoulder nd pointing at the chimney. "Next time you do that," she said, I'll fige sure."

Was ever man so bewildered as I? "My dear," I pleaded, "do explain,"

"About un hour ago." she begun, that villain in the chimney came to he house and asked for something to sit. He saw by my looks that I was frightened and since I was alone came a and threatened to kill me if I didn't tell him where the money was. Some how this made me kind of mad. Be sides. I didn't want to lose the money So I just wouldn't tell him. Then he masacked the bouse. I had done the weeping, had put everything to rights. and it riled me to see him tossing things about

"I thought if I could get him into a loset or somewhere I might keep him till you came home. Then it occurred o me to tell him the money was in the chimney. He climbed up there, hunt ng for it, and I wheeled the furniture gainst the opening and got a board from the woodhouse to brace it with so he couldn't move it awar. He tried and seeing himself cornered, was climb ing up when I snatched the gun and ran outside. He was just getting out when I told him if he didn't get back

There was a pause, at the end of which she added, "You've forgotten to hiss me dear"

"Formation to kiss you! I should hink I've seen enough to make me forest anything." I follow here in my seems than taking

he gun. I ordered the man to come out of the effininey and down. In an hour, had him todged in tall.

Since this coisode I don't permit my wife to talk about her fears and I go tway as often and stay as long as I the. You never can tell what one of these timid women will do when she

Current Comment.

Scientists are still trying to produce life artificially while moralists are la menting that life is too artificial. Brooklyn Standard Union.

All the country has spent on its chools does not appear to have gone far toward educating the hazing practice out of being.-Denver Republican. Once more the time honored question arises, this time in Paris; What sort of a man understands women? The man who pever boasts about it .- De

trolt Free Press. A speaker at the national congress of hygiene says the United States leads the world in deaths. The professor might have stated the fact more pleasantly by saying we lead the world in everything. New York Telegram.

Short Stories.

The United States spends \$15,000,000 year to see baseball games. The Russian government has put the cable hunters out of business for three

From deep water in the Atlantic to deep water in the Pacific the Panama canal will be fifty miles in length.

The kitchens of the Emperor Francis Joseph's palace at Budapest are considered to be the most modern and in every way the finest in Europe.

In the United States there is one law. yer for every 700 persons, in England there is one to each 1,100 of population, in France one to 4,100 and in Russia one to 30,000.

Cost of Living.

The official government report shows that the high cost of living is almost equal to the cost of high living.-Chiengo Inter Ocean. Now that a government commission

has made an exhaustive examination and reported thereon, the public suspicion that the cost of living is high has been confirmed.-Philadelphia Ledger.

It is true living costs more than it used to. The federal bureau of labor has issued a report confirming the rumor. We had hoped the story might at last have turned out to have been

DAMES AND DAUGHTERS.

Mrs. Elmer Norther of Cambridge, Mass, is said to have the largest collection of postcards in the world. It

numbers more than 20,000 specimens. Mrs. Chang, widow of a Chinese officiai, is the editor in chief of the Peking roman's paper, which is devoted entirely to subjects interesting to her sex.

Mme. de Rossard, a herolne who sald; nursed British soldiers with Florence Sightingale in the Crimean war, is now, at the age of eighty four, living in an obscure quarter of Cairo, Egypt, in stekness and want, it is said The Duchess of Fyfe, who recently

attained her twenty-first birthday, is owner of one of the brirest estates in north Britain, comprising nearly 250,-669 acres of cultivated land, mountain, moor and forest. She inherited the vast estates and great riches of her father. The duchess is food of outdoor sport.

Mrs. Lydia R. Kemper, a scentist of note, has received unusual recognition in Germany, the emperor having recently conferred on her the title of "professor." Though born in Russia. she has lived practically all of her life in the United States and has occupied flashed through my brain that this a chair at the University of Pennsyl drend was not due so much to a physi- vania. Mrs. Kemper is now in Berlin

Sporting Notes.

Danny Murphy, captain of the Athletics, owing to the injury to his leg probably never will be able to play baseball again, but he will retain his connection with the Athletics in the eapacity of a scout.

First Baseman Myers of the Spokane club of the Northwestern league has established a new league base stealing record, stenling 118 bases. The former record of 105 bases was held by Zimmerman of the Chicago Nationals.

Ted Meredith, the champion runner, will not be on the Penusylvania freshman football team this season. Meredith wanted to play, but after writing to Trainer Mike Murphy he learned that he would take on flesh if he played football and this might interfere

THE TAIL OF A BULL

By M. QUAD Copyright, 1912, by Associated Lit-

Abe Jackson sat on the roudside fence with his head in his hands. He was the most dissatisfied young man in the state of lows. After working as a farmer's hired man for years and years and saving up a little money be had bought a forty acre farm to find that he had been budly chested.

Five rods down the road, on the banks of a creek, a man sat fishing. He was a summer boarder in the neighborhood and was understood to be a Wall street broker. He was fat and service. He was smiling and placid. He not only fished for fish, but be caught them. "Dod gast him, but I'd like to break

his neck" muttered Abe as he watched of \$500. He hasn't had any troubles. hor He hasn't had a girl call him a fool and go back on him. "And now that old bull has broke

loose," growled Abe as he slid off the fence. "If he knocks off both his horns and breaks his back I shan't care a cent.

When the bull came charging down the hill be saw the broker haviing in the fish and charged straight at him. The broker was used to other kinds of bulls, and his first thought was to get away from this sort. He scrambled up to fall down again, and but for Abe he would have got a horn or two. The farmer didn't get in front of the bull to try to stop him, but as the animal passed he was selzed by the tail. You can steer a bull as well as a boat if you get the right sort of a hold. Abe had it, and he steered the animal on to the bridge across the creek and then to the right and twitched him off into the

"Say, that was well done!" exclaimed the broker, as he came upon the bridge. "But for that trick of yours I should have got it bad."

"Humph!" replied Abe. "You've got gumption, you have." "You are a llar!"

"Why-why, what do you mean sir?" "I mean that I've paid \$500 for a farm worth about half that. I haven't got the brains to last a rabbit overnight."

"Didn't you look at the farm before you bought?" "No. Took a feller's word for it and, oh, Lord, how I have got cheated!"

"Going to have a hard time to pull through, ch?"

"I shall have to eat roots next win "Let's take a little walk and look your land over," said the broker as

that mound up there?"

he laid his fishing outfit aside. "What's

"Dunno," was the reply. "Reckon the Injuns buried their dead there after a great battle. I've dug into it and found arrowheads a plenty.' "I owe you something for what you did down there. You were a fool to

take any man's word about a farm, but I guess I can pull you out of the hole all right. Did you ever hear of high finance?" "Can't say I have."

"Well. I'm going to show you some I'm going to make this old mound worth a couple of thousand dollars to The broker had a collection of relies

certain things and had them planted in the mound. Then he made a call on the nearest village editor, and a week later that editor was referring in his paper to a great and historic find on the farm of Abel Jackson. There was the tooth of a mammoth and Greek and Roman medals and coins among the things unearthed, Strangers came poking around almost at once. They were shown the relics, but they could not secure permission to dig. That farm was for sale, and the mound went with it. Abe simply opened his

Two days later the price went up to

\$1.000 Abe was for taking it, but the "That's only half our figure! In three

or four days we'll dig up Julius Chesar's glass eye and see what they eny about that." When the eye was unearthed a professor, who was very much interested

in the research, took it in his hand and

"Um! Um! Ancient history says nothing about the great Caesar having a glass eye, but perhaps be had oneperhaps so! I think I will raise my offer to \$1,500." "Not yet," said the impler to Alle

Jackson when he would have closed with the offer. "We must get our figure for this old mound.

"But we are the same as lying to the sople," was protested.

"That's the way most of the business of the country is done today. Just appear indifferent and you'll get your price. I seem to remember that Pliny had a brass our. If he didn't then old Socrates did and we'll have it on top the ground."

"Um! Um!" said the professor when the ear was found. "It may be Pliny's and it may be Socrates', but I think I can raise my offer to \$2,000."

"Take it and skip," advised the broker when Abe came to him. "But it's half more than it's worth."

"My son, a thing is worth all you can hornswaggle a fool out of, and in going hence take your bull along. He may be the means of buying you another farm for half its value. A tailhold is a good thing if you can hang on to it long enough."

A THIEF'S RUSE

By GWENDOLIN L RICE

Pete Morgan was a criminal whose normal state seemed in juit rather than at liberty. He had served a term for burglary, was rearrested on another charge, brought into court, tried and acquitted for want of evidence. While waiting for the papers in his case to be made out he heard the prosecuting attorney say to a messenger: "Go to my house and ask my

daughter to look in a tin box marked Schneider & Co. in the vault, get out a deed she will find there, give it to you and bring it back to me." "Are you in a hurry, sir?" asked the

messenger. "Why do you ask?" "Because I'm to go on another errand that's very important."

"Very well. You may do that one

first. I won't need the deed before this afternoon." Pete knew the name of the prosecutbeen made familiar with it by the fact a son of one of the clerks of the estabthat Mr. Wilkinson had arranged for his lodging in prison on divers occa-

sions. Moreover, Pete had great perceptive faculties. As soon as Pete left the courtroom he sought a drug store and in a few minutes was turning over the leaves of a directory hunting for Mr. Wilkinson's home address. Upon finding it the man. "He hasn't been beaten out he proceeded to that gentleman's describe rang the for "Miss Wilkinson." A young lady came into the hall and asked Pete

what she could do for him "Your father sent me for a deed in a tin box marked Schneider & Co. in the vault, miss."

"Oh," said the young lady, "I sup

pose he means the silver and lewel vault. I believe he keeps some law papers there. I'll go and find them." Miss Wilkinson tripped upstairs to a recess in the upper hall and began to turn a knob on a vault door with a view to getting inside. Pete's original idea was while the young lady was off looking for the deed to help himself to any article of value in small bulk he might see and get away with it. The mention of the silver and jewel vault

opened up new possibilities. Peter was hesitating whether to fol low Miss Winkinson and force his way into the vault when his heart was glad dened by hearing her call from the

landing above: "I find two deeds in the box. Did father say which one he wanted?"

"I think," said Pete, "I'd know it if was to see it."

"Come up, please." Pete sprang up the stairs with alac rity. Here was the chance of his life, the jewel and silver vault standing open with no protection except a girl He might not have to do any open work at all. His wits were sharp, and it was quite possible he could make a pretext to go into the vault and slip a few gems into his pocket without being detected. He found Miss Wilkinson standing by a table on which was an open tin box full of papers. She showed him two deeds and asked him which he thought her father wanted. He examined both very knowingly, when the girl, noticing the name on the box, ex-

claimed. "This isn't it at all. This is marked 'Parker & Treusdale Co.' I'll get the other one."

"Couldn't I do it for you, miss?" "I wish you would. It's dark in there, and I have trouble with my eyes. There are several boxes on the shelf. Look for the one marked Schnelder & Co. and bring it out into the

"Yes, miss. My eyes are first rate." Quite beside himself with joy at this unexpected advantage, Pete went to the vault, entered and, instead of looking for the boxes, cast his eyes about for the valuables. There was nothing. so far as he could see, but a lot of tin and curios at home, and he sent for boxes and musty papers. But before he could quite take in the situation he heard the door of the vault shut, the knob quickly turned, and he was a

Mr. Wilkinson, sitting at his desk in his office, heard his telephone bell ring and took up the receiver. "Papa, did you send a man for

deed in the vault?" "Yes. Why do you ask?" "Whom did you send?" "Edward Beam."

"Edward Beam didn't come.

ment I laid eyes on him I knew he

was a hardened criminal." "Great heavens!" "How did such a man know what

you wanted?" "I don't know. Tell me what has happened. Anything stolen? Are you

"Ob, it's all right." "What's become of the man"

"He's bere." "Here! What do you mean?" "I've locked him in the vault."

"In the vault?" "You." "How in the world did you get him

"I enticed him."

"Tell me all about it, onick." Well, I told him the deed you wanted was in the lowel and silver vanit. Then I purposely took out the wrong

box and sent him in for the right "Thank beaven! I wonder you weren't me dered."

Peter was returned to his accustomed domi lies

Edible Seaweed. Within recent years seaweeds have been introduced into the English kitchen. The edible species, served with roast meats, have been found to be very palatable. Devoushire and Japanese seaweeds are employed largely in the London industry,

Women Barred. The Asiatic town of Maiwatchi, on the borders of Russia, is peopled by men only. Women are forbidden entrance there.

The Theater of Dionysus. What was probably one of the earliest theaters built was the theater of Dionysus, which was begun five centuries before Christ. The seating capacity of this remarkable building is said to have been 30,000. The theater of Dionysus was erected when Greek art and literature were in their prime, Here were presented to appreciative spectators the wonderful works of Aeschylus, Sophocles and Euripides.

The average height of men in the United States and Canada is five feet eight and a half inches; that of women five feet four and a quarter inches. Positivism.

"Positivism" is the term applied to

eighteenth century. The members of

the sect believed in only those things

of which they had positive knowledge:

a form of religion invented or founded in France during the latter part of the

hence the term. Bank of England Clerks. The patronage of the Bank of England belongs entirely to the directors. a clerk being appointed by each director in rotation until the vacancies are filled, with the exception of one cierk ing attorney very weil. Indeed, he had ship in every seven, which is given to lishment who has discharged his duties

Vegetables.

to the satisfaction of the directors.

When wishing to keep vegetables such as greens, lettuce, parsley, etc.until the following day place, with the roots or where they have been cut. in a vessel containing water, exactly as you would a bunch of cut flowers, and they will be as fresh as if newly cut.

Town Topics.

Chicago is a queer city. It has even gone so far as to forbid "ad." displays in street cars. - Boston Journal.

Baltimore policemen must not play

dominos on Sunday. Probably it is the one game that they don't play at all .-Milwaukee Sentinel. Boston women are doing their own marketing and receiving lots of notoriety because of it. The wonder in

Cleveland is that such a commonplace

should deserve reporting.-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Aerial Flights. The air continues to be a poor place in which to do fancy work.-Chicago

Record-Herald. There may be advancement in aviation, but at what cost of life!-New York American.

Doing fancy "stunts" in an aeroplane is taking dangerous chances, of course, but even the man who does nothing but plain, everyday, unornamental aviating is not regarded by the life insurance companies as a safe risk. -Chicago Tribune.

Cause of the Trouble. Mrs. Nupler-Are the Bridelums hap py with each other?

Mrs. Alters-I haven't heard them say, but I notice they never speak to Mrs. Lovitt any more. You know, she is the lady who introduced them.-Lippincott's Magazine. Take the Cash and Let the Credit Go.

The knot was tied, the pair were wed The knot was tied, the pair were wed, And then the smiling bridegroom said Uhto the preacher, "Shall I pay To you the usual fee today, Or would you have me wait a year And give you then a hundred clear If I should find the marriage state As happy as I estimate?"

The preacher lost no time in thought. To his reply no study brought. There were no wrinkles on his brow. Said he, "I'll take three dollars now.

Playing Safe.

-Ladies' Home Journ

Mother-The teacher complains you have not had a correct lesson for a Son-She always kisses me when I get them right-New Orleans Times-

Two Views.

She saw a hat and liked it much.
Asserted that a stunner such
As it she'd seldom seen before.
The hat she liked was in a store.

She chanced to spy this hat next day, But passed it by in scornful way. The hat at this time, be it said. Was on another woman's head.

Tommy-Pop. what is the difference between fame and notoriety? Tommy's Pop-Notoriety lasts long-er, my son.—Philadelphia Record.