

THE WIFE'S REVERIE.

From a Saxe Holm story—"Farmer Bassett's Romance." O heart of mine, is our estate— Our sweet estate of joy—assured?

A CUP OF WATER.

Youth's Companion. The Apaches are the most subtle Indians on the American Continent. Time and again they have outwitted the veteran campaigners sent against them;

derful self-possession, he lowered the weapon, glanced down, and observing the cause of the failure, flung it aside and turned to run. "Don't shoot!" shouted the captain. "He's mine!"

to his lips. The Apache met with considerable difficulty in drinking without the aid of his hands. At first the good Samaritan did not incline the cup enough; then he tipped it too much, and the contents ran down the copper breast of the captive.

A brief, fierce run and the race was decided; the Apaches had overtaken the fugitive. The troopers saw the cloak no longer flying, surrounded by the red men who had captured them beyond all chance of escaping.

Personal Mention.

Ex-President Hayes is said to be much annoyed by the frequent letters he receives asking for information on questions about poultry and eggs.

There are over fifty ladies in Minneapolis who each pay taxes on \$100,000 worth of property.

Washington Irving, so the story goes, once said to a lady friend: "Don't be too anxious about the education of your daughters. They will do very well; don't teach them so many things; teach them one thing; teach them to be easily pleased."

Lord Dufferin, says the Calcutta Herald, is of opinion that the diplomacy of the world will soon be in the hands of Americans. Nearly every member of the diplomatic corps who gets to Washington, tries to bring home an American wife.

Mrs. Lockwood, who ran for President last year, announces, by authority, that "woman is coming to the front." Where in the world has woman been all this time, before Belva came?

Mrs. Langtry is said to pay her husband a monthly salary for keeping his distance. A good many wives would be glad to be able to secure an apartment on the same terms, though not, it may be hoped, for the same reasons.

It is related of the late Stanley Huntley, humorist, about whom there has been much newspaper gossip, that while a mere boy he set about cultivating his imagination, adopting devices that were sometimes decidedly startling.

Diseases Absorbed by Cholera.

I have inspected sites where cholera has prevailed, and so far as my limited knowledge informed me I could come to no definite conclusion as to the causes producing the disease in one place and not in others.

Curing Wild Beasts.

Visitors to the Zoological Garden during the last week have been struck with the general air of debility among most of the animals. Nearly all of them either moved about listlessly or else moped in corners and refused to move at all.

There has been more sickness among the animals during the past week than at any time in the history of the garden," he said. Contrary to the rule, there was very little suffering among them during the head spell, but as soon as the break-up came, and the mercury took such a terrible tumble, nearly every animal felt the effect of the change, and almost a majority of them were taken sick.

In what manner Zidda made his explanations to and peace with his vengeful countrymen will probably never be known, but that he succeeded is proven by the fact that he was seen and spoken to by Jack Burnham himself more than a year later.

THE CURSE OF DRINK.

The inventor of a noted fire-extinguisher a Pauper. Recently the almshouse has numbered among its inmates an old, gray-headed man, of about 68 years of age, apparently in the last stages of chronic alcoholism, and presenting in every respect the appearance of complete physical, if not mental, decrepitude.

The Power of Morphine.

A storekeeper in a certain New Hampshire town has for some days been on the verge of having 'em, and has been letting up on whisky and taking morphine powders. The other night some of the boys killed a rattlesnake and caught two or three striped snakes, a couple of frogs, a turtle or two, and about dusk set them in front of the store. Then the storekeeper was quietly inveigled to the door and led into conversation.

From the Town Records of Salem, Mass.

The town records of Salem contain some quaint and curious entries, as that in July, 1644, "that two be appointed every Lord's day to walk forth in time of God's worshippe, to take notice of such as either lie about the meeting-house or that lye at home or in the fields, and to take account of such and present them to the magistrate."