

If I had said he in the spring... The old, old story... When the afternoon rolls back to wing... And the playing was never ending.

OVER-THE-WAY.

Over-the-Way—quer name for a woman, isn't it? It was big Jim Gray—his a telegraph operator on a morning newspaper—who gave her the name.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—IT now gives me great pleasure to present to you the neighbor we have long been expecting. Over-the-Way.

Handsome Henry Roberts—a dry dressmaker in a big State street dry goods store, and a great hand with the girls—said he knew some woman was responsible for that window and hoped she would be good looking, it would be a pity to spoil such a fine window.

Well, as I was saying, we had many a discussion over that little cottage, and finally came to feel a sense of proprietorship in what we called "Over-the-Way."

Over-the-Way was evidently a capable little body, for she had the furniture in and the house to rights in no time.

But his absence didn't seem to bother Over-the-Way a bit. She was busy morning and night fixing up the cottage for him.

giving him inside in a second. Then she let go of him in a hurry and ran in quicker than she came out.

We knew they'd show up in the big bay window sooner or later, and sure enough, just after dinner they came into sight.

Young Mr. Over-the-Way—we found afterward that in public life he was a traveling salesman for a big drug firm—stayed three days.

But one day, after six or seven months of this alternate sunshine and shadow, the clouds settled down in earnest over the little cottage.

Over-the-Way came back to her boudoir after a while, but she didn't seem to be quite the same old Over-the-Way.

By and by Over-the-Way had a broad, comfortable lounge put in her window and deserted her armchair for it.

But Jim Gray didn't write, for Over-the-Way did chirk up right away.

He could see that she was just putting and putting in fancy stitches.

"I wish her husband was here; it's dear little girl!" said Jim.

MONGOLIAN GENIUS.

CLEVER ACT OF A CHINAMAN WHO STOLE A BOX OF JEWELS.

Story of a Burglary in China—A Greased Scape Covered With a Sheet Makes Away with the Strong Box of an Austrian Ambassador—The Thief Escapes.

By and by John came back with a great box. It was full to the brim with bits of the valley—not another flower.

It wasn't a bit like Elizabeth Hawkins' voice, and we all stared. John came back, but didn't say a word—just stood waiting.

There is a remarkable story of Dr. Follen, which is told thus: Dr. Follen had been a German patriot, and he became a fervent American patriot.

Miss Margaret Smith's lately determined claim for \$200,000 against the estate of the deceased Mr. Park almost rivaled the laccar case.

Old as the history of the world itself is that of the queen of flowers.

A good story is told of a late Dublin doctor, famous for his skill and also his great love of money.

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A LAZY MAN'S PARADISE.

The People of Paraguay Take Things Easy and Do Not Like to Work.

Butter is very rare in the Paraguayan capital, because the peasants will not attend to their cows, lead them to good pasture and work a churn.

These Paraguayans, poor and ignorant as they may be, are proud and susceptible; they never say thank you except as a formula of refusal.

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SLAUGHTERING THE BIRDS.

Unaccounted Numbers Killed by California Hunters.

The wild pigeon is not yet extinct in America—no, not by many millions. And, though the days of their plenitude have long since passed in the states east of the Mississippi, they occasionally amaze the people of some remote section of the west by coming in numbers from no one knows where.

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THE FLOAT AT WELLESLEY.

A Dress Parade of College Girls on the Lake Near Their School.

Few New Yorkers know what a gala occasion is the float at Wellesley college. It is the annual dress parade, as it were, of the college girls on the pretty lake of Waban, which borders one side of the college grounds.

Presently eight girls wearing dark green gowns and large, round, flat topped caps appear. The group of singers spell out gaily "W-E-L-L-E-S-L-E-Y—Wellesley—91!" followed by the quick "Rah! rah! rah!"

Some of the last crews numbered but six, and the "specials" sang as they pulled off.

For class may come and class may go. But we are glad to see the rowing.

The editorial writer of one of the ablest and largest journals of the west is a woman. She is the journalist's mouthpiece on all questions pertaining to the tariff, and few editorials are more widely copied.

A peculiar rattle at the shutter is a cipher despatch from the editor. "Turn down or turn off steam."

Through the efforts of the friends of working girls a working girls' club composed exclusively of Jewish girls who work for a living, has been organized.

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told how at various times the birds would come in clouds that literally shut out the rays of the sun, how they crossed the Ohio in certain stated places and roosted in certain forests in such masses that the soil and timber showed the effects of years after.

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