WHAT HIS SHORT STAY IN LOUISIANA DID FOR HIM.

Bill Zach Thought Pete Raines Was Incus able and Sent Him Away-Plunk Took His Life In His Hand, So He Thought, but Pete Came Back Completely Changed

"I never knew any one but Pete Raines that had ever been to Louisiana," said Slote Bondell of Gibson county, Tenn., "and I never heard him say a word against it, but from the way he acted when he came back to Tennes from there I can't say that I gathered the idea that Louisiana held out many indu ements for folks to go there and stay-that is, if the district Pete Raines went to was any fair sample of the way things strike visitors in Louisiana. That district was Tangipahoa parish. I saw Pete when he started for Tangipahoa parish, and I saw him just after he back. That's why I can't get up and shout much when I hear folks brag about Louisiana, although Pete never said a word. There was good reason for that, though.

'Now, I s'pose that when I rise to remark that west Tennessee is the garden spot of all creation some folks'll snicker and maybe snort. But they wouldn't if they knew how 'shamed they'd be if they could ever strike luck enough to be turned loose in Gibson county once, especially around where Humboldt is. William Zachariah Raines lives there.

"One day, two years or so ago, Bill Zach said to Plunk—Plunk was a nigger that worked for Bill Zach, and good one he was, too-'Plunk,' said Bill Zach, 'there ain't no kind o' use, we got to do something with Pete. The better I treat him the worse he He won't plow, and he won't nothing that ain't cussedness Kicked the bay mare in the belly this morning, and she won't be worth a picayune for a week. Chased the old woman from the cowyard clear to the house and into the house and followed her half way up the kitchen stairs. There min't any living with Pete any longer. Something's got to be done. Guess I'll send him 'long with you down into

" 'Golly!' said Plunk. 'Who'll fotch me back ag'in den? Pete he kill me sure! Dead nigger can't walk back from But Bill Zach had made up his

mind, and the mule had to go with Plunk, dead nigger or no dead nigger. "Guess I forgot to say before that Pete Raines was a mule, and a slick one he was too! Bill Zach raised him. He was 8 years old when all this happened, and I'll bet his ears were a foot and a half long. His tail wasn't as long as his ears, but it had a tuft on it like a cannon swab. Pete was fat as a seal, and his hide glistened like a darky's face in a green cornfield. But Pete wasn't reliable. He had a way of kicking and biting and fighting on the spur of the moment and without any provocation that made him practically the boss of things around Bill Zach's place, and he knew ft. Bill Zach bought a place a couple of years ago down in Tangipahoa parish, La., to which he intended to send Plunk down to work, and so he thought he'd get rid of Pete in a merciful sort of way sending him down there, too, although it might be that he'd get rid of Plunk at the same time.

They shipped Pete on the railroad, he went away tickled to death. He had it in his mind that he was going into a wider field to spread his cussedlight in his car when the train pulled out. It is 180 miles from Humboldt to Tangipahoa parish by rail. When they unloaded Pete down there, he came out smiling. He thought he had it in for that country and would make his mark. But he hadn't looked around much before dejection seemed to seize him. Plunk had never seen Pete that way, and he got scared. Plunk was more unwasy still when Pete went listlessly to the plow and dragged it all day without

once lifting his ears or his heels. 'I bet dis whole plantation 'gin a alligator what ain't kotched yit,' Plunk, 'dat dey's a yarthquake wuckin in dat mool, an dat when it busts it'll h'ist dis nigger clean to de udder side

"But it wasn't so. The mule got down in the dumps worse and worse every day, and after Pete had been in Louisiana a week Plunk went to the field after him one day, and there was no mule to be seen. Plunk hunted all over that country for three days, but couldn't find any trace of Pete. Then Plunk sent word to Bill Zach that the mule had gone off somewhere and died. And Bill Zach was glad. About three weeks after that Bill Zach was startled out of his sleep at half past 3 in the morning by a noise that awakened memories. He listened. The noise broke out again. It rattled the windows; it echoed among the hills; it wailed; it yooped; it

"'Pete, by the living jumper!' yelled Bill Zach, jumping out of bed and hurrying to the door. A mule was leaning wearily against the front fence. He was thin and scraggy, his eyes were hollow and his ears half way to his knees, like a yaller hound's. When this mule saw Bill Zach at the door, he lifted up his voice again and actually wept. It was Pete, back from Louisiana. It is 500 miles from Tangipahoa parish to Humboldt by road, and so you may know what Pete must have thought of Louisiana to take his overburdened heart with him, so to speak, and pull out for Tensee on the hoof. Pete was as slick as ever he was in a few days and started in to be pretty near as sassy and cussed as ever, but Bill Zach said one day to his wife when Pete was by:

'I'm going to send Pete back to Tangipahoa parish again, Susan. 'Pete dropped his ears and walked away, and ever since then he has been the best mule in the whole of Gibson and Bill Zach wouldn't take \$1,000 for him."-New York Sun.

IMPURITIES IN FOOD.

They Are Not as Common as Many Person

May Suppose Singularly exaggerated ideas concerning the adulteration of food are very generally held, according to Dr. H. W. Wiley, chemist of the United States department of agriculture. Sand, for instance, is not sold with sugar-at least

in the United States.

The granulated and lump sugars in the market are almost absolutely pure, powdered sugar sometimes, though rarely, contains a little flour or starch, and low grade sugars are impure chiefly

through the moiasses and water they are made to absorb in manufacture. Not as good a report can be given of sirupa. There is very little pure maple sirup, most of what is sold as such be ing a mixture of glucose or cane sirups, with a small proportion of the product of the maple, while in an imitation actually protected by a patent the maple flavor is given by an extract of hickory bark. Liquid honey is largely adulter-ated with glucose. Of comb honey, however, only that in bottles and jars is impure, the old impression that comb honey on the frame is adulterated hav-

ing been proved to be erroneous.

Ground coffee is so largely adulterated with chicory, peas, beans, etc., that it is rarely found pure, and even the unground berry is imitated. Tea is rarely mixed with foreign leaves, but freently has its weight increased by the addition of salts of iron and coppermaterials quite prejudicial to health. Cocoa and chocolate are largely adulterated with starch and sugar, and products claimed to be greatly improved as to digestibility may have little of the virtues of the original cocoa bean left in them.

A danger in canned goods is the use of adulterated tin, which may contain as high as 12 per cent of lead, the organic salts formed by the corrosion of the lead being always poisonous. The common practice of coloring canned peas with copper is very objectionable. The use of preservatives, such as salicylic acid, is not without risk, while an occasional source of danger is the development of nitrogenous bodies called ptomaines in preserved meats. The above are illustrations of the principal food adulterations, which, though bad enough, are insignificant in comparison with the startling reports that have een published. Much the greater part of foods we eat is pure and wholesome.

THE SENATOR'S SERVANT.

She Lost Her Place That the Dignity of Her Master Might Be Upheld. Extracts from that great book on life in Washington, "The Autobiography of

On that bright spring morning I strolled into my library and heard the telegraph instrument ticking away noisily in the corner. Mechanically I walked over to the table and picked up the tape. With startled gaze I read, "Sagar, 823." The slip of paper dropped from my nerveless grasp. I had bought my sugar at 60 ½. If I sold now, I would realize a great sum. Should I do it? No! A thousand times no! I was a these extremes being 12 cents and ? senator, a member of the most honorable and most dignified deliberative body in the world. I was assisting in the making of a tariff on the stuff which was climbing so rapidly on Wall street. It could not be

For half an hour I sat and smoked a eigar. The maddening click of the telegraph still rang in my ears. I walked again to the table. The figures on the tape danced before my eyes. "Sugar, 85." A fortune was slipping from my grasp. I sat down and wrote this tele- if he had reason to suppose that a wax gram to my brokers, "Sell my sugar." Then a revulsion of feeling came over me. I could not do it. I felt that I was fie burglarious designs would be to un an honorable man. I left the telegram lock the safe with the duplicate key, where I had written it and fled to the garden

While walking in the garden I saw Mary, the second girl. She bade me good morning. I said to her: "Mary, combination and could refer by any chance you should go into the locked by the former key. library-of course I do not expect that you will go there-but if by any chance addressed to my brokers be sure to remember that the nearest telegraph office is on the next block." The girl courtesied and went into the house. 1 think she understood that I meant her ble of thousands of combinations, there

thinking out a scheme I have for ameliorating the condition of the poor by providing open air performances under national guidance of Ibsen's dramas. a furnace round the door of the safe it Then I went back to the library. A telegram addressed to me was on my desk. I nervously tore it open. It read: "Order executed. Sugar sold at 86. You make \$247,000." My heart rose in my throat. The bit of yellow paper dropped from my fingers and fell fluttering to the floor. Here was I, a Unit ed States senator, speculating in stocks and taking advantage of information which my official position secured for me. That miserable servant had sent my telegram. Horror!

That afternoon I wrote to my brokers telling them to deposit the \$247,000 to my credit. Then I discharged the second girl. The dignity of my great office must be upheld.—Buffalo Express.

She Has Received News of Startling Char-

acter From the United States.

cent number of the London Chimes: army of discontented hoboes on Wash- every room under his supervision. ington. Hobo is the political pseudonym ed The Congressional Record, an influhas captured the Delaware and Lacka- Answers. wanna railroad, which will afford transportation through the Rocky mountains to Fargo, where the troops will embark sir The in gondolas and sail down the Susquenanna to Washington. As the president, Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt, is absent in

him. serious consequences may ensue.

Cinnamon and Cholers. A decoction of cirnamon is recommended as a drink to be taken freely in localities where there is typhoid fever or cholera, for cinnamon has the power to destroy all infectious microbes. Even its scent kills them, while it is perfectly harmless to human beings. It is said that the essence of cinnamon, when exposed in the sickroom, will kill typhoid bacilli in 12 hours and prevent fresh cases. - Kansas City Times.

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SAFES AND LOCKS WHICH ARE PROOF AGAINST TAMPERERS.

Each Bank of England Lock Costs 8373 and Has 302,380 Different Combinations Elaborate Mechanism to Protect Treasure

There is no denying the fact that tiourglar of today, who aims at high game, displays amazing ingenuity in the manufacture of scientific tools and apparatus and also in the practical working of the same.

But he is completely out of the run ting when pitted against our safemak ers and locksmiths, even though he periodically buys their wares for experimental purposes.

While the present writer was being 'personally conducted" over the premises of the greatest firm of lockmakers in the world he acquired much interesting information concerning those won drous pieces of mechanism which protect the vast riches of polices banks for the girls. The number of gi and strongrooms, and which render it absolutely impossible for thieves to break in.

Perhaps the most interesting department was that one in which an exhibi tion of the highest form of the burglar's in the next century the colleges would eraft was being given. Skilled workmen were seated before locked safes and were using the almost irresistible fusing were using the almost irresistible fusing apparatus on the door in order to reach en's college of countries to be apparatus on the door in order to reach en's college of countries to be apparatus on the door in order to reach en's college of countries to be apparatus on the door in order to reach en's college of countries to be apparatus on the door in order to reach en's college of countries to be apparatus on the door in order to reach en's college of countries to be apparatus on the door in order to reach en's college of countries to be apparatus on the door in order to reach en's college of countries to be apparatus on the door in order to reach en's college of countries to be apparatus on the door in order to reach en's college of countries to be apparatus on the door in order to reach en's college of countries to be apparatus on the door in order to reach en's college of countries to be apparatus on the door in order to reach en's college of countries to be apparatus on the door in order to reach en's college of countries to be apparatus on the door in order to reach en's college of countries to be apparatus on the door in order to reach en's college of countries to be apparatus on the door in order to be a the locks or were forcing gunpowder brough the keyholes by means of a tiny pair of bellows.

Others were squirting corrosive chemicals into the locks and noting the effeet, while stardy artisans were using the drill and the wedge with a scientific force and skill that showed they could financial distress of the country has debe dangerous enemies to society if they layed the erection of buildings for their were criminally inclined.

The fusing apparatus consists of a cylinder of compressed oxygen gas, which supplies a short section of pipe terminating in an iron cup. The latter is pressed firmly against the door after a light has been applied, and a stream of flame issues from the end of the pipe in its bottom. So fierce is this flame that it melts the metal in the safe door and eats a jagged hole through it in a remarkably short space of time.

"We turn out about 288,000 looks evry year, ' remarked the manager of the orks, "and they range in weight from a quarter of an ounce-including keyto 228 pounds, the respective values

·Foremost among those locks whi ofect enormous wealth come those e treasury doors of the Bank of E and The making of each of these m. vels of mechanism occupies three me for six weeks and costs \$375.

"Those little fluted pieces of steel i the head of the key-technically calle steps'—are nine in number and are capable of 362, 880 different combinations "If a banker whose safe was fitted with this lock chanced to lose his key, or impression of it had been made, all that would be necessary in order to bafunscrew the head and change the posi tion of the steps and then relock the safor strongroom.

"The mechanism of the lock would instantly adapt itself to the changed combination and could never be un-"This, however, is not an unmixed

you do and see a telegram on my desk merchant was amusing himself by unscrewing the steps of both his keys when it suddenly occurred to him that he had forgotten the combination. 'As the keys in question were capa-

was nothing for it but to set to work on Two hours I spent in that garden off each combination as it were tried. a system of numbered tables and tick "'But that may take months,' objected the merchant ruefully. Well, as the caly other alternative was to build

> was decided to try the combination first. "We sent two men and an apprentice with the printed tables-great sheets of paper several yards long-and after nine days' labor, during which about 13,000 different combinations were arranged and tried, the right one was hit upon by accident, and the door opened. Needless to say, there was a pretty big bill against the customer who gave us all

"The treasury doors at the Bank of England measure 7 feet 3 and weigh about 21/2 tons. Besides being fitted with the above mentioned changeable locks they have violence locks 5 feet long, each of which weighs 200 pounds, and gunpowder proof locks, having blowholes on every side, even through the massive bolt. These blow holes al-THE "MOTHER COUNTRY" ALARMED. low the gunpowder pumped in to escape and reduce the force of a possible explo sion to a mere harmless puff.

The Winnipeg Free Press claims to more than 10,000 locks fitted in the have clipped the following from a re- Bank of England. Then comes the Sa-"It is worthy of note that there are more than 10,000 locks fitted in the lines would do well to adopt a unique voy hotel with 1,300, controlled by one General Coxey, the gentleman who master key. The manager of each of the ran for president in opposition to the six floors at the Savoy, however, has a late Chauncey Depew, is leading an master key which controls the lock of

"Her majesty's safe at Windsor casused to designate the members of the tle in which the gold plate is kept independent Republican party. General weighs eight tons and is protected by Coxey is a native of Yuba Dam, capital a violence lock 18 inches long, a changeof the state of Baltimore, and a jour- able lock and a gunpowder lock, all of nalist of some distinction, having edit- which can be mechanically covered by interests of Boston, N. Y. His army pin into any of the keyholes."--London

> UTOPIA FOR GIRL GRADUATES. mas More's Prophecy Has Come to

Pass In America. Sir Thomas More published his famons "Utopia" in 1516. It was an ac-Kentucky on a buffalo hunt, attended count of an imaginary commonwealth by the regular army as a guard of hon- on the island of Utopia, formed from or, grave apprehensions are felt at Wash- two Greek words, meaning "nowhere." ington as to the possible consequences A companion of Americus Vespucius of Coxey's invasion of that territory. was said to have discovered this island, If the Kickapoo Indians should join where a perfect state of society existed, and to have narrated the story to good Sir Thomas. A system of government prevailed so very like that advocated by the Nationalists that it is surprising none of the bypercritics of the day have thought of charging Bellamy with

plagiarizing from "Utopia." all the schemes adopted by this famous combination of the two ingredients is commonwealth, and which called out what produces such wonderful results in immeasurable laughter and ridicule from all Europe, was that relating to the education of girls, for in Utopia as extensive and liberal an education as extensive and liberal an education was given to girls as to boys, and noth.

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noble and sym Thomas More defended the Utopians in their astounding dep! ture from the custom of those time and replied to those who attacked hir "if the reproaches on on the female understanding were so and they would but afford so many additional recons for bestowing on it all possible cui.

Only 370 years ago! And now that Sir Thomas More was a p and, as far as the educate but of pass in America. Never were the graduates from semi schools," normal schools and te-numerous as this year. The p form us that "more women are so admission to colleges than the colleges have room for." The secretary of the New York State university reports 23, 556 girls and 18,243 boys in the semi naries and academies of the state of New York, the former being 56 per cent of the whole.

Of honor credentials, the girls received this year 298 to 140 granted t the boys-a proportion of 63 per who entered college last year from re gents' schools was 84 per cent greater than the year before, and this year will show a similar increase. "At this rate, says the secretary, "it looks as if ear graduate more women the men, just as the academies do now."

learned that the nine women students with whom the college opened three years ago had increased this year to 73. A larger increase is expected next year, but how to accommodate these earnest and well fitted students is a problem that taxes the university seriously. The occupancy, but they cannot be much longer dispensed with. The dean spoke in terms of commendation of the women students, who are welcomed by the faculty, the young men of the university and all others concerned. Their admission was a popular movement from the start, and the women of the Providence club promptly manifested their interest by taking measures to found scholarships for the assistance of needy omen students. Among the graduates this year was Miss Mary Woolley, once treasurer of the New England Wheaton Seminary club, who has received much commendation from the college faculty and was graduated with high honors. She had taken exceptionally high rank as a teacher before she entered the university.

How little while ago it seems since Dr. E. H. Clarke published his book, "Sex In Education!" With what ponderous solemnity he iterated and reiterated that the higher education of women meant their physical and domestic ruin! And now what rubbish the book is!-Mary A. Livermore.

NATAL AUTOGRAPHS.

The Sign Manual of the Child That Doe

Not Change In Life. There is born with every one of us and continues unchanged during our lives an unfailing and ineradicable mark or marks, which absolutely distinguish each one of us from every other fellow being. These physical marks never change from the cradle to the grave. This born autograph is impossible to counterfeit, and there is - duplicate of it among the teeming billows in the world. Look at the insides of your hands and the soles of your feet; cle examine the ends of your fingers. You see circles and curves and arches and whorls, some prominent with deep corrugations, others minute and delicate, but all a well defined and closely traced pattern. There is your physiological signature.

Run your hands through your hair and press finger nails on a piece of clear glass. You see all the delicate tracing transferred-not two fingers alike; even "the left hand knoweth not what the right hand doeth." They are distinctly different. Even twins may be so little different in size, features and general physical condition as to be scarcely distinguishable, yet their finger autographs

are radically different. In fact, in all humanity every being carries with him on his baby fingers and his wrinkled hand of decrepit old age the identical curves, arches and circles that were born with him. Nothing except dismemberment can obliterate or disguise them. Criminals may burn and sear their hands, but nature, when she restores the cuticle, invariably brings back the natal autograph.-Louisville Courier-Journal.

CRAPE ON TROLLEY CARS.

That's What They Have In Binghamton After One Has Been Killed by Them. "While reading of the numerous trolley accidents in Brooklyn," said Alderman Brandt of Binghamton a few days ago, "it occurred to me that Brooklyn custom which, as far as I know, is peculiar to Binghamton car lines. In our city the trolleys occupy all the principal streets, but the motormen are very careful, and it is seldom that there is an accident. Last winter, however, man was run down and Arrico details of the accident have slipped my memory, but I believe that no blame

was attached to the motorman. When that particular car appeared on an undrillable steel plate, which ren- the following day, it was a sight to be ential paper published in the Mormon ders it impossible to insert even a hair- seen. Long streamers of crape floated dismally out from the sides, black and white rosettes ornamented the spaces between the windows and conductor and motorman wore badges of mourning. Not

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was draped with black, and all the trolley cars in the city displayed in one way or another some sign of mourning. It was really quite imposing.

"If they could only import that idea in Brooklyn," continued the alderman thoughtfully, "I think it would be a long step toward trolley reform. They seem to be reforming everything else but the trolleys there. Draping the cars of each line for, say three days after any unfortunate had met his death on that particular line, would enable people to keep a sort of count, besides being a graceful tribute of sorrow on the part of the trolley company Moreover, the enormous expense for crape to which the companies would be subjected would undoubtedly have the effect of making the motormen more careful.

"Oh, I tell you, there are lots of things that the bigger cities can learn of Binghamton!"-Brooklyn Citizen.

Discovered a Long Sought For Beetle, Professor A. D. Hopkins of the agricultural experiment station at Morgantown has just discovered a beetle for which naturalists have been looking for many years in vain. It is the beetle from the eggs of which come the worms which have ruined so much chestnut timber in this section of the country. The worm has long been known, but as long as the beetle which lays the eggs was unknown it was impossible to destroy it. Professor Hopkins has received numbers of the larvæ and has ully noted every phase connected wrat their nevelopment into the pupe and then the beetles. The beetle is one that has never been known before and belongs to a species of which but three families have ever before been discov-

ered. -- Martinsburg (W. Va.) Dispatch.

A Lover of Tobacco. It is said that the camel is a lover of tobacco. Let any one smoke a pipe or cigar in the camel compound, and the camel will follow the smoker about, place his nose close to the burning tobacco, inhale the fumes, with a long sniff, swallow the smoke, then throwing his head up, with mouth agape and eyes upturned, showing the bloodshot whites, will grunt a sigh of ecstasy that would make the fortune of a low comedian in a love scene. -Bow Bella

Italy produces 23.4 per cent of the wine of the world, Spain 23.8 per cent and France 21.9 per cent, the three nations producing 61.9 per cent of the aggregate output, amounting to 8,370,



A STRANGE CASE. How an Enemy was Foiled.

The following graphic statement will be read with intense interest: "I cannot describe the numb, creepy sensation that existed in my arms, hands and legs. I had to rub and beat those parts until they were sore, to overcome in a measure the dead feeling that had taken possession of them. In addition, I had a strange weakness in my back and around my waist, together with an indescribable 'gone' feeling in my stomach. Physicians said it was creeping paralysis, from which, according to their universal conclusion, there is no rehef. Once it fastens upon a person, they say, it continues its insidious progress until it reaches a vital point and the sufferer dies. Such was my prospect. I had been doctoring a year and a half steadily, but with no particular benefit, when I saw an advertisement of Dr Miles' Restorative Nervine, procured a bottle and began using it. Marvelous as it may seen, but a few days had passed before every bit of that creepy feeling had left me, and there has not been even the slightest indication of its return. I now feel as well as I ever did, and have gained ten pounds in weight, though I had run down from 170 to 137. Four others have used Dr. Miles' Restorative Nervine on my recomendation, and it has been as satisfactory in their cases as in mine."—James Kane, La Rue, O. Dr. Miles' Restorative Nervine is soid by after a languagists on a positive guarantee, or sent direct by the Dr. Miles weddical Co., Eikhart, Ind., on receipt of price, SI per bottle, six bottles for Sc. express prepaid. It is free from oplates or dangerous drugs. How an Enemy was Foiled.

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