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933 Market St. A Timely Retreat. A young botanist was showing a party of ladies and gentlemen through the conservatory and explaining to them

the properties of some of the choicest Among the visitors was a would be young looking uniddle aged lady, who at every description volunteered the statement that the plants and flowers she had at home were quite equal to anything exhibited here or indeed anywhere. Just as they were passing a giant cactus she was heard to exclaim:

Well, this is nothing extraordinary. have a cactus at bome that is still larger. I planted and reared it myself.' 'Reared it yourself," the professor gently observed . "How remarkable! This specimen is 63 years old, and if

yours is still larger"-The lady did not stay to bear any more, but executed a strategic move ment to the rear. - Pearson's Weekly.

Tom-- How do you like that novel I brought you yesterday? Alice-I dou t like it at all I don't care to finish it.

Tem-How much have you read? Alice-One chapter Tom -Then you really haven't got into the story The first chapter's merely a sort of introduction. Alice-But the first chapter isn't the

you may take it back. - Chicago News.

STEAMER "MINK," THE VALUE IT POSSESSES FOR THE INDIVIDUAL AND THE NATION.

REGULAR DAILY TRIPS The Peace and Happiness That Are Found Only Under One's Own Vine and Fig Tree-The Possibility of Attainment to Meu of Sma!l Incomes.

> Napoleon said that the man who had wife and children had "given hostages to fortune." In a yet stronger sense have the man and woman made a bethe possession of which they are both willing unwaveringly and steadfastly to use systematic self denial. When a young couple have ceased to roam about from one undesirable flat to another and need no longer talk of "when we lived in East - street or West - street. but can cozily speak of "our little place," they have risen 20 per cent in their own self esteem and are at least 100 per cent richer in the true joy of living. Insensibly my illustration takes Sleeping Cars a financial form, since money, the power to obtain this blessing, lies at the

root of the matter. Always a strong adherent to the advantages of country living, it is to me natural to associate the very idea of homemaking with rural surroundings. When God created our primal progenitors, we are told that he placed them in a garden as the best, the happiest, enviroument the divine wisdom could devise for their development. Amid things which have grown with their growth and perfected under their care, men and women still find a peculiar peacefulness that no one can define and a happiness

impossible elsewhere. That heart ownership which comes only to the man and wife who have wen and made their home is oftenest found in suburban towns and villages, and rarely extends to the dimensions of an acre. The tree that shades the door, the vine that climbs over the porch, the pretty little garden in the rear, are loved not as inanimate things, but as part and parcel of their lives, and the falling of a leaf and the fading of a bud are a sorrow. It is quite a different homecoming to a man who sees his children standing at his pretty gate ready to run down the safe and quiet street and finds his wife at the open door than when he is lifted by a creaking elevator to some unknown height, where danger threatens the young lives if the door is but left ajar, and he has to look for a number to tell whether he is on his own (rented) floor. From the hour a man and wife own their individual, personal home a thousand new interests enrich their lives, and the dwelling and its surroundings are so a part of themselves that a loose shingle or a stain on the doorstep is of serious importance.

However extreme the theories of some of the "land for the people" philanthropists may be there is a deep integral truth in the basis of their arguments Men and women are happier, are morally elevated, are better citizens, for owning their share of God's earth. I have long believed that the happiest people now living in our country are the skilled mechanics of our rural cities and towns, whose ambitions are limited to the acquisition of an unincumbered home, well built, and set in a lot large

enough to insure privacy and a garden. While watching the long drawn out repairs of an old country house I came ia contact with a notably intelligent and representative Lody of workmen. At dinner hour they grouped themselves under the trees, to the fruit of which they were made welcome, or found pleasant places to avoid the noontide heat. They were buoyant, heartily cheerful, with a quick readiness to laugh with sincere merriment. They discussed politics, town improvements, school taxes and general conditions of the country; they had enthusiasm and

I talked much with these men. An eagerness possessed me to find a clew to the reasons for the wide difference in their view of life and that of my own circle of young friends. I was left in no doubt. They were, every man, either already "freeholders" or hearing that distinction. Their cottages sprang up in every direction where the large landbolders left balf an acre to spare. They slept under their own roofs, they lay down proudly, sure that wife and children were sheltered from the power of removal or ejectment and that they were, personally, increasingly of value to the community in which they lived. The best of these workmen earned \$1,000 a year, a part of them from \$650 to \$700. It seemed to me incredible that they had been able to buy land in such a town and improve it; still less credible that they could build and furnish such cottages as they lived in. They were more than ready to explain their system of saving through the various co-operative and building schemes of which the town had many.

It has ever since remained a problem to me, increasing in complexity and interest as the years go on, why young couples, with twice the income of these thrifty and happy mechanics, remain homeless and live in cramped flats and tiny apartments which, if they have children, are but enlarged cages, while the same opportunities these men used are open to them for obtaining the treasure of a home inalicuably theirs, on which they can expend the taste and ingenuity which are inherent in most young Americans. Perhaps it is want of understanding of the ease with which they can attain the result, a lack of comprehension of the responsibility and trustworthiness of associations of various sorts organized to this end .- New

### What It Lacked.

burg Chronicle-Telegraph.

"There is something the matter with my bicycle," remarked the artist's wife. Her husband pinched the tires. It needs atmosphere," he replied as one I ve read, and the beroine dies. No; be got the pump ready for work .- Pitts-

Daughter-He never seems to realize how tender my face is.-Detroit Free

Where the Discarded Headgear of the

What becomes of the old hats? The "stovepipes," derbies, fedoras, soft hats and straw bats of various kindswhere do they go when discarded by their owners? Every time a man buys a new hat he has the old one wrapped up, and either stowed away in the hat store for safe keeping or sent to him at his office or residence. As a rule he says, "Wrap it up, and I'll call for it in a

The hatter wraps it up, marks it with ginning toward permanent success who the customer's name, puts it away and have found for themselves a home, for waits. On the largest mirror in the hat in the habiliments of the regulation store is a banner with a strange device mummy. Centuries before imperial Capon it informing the public that "we are car died and turned to clay this man not responsible for hats left with us ruled the dwellers on 250,000 acres over 80 days." In the store they keep a book, and when Smith, Jones, Brown or Robinson leaves his old "lid" a note is made of it and duly entered on this book.

Near the city of El Kab, which is situated 75 miles north of the present

> hats are sometimes sent to the theaters thousands of years. to be used as headgear for "the rabble" or "an angry mob" or "a group of Roman citizens." Drivers of coal wagons, deceive the intelligent.

sport derbies, and many a once proud, stylish hat may be seen during the usual Chicago strest cleaning days perched on the world." the cranium of some stalwart wielder

of the shovel and pick. The peddlers buy the old hats. The milkmen, the sailors, rivermen, laborers and that most shifting army of human odds and ends which form such an item in the city's population—these are the men to whom the vast bulk of the old bats go. Hats that have glistened with newness and glossy nap, once started on the downward path, go lower and lower till the ash heap in the alley or the oblivion of an empty lot marks their flual degradation.—Chicago Chronicle.

## GRANT IN DISGUISE.

A Reconnoissance on the Quiet Which

passed along the high porch of the quar-termaster's shed and looked down at the word. Then be spoke quietly, saying: was so wise. None was so beloved. 'That is not the way to load boxes, men. The sun smiled on him when he jour-

your work like soldiers. good deal at his work, turned with impudent bravado toward the officer and was just in the act of saying that he did man who lives was so beautiful. There not want any quartermaster's clerk to is none to take his place. give orders to him, when he started in surprise, saluted and, much to the as-tonishment of the boys, lifted his hat. statues found en the floor of the cham-The look of impudence went from his ber was one which unquestionably was face like a flash, and be said, 'All right. intended to represent Nenkhefta. This general, we will do it just as you want it done.' Then all the men recegnized tion must not have been without cause. in the quiet man the commanding gen-

eral of the army. Grant followed every look and word, and he probably understood oid Hannibal better than that rough old fighter was not equal to the genius of today he understood himself. There was a twinkle in his eye as he said: 'Pomember. men, these provisions are going to half starved soldiers. You ought to get as many boxes in the wagon as possible. dangerous, the more boxes in the wagou son. It would appear from the informathe more men you feed.' The boys got tion contained in the papyrus that this up in the wagon, straightened out every box and loaded all carefully as the general directed. This was only three or days. He was evidently an exception four days before the battle of Chatta- to all rules, however, and this probably nooga, and while the fight was in progress old Hannibal said be knew that

Some time ago a noted writer anutterly condemned the large, round bats only son from the statement on the paweighed down with excessive garnitures, pronouncing them "a serious and undeniable means of producing head-ache, wrinkles and gray hair." One would suppose this threat of a trio of terrible afflictions would have had the inburdensome cause of them all; but not beautiful, as it is plainly evident that so. We can almost affirm that fashion's the effulgence of Nenkbefta was such power is more potent than health or even that any womanly charm in his family life itself. Gray bairs may appear, the was practically lost sight of .- Wash-'picture hat headache' may become chronic and wrinkles deepen, but while the dominating queen of style decrees it we shall still behold the baneful and overpowering picture bat. - Exchange.

## A Decided Biat.

Mother-What in the world ever pos sessed you to give Mr. Bingo a shaving

## A HOME OF ONE'S OWN OLD HATS ON MANY HEADS. AN ADONIS OF EGYPT.

NENKHEFTA, THE MOST BEAUTIFUL MAN IN THE WORLD.

the City of El Kab-"The Sun Smiled Upon Him." but He Died Like Other Mortals-Wife and Son In Tomb With Him.

The Adenis of Egypt 5,400 years ago is again among men. Not as he was when women bowed tefore him and his tvery gesture was looked upon almost as if it were that of a god, but swathed

After 50 or 60 days have elapsed a site of Cairo, there lies an ancient cemegeneral clearing out of the old hats is tery so old that even the men to whom made, and they go to the secondhand the papyrus scrolls are as familiar as stores along South Clark street, to the the waters of the Nile are unable to say costumers' palaces, to the country stores when it was first devoted to the pursometimes, all to be cleaned, refined and furbished up the best way possible. It is thus possible for a man to be stepped on some chilly evening and search, and many a mummy that today asked to assist some unfortunate who is is gazed on in the museums with round wearing one of his old hats. These old eyed wonder was undisturbed here for

It so happened that a short time ago persons prospecting for new fields in a hill in the cemetery described discovertransfer wagons and teamsters general- ed a little pit which apparently had ly who want a hat for outdoor use buy never been made the subject of investia great many of these castaways. The gation. Excavation brought to light soft hats can be made over most effec- the fact that it was not only something tually, but a stiff hat remodeled and new, but from the archaeologist's dyed has an ancient luster that does not standpoint one of the most important finds in a very long time. The pit was Country stores sometimes take an in- the entrance to a solid chamber of rock voice of these veterans, and the result is containing a number of stone coffins or a weird exhibition of beadgear by the sarcophagi. Besides these there lay sages of the cracker barrels and hitch- upon the floor of the chamber a number of statues. Examination of the A stiff hat once broken can with diffi- various contents showed that one of the culty be patched up acceptably, but a sarcophagi contained the mummy of soft bat may be worked over many times. Nenkhefta, and the roll of papyrus and and still be marketable. Laborers gen- the inscriptions on the sarcophagus erally wear soft hats, although a few both gave the information that these were the mortal remains of "the most

beautiful man in Egypt and probably When the wrappings of the mummy of this ancient Adonis were unfolded, there was nothing to indicate that the remains were those of a man of any beauty whatsoever. The grinning skeleton looked exactly like those of today. The only odd fact was that the shape of the skull, the bands and the feet were. while unmistakably Egyptian, of more classic mold than those of most mum-mies. The formation of the skull also indicated that its owner when alive possessed great mental development, thus justifying the pleasant things which were said about him in the perfectly preserved roll of ancient manuscript

which recited his history. Some of the archeologists here were at first judined to doubt the accuracy of "One day at Chattancoga," says one the claims made regarding this find, of the soldier boys writing in the Chi- but investigation showed that there was cago Inter Ocean, "a lot of us were no cause for doubt whatever. It would loading hard tack and bacon into a have been impossible to perpetuate a wagon train that was to be sent to half fraud of this sort. The papyrus roll, starving men, and were giving more at- which told the history of Nenkhefta tention to badgering each other than to set forth that his dominion extended the work in hand, when a lame man in over 42 miles of the banks of the Nile. fatigue dress, walking with some diffi- His residence was termed Nishwaka, culty with the assistance of a cane, which is supposed to mean that the village where he lived bore that title. "Great were his flocks, ob, ruler of boys for a minute or two without a rulers," says the manuscript. "None Put them in straight and carefully. Do neyed abroad, and when he looked with displeasure a sorrow as of death came "Old Hannibal, who was slouching a upon him who had caused it. He was to his people what the waters of the Nile are to Egypt. Great is his name. No

Perhaps there was a touch of oriental was evidence sufficient that the inscrip-According to the standard of beauty which existed in Egypt in those days, Nenkhefta was certainly an Adonis. While in sculpture the ancient Egyptian was a man of much skill, and there is no reason to doubt that the statue is a fairly faithful representation of "the

most beautiful man in Egypt.' In the tomb of Nenkhefta were also When nules are so scarce and roads so the mummies of his wife and little old time Egyptian was content with one wife, something of a rarity in those accounts for the presence of the mummies of his wife and son in his tomb. Grant'wasn't limpin round Chattanoog It is believed that if he had had more than one wife there would be some evidence in the form of inscription or otherwise to indicate that this was his favorite wife and the mother of his son. ponneed that scientific physicians had It is held that this must have been his pyrus scroll, "There is none to take his

Nenkhefta's wife was named Nylep-One tha. This is the inscription on her sarcophagus, "Nyleptha, the Queen of Nenkhefts, Greatest of Rulers." Nothstantaneous good effect of banishing the ing is said as to whether or not she was

## Inrability of Ivory.

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#### He Held the Winning Hand.

They were having the usual game of cards in the smoking apartment. The traveling men swapped jokes, nailed lies and told bigger ones. The stranger who just sat in to fill out the game contributed nothing but smiles and an occa-sional general laugh to the social feetures of the occasion.

Every once in a while a jovial drum-mer would announce that he had some poker in his hand, and an occasional side bet was made under the rules of he great American game. Finally one of these challenges elicit-

ed from the stranger an admission that poher was about the only game of cards of which he did not possess some knowledge, but he had rather a peculiar hand, and because of the value it would have in other games he would just take a

Bets were rapidly made until there was \$150 in the pot, when a call was

was \$150 in the pot, when a call was made, and the stranger awkwardly asked how many points his opponent had.
"We don't count points," was the answer, "but I have four eights. I rather think that will take the plunder."
"Well, I declare!" gasped the stranger, as he leaned back and mopped his brow. "Here I am with high, jack, game, big casino, an ace, a run of five and a flush," as he threw down the ace, king, queen, jack and ten of diaace, king, queen, jack and ten of dia-monds. "I really thought I had you beat," and he shoved the money toward the paralyzed drummer.

In the midst of the roar that followed "A royal flush!" was shouted by some one, and the stranger was hilariously assured that he had won. His surprised face never gave away so much as s chuckle until he was alone that night. -New York World.

### Ran and Caught the Car.

A short man with a fat, red face ran out of the Erie railroad depot at the foot of West Twenty-third street the other forenoon and chased a crosstown car which was midway between Eleventh avenue and the ferry. He was a fast runner and held his hat in his left hand as he gained on the car. The passeugers on the rear platform, in a spirit of mirth, encouraged him:

"Don't give up You'll make it. Make a spurt, old boy. This is your last chance to get a car before two min-

utes," one of them said. At Eleventh avenue he caught up, and, perspiring profusely, sprang upon the rear platform. He appeared happy, and when he handed his fare to the conductor he said : "These Eleecker street cars that run down Ninth avenue do not go often, so I ran to catch this one. The conductor rang up the fare, and in

a matter of fact way answered: 'This car goes to Thirty fourth street ferry Get out and wait for a bleecker street car.

The sprinter got off as some of the

passengers cried out: 'You can run anyway It is better to run and lose a car than never to perspire at all "- New York Commercial

#### Looking Ahead. "Do you think," he said with much embarrassment, "that-er-that is to say, if we were married, you're father would be willing to assist as in any

"He might," was the thoughtful reply. "He is getting to be ever so successful now in divorce casea." -- Washington Star.

In Garrick's time when the weather was warm the men in the pit took oil