A Tale of the Early Settlers & of Louisiana.

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"As you did."

"Listen. We fin ed awhile, and I found that the lay was at my mercy. Twice I retused to press my point upon his spen boson. Finally, when I saw that 'twould be dewright number for me to kill him, I base him put up his aword. He asked me for what—for he knew not that I only toyed with him. This is only bey's play," said L. Then put up your sword, said he. I did so, and just as my point ten-heed the greenid he brought me a blaw a rose the him. What do you think of that?"

"Perhaps I ought not to speak my thoughts."

thoughts."
"Surely you ought. What do you then:

Well, then, I think you have told me

very fine story."

"Eh? Do you doubt my word?"

"Boulet you? Boulet the word of Simon Lobols? Believe that my own husband could speak falsehood? Never, Simon Process."

Sharply the scann looked into Louise's face, but he rould detern nothing there, save a calm, coal expression of after sim-plicity; yet he know she was quitting

"But you did not test me how this all came out," she sail. "What did you do after Goopert had strack you on the

What could I do? My hand was poweriess. I might have knocked him down with my left hand, but I spared him. He was beneath all notice, save that of mere

'Poor Goupart! Did he know how deep your contempt for him?"

Why, simply that you could have in dicted no worse punishment upon h m thin to have let him know that you held him in contempt. It must have nearly

"Look ye, my fine girl, you are ventur-ing on dangerous ground. You may any too much!" uttered Lobois, now showing door was thrown unceremonously open. Louise bowed her head a moment, and

she seemed to think that her companion spoke the truth, for she quickly replied,

"Exense me-pardon me. I have but just recovered from a severe sickness, and my first feelings were naturally those of joy and gladness, and you know how often you and I have joked and postered each other. We have often said very hard things in jest, and I have even pull-ed your hair fill you fairly ersel with oin, and yet you never got provoked be-This was spoken so carneally, and with

so much apprent feeling, that Sim.n. was modified in a moment.

"Let it pusse," he said; "only in future choose a light occasion for light conver-

gatten. And now to something of more importance. When can you be ready to go up the river?"

'At any time," answered Louise.
'Very well, I will see the physician ing, and be governed somewhat

Shortly after this Lobois went out, and when he returned he reported that the doctor would came in the morning. So, that night Lauise was left with Loppa, and on the next morning the do tor came. and with aim came the anxious husband. The former examined his patient carefully, and he expressed the opinion that the wife should not undertake the Jour-

rep under a week at least.

"Then I believe I shall go to Blioxi.
There is a ship ready to sail, and I have

nome business to do there."

Louise expressed her chire willingness, so Simon resolved to go. In truth by one now expecting mean to be master t an immense fortune, and he was prepar ing the way to put it to immediate his main object being to obtain a pro ble cargo to return to France, whither be meant to take his wife as soon as he could dispose of the few remaining obsincles that stood in his way. He started that very night for Bilexi, and his wife was once more left to the kind care of her sable attendant.

They waspered together a moment, and then the youth turned towards Simon.

"Yillain," he exclaimed, "you forced her to this!"

"She consented to the marriage," re-

of her suble attendant.

A week passed away, and her aushand came not. She had now so far regained her health that she could walk out in company with Lopus, and the case was all back to her check.

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river. New Orleans was all slarm and excitement. The garrism at Natchez had been surprised by the Indians, and meanly every seal modered! Only and hearty every summing reached the town. Government of the plantations along on the river to put the Period on their guard; and new the barge, full of soldiers, was about to start up to see if any anistiance was required anywhere on the way, and in the mean this a connect of affects was to be held to determine what further should be done.

"Goupart, he forced me to the marriage—"
"Element" thundered Lopois, starting towards where the speaker stood, "Lou-be, remember you are my wife, and same I claim obsellence. Breathe mother word of calumny on my head and I'll make you wish your tongue had been torn out by the reots are you used it so."
"Simon, you know you did force me to become your wife."

At this moment St. Denis started upant his dark eyes burning with fire, he said:

"Stand back, villain." You are ber him-

that hung over his loved one. Before the old man had found his tongoe Simon had reached the plazas. "My father," he uttered, "forgive me if

I am abrupt—but you have heard of the dreadful massacre at Fort Rosalis?" "Yes."

"Well, there are two Natches Indians making their way up here in a cance. Perinaps they know not of our habitation. Let men be sent out at once to capture them, and we will interrogate them, at

That was snough for Tony, for he had

alois in malignant triumph.
"O, my soul!" burst from the wretch ed man's lips, and covering his face with a hunds, he sank back upon his chair, Leadur seemed upon the point of spen Lendue seemed upon the point of sper ing, low at that moment the transp

CHAPTER XXII.

"Bless heaven" cried old Tony, bound-ing into the half at a wild hop and plant ng himself directly in the middle of the new. "We's cotched 'um, masr-we's orlied 'um, an' here dey aur." At this White Hand, and Coqualla

art this White Hand said coquation came forward. Simon Lobols was the first to recognize, henceth the Natchez garb and the walnut stain, the youth whom he had hoped to destroy, and a stifled cry broke from his lips, while he turned puls and trembled like an aspen.

The next to recognize the Bring truth was Louise, and with one bound the brother and sister were in each other's arms. Their stilled exciamations of Joy awote the parent to his susses, and in a cut more he held them both upon his

"My children," he oriest, raising his arreaming eyes to heaven, "O, how blest ut! Almost it makes me feel dreadful blow that has been inflicted up-

exclaimed Sinion, having now recovered his presence of mind sufficiently to hide his real ensolone of fear and chagrin. "Dear Louis, let me welcome you back

And as he spoke he advanced and exended his hand. The youth gazed upon he attered, drawing proudly up, "I did not think you would offer me that hand!"

"How-a-ch" gasped the wretch, arning pale again. "You should not thus eject the hand of your brother-in-law," White Hand started.

"Brother-in-law?" he repeated. "Are No-I am a husband." White Hand crossed over to where Louise stood and took her by the hand. They whispered together a moment, and

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When the Roosters Crow. The feelings of some honest folk from the country when they visit a large city have been very accurately described by a Chicago paper, and as this old farmer says, there's very little difference be-tween city and country if you only look for the things which they have in com-mon.
"I'm all right in Chicago if I can hear the roesters crow once in a while," said

the roosters crow once in a while," said

your clean city and your 'city beauti- Poplar Board of Gardians and other cowardly nincompoops myselff"-Cenful,' as the newspapers call it, but I'd local bodies. rather smell a clover field in this town elected mayor of Poplar-the first labor when I'm lonesome than the sweetest mayor ever elected in England. flowers you've got on State street.

in a sermon, that a touch of nature supported by his fellow workmen makes the whole world kin. Somehow Mr. Crooks is a man of the John when I hear a rooster crow up here, or a Burns type. He is a ready speaker, it makes me feel that Chicago people social economist. He neither drinks ain't so much different from us on the nor smokes, but devotes all his time form, after all."

One of Woman's Ways. "Most women hate to spend new money," says an observant salesman I haven't the faintest idea why this should be so, but I've noticed it often right here in the store. A woman will make a purchase and pull out her purse to pay the bill, but if she happens to have to part with a clean, crisp note in making up the amount she looks great ly annoyed. I've seen women with fat wads of bright brand-new bills fluster ed when they came to pay for pur chases, because they hadn't sufficient old money to meet the charges. They would dig out the contents of their side, and, if they couldn't scrape up the sum in a few cases I've known them to go out without buying. Others will give utterance to little feminine exclamations of dismay, and will hastlly pay for the articles selected in the new money. Then they will march off with quite a show of indignation, just as if they had been invelgled into spending the money. I know one man who always takes his salary home to beautiful, clean certificates. He has caught on to this peculiarity of the sex, and he says it saves him all kinds of money."- Philadelphia Record.

Bifference Parety Eubloctive. "How far?" asked the woodcock, "do

fly it's about nine miles and a half."-Chicago Tribune.

Monuments in Berlin. recently unveiled Bismarck statue makes the seventy-second monu-monlight, shining full on the White ment of its kind in Berlin. Among the House, revealed the harmonious lines men commemorated are twelve of of its graceful shape. Another week passed, and she was "tell me all; tell me if you gave this princely rank, eleven generals, well and just as she began to wouter if man your heart; for in the years of dark architects, nine scholars, ten p any accident had happened to her hus ness that shall follow this blow, it will three physicians, three statesmen. princely rank, eleven generals, nine architects, nine scholars, ten poets,

In the state of th CELEBRATES EIGHTIETH BIRTHDAY



Little drops of water, Little grains of sand, Make the mighty ocean And the pleasant land.

So the little moments, Humble though they be, Make the mighty ages Of eternity.

So our little errors
Lead the roul away
From the path of virtue,
Far in siz to stay.

Little deeds of kindness, Little words of love, Help to make earth happy Like the heaven shove

Mrs. Julia A. Pletcher Carney, author of the famous poem, "Little Things," recently celebrated her eightleth birthday at her home in Galesburg. III. She wrote the poem in 1545, when she was a school teacher in Boston, and her object in writing it was to help her pupils understand the value of little things. A few years later the psens had been translated into many languages, and generations have recited and song it in all the civilized countries of the world. Mrs. Carney's husband, who was a Universalist minister, died at Galesburg in 1871.

Political preferred awaits the man children by Targard and a collecture, surpasses it?"
"No: there is not one in the same



the Woolwich divi-

is the standard of the standar Subsequently he was tury. then became a member of the London "I recollect Parson Cross saying once, County Council and has since been

blest, or get the smell of a stable, a skilled politician and a well-posted to his duties and to self improvement His selection has greatly strengthened the labor party in England, impressing upon it the value and necessity of solidarity. During the South Afri can war Mr. Crooks was an advocate of the Boer side and strongly denounced the action of the British govern

> RANK OF THE WHITE HOUSE. in Point of Architecture It Is in a

Class by Itself, One moonlight night in June, 1902, absurd plece—euphemistic simplifi These facts show that the great prob-while strolling through the grounds cation: "the such felt a little ill, but lem is still among the dependent peo-One moonlight night in June, 1902. with Charles F. McKim, one of the finally his corpse returned to the ple in our own land, and does not arise members of the Park Commission, we palace." purses and stow the crisp notes to one scated ourselves on one of those mounds which tradition ascribes to John Quin-rurks, he keep the phrase as one vastly larger than that among the cy Adams's taste in landscape architector, cr their proverbs. ey Adams's taste in landscape architecture. That afternoon crowds of people arrayed in Joyous costumes befitting the semi-tropics had come from the hot city to rest under the trees and listen to the The musicians, clad in white duck, were located in a little depression, so that the sound of the music rolled up and fifty pairs. In these lies the secrethe slopes to the attentive audience.

A year before we had observed the same effect at Versailles; and both the similarities and the differences of the similarities and the differences of the two nictures were being discussed as A year before we had observed the two pictures were being discussed as the under side of a snake, and when Austrana what the ramous Assuan we sat in the quiet night, behind the pushes on the scale, the edge of the feat of pumping 6,000,000 gallons of locked gates, where not a sound from locked gates, where locked gates are locked gates and locked gates are locked gates. the city streets broke the grateful noise scale catches on the ground or what water a day for a distance of 350 three gowns and three coats to indiof water splashing in the fountains.

On the high portice the President sat you call it from here to Thompson's of water splashing in the fountains. "Well," answered the crow, "the dis amid a group of dinner guests, and the by the drowsy firefles flitting about the a mere trifle; but where the ribs are ninety feet high, constructed across tance, as I fly, is four miles, but as you lights of their cigars were "echoed" grounds, only the brilliantly lighted so many, and they are moved one after the Helens River twenty miles from of the three gowns and three coars the windows of the secretary's office even suggesting the worksday world.

POORHOUSE TO PARLIAMENT. general style of the White House many of them larger and much more Labor Candidate Who Won a Notable Victory in London. In London. In the Candidate Who Won a Notable costly—la there any that, in point of architecture

of shifty in England as well as in this country. This is shown by the recent election in recent election in a following sun.—Century.

sion of London. Zestful Frankness.
where William Unexpected frankness now and ther Crooks, labor can gives a special zest to the humor of didate for Parlia a situation in Congress. When Gabe ment, defeated his Bouck was the representative from the opponent, Geoffres Oshkosh district of Wisconsin, a pen-Drage, Unionist, sion bill came before the House, to by a majority of his great vexation of spirit; for, while over 3,000 although his personal convictions were directly the constituency opposed to it, his political interests has for many years were strong enough to whip him into That was shough for Tony, for he had followed Simon to the house, and heard the roosters crow once in a while," said followed Simon to the house, and heard the roosters crow once in a while," said followed Simon to the house, and heard for the roosters crow once in a while," said followed Simon to the house, and heard followed Simon to the house, said heard followed Simon to the house the substitute of the dol of an in the followed Simon to the house the substitute of the last cascast the body of the last cascast the body of hearly the blue of the day the bill came up for income and the pretty homesick, and want to hurry type the hold of an indian, which had been a depth of the specific followed said disposal a fellow-member by Unionist by a majority of nearly type the hold of an indian, and the pretty homesick, and want to hurry type the hold of an indian, and the pretty homesick, and want to hurry type the hold of an indian, and the hold of an indian, and the

every ruler or person of high political says:

importance should die a natural death The Stampa, of Turin, says that other to this danger. The disaster which nanners of death are not officially recognized by Nischan Effendi, the censor, vast flood of foreign immigrants, and When King Humbert was assass! nated at Monza, the Turkish news dying out, have presented serious conpapers announced the sad event in this siderations. Careful compilation, how-

the frenctic cheers of the people. The that the birth rate in the United States foreign birth, and these orders are king, much affected, bowed several is alightly larger in the decennial period times, and to all appearances was im 1800 to 1900 than in that of 1880 to mediately dead."

summer palace, and there complained contrary to a preconceived opinion. Teheran."

Hon a Snake Moves. Now any one who has looked at the

skeleton of a snake-and it is really of the colored people." Saturday concert of the Marine Band, a very beautiful object-will have been struck by the great number of ribs which may be as many as ten hundred Recent Work in Australia Has Been of the ability of the serpent to do some pushed just a little bit forward. course, each rib moves the body but dam, called the Mundaring welr, another, the result is that the snake Perth. The reservoir capacity is about charity commissioners who admin The moves slowly but steadily ahead.-St 5,000,000,000 gallons. Nicholas.

When a woman goes shopping, and among the great houses that have soon acquire the harassed look a rabbil globe"-near Kilgoortie. The only for froze to it. been built during recent years in the has when the dogs surround it.

INTERURBAN ELECTRIC RAIL-ROADS IN THE MIDDLE WEST.



NLY about fifteen years ago, when the electric car began it was always considered doubtful whether it would ever successfully bring people of small towns to become regular travelers if it ventured on interarban work. No such fears now haunt the minds of those who are promoting trolley our enterprises. From every part of the United States is coming a steady demand for interprise electric service. Municipalities so small as to be able to find their way onto the maps only by sufferance are demanding connection with larger centers and their citizens are coming to the front with such pledges of support that they will not have to walt long before they are satisfied.

Among the smaller towns and cities of the United States people are beginning to realize more and more that isolation means neither superiority or comfort. There is a constantly growing desire to join hands with other localities, to be enabled at all times to come into actual physical contact with the people of other centers of population, and to establish not only Interurban communication by means of telephone service, but through a system of travel that shall be pleasant, easy of access and inexpensive. This sentiment is increasing every day. To satisfy it the electric trolley car has begun its march away from the great cities, and its advent into new

neighborhoods is being welcomed with every demonstration of delight. It is invading the mountains, the lakes, the prairies; establishing rapid transit between villages, towns and cities, bringing the people of different countless in daily and hourly touch with one another, and creating for itself a wonderful sphere of usefulness. It has no fear of competition, even when it saucily whizzes along past

towns already well provided with steam transportation, for it invariably gets its share of the business, and, more remarkable still, opens up an entirely new traffic of its own that never could have existed without its coming. Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, Michigan and Obio are pushing the building of these electric roads in a manner almost beyond belief of those to whose notice this subject is brought for the first time. In Illinois alone from fifty to sixty million dollars is now being spent in construction and mainte-nance of interurban roads and balf as much again is being gathered for new construction already planned. The people of every locality in the State seem to have awakened within the past three years to the great value of service of this character, and every month towns are being placed within an hour's distance of one another that formerly were as far apart as if they

had been separated by hundreds of miles. The interurban electric car of to-day and the roadbed on which it runs are splendidly equipped. The cars make from thirty to fifty miles an hour and are fitted with the most modern air brake appliances and lighting and beating systems. The roudbed is often as substantial and as carefully constructed as those of the best steam road service, and continuous sprinkling service in summer and snowplow service in winter keep it free from the an-

noying conditions so often met with on routes of steam travel.

One of the valuable considerations that has turned the attention of country towns to the great value to their people of interurban trolley connections has come through the almost impassable condition of the country roads at certain times of the year. With the electric car running at stated intervals and connecting farming communities with main centers of population at all times, irrespective of weather conditions, they are able to assure themselves of stendy delivery of their produce where it can command the best rates.

TWELVE INSECT PESTS THAT COST UNCLE SAM \$358,000,000 ANNUALLY.

WELVE insects will cost the United States \$350,000,000 this year. The chinching will draw \$100,000,000 of this amount, the grasshopper will take \$00,000,000 and the bessian fly will call for at least \$50,000. 000 more. Three worms that attack the cotton plant will assess the farmers for a total of \$60,000,000 and the potato bug will eat \$8,000,000 worth of its favorite kind of garden produce. Ten millions of dollars is a moderate estimate of the injury that will be done by the apple worm, and the caterpillar that makes cabbages its specialty will destroy \$5,000,000 worth of crisp

green heads. The estimate, which is conservative and under the mark, is as follows: Chinchbug \$100,000,000 Grasshopper \$00,000,000 Hessian fly 56,000,000 Potato bug 8,000,000 Ran Jose scale 10.000.003 Apple worm 10,000,000 Army worm 15,000,000
 Cabbage worm
 5,000,000

 Boll weevil (cotton)
 20,000,000
 Boll worm (cotton)..... 25,000,000

luding to recent alarming views of the daily press and the weekly religious journals with regard to the decrease of | igence road which Napoleon Bona-

"Even our President called attention

threatened the nation on account of the the fact that American people were ever, of the statistics does not sustain King Humbert left the hall amid this view. The twelfth census shows 1800. Another interesting feature is When the Shah of Persia was assas- that the greatest increase occurred in strated, the Turkish papers said: "In the northeastern group of the States, the afternoon the shah drove to his including New England. This, again, is thing to release it." His corpse was sent to has been assumed that, especially New England, the birth rate—and so One paper excelled all others by this the native population-was decreasing. from the rapid increase of foreigners. This was too much even for the The birth rate among the negroes is abides in the South land, and is that of

MODERN ENGINEERING FEATS.

of Value to Gold Fields, An unparalleled engineering feat has Of English engineers by means of a great number of auxiliary reservoirs and gowns and sixty costs. pumping stations along the thirty-inch steel water main which runs along the

the Simplon Alps to a few minutes, 7,000 feet under the snow-covered dil-The sultan of Turkey insists that native population in the United States, parte built a hundred years ago and which takes about ten hours to traverse in favorable weather. ndous rathole, which passes under Lake Avino, will cost the Jura Simplen Railroad over \$15,000,000 .-Collier's Weekly.

"Send by Inclosed Girl."

An East Side druggist is preparing unique scrap book. It contains the written orders of some customers of both curious and amusing. some that are copied from the orig-

"I have a cute pain in my child's "Dear Doether, ples gif bearer five

sense worth of Auntie Toxyn for garle baby's throat and obleage." "My little baby has eat up its father's parish plaster. Send an anec-

dote quick as possible by the inclosed girl." "This child is my little girl. I send you five cent to buy two sitiess powders for a groan up adult who is ntice.

"You will please give the lettle but the Christian education and elevation ave cents' worth of epecae for to throw up in a five months old babe. -The babe has a sore stummick. "I had a bot time in my insides and wich I wood like it to be extinguished. What is good for to extinguish it? The inclosed money is the price of the ex-

vide annually on St. Thomas' day gent persons of the parish. Following was invested in land (in this case to minerals), and the original legacy bas increased in value to \$30,000. There are a the funds are able to present 200

It was so cold in Chicago refits graceful shape.

"Tell me," I saked the architect, friends to help her select, the clerks "richest square mile of earth on the touch a \$10 gold piece immediately