## Toilers of the Columbia

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CHAPTER XIV-Continued.

The northeiders guarded their traps. It was believed that with the approach of night the southsiders would steal upon the traps in squads and attempt their destruction. The trouble had been too long brewing to give up after one slight engagement. The fishermen on both sides felt that a principle was involved and they were there to settle that the traps were gradually destroyclaimed that the gilinets were doing greater harm to the industry than the traps. The men had spent their lives the support of their families depended upon it, and it was truly a vital issue with them.

The run of fish was getting lighter every year and whatever the fault might be it was evident that the industry would soon become a thing of the past. It was natural that both sides should strike hard now as each respectively considered that the other

was the cause of the dying industry. The shore people had communicated with the men on the water several times during the day. The women had prepared meals and sent them out by the boys of the village to a number of But the fishermen were badly scattered and many of them went without meals.

Sankala had made many inquiries for Dan Lapham but he had not been seen since the departure of the boats from the north shore.

tidings from the young fisherman.
The girl could endure it no longer. She prepared enough lunch for a niege and slipped away to the beach unobserved. She knew that if Dan had not been killed or captured, he would be found near his trap at the lower end

of the bay. The night was very dark, and a storm was brewing, but she believed that she could make it to his trap be-

fore it grew too dangerous.
She tried the fishing boat but her strength was not sufficient to launch Then she drew a small skiff to the water's edge. It would not live in a heavy storm, but Sankala knew that if she could reach. Dan his strong arms would bring her safely ashore again.
The roar of the sorf on the bar was already distinct. An occasional whitecap leaped above the murky horizon to

tall fire on the hills. Sankala shoved the light craft into the water, and, guided by the interval flashes from Cape Disappointment light house, she pulled toward the foot

## CHAPTER XV.

Rescued by the Enemy, An accident had befallen Dan Lapham in the early morning engagement. husky. In the rush for boats before it was Five

Before a single shot was fired and beto grief in a most unexpected manner. driftwood from above. The fishermen siders for several moments. were constantly on the lookout for large logs, famous the world over for their length and size, often come down with a speed and force sufficient to crush a river steamer, and the small craft of the fishermen would stand no more show before these than

But it was not one of these that caused Dan trouble. It is the conthe hidden that takes man unawares trates his plans at the most unexpected moment. We may battle with but the one in ambush takes us at a ject. disadantage and destroys or is victorious over us before we are even prepared for defense.

for the enemy. He knew the plans of the southsiders and expected to intercept them before they should di-vide up into squads. While there up into squade. was still none in sight he was sending his frail old craft like a cutter through the water. An old snag was slowly beating its way with the current and tide to the ocean. It was one of those heavy, pitchy fir trunks whose weight kept it deep in the water. Only a few rub him! He is one of old Scadog's slaves, but he is human and we will itself, projected above the surface, and treat him as such." the thing stood like a rock directly in front of the fisherman's boat.

medicus of its presence he sent the old craft against it with a terrific fore he was restored to a thorough consweep of the oars and the results were as sudden as a flash. The heat was already running deep in the water from the weight of the sea which it had taken from below, and when its rotten hull struck the snag it was practically

It went down like a rock, and the him prominence among the toilers ng fisherman had either of two alternatives. One was to take refuge by ness gained for him their respect. to the cause of his disaster and the other was to swim for the is-

der such conditions. As soon as he extra rain coat and with this garment had recovered from the shock which and that he was soon warmly clad, and

arose and swam for the ensig which

speed fisherman knew what this them at a given signal was the pre-meant. Raising his head as high as viously arranged plan.

Dan Lapham was a good swimmer the north side, and was strong and experienced, but "Bing! Bin pulled at him like a thing of life, rection. his strength.

him that he was gradually giving firing began all along the line, away he falt a certain amount of relief. The fishermen were not acc

forth that blood you owe to Sankala the side and fell into Dan's arros. Dan and revive this body to hattle the waves begged them to pull for the island that

phan girli" With a spasmodic effort he arose from his sinking attitude. He shot cuse to get out of a fight that was so forth his limbs with forced and awkward motion. It was then that Dan pected. Lapham discovered the weakness of will power compared with the grip of fate. He saw that youth, str. determination, must all yield to the in-

evitable. But the same fate that had carried him to the border of the dark shadow now threw a straw within his reach. A dark solid object grated against his side. He was caught by it and carried along at a slow but steady rate of speed. He reached out his hand and clasped the southwest. Dark, mosty clouds obscured the last star. The wind was already moaning in the boughs of the monarchs of the upper country had monarchs of the upper country had been caught in the flood and was being

carried to the ocean.

Lapham dragged bimself upon its branches and closed his benumbed hands upon two of them that he might fight house, she pane lay the fish trap of the rocks where lay the fish trap not be swept away. Thus, exhuasted tended by Dan Lapham, lay upon the drift, which was pursuing

its course toward the ocean. "Steer clear of that drift, mate, exclaimed a man's voice, low and

Five men were scaled in a boat, still daylight he had taken the first Four of them were lying upon their one he came to. He led the way to the oars. The fifth was steering the craft. place where he expected to find the search sides, and was followed by the long array of northside fishermen in their boats.

He was far in advance of the other led the cars in their hands long, black in the search share are search as far in advance of the other led the cars in their hands long, black in the search s

Before a single shot was fired and be-fore daylight began to dawn Dan came and to the east indicated that morning teeth if he could help it.—New York to grief in a most unexpected manner. was approaching. The men had been The river brought with it all kinds of watching for the approach of the northsiders for several moments. They were the lower guards, who expected to apprehend the fishermen of the traps she was telling her mother about her in the lower bay. A large log with plans. branches extending in many directions "When Fred is out into at ni, had almost run into them. So dark said, "I shall not scold him. was the night that it had approached try to be reasonable. I think I shall

mand to the steersman. "There is a man aboard that drift!" coaled from which most harm comes exclaimed one of the men. "Tie on to in all of the experiences of life. It is the drift," said the leader.

One of the men grabbed a branch of and dashes his hope to pieces or frus- the drift and the next and log floated

along together.
"The man's dead," remarked one of the open enemy with hope of success, the fishermen as he came near the ob-"Bring him aboard, anyway, eaid the leader, "and we will bury him on the sand spit."

Then the fishermen raised Dan Lap-Dan was keeping a sharp lookout ham from his place on the drift, fairly prying his elinehed hands from the branches of the tree, and laid him in population of Europe has increased the boat at their feet.

CHAPTER XVI.

Daring the Elements. Give him a drop of whisay. He is

t dead by any means.' Raise him up-light in, boye, and

Thus spoke the men who had rescued Dan Lapham from the floating timber. They worked with him sometime besciousness. The men knew him well and treated him kindly, though they now regarded him as a legitimate

'prisoner of war." Lapham was favorably known by all of the fishermen and boatmen of the His extraordinary strength gave the river, while his courage and kind-

The half-drowned fisherman received the same care and attention as would one of their own number. One shared But there was no time to waste unhad sent him deep below the surface he with youth and reviving strength he -Carlyle.

But the scenes were rapidly shifting Dawn was breaking and the approach of the northsiders had been discovered. The boats began to line up for the cap-ture of the fishermen from the north side who were supposed to be ignorant of the presence of the southsiders.

Dan Lapham was placed in a peculiar position, but one common in war. He was to sit side by side with the enemy and receive the fire of his friends. He knew what his companions in the boat did not know. He knew that the north side fishermen were armed, and that they would come prepared to do war unto death. He knew that he would soon be subjected to their fire and that

danced about for a moment, after its contact with the beat, like a top.

He clung to this for several moments when he discovered that it was taking a course ranging farther from on the river and bay. The southsiders the island and heading directly for lay upon their oars with guns in hand. Disappointment rocks. The experi- To row down upon them and capture

he could above the surface of the water The keen whistle of a small launch he sighted the dark outline of the near-rang out over the water from the head est point on Sand island as marked by of the southeide flotilla and the little the accumulated driltwood, taking fleet moved to the north under the Tillamook lighthouse for his guide, and swam in a southwesterly direction. "Hing!" rang out a rifle shot from

"Bing! Bing! Bing!" followed a

"Sankaia!" he spoke. "Sankala! a rifle bullet struck the fisherman directly in front of Dan Lapham, the must not surronder. Arms and legs, you have never failed me. Heart, send in their captive. He was wounded in forth that blood was not a first that the first that blood was not a first that the first that the first that blood was not a first that the first that t and live for the poor, unfortunate or-phan girl!" the wounded man might receive better care. His request was granted, for the

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Don't Grit Your Teeth. grinding off your feeth more than you often mentally injurious. ought to. Do you grit your teeth in

And the man said he didn't stay swake long enough to know about that, but were they much ground off?

"More than they ought to be at your re," said the dentist. "You have orn the enamel off from some of them and got down to the dentine "What's going to happen?" asked the victim.

"Why, if you keep on grinding them off," said the dentist, "the teeth will hollow out and we'll have to put plugs in them with gold tops to give on new grinding surfaces."

This wasn't a very pleasant prospect, so later the man sought to asertain for himself whether he did grit is teeth unduly. And while he was still unable to stay awake long enough for instance. And he made up his fishermen, expecting to locate the enemy and then await the arrival of his colleagues and assist them in the attack.

Inforce a single shot was fixed and be
less the advance gnard of the southsiders. They were in waiting for the approach of the northside fisherless the advance gnard of the grinding his teeth in his sleep, if he southsiders. They were in waiting for the approach of the northside fisher
less the advance gnard of the grinding his teeth in his sleep, if he southsiders as they might be he didn't want any of those

> Remember the Gas. The wedding was to occur soon, and

"When Fred is out inte at night," she are housed in the hundred residences, account time for which farm occupa-I shall and their total salaries amount to the them very closley before they saw it. go so far as to keep a light burning for £800,000. It was this that had called for the com- him to make him cheery when he returns.

Her mother was silent, "Don't you think it would be a good ides to keep the light burning?" she innumerable. Naturally, the Caur is perstated.

Well, it might do very well for the first month or so. But after you have paid a few gas bills you'll probably conclude that it will be just as well to not the matches where he can find bem and turn the light out."

Growth of European Population Few persons have any idea of the extraordinary manner in which the statisticians this population has more than doubled itself from 1880 to 1900, To this increase the Latin nations of west and southwest contributed as far west as indians, chestnut holds the least and the greatest growth was in the east, where the people have Commercialy, it is chiefly in demand not yet become thoroughly saturated with the ideas of modern civilization.

as an assume when as a timber tree. Commercialy, it is chiefly in demand for ties, telegraph and telephone poles with the ideas of modern civilization.

with the ideas of modern civilization. Auxious to Bnow.

Mr. Graybeard—You say you have culiar power to resist decay in con-seen using the "Housewife's Never Pail Cookbook" for twenty years. I am de-ighted to hear that. I am the author purposes. In Maryland alone, accordthat book. Have you tried many of

Mrs. Homebody—Nearly all, Mr. Graybeard—Glorious! You are ust the person I've been wanting to neet. Did any of them work?

Estimated cost of the Panama canal,

The best mathematics-that which oubles the most joys and divides the most sorrows.

The skeleton alone of an average whale weighs twenty-five tons.

In idiences there is perpetual despair. land, New York, Pennsylvania and made the course in fifty-two minutes.

## PAPERS THE PEOPLE

iple of this new school is that the doctor should take the

place of a confessor, get at every detail as to the origin,

een composed for a doctor's own private reference or for a

he "doctors differ" maxim is seen once more exemplified.

seurasthenia, for example, concentration of attention

reads like a mixture of the curriculum of a truant school

different parts of the county were bought for a trifling

It has been determined that the cost of clearing a road-

of these pits has made it possible for the officials to plan

"good roads," as hard and smooth as any

nacedamized city street. With a magnificent harbor and

um and the work was begun.

By Jean Parson. Hillsborough County, Piorida, affords an in-

resting example of modern methods of road

eading over the history of your own case.

and a bok of spiritual meditations.

HOW ONE COUNTY SECURED GOOD ROADS.

He THE SELFISHNESS OF WOMEN IN PUBLIC.

By John A. Howland. Self-abnegation is usually cinimed by womat as her especial virtue, yet it is the opinion of the average business man that no woman knows there her rights cease and where those of others In crowded street cars women generally re

tuse to move down to the middle of the car ut ess the conductor itierally compels them. Nine tmes out of ten a woman hangs to the strap Often on the elevated trains during the rush hours men are compelled to step on women's dresses or size kick them out of the way. Under these circumstances I some times hear men say, "Don't move; I can push by," probably because they have learned by experience that it would do no good to ask the women to move down. When I see women doing the same thing in elevators—refusing to step back to the van, I wonder how they can be willing to appear so selfish.

Who crowds in shead of a line of men waiting to pur chase theater tickets. Never any one but a woman. the water was gold and the current encession of shots from the same di- is in such a hurry, and, of course, just one person crowding In could not make much difference. At the bank who at Battling to keep from being drawn to
Disappointment rocks and at the same
ly by surprise. They had come to
time to gain the nearest point of the
island be soon found it telling upon

The southsiders were taken completetempts to get to the paying teller's window shead of a
long line of waiting men? But what can men do when a
capture, not to fight, but now that the
island be soon found it telling upon

trouble was on, it was left to them to The southaiders were taken complete- tempts to get to the paying teller's window shead of strength.

Senumbed and exhausted he feit long existing between the two stubborn themselves the wrath and scorn of the woman interfered at ease coming over him which is long existing between the two stubborn themselves the wrath and scorn of the woman interfered

that ease coming over him which is factions would not permit the latter never experienced except under certain alternative, and as if from common conditions. He had heard men reword command, the southeiders raised their form of selfishness one seldom sees, but one often see from drowning, tell of this sensation, rifles and poured forth a volley in the groups of women blocking up doors and passangeways. He knew at once what it meant. His direction of their competitors. This Passing a prominent office building one day recently I strokes grew weaker, and in spite of was returned by a heavy volley from any three young women standing in the entrance, groups the fact that a consciousness came over the north side, and then a desultory in such a way that the passage was completely blocked. away he felt a certain amount of relief that is said to always come to the perialized amount of relief to the use of fire arms nor this manner is limited a moments—adiation of warfare and it was better for them as seed that makes death rather welcome than appalling.

A dull burzing sound cateted his element began to fall back and the cars. His limbs moved as if in a contending of a gentleman to reply.

Another form of weman's selfishness in public places of the server of the server of the server of a gentleman to reply.

Another form of weman's selfishness in public places is typified by a trailing skirt on a downtown street. Most

tions for the men to follow. But no one who had come ashore could give any tidings of the young fisherman. Sankala had propared two meals and sent them out by the boys but they were unable to find him.

When night came still there was no tidings from the young fisherman.

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When night came to follow. But no dearn the water seemed freed all at once from its chill. The darkness struggle. It was the purpose of the southsiders to destroy the traps, while it was the destroy the traps, while it was the destroy the traps, while it was the determination of the north-water to defend them to the last.

At the very first volley from the north discommodes herest; if she lets it drag she discommodes other structure.

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The latest development of the belief in the ower of the will is shown by doctors. Two French physicans have just written a book de cribing their treatment of disease by merely trengthening the will of their patients and givng them the desire and determination to get active. This treatment is entirely free from any uspleion of hypnotism or faith healing. Quite he contrary. In cures made by hypnotic suggestion the patient's will is entirely suspended while the morenergetic one of the operator reigns supreme, and so far from the actions done while in the sleep strengthening the "No teeth to fill." the dentist said to mind and requiring brain waste as well as bodlly infirmity, the man in the chair, "but you are it is well known that the effect of hypnotic treatment is

> There are few things more comforting in illness than a good talk over its symptoms and its inconveniences. And the amount of bonds issued.

> > CZAR'S WINTER PALACE AT ST. PETERSBURG

marvelously furnished and marvelous-

85,000 butlers, grooms, footmen, val-

enormous sum of 20,000,000 france or

In the many stables are 5,000 horses,

while the heads of cattle may be placed at 50,000; the number of dogs,

inhabitants of the Czar's kennels, are

not familiar with all his palaces and

chateaux. Out of the 100, indeed,

there are no less than 62 upon which he has never set eyes and which he

never will see. But the servants are

there, and everything is ever in readi-

into his head to look just once upon his truly magnificent abodes.

CHESTNUTS IN WOODLOTS.

How Growth of Tree May Be Improved

Throughout the Northeastern States

from Massachusetts to Maryland, and

as well as for some constructional

uses, it is especialy adapted by its pe-

ly used for fuel and general farm purposes. In Maryland alone, accord-

ing to the twelfth census, its annual

market yield of lumber, railroad ties

and telegraph and telephone poles amounts to over \$100,000, besides large

supplies of material for local consump

It happens that chestnut is especial-

ly fitted for management in farmers'

wood lots. Before scientific forestry began to be heard of in the United

States, and when forest preservation

Explained by Bureau of Forestry.

ness in case the Czar should take it

vast empire, and each one of them is

How Millions Are Squandered by the which sprout rapidly from the stump. from the land of roast beef—but they Potentate of the Russias. The Czar of Russia owns 100 pal- what the forester calls the "pure cop- out midway on the course. It was a aces and chateaux, scattered about his pice" method of management. The su- handleap contest, but in actual time perior market for chestnut, combined with its rapid growth, gave it, on the ly filled with servants. Something like whole, the leading place in the esteem of these wood-lot owners, who, by winets, chefs, coachmen, gardenera, etc., ter cutting, were able to turn to good

Chestnut is not exacting in its soil

requirements. Its roots spread com-

paratively deep, so that it is not so sensitive to fire or humus destruction

from any cause as most species. Its

sprouts grow so fast that at a height

of seven or eight feet at the end of

the first season is not uncommon, and its stumps are so vigorous that one

will often produce forty or fifty apronis. Not more than one in eight or

lecting the most promising the full vig-

or of the parent stump may be con-centrated on them, to the great im-

provement of their rate of growth. The

beervations made by the bureau have

proved that low stumps produce more igorous aprouts than high ones, and

that winter or spring cutting is fol-

lowed by better results than that done

in the summer or fall. Telephone poles are grown, in Maryland, from healthy

stumps in from thirty-five to thirty

eight years, and ties may profitably be

cut in about twenty-nine years. Too early cutting of ties should be dis-

couraged as wasteful in the long run.

The practice of permitting contractors

to cut unrestrictedly for a given sum

is one which works much injury to the

permanent productiveness of the

VEGETARIAN SWIMMERS.

Canadian Contest.

In a long-distance swimming race

club, on the island lagoon, says the

Toronto Star, there was fought a bat-

tle between vegetarians and meat ent-

ers. The course was about two miles

They Triumph Over Meat Enters

woods.

was not uncommonly talked about as in length and H. F. Strickland, of To-

a sentimental fad, the thrifty owners routo, a vegetarian, made the journey of the small tracts of woodland which in the record time of fifty minutes.

en of these will mature, but by

THE CZAR'S GREAT PALACES. neighboring States had long been cut-ting successive crops of the hard woods. Two Englishmen had come over to vegetarianism scored a decisive vic-

The race was not announced as a ontest between vegetarians and meat eaters, but Mesers. Strickland and Corson resolved to give it that turn. They entered. Like others they trained. On the day of the race their sole diet was pen butter. The last week they reduced their ordinary vegetarian flet to simples, such as pea butter, peanuts and raw fruit. Before setting ginia. out in the race they informed the ascontained meat-fed Englishmen, who \$3,000,000 a year and the Senate \$1,were supposed to be the best men in 400,000. the contest, that they were vegetarians, had eaten no ment for years and lightning, has been photographed in ed to prove the superiority of Switzerland.

the waves they were borne up by the million in a total of forty-three mil-consciousness that they were vindications. ing vegetarianism. To others it was a race for glory; to Messrs, Strickland, Society of Great Britain expects the and Corson it was an opportunity of showing a ment-fed world the error of its ways. They were men with a mis-A great cause relied on them plane. and inspired, fired by this knowledge. they slipped through the water with 107,000 voluntary crop observers. Cotease and made their ment-inden competitors look like stationary objects.

A long swim is one of the severest six times. physical tests to which a can can be the respective merits of pen butter and exceeds twenty thousand, and their beefstenk another race, specially ar combined length is not less than fifty ranged for the purpose, should be thousand miles. crought about, two men a side, over a rwo-mile course. It would draw a good indicator of what the weather is large crowd of butchers and market going to be. If when the camphor is gardeners to cheer their respective exposed to the air the gum remains champions.

Saving House-Rent.

Having learned by experience that ture and seems damp it is a sign of ne paying rent will in a few years rain. pay out a sum equal to the value of the house in which one lives, with a thousand miles of streets, covering very small beginning we invested in a nearly ten thousand acres, in London, building lot, and in a small way be-came our own building association. We miles of tramways. There are eightyapplied first to a building and loan seven miles of main intercepting sewassociation, but it was soon clear to ers, to say nothing of the sewers under us that the interest demanded was the control of the borough councils, greater than that required by a bank. These carry the drsinage of bouses in-Then we made arrangements with a habited by over five millions of people, bank, by giving a mortgage on the The monkey lives in the forests of bank, by giving a house. Of course, the prospect of nine-tenths of Africa, from the mountains of the Atlas ranges in the north small economies, and in a few years to the Orange River of the south; and the property was paid for, as the expense, including interest, insurance, taxes, etc., was at least one hundred dollars less than we had been paying for rent. The house, being new, needed no repairs, and, planned secording to our own ideas, was more convenient and comfortable than any we could recently across Toronto Bay from the rent.—Woman's Home Companion.

At the Seance. Widower-Is that my wife? Medium-It certainly is. Widower-Lord help mel And to

The young idea isn't taught how to shoot in cooking schools, yet the result is often just as fatal,

A WISE LITTLE GIRL.

She Finds Playmates and Playthings in the Weeds Around Her Home.

Across the commons from us there stands a little brown house, where nothing thrives but poverty and weeds and happiness. Year after year the garden fails and the flowers die, but the weeds grow tall and arreight and strong, and bring joy to the Little Girl. The Little Girl is a strange litwe do not also know the difficulty of finding a sympathetic ear ready to listen to our jeremiads? Now, the first printie girl. All the drowsy summer after noons she lies in the shude of the great ragweeds, and dreams and the progress, and the present condition of the mainly. He hen confides to the patient that which has hitherto always plays. To her the ragweeds are not ragweeds; they are tall, glorious trees, wherein dwell wendrous songsters; a ensultant's information, viz., a history of the case. Just ladybug is a redbird and a wandering hink of the new and delightful sensation for a sick room of fly a nightingale. At her head in break in the ragweeds grows a tall The will cure, which we must call it for want of anoth-r name, though claimed to be helpful in all diseases, is buttonwood. To the Little Girl Its rich, golden blossom is as beautiful as articularly recommended for nerve troubles. And here wonderful bed of stamens-and the To arouse the attention and interest is, of course, the first sepals and petals are a gayly paintel step in nervous attacks, but instead of a patient being solvised to seek distraction in change of scene and in variefence. Or, sometimes, the Little Girl turns them upside down, and lo! there ly of amusement quite the oposite course is adopted. The patients are once more put to school, as it were. In severe stands an ancient dame in green kirtle and crumpled yellow petticoats. The wed-pod is no less wonderful to her. nuses extreme fatigue. Bo conversations, lectures, mental Many a time she has pondered over xercises and writing are all included in the earlier stages its wondrous molding, and the blendof th cure. The steps taken to gradually build up the character are lengthy. Indeed, a description of the treatment ing shades of green, light at the top and shading down into dark, almost black. This, inverted, the Little Girl uses as a potato masher for her pebble potatoes—but in her heart there is no lack of reverence.

At her feet, in company with the "tickle-grass," the bull nettle and night-shade grow side by side. To the uliding. Until the last year this county had Little Girl the berries of the latter two nly fourteen miles of hard surfaced road outare the most beautiful of all dde of its cities and villages, although it had a weeds. Big brothers have forbidden opulation of \$6,000 and contained over 1,300 her to touch them, but she does not quare miles. Outside of these fourteen miles, understand, and the green-golden ber-nearly all of which was immediately adjacent to ries of the bullweed furnish oranges the city of Tampa, practically the only roads daily for the dolly's table. The strange were meandering roads through the woods. A few of the atructure of the night-shade berries she cannot understand; the thin transnost enterprising of the citizens discovered that here and she cannot understand; the thin trans-there through the county were occasional deposits of rock. nd an energetic campaign for good roads was begun. An tiny seeds can be seen puzzle her. issue of \$400,000 of county bonds was issued. From the

"I guess they were made that way roceeds of these bonds \$34,000 was devoted to the pur so that they could look up and see the chase of first-class road machinery, including eight miles stars," she confided to me one day.

She meant the pure white, star-shaped blossoms with their protruding little stars," she confided to me one day. yellow eyes, and I could but agree.

are of four ton capacity. The machinery included a ten on steel roller, three road graders, a rock crusher of eighty

A vigorous growth of smartweel one capacity, a steam drill, large pump, and hose for with the delicate pink and red white rashing and tearing down the overburden of sand coverblosoms fringes her playhouse some of the plants at least two feet high, ng the rock pits; twenty horse power boller, and a thirty orse power boiler and engine on wheels. Several rock pits
These the Little Girl does not value
of different parts of the county were bought for a trifling
so much; she plucks them to pieces, part by part, to see how many different colors of pink she can find, and vay forty feet wide runs from \$50 to \$150 per mile, and then, in a fit of contrition, drops the that the complete cost of a mile of road from the time the surveyor begins his work until the last surface application poor mangled blosoms into the pan of cool water placed in the weeds for as been rolled is as low as \$1,200 where the rock pit is the chickens.

near by, and ranges from that to \$3,000 in the case of But far in the heart of the great oads eight to ten inties away from the pit. The frequency weed patch there is a rich growth of goldenrod, and this, unsulfied by the name of weed, is dearest of all the or the construction of over 150 miles of road from the roceeds of \$400,000 of bonds, after paying for their road blossoms in the Little Girl's eyes. nachinery, and the best of all is the fact that they are This she never plucks, but often, from my window, I see her bend over and press its sprays to her cheeks. Her oads running in every direction, it is expected that within ldg brothers have never penetrated, two years every part of Hillsborough County will be so even in their wildest games of hidelosely connected with the port by the best of roads as to and-go-seek; only the Little Girl, seencrease the appregate value of farm lands far more than ing with finer eyes, knows the heart of gold in the refuse. And so an interest, subtle and strange as the fragrance of the goldenrod, hangs over the Little Girl and her treasures.—St.



The United States lighthouse service

costs \$4,500,000 a year. There are no poorhouses in Servia. Even the poorest people own property. Greece has as many people as Michigan and as many acres as West Vir-

The House of Representatives costs

A new kind of lightning, vortex

The Magyars rule Austria-Hungary, They did it. As they glided through although they number but six or seven The secretary of the Aeronautical

> kite to be the base of the future instrument of aerial navigation, the aero-The Agricultural Department has ton is reported on seven times a year,

wheat eight times, corn and oats each The number of irrigating ditches and ur and in order to settle conclusively canals in operation in the United States

> A piece of campbor gum is a very dry, the weather will be fresh and dry, but if the gum absorbs the mois-

We learn that there are over two

ety throughout India, Burma and Cochin China, the islands of the Indian archipelago and parts of southern China and Japan. Strange to say, he draws the line at New Guinea and the neighboring tropical consts of northern Australia, where he is conspicuous for his absence, though the conditions there seem to be favorable for his prosperity.

One thing about an idle woman; she think that I put ten tone of granite does not stand on the street and bore over her!—Atlanta Constitution. man does.

> Even a pessimist will "amile" occasionally-if you invite him to do so.