THE AMBER BEADS

By ELDREDGE HOLT. He was a traveling salesman for

toothpowder concern. She was prescription clerk in a cut-rate drug store. Besides that, she had real amber. a creamy, fair complexion and lightbrown eyes, shaded, it is true, by a pair of rimless, gold-bowed spectacles But that was because the light in the pharmacy of the cut-rate drug store was not of the best and there were

many prescriptions to fill. He had met her at the school where they make young men and here and there a young woman into druggists, so they both had their diplomas and would some time have a little drug store of their own, and they would not have to keep a clerk, because, no matter what happened, Alice-that was her name-could manage to tend store for a few hours a day. You know there is a regulation that says that every drug store must have a graduate pharmacist in constant attendance during the day and part of the night to put up prescriptions.

Of course one man cannot be at the post all of the time. Alice and Paul-that was the toothpowder agent's name-had it all arranged that they could save money from the first, for since she was a registered pharmacist she could substitute in the store for the few hours that Paul would need to take off. Oh, yes, they were very matter of fact and businesslike about it and had talked over their plans for the future quite frankly.

In the meantime Paul was vending toothpowder, trying to save enough money to buy his own little drug store and by careful skimping, with what savings Alice could add, it would take two years before this purchase could A long time, you think? Yes, but if you had seen the steady, soft light in Alice's bespectacled eyes and the lovely blush that came into her creamy, pale cheeks when those eyes met Paul's, you wouldn't have wondered that he was willing to wait.

Moreover, to Alice and Paul, marriage was, besides being a beautiful adventure and the one and only romance something of a business undertaking as well.

And there was no reason whatever to be rush and hasty about it. Still, at times when Paul was on the road with his suitcase full of samples and work grew very heavy at the cut-rate drug store Alice's brown eyes grew | She was 15 minutes late-unheard of moist and she had to take off the gold bowed spectacles and wipe away the tears, tears not of discontent, but just of loneliness and a little impatience. For Alice's mind was full of imagining their wee home-it would probably be as good as usual-that meant smaller string of amber beads. commissions for him—he would write (Copyright, 1915, by the McClure Newspaper Syndicate) a letter of impatience to Alice.

One particularly lovely autumn day Paul sauntered into the cut-rate drug store. He had unexpectedly come to town and he wanted to surprise Alice. Alice dropped the test tube she was

Alice, I've had a specially good run of luck. That new patent cap top on the ought to have got you, but tell me what piece of jewelry that doesn't cost so very much-say ten or fifteen dollars-you would most like."

Alice clasped her hands before her and thought for a second. "A string of amber beads," she said

at last. "I have always wanted them." Paul's face showed his disappointent. Somehow he had always associated amber beads with the fact that some old woman he had known about wore them around their necks to ward off chills and fever. If Alice had said gold-link bracelet, with a heartshaped padlock and a key he would have been entirely satisfied with her choice. But Alice stuck to her plea amber so," she said, "and all my life I have dreamed of having them some

In ten days Paul returned one morn ing, and, going straight to the cut-rate drug store, found Alice and gave her the bends. Again there was short con nection between trains, and in a few minutes he was off again. "I don't really like those beads," he said, "and can take them back and get the money if you say so. I'll tell you frankly that they cost twelve dollars. got them at a pawnshop I happened to be passing. I tried to jew the man down, but he wouldn't listen to a cent You might take them to som regular jeweler and find out whether

Alice held the beads up to the light and reveled in the soft, golden radi- so pleasant." ance that shone through them. "I am sure they are real amber," she said, plied the other, "an' so I nevah had had better take them back. Twelve anteality." dollars would be just so much more

"That's right," said Paul, "but I'm no Indian giver. They're what you ited and they're what you shall have." And in another minute he was off with his suitcase full of samples

At noon that day Alice hurried er sandwich and hot chocolate hastily taken at the fountain counter

"I am pretty sure they are real ambe too great a favor may I ask you to amine them and tell me what I give me some suitable food, and I'll ould have paid for them?" The swear every dish on this table is swear looked at the beads, but appending pickled."

"Well, so are you,"

"True. At least, that's the idea Mr. Twobble always gets."

Where did you get them, may I

"Oh, not in town. It was in some pawnshop in New York. I suppose we should have known better than to trust such a place. But they were so bright and pretty I thought they were

The jeweler eyed her narrowly. Your idea is to sell them?" he asked. "No, I just wanted to see what they are worth. I thought you would tell

me." The jeweler lowered his voice. can't tell you just the maximum price that you might be able to get for them. Of course in Europe they would pay more, but traveling is dangerous. I would be willing personally to pay you five thousand dollars for them, perhaps a little more. Of course, if you went to New York you might get more, but then there would be the risk, and you might find a dishonest dealer.

Alice thanked the jeweler and fairly prescription counter.

darkened examination room with two whole Zuni tribe has concentrated itneed no further proof. They are royal California, in the American Museum amber, one of a few strings of beads Journal.

at luncheon at present." Somehow Alice got back to her post. breach of office regulations-but she did not explain. That afternoon she sent a telegram to Paul asking him to return at once to hear the good news.

a height of four or five stories.

Live Life of Long Ago.

The life too of the Zuni, runs in the

current of long ago. They have bor-

er today is Sunday or Wednesday,

the American names of the store keep-

the walls of the mission.

Such tremendously tenacious con

And that is why Alice and Paul didn't have to wait two years. In fact, a little flat over the drug store to they waited only long enough to find begin with—and two nights a week just the coziest little drug store for she was taking cooking lessons at the \$5,000 that you could imagine. And Y. W. C. A. so that she would be able the amber beads-when they have to concoct puddings as well as plas- been restrung and properly mountedters. And Paul sometimes snarled a will be on exhibition in one of the big little at the necessity that made him museums, although to any but an exwalt so long, and when sales were not pert they look much like any other

of the respective fireproof safes for montal dance ordained by his priests. holding when she heard his voice, and, said the first, "that we've given our of Alice," he told her, "and I've only a which took a week to but out. In the middle of the plaza around the minutes between trains. But I which took a week to but out. In the middle of the plaza around the plaza stopped over to see you. And, say, with food and water. At the end of caying, roofless and guited Catholic not only upon polygamy, but also upon powder makes a big hit. And I am go had been in the middle of that blazing missionaries; but two centuries of time, divorce is easy. Persons have ng to be extravagant. I want to get bonfire for a week. Out jumped the Christian regime have not influenced only to separate. A man tired of his you something from the big city. I little dog, well and happy, wagging the inward spirit of the Zuni. can't afford the engagement ring I his tail with delight." "Yours is a knew that soldiers stood back of the procedure is not quite so simple owisn't in the same block with ours. We yet he hardened his heart against adopted the same test precisely, and him; and no sooner did Spanish and when we'd raked away the embers and Mexican authority relax than the In-

business life." "That's true," replied the thought- hostile to Americans, in fact their naful man. "I don't know which is the tive code of politeness requires that more pathetic figure, a gray-haired every one should be treated with office boy, or an old chap, white of courtesy. They are merely indiffer heavier-than-air machine) that first poil and stiff in the joints, trying to ent to ourselves. All that every Zuni bore men through the air successfully appear youthful by doing some of the asks is that he should be left alone was an American, and not a German

"I'm glad I was married in June nstead of October," said the bride. with

"Why?" we'd have scrapped over whether or extraordinary attention from anthro- hit with your new specialty?" Second not we were going to spend Thanksgiving with my people, and then our Boneymoon wouldn't have lasted a month.

Enriching the Language Recently, two dusky maidens were I was buncoed or not. Maybe they are overheard on a street car discussing their acquaintances. Said one, suttinly do like Mr. Smithers; he's

"I never met Mr. Smithers," They are beautiful. But perhaps you no chance to 'sperince his pleas-

> A Fine Digestion. "He says he hails from the pie belt."

"Well, what if he does?" "That isn't remarkable, of course but I tried to borrow a couple of pepsin tablets from him and he said he never used them."

"Who was it." inquired the student, her beads in her hand she went to a neighboring jeweler—not the best in ficial person. "I never did pay much attention to weather prophets." eracks and joints of the framing we usually be sufficient to ventilate the inclused timbers of walls and floors.

"Great Scott, Maria, I told you t



Typical Indian Village In New Mexico.

HREE hundred and sixty-six every sense a full member of the tribe, of Chabanes, the duke of Biron, who years ago the intrepld Span- looked on as such by the Zuni them- had gone forward, and all the officers lard Coronado marched a little selves. He took part in their war ex- of the French guards returned the saarmy northward from Mexico peditions against the hated Apache lute. My Lord Charles Hay, the capstaggered out of the store, clasping across the deserts of Sonora and Ari- and Navaho raiders; became a mem- tain of the English guards, cried: her precious beads in her hand. She zona until in what is now the western ber of one of the six sacred Kivas, and "Gentlemen of the French guards, hardly knew whether the man had part of the state of New Mexico, he was initiated into the religious so-fire!" been teasing her, making fun of her found and conquered and occupied a ciety of the priests of the bow. A glass beads, or whether she had been group of Pueblo Indian towns whose host of other students have followed tenant of grenadiers, afterward a capinsane, or at least dreaming. She fame had reached him under the in his footsteps and the list of anmade her way to the most conserva- designation of the "Seven Cities of thropologists who have visited Zuni "Gentlemen, we never fire first. You were spent on the summit of the Soutive and most expensive jeweler in Cibola," or Zuni. As the years went includes most of the eminent names will please fire." town, unmindful that the clock on the on one or another of the seven allied in America, such as Powell, McGee corner pointed five minutes to the towns was abandoned and its inhabit and Mrs. Stevenson, to mention only fantry to draw the first fire from the time that she ought to be back at the ants moved to the central one of the some of those no longer living, as well group, Halona, "Place of the Ants." as Tylor and other famous foreigners. who commanded at Fontency, vigor-Ten minutes later she was in the For over two hundred years now, the Know Little of These People.

she heard one of them explaining: "If to its inhabitants as litiwawa, "The knowledge of the life of the people is you will look through this bead you Middle Place," for in native belief its very incomplete; in fact that in many will see the first letter. Now hold site marks the exact center of the respects the ground has scarcely been this bead up to the light and see the earth, writes A. L. Kroeber, professor scratched. Mrs. Stevenson for innext letter-marvelous, marvelous. I of anthropology in the University of stance has published a quarto volume quoted by the New York Post, is a four inches thick on the ceremonies cruel one, because it uncovers such that Louis XV had made for his favor- With the possible exception of two any tourist in a week can see rituals chief beneficiary in the case is the ites. They are found only in the larg- or three other Pueblo settlements, enacted with full pomp to which she shoemaker, whose job it is to bring est museums now. Perhaps the full Zuni is thus the oldest inhabited town barely alludes. It is not that the art to the aid of nature and create the value of this string has not been in the United States, far surpassing studies that have been made are in known for a hundred years or more. 1 in antiquity Jamestown, Plymouth and their nature superficial. In fact many ing of the sort exists. But the shoewill be willing to let you have six other early English settlements, as of the published accounts are intenthousand dollars for the beads. Of well as Sante Fe and St. Augustine of course in Europe they might fetch Spanish foundation. The tribe number of course in Europe they might fetch spanish foundation. The tribe number of course in Europe they might fetch spanish foundation. The tribe number of course in Europe they might fetch spanish foundation. The tribe number of course in Europe they might fetch spanish foundation. The tribe number of course in Europe they might fetch spanish foundation. The tribe number of course in Europe they might fetch spanish foundation. The tribe number of course in Europe they might fetch spanish foundation. more. If you wish to accept my offer bers 1,600 souls or as many as it could ality, is so intricately complex that no great deal. Therefore a certain fashwe will have the check sent to your muster after it had gathered itself to volume however thick could hold all ionable artist of boots in the Rue de bank tomorrow or give it to you per gether after the first disastrous shock that is to be said about any one of its Rivoli has adopted a precautionary sonally. Of course, in making such a of Spanish contact. The houses are several phases. No one knows ex- policy. Upon his circulars and upon large transaction we have to go still built in the prehistoric way of activ, but there must be nearly two placards in his shop there is printed through the form of consulting the stone masonry, mortared and plas- hundred gods and mythological chartreasurer of the concern. He is out tered with clay, and rise densely clus- acters that are impersonated by dis- terms: tered, terraced one above the other to tinctively masked and costumed danc-

ers. There is not a month, and at public dance in the town, and at no time a day without some sort of re-

ligious ritual. rowed from the American his shirt The family life of the Zuni is lived and his overalls, and have learned to precisely as if no white man had yet like his coffee and sugar, his bacon set foot on American soil. The peoand wheat flour. Sheep and donkeys they obtained long since from the ple are divided into sixteen clans each Spaniards, and many today can boast named after an animal or plant. scent in these clans is not from the of owning horses and wagons. But inwardly and in all his relations with father as we inherit our names and other Indians, the Zuni is still purely as titles and royal succession descend in Europe, but from the mother. A aboriginal. He does not know wheth-Zuni is of his mother's clan but he recognizes his relationship to his fawhether it is January or July; or what ther's people by calling himself the child of his father's clan. per, missionary and government agent

Along with taking precedence over are. He knows these people by nicknames which he or some friend has the men in carrying the group names, The two commercial travelers were given them, and he reckons time by the women own the houses. A man boasting to each other of the merits the number of days to the next cere may, by the labor of his own hands. erect a new house for his wife, from railing. This is to signify that the which they were agents. "I guess," He supports himself as his forefathers quarrying the rock to laying the roof, the immemorial long ago did, while she does nothing more than plasbest trial was when we heaped up a in sandy patches where it would seem collection of combustibles round it that the grain would not even sprout. side the safe was a little dog provided which his town is built stands a de- ple as we. They look with repugnance the week we raked away the embers church, which his forefathers built of subsequent marriage with a former and opened the door of the safe which adobe under the direction of Spanish wife's sister or relative. At the same He wife leaves her. For a woman the good safe," said the other, "but it priest and therefore he obeyed him, ing to her property right in the house; but at that, she need only nag and abuse her husband until he takes his little bundle of clothes and returns to come to the safe at last we opened dian quietly shook off the hateful yoke his natal home. If misplaced affecthe door and our little dog—" He of imposed religion, and reverted openpaused dramatically. "Was dead," in ly to the ancient native ceremonials taking the hint, she can have recourse terrupted his rival. "Yes, sir." was which he and his fathers had kept to the more drastic method of simply the reply. "You've hit it. Frozen alive by secret practices in hidden un-installing his chosen successor, in derground rooms within fifty yards of which case nothing remains for the deposed husband but to leave quietly. It would certainly seem as if the Zuni "This advertiser says gray hairs servatism has kept the Zuni substan- had long ago achieved for themselves are often a handicap in social and tially where they were before Colum- some of the most radical portions of bus discovered America. They are not even the ultra-feministic program,

The flying machine (that is, the to support himself, to practice his re- machine. The trick was pulled off by ligion, and to live his life as his fa- the Wright brothers, Orville and Wilthers did, without interfering with bur, along the North Carolina coast, anyone and without being interfered on December 17, 1963.

"Because if we'd married in October markable people have long attracted First Comedian—"Did you score a pologists and students of the aborig- Comedian-"Did 17 Why, the audience inal. Frank Hamilton Cushing, whose gazed in open-mouthed wonder before genius in certain directions has never I was half way through." First Comebeen equaled among any of his col- dian-"Wonderfull It is seldom that leagues, took up his residence at Zuni an entire audience yawns at once."nearly forty years ago, and became in St. Paul Dispatch.

> Perfect Ventilation Scarce. Two new products of surplus and

Absolute dryness and perfect ventilation, the two conditions necessary cull apples are described in the last for the prevention of rot and decay annual report of the United States buin building timbers, are seldom, if reas of chemistry. In manufacturing claim they are destined to take a ever, obtained. To ventilate the floor concentrated cifer the apple juice is prominent part. and wall construction of a house prop trozen solid and the block of ice is erly would render it a veritable fire crushed and placed in a centrifugal trap, through which fire, once started, machine which removes the concenwould sweep from top to bottom and trated cider, leaving the ice behind

It is no wonder then that these re-

usually be sufficient to ventilate the to be of value for table use.

"When Mrs. Twobble speaks with Sweden to Denmark through a submaan air of finality you get the impres- rine cable between Helsingborg, Swe-

The product, when diluted with water. Therefore the only practical solution has practically the flavor and qualities of the problem is to adequately protect of the original apple juice. The conand ventilate those timbers that come centrated cider ferments very slowly in contact with masonry or are ex- at refrigerator temperatures, but at posed to ground moisture. All tim- room temperatures ferments in a few bers in contact with masonry should weeks. It is, of course much cheaper be heavily coated with asphalt or tar. to transport than ordinary eider. Ci-The seepage of air through the der sirup is made by clarifying and cracks and joints of the framing will boiling down apple juice, and it is said

> Power Carried Far. Current is being transmitted from den, and Elsinore, Denmark, a distance of about ten miles. The power comes from waterfalls in southern

LEGEND OF FONTENOY BATTLE

Historian Shows It Was the English Who Requested Foe to Fire

Is it possible that Monsieur Clemen ceau, himself so lettered, so learned, has pronounced this phrase: "At Fontenoy our fathers said to yours, 'Gentle-men the English, fire first!" And it is thus that M. Clemenceau expresse himself before the English. How could he lend the authority of his name to so evident a historic error?

It was an Englishman who, at Fon enoy, requested the French to fire first. Were it nothing more certain, Voltaire, informed by his friend, the Marquis d'Argenson, has related the scene in his "Summary of the Century of Louis XV."

The English officers, lifting their nats, saluted the French. The count

The Count d'Auteroche, then a lieu-

It was a principle of the French inenemy. Marshal Maurice de Saxe, ously prohibited his army from firing the historic period of the volcano. With all this study accomplished, first. Our officers were simply obeylewel experts. She seemed to come to self in this settlement which is known one has however to be at Zuni only a ing his orders in refusing the proposia full realization of the situation when to Americans as the Pueblo Zuni, and few days before being aware that our tion of the English.—Le Cri de Paris.

For the Defense. The present fashion of exceedingly short skirts, says a French paper, and religious system of the Zuni, yet a multitude of too solid ankies. The illusion of charming lines where notha notice conceived in the following

"M. L. respectfully reminds his pat ronage that shoes cannot be held recertain seasons not a week, without a sponsible for the defects of the foot or ankle of the wearer. They cannot therefore be taken back after the customer has once put them on."

Strange Signs on Ships.

Strange signs frequently hang from ships which puzzle even dwellers in seaport towns. A basket slung from the mainmast head is a sailor's sign to notify that the cargo has been loaded or discharged, as the case may be, and that the ship is ready to start on her next trip. This she cannot do until the usual board of trade formalities have been observed, and the ship's papers which, while a ship is in port, are deposited with the board of trade, have been returned to the captain. A generally mysterious emblem is a besom lashed to a mainmast or bridge vessel is for sale. Occasionally a ter of fact this is a sign of recent bereavement. Blue is the sallor's mourning, and the stripe of this color takes ly fills the old crater adjoining the coarse material, and suffers more rapthe place of the black margin or band plateau, rising some 600 feet above it. id decomposition. This fine ash is

May Have Woman Curates.

Woman curates are being suggested in England because so many clergymen have gone to the trenches and because theological students who have not already enlisted will be absorbed under the compulsion act unless they are physically unfit.

For ten years before the war there tions for ordination, owing, in some measure, to the modern recognition of known as "good family" may engage advantages. Genteel starvation is no longer preferable to getting a good living outside "the professions," and the candidates for the church have gradually been narowing down to volcano the vegetation has re-estabthose who feel an earnest call to preach or to undertake the more exacting forms of Christian work. The

The Druses, whom the commander of the Turkish expedition against Egypt, Djemal Pasha, is reported to have incited to revolt against the government as an act of revenge toward Enver Pasha, are a remarkable sect into whose faith various religious doctrines are interwoven. Among these figures those of the Pentateuch, the Gospels, the Koran and certain Mohammedan allegories. One peculiar feature of their cred is worth noting at the present time. They believe that the resurrection will be ushered in by war between the Mohammedan and the Christians, and they wait only for an Armageddon, in which they

New Thumb Grown on Man. George Merrell, president of the Wrisley Perfume and Soap Manufacturing company of Chicago, will be able to continue his hobby of piano playing, as Dr. Otto Bryning of St. Mary's hospital, Jamaica, Queens, has succeeded in growing half an inch on Mr. Merre's thumb, which was amputated in a motor car mishap near Jamaica recently.

By stimulating the formation of granulations on the stump, Doctor Bryning accomplished the task.-New York Dispatch to Philadelphia Bul-

Domestic Bliss,
Mrs. Neighbors—Do you and your
husband live happily together? Mrs. Enpeck-Sure. I'd just like see my husband try not to live hap-

candesof

geology and invertebrate paleontology of the American Museum of Natural History, has returned from a three months' expedition to the Lesser Antilles. He spent most of his time on the islands of Guadeloupe, Martinique and St. Vincent, where he continued the studies of the active volcanoes of the West In- or perhaps thousands of destructive dies, which he began in 1902, during the great eruptions of Mt. Pelee, Martinique, and the Soufriere of St. Vin-

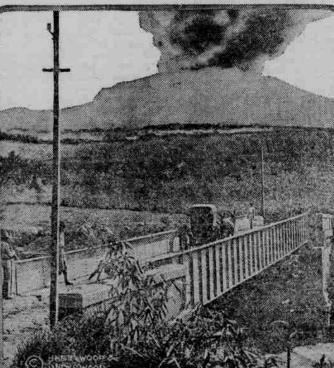
Doctor Hovey spent 16 days on the island of Guadeloupe, three of which friere, where temperature observations on the fumaroles were made and samples of escaping gases collected. These fumaroles have been active, with varying degrees of strength, during all marked increase of discharge of sulphurated steam took place at the time of the eruptions of Martinique and St. Vincent, and an area several acres in extent was then added to the active region. The vents maintain the force of their discharge, but the temperature does not in any case exceed 100 degres C. (212 degrees F.).

On Martinique he devoted most of his time to Mt. Pelee itself, and the ruined city of St. Pierre, and spent several days in camp on the old summit plateau of the volcano, which is the Soufriere received immense de-450 feet above the sea, and which for- posits of gravelly ash from the recent merly bordered the pool of fresh water known as Lac des Palmistes. The new cone, which stands as the enduring

R EDMUND OTIS HOVEY, 1 tion, while the ruined city of St. Pierre curator of the department of now contains about thirty new buildings of durable construction and a resident population of between two and three hundred people.

One Side Still Desolate. The zones stretching down the southwest side of the volcano lying between the Seche and Blanche rivers, which was the route traversed by hundreds eruption clouds, still lie drear and desolate, because the soil was completely swept away by the blasts, and the material left behind as well as that added by the eruption is too porous for the retention of the water necessary to restore it to fertility. Furthermore, the rainfall of the west side of the island is much less than on the east side, and the region is dried by the rays of the afternoon sun.

From Martinique Doctor Hovey proceeded to the Island of St. Vincent, where more than three weeks were devoted to the study of Soufriere, twelve days of the time being spent in camp on the volcano. Here, as in Martinione the vegetation has re-established itself more thoroughly on the windward than on the leeward side of the mountain, the windward side being that which receives the greater rainfall, and the leeward side not only receiving less rainfall but also suffering from the heat of the afternoon sun. Considerable portions of eruptions, and these are largely barren at the present time. Other areas



MT PELEE, MARTINIQUE

monument of the great eruption, near-I which retains water better than the used by the landsman as a notification. The famous spine, or obelisk, which now coated more or less thickly with rose some hundreds of feet further into the air, disappeared entirely nearly ten years ago through disintegration, The outer limits of the original zone and the cone, as viewed from the sea, presents a flat top, whose apparent struction of the vegetation then coatsmoothness does not prepare a visitor for the actual ruggedness of surface which he finds on climbing the moun- the soil. tain.

Mt. Pelce Quieting Down.

At the time of Doctor Hovey's last was a steady decrease in the applica- previous visit in 1908 the new cone was seamed with fissures which discharged great volumes of steam and the fact that a young man of what is gave temperatures as high as 500 de- are now largely restored to cultivagrees C. (900 degrees F.). The present tion and present a heavier growth of in commerce without any social dis- expedition found considerable steam still issuing from these vents, but no temperatures exceeding 100 degrees C. (212 degrees F.) could be found.

On the east or windward side of the lished itself to the summit of the mountain, and even the forest is beginning

of Mt. Pelee have been reinstated as color, and was not disturbed by any far as the Roxelane river, within the eruptive discharges, but did not fill the border of the original zone of annihila- bottom of the crater.

moss and lichens, and often bears, in addition bushes, trees, and tree ferns. of annihilation showed merely a de ing the mountain slopes and did not suffer destruction or deep burying of

Palms and tree ferns have regained their pristine development and beauty in this region, and forest trees are growing. On the east side of the mountain the sugar cane plantations which flourished before the eruptions cane than before, while on the west side the peasant proprietors are already taking up "provision ground" on the lower slopes of the volcano it-

self. The great crater of the Soufriere is beautiful enough to repay the lover of scenery for a special trip to the island. to reassert itself. The whole aspect of It is about nine-tenths of a mile across war apparently has but hastened the this side of the volcano is verdant and from east to west and three-quarters peaceful and gives no indication of the of a mile wide from north to south, devastation of thirteen years ago; even and a lake approximately half a mile the rocks of the new cone are more in diameter now occupies its lower or less thickly coated with moss, while portions as its predecessor did in the the side and top of the old cone are days before the cruptions which covered with grass, ferns and bushes, changed the whole appearance of the in addition to the moss and lichens. On | mountain. In 1902-3 there was a little the summit plateau the campers found | pool of muddy water in the bottom of an abundance of red raspberry bushes | the bowl through which disturbing bearing flowers and green and ripe columns or puffs of steam were continually rising. In 1908 the pool was much larger, was yellowish green in

BETRAYED BY HER RULERS ance would within a few hours be con-

With Germany That Was Undertaken in 1870.

"France was beaten in 1870," wrote Prof. Charles Downer Hayen in the American Magazine, "because she was hopelessly unprepared for the elemental contingency that may come to any people, as all history and all reason abundantly prove. Her unpreparedness pervaded every aspect of the national life. Her government, her administrative system, her diplomacy, her army and navy all hore cumulative witness to the truth that a successful war cannot be improvised, but is the reward of long, patient, intelligent labor. Her unpreparedness was none the less because her rules announced that she was absolutely ready. Ollivier, the head of the ministry, declared in the chamber of deputies that he accepted the war 'with a light heart,' a phrase he was destined to be still explaining until his death. The minister of foreign affairs, Gramont, let the

cluded with Austria and Italy. Moreover, 'after a victory we shall have all the allies we want.' The minister of war, Marshal Leboeuf, declared that the army was ready, more than ready, and that 'If the war should last a year we would not have to buy a single gaiter button."

Warlike Cake Decorations. feature of present-day London weddings where the bridegroom happens to be a fighter, is cake decoration symbolic of his branch of the service. Toy cannons done in sugar, aeroplanes or battleships of minute proportions are used, as the case may

A powerful overhead structure, capable of handling many tons of ore at once, used for unloading vessels at Duluth, was not strong enough to resist the winds at that place, and was brought down by a storm

Optimistic Thought. A wise man pays homage to worth; chamber understand that a triple alli- a fool to wealth.