

NEWS IN GENERAL FOR OUR EXCHANGES.

A Mean Husband.

In her misery the splendor of the sumptuous apartment mocked her. "What avails it all?" she demanded fiercely. "Love is absent."

The silken curtains rustled with the soft breeze that strayed through the window. The great bronze clock told the seconds in solemn iteration.

She was alone. There was an angry flush upon her cheek and her eyes kindled with indignation.

"I have been deceived!" she cried, clutching the fringe of the divan upon which she sat. "I trusted in him when he declared that my will was his law."

Her lip trembled. "When he knelt at my feet and vowed that he would be the most indulgent of husbands, that I had—"

Two pearly drops gathered upon her curved lashes and quivered there until, augmented from her bursting heart, they fell and splashed upon her bosom.

"Only to voice a wish and it would be gratified, my trusting nature accepted his words as truth. And now—"

Upon the word her face resumed the hard, bitter look it had first worn.

"When we have been married less than a year, while yet my reliance in him is a bright young dream, he—"

In a frenzy of resentment she roused the delicate fabric of the couch with her fingers.

"Will not suffer me to get a divorce, but files a cross bill! An indulgent husband, indeed!

Could she have wept, it would have been a relief.—Sunday Well come.

The tramp had struck the citizen for a small loan, and the citizen was sizing him up as an experiment.

"I've got a job for you," he said, persuasively. "What to do?"

"Nothing."

"Get pay for it?"

"Certainly."

"Is there much of it to do?"

"Twenty-four hours a day."

The tramp began to study up the proposition. "Do I get a rest on Sunday?" he asked, after a moment's thought.

old, "we don't have ter pray nor do anything of the kind in a funder shower. We've got lightning' rods on our house."—Sublime Faith.

Jay Gould's White Oaks Road

EL PASO (Tex.), July 15.—The result of the visit here of L. H. Thorn, General Manager of the Texas & Pacific Railway, a few days since, has leaked out. It was to prepare for a meeting to take place here August 10th for the organization of the Kansas City, El Paso & Mexican Railway Company, for the construction of what is generally termed the "White Oaks Road." Ten miles of it is completed and is intended to tap the coal and rich mineral lands at White Oaks, New Mexico. The late Jay Gould bought the right of way, terminals and ten miles of complete track a year ago for \$50,000. It is understood the road will be built with the Texas and Pacific and will be operated by it. It is quite probable that the ultimate result will be the construction of a link between White Oaks, N. M., and Washburn, Texas, connecting with the "Frisco," which comes down from Kansas and which is owned by the Goulds. If this is done the distance between this and Eastern points will be shortened at least 350 miles.—Examiner.

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