SYNOPSIS.

At the beginning of great automobile race the machanician of the Mercury. Stanton's marking drops deed Strange youth, Jesse Floyd, voltateers, and is accepted. In the rest during the twenty-four hour race Stanton meets a stranger, Miss Carlisle, who introduces herself. The Mercury wins race. Stanton receives flowers from Miss Carlisle, which he ignores. Stanton meets Mis Carlisle on a train, They alight to take walk, and train heaves. Stanton meets Mis Carlisle on a train, They alight to take walk, and train heaves. Stanton and Miss Carlisle follow in auto. Accident by which Stanton is hurt is mysterious. Floyd, at lunch with Stanton, tells of his boylood. Stanton sgain meets Miss Carlisle and they dine together. Stanton comes to track sick, but makes race. They have acqueent. Floyd hurt, but not seriously. At dinner Floyd tells Stanton of his twin sister. Jessica. Stanton becomes very ill and loses consciousness. On recovery, at his hotel Stanton receives invitation and visits Jessica. They go to theater together, and meet Miss Carlisle. Stanton and Floyd meet again and talk business. They agree to operate automobile factory as partners. Floyd becomes suspleious of Miss Carlisle. Stanton becomes suspleious of Miss Carlisle. Stanton's care are delayed. Floyd traces the tires and brings them to camp, During race Stanton deliberately weeks his car to save machine in track. Stanton and Floyd thrown out and lose consciousness. Two weeks later Stanton awakes, and beleves Floyd dead, actions and believes Floyd dead,

CHAPTER XII .- (Continued.)

There is nothing at all singular in my being here, Mr. Stanton," she stated, in her cool, indolent voice. cause I ascertained by telephone when you intended to leave the hospital, and so arranged to meet you on the train. Tomorrow I start for Europe, to remain for a long time, and it was nec essary for me to speak with you first. I am sorry to see that you have been frightfully III."

"You are too good," he answered, the old antagonism stirring him strong-"As you observe, I was not fortunate enough to finish myself completely in the late wreck."

"One sometimes feels like that," she coincided, passing one small gloved hand across the soft fur of her muff. "I have wished for the finish, here lately, for my part. You probably did not know that I was engaged to marry Archer Ross, of the Atalanta Automobile Company?'

Stanton sat erect. All Floyd's suspicions of this girl rushed back to his mind

"Yes," she confirmed the thought in his expression. "What you are imagining is quite correct. I tried very hard to induce you to drive for the Atalanta Company instead of for the Mercury. good racing record. But I failed. You were more than firm in your decision."

So that had been what she wanted of him. That had lain behind her polished surface of gracious admiration and had been the core of her insincerity.

"And when I would not drive for your company, you tried to prevent me from driving for my own?" He wondered incredulously.

She looked at him, and looked away agnin

"I fancy you would scarcely credit me, Mr. Stanton, if I dealed the fact, now. I have been very clumsy; a soclety woman is not trained to practical melodrama. You are unbelievably difficult to lead."

Her flawless self-possession gave an effect of unreality to the whole affair. Stanton felt a vertigo of the mind.

"You had that purpose in view when you first spoke to me at the Beach twenty four hour race?" he questioned. "You hoped to induce me to wreck my car by fast driving, in order to leave the Atalanta a better chance of winning?"

"Oh, no!" she deprecated. "I never tried to cause your wreck-what can you think me? No, that was merely an impulsive experiment; I wanted to see if you would do as I wished. Some men have done so."

"Are you going to tell me that you drugged me at Lowell, on the eve of the road race?"

"Drugged you? That is a harsher description than I ever gave the incident in my own mind. But I poured Into your coffee what Archer Ross had given me for that purpose. He said it would not harm you, only prevent you from driving next morning; he had been betting heavily on his car. But you raced, after all, ill as you must have been. I never imagined you would take such a risk, or I should have refused the responsibility. I disliked the task, anyhow. To be frank, I was horribly frightened when I saw you on

assassination. He looked at her, at her ivery-andown face coldly emotionless. It did But yet he read that behind that ap-

was no guide to her mind. "I suppose, then, that you would arms full of holly brushed past him as pression that there was .- Satire.

York," he commented. Her color changed for the first time, tall in the outstretched hand, her eyes flashed to his.

You brutally told me that you had name? So generousnot raced at the Beach, to please me. nor would you do so. You were superilious, no man had ever treated me that way before. For one instant I did hate and long to hurt you; I pushed apartment house. up the spark as you cranked. The if I could."

There was a pause, as the train halted at a station, and the usual flurry of egress and ingress ensued. When the start was made:

"Why are you telling me this?" especially amiable and forgiving, as a rule; why chance unnecessary confession?

"No," her lip bent in a faint smile that was not mirthful. "But you are too masculine to retaliate upon a woman. I am not much afraid, although I find myself forced to depend upon your induigence. A net was spread for the feet of the wicked by ome one more acute, or less indifferent, than the Mercury's driver. Your -mechanician set a private detective at the task of following and guarding you until after the Cup race; fearing reachery, I suppose, would be used to prevent your driving. You are surprised?"

He saw the crowded railway station, on the morning of the return from In-dianapolis, and Floyd's vivid, anxious ace turned to him in the artificial light. He heard the fresh young voice: "if you won't take care of

yourself, Stanton-" "There was no need, Mr. Stanton. I had no idea of interfering with you personally. But the thing was done, and overdone. The man bired to play detective was not honest; he exceeded his mission of protection and went on to investigation for his own profit. If I am telling you this, it is because you would soon hear the story from him, anyhow, and because I want you to silence him. He has offered me his silence for a price, but I do not choose to yield to a blackmail which, once commenced, would never end. I prefer to ask shelter of your chivalry."

"I will silence him," he gave cold assurance. "You are very good. It is not the east of my humiliations to know that you could deal me nothing more conemptuous than your forbearance. She hesitated. "There is one thing nore; I would like to ask whether your recent accident was in any way caused by the late arrival of the tires

for your machine." "You did that?" "Yes, I did that. I had the express ar misdirected before it left my father's factory in Chicago. I knew

your car could not ruce on bare rims." Stanton turned to the window. So she was responsible for the last harsh ess he had shown Floyd; since their misunderstanding could never have arisen if the mechanician had not been absent on the trip to Coney Island. His sudden nausea of loathing for her made calm reply difficult.

"The lost tires had nothing to do with the accident," he explained carefully. "If you have quite finished, Miss Carlisle, I will change to another seat.

"It is I who am going. I am glad that the wreck and alteration in you are not my fault. It may interest you to learn that Archer Ross broke his engagement to me last week, to marry chorus girl."

He looked at her, then,

"Yes," she agreed. "Dramatic pun-shment, is it not? You can regale Miss Floyd with the tale. You are on your way to her, of course."

"Miss Carlisle!" She rose, drawing around her the heavy folds of velvet. He saw now the faint lines about her delicate mouth and the new hardness of her tawny eyes. She had suffered, was uffering also.

"Congratulate her from me, Mr.



"God," Breathed Stanton, and Sank into a Chair.

Sianton. At least the has known a man, whatever it has cost her.

Yes. Floyd had played a man's part. Whatever the anguish of losing him it was a matter of congratulation to the course, and when the report of have known him. It never occurred to your accident came in, I felt guilty of Stanton that Valerie Carlisle might have meant him, himself.

It was afternoon when Stanton ar gold beauty, her composed ease, his rived in New York, among the snowsprinkled, hilarious crowds not matter, nothing mattered, now, thronged the streets. And then he first realized that this was the day be parent ease of hers heaved a sea of fore Christmas. Christmas? Hollday? tormy thoughts; as always, her speech With a vague impulse to escape it all, he halled a taxicab. A girl with her

not have been distressed if I had he reached the curb, a man in uniform roken my arm when I cranked your stopped him with a hastily recited car after driving you home from New plea for aid to the hungry poor. him Stanton looked, and put a yellow

"Sir!" the man cried, pursuing him "You angered me," she retorted, with ready book and pencil, "What

"Floyd," Stanton answered, and stepped into the vehicle. The address he gave to the chauf-

feur was that of the quiet up-town

The little old Irishwoman clad in next moment I would have undone it black silk opened the door. He fancied she had aged, but on seeing him she broke into beaming smiles and ushered him in with eager welcome. The girl who was like Floyd was

standing in the firelit room. As Stanton paused on the threshold, she re-Stanton asked. "I am not considered treated against the window opposite, her fingers winding themselves hard into the draperies, her marvelous gray eyes wide and fevered. So they gazed at each other, dumb.

"You can not bear to see me?" Stanton first found voice. "I have no right to blame you-God knows I understand. Yet Floyd would tell you that it was not my fault. I did not throw away his life by recklessness."

She gazed at him still, yet it seemed to him that during a brief second consciousness had left her and returned, that now she looked at him differently, almost wildly.

"I have been near death, also," he resumed. "I have seen no newspapers, I do not know what they have told you. But the accident was pure accident; if he could have been here, Floyd would have borne me out in that. I have wantonly risked his life with mine at other times, then, no. Her sensitive face had changed, she,

too, found speech.

tionalities. "I have been ill, I have now little strength to waste aside from my purpose. Jessica, I have come for you, as he once gave me leave to do. You Juarez or Casas Grandes to prevent have no one left, nor L. Will you marry me?

Her fingers wound harder into the curtain, he saw the pulse beating in resting on their arms. her round throat as she flung back her head with Floyd's own boyist movement.

"You love me?" she questioned, just audibly, grave eyes on his.

"I thought you knew. Yes." She shook her head, her smile sad "Me, Ralph Stanton, or Jes Floyd's

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

MUCH ADO ABOUT A PENNY Sample of Extent to Which Red Tape

Methods Prevail In Germany. Germany, declares Mr. S. Baring-

Gould in his book, "The Land of Teck," is absolutely swathed in red tape. In illustration, he tells an experience of his own while journeying by rail from Ober-Lenningen to Owen.

I asked at Ober-Lenningen for a third-class ticket to Owen, and supposing that I had got what I asked for, stepped into a third-class carriage. On these branch lines nearly everyone travels fourth. Before reaching the next station-only a mile from Ober-Lenningen, in fact-the inspector apa fourth-class ticket, and are in a third-class compartment. The fine is six marks."

marks," the man insisted.

I did so. official, peremptority.

"But, said I, "I demanded a thirdoversight on the part of the clerk." "You should have examined your

ticket," the station master insisted. The train was delayed five minutes of a domestic science certificate, while we threshed out the question on the platform in great detail, and the other passengers craned their necks out of the windows of the carriages and listened with lively interest. yielded; but I must pay the difference

"What is it?" I asked.

Bishop Blames His Hair. quest, nameless here:

"The bishop is a large man with an enthusiatsic war spirit prevails. bushy back hair," the priest relates 'He often on his tours through Kan sas wears a silk hat. His crosler he carried in a large leather case.

croster case.

dle wif you. De company is not which, it is said, was successful. sponsible fo' packages left in de seats." - Kansas City Journal.

The Real Grievance. Friend-You've got to admit there's Italian Diplomat-Certainly.

Friend-Then why do you want to cep on fighting?

REBEL ELEMENTS UNITED.

Plan of Vera Cruz" Declared to Have General Backing.

El Paso, Tex .- "All revolutionary elements in Mexico today are co-oper ating to the one end—the downfall of Madero and his government," declared Attorney Gomez Robelo, personal representative of the revolution of Pascual Orozco in the north of Mexico. when seen in his hiding place in El Paso. Released from jail here and exonerated from political charges pre-ferred by the Mexican government ises to be a great saving, according to representatives, Robelo is avoiding developments, not only along the border, but at the national capital.

"I have evidence here, said he, producing letters to prove his assertion, "that the revolutions begun by General Felix Piaz and General Aguilar, in the state of Vera Cruz, is in conjunction with Orozco's movement fight against the rebels. How, then, to bring in the patient. will they fight against their brothers, the Federals, who have revolted in been championed for president of the republic is proof that the new movement will be popular. Always, before, has Mexico been cursed with revolutions prompted by some partic-old law was \$64.51 per patient. This revolution in the ular man. north, of the military in the south and so on of all the people, merely is the outery against a national shame.'

Robelo produced letters to show that the plot for the revolt of the troops in Vera Cruz, was made in conjunction with a general plan, part of which has not transpired.

He showed a copy of the "plan" of Vera Cruz, mailed from Mexico City two weeks ago and containing predic "I never thought of blame," she tions of the Diaz uprising. Robelo protested unsteadily. "Never. You says General Orozco continues toward soon will be working in conjunction He drew near her, long past conven- with the Federal troops, which it is predicted will turn in the north.

All remans quiet in Juarez, with all communication cut with the south, no movement has been made either from western railway by rebels. Federal troops in all the north of Mexico are

FELIX DIAZ HAS PRESTIGE.

Ambassador Wilson Regards New Element as Not Inconsiderable.

Kansas City - "This uprising contributes a new element to the revolutionary situation in Mexico and not an inconsiderable one," Henry Lane Wilson, ambassador to Mexico, said when he learned of the catpure of Vera Cruz by General Felix Diaz.

Mr. Wilson, who left Mexico City five days ago with his wife, is visiting

friends here. "General Diaz is a man of great prestige both with the army and pub-lic," Mr. Wilson continued. "Hitherto the revolutionary movement against the Madero government has been headed by men whose names expressed no special significance and all lacked some essential of leadership.

"I have no doubt that the Madero government will exert itself to its greatest activity and endeavor to meet the new conditions."

CUPID'S "C. Q. D." IN KITCHEN

Threat of Law Demanding Proof of Domestic Skill Wins.

Portland-The statement made by H. C. Campbell, of the school board, I explained, and offered at once to in his address at the opening of the pass into a fourth-class carriage or new Lincoln high school building, that pay the difference in the price of legislation was contemplated which would require every woman to exhib-"That will not do. You have in it a certificate of graduation in dofringed the law, and must pay six mestic science before she would be allowed to obtain a marriage liscense, is "I get out at Owen, and will explain having the desired effect. This is matters to the station master," I said shown by the fact that 52 young women were enrolled in the domestic "The fine is six marks," said the science night school only two days after it opened. Members of the school board, upon hearing the report class ticket, and was given one for of Superintendent Rigler to this effect which I had not asked. This was an at their meeting recently, congratulated Chairman Campbell on the suc cess of his implied threat of a life of manlessness to all girls not possessed

Servia Declares War.

Belgrade, Servia-War against Turkey was declared formally by the Serlast, reluctantly, the station master vian government. The declaration was transmitted to the Servian ministions to present it to the Porte. minister then will leave immediately for Belgrade. The great powers will Father William J. Dalton of the receive notification at once of Servia's Annunciation church tells this story declaration. Immense crowds parad the work will be done this fall. of a Catholic bishop well known to ed the streets, singing and cheering this locality, but at Father Dalton's re- after the announcement was made. The crowds are increasing hourly and

Marconi Loses Right Eye.

Spezia-Guigliemo Marconi's right eye, which was injured in an automo-"Recently in a jerkwater Kansas bile accident on Sept. 25 last, has town where silk hats are scarce ex been was removed. A consultation had ing good roads and building a permacept on the heads of traveling must resulted in a decision that removal celebrated oculist of the university of recken you all had better take yo fid and he performed the operation, burg.

Greece Wants Reservists Only.

Cincinnati-A telegram saying that the Greek government wants only men to fight against Turkey, was received

## INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF OUR HOME STATE

WEST WOULD CUT COST.

Change to Be Urged in Transporta-

tion of Convicts. Salem-The system of transportation of convicts from the place of conviction to the state penitentiary will plans which Governor West is making rearrest, but is keeping in touch with for a recommendation, to be incorporated in his message to the next legis lature, and founded on the results which have been secured in the change made in transportation of patients to the state insane asylum.

Under the old law patients were transported to the asylum under the care of a sheriff or his deputy. Now n the north. The Federals will not an attendant is sent from the asylum management had to do was to appeal

Under the old law covering trans portation for asylum patients to that Vera Cruz? That so far no man has institution from the place of commitment, the records show that for the 22 months between January, 1903, and October, 1904, the average cost for transportation of the insane under the

> Under the new law the average cost is shown to be \$36.17, or almost half the cost that was charged under the old law. With the transportation of several hundred patients annually it amounts into a handsome saving.

During 1911 it cost the state a total of \$10,844 to transport patients from the place of conviction to the prison. Of this amount \$672 was for expenses incidental to transportation of patients and officers. The per diem of sheriffs and guards amounted to approximately \$2200. On the ratio of drove straight and best. You look so the south in the state of Coahuila, and the saving on transportation of insane, a saving of practically 50 per cent, or about \$5000 annually, would be made in transporting prisoners.

STRAWBERRY CROP GOOD.

Tollman Farmer Produces Second Growth of Fine Fruit.

Albany-A unique plan to produce two crops of strawberries on his vines each year has been developed by M. P. Briggs, a farmer residing near Tallacre in strawberries, and picked an unusually large crop last June. He then mowed down the vines, covered the patch with straw and set it on fire. The vines were burned off so that the field was entirely bare.

New vines came up soon and rapidly blossomed out, and Mr. Briggs is now picking his second crop, which is twothirds as large as his big crop in June. In many strawberry gardens near this city and in some of the big market gardens along the Santiam river at Lebanon second crops of strawberries were picked this year. This condition was largely due to the unusual rains in August and September, and many growers are planning to make arrangements to irrigate their gardens for a second crop next summer.

POTATOES ARE FOOT LONG.

Record Spuds for Size and Number

Found at Hood River. Hood River-The record for potato

Early Rose and Garfield varieties. They were irrigated twice. Last expressing its sentiments as to the week he started to dig them and found proposed bill. that the hills had run together so that solid spuds.

Many of the plants had enough on them to fill a five-gallon oil can. Most of the spuds are a foot long and some weigh four pounds each.

The acre yielded 700 sacks, or bushels. Mr. Steele also raised a cabbage this summer weighing 28 pounds.

Hood River Gets Fish.

Hood River-A great deal of activity in stocking the streams of Hood River valley with game fish has been noted this summer, and further work is to be done. So far about 250,000 trout have been planted in the various streams, and another carload was distributed last week. Everybody helps in the work. Ranchers have left their work to haul cans of fish ten miles ter at Constantinople with instruc- back to the headwaters, and two wagons made the trip to Lost lake. state game and fish commission has appropriated \$500 to place a fish lad-

> Coos Seeks Good Roads. Marshfield-At a meeting of repre-

sentatives of all commercial bodies of the county it was decided that if laws Physicians attending Mr. Cram state passed at the next election would per- that his recovery is not expected. mit Coos county would bond herself for \$2,000,000 for the purpose of maknent highway with concrete founds cians, the bishop was just alighting was indispensible, as the famous tion from the ocean to the Douglas from his train when the negro porter wireless inventer was threatened with county line. In such event Douglas capitalization of \$1,000,000. 'Hey, boss!' the porter called. 'I Vienna, was summoned in hot haste face road from Coos Bay to Rose-

Mt. Angel Gets Crusher.

Mount Angel-At a cost of almost mill. \$2000 the Marion county court has installed a new rock-crushing plant at who have had military training in the Mount Angel. This plant, which is othing in Tripoli worth fighting for. Grecian army and are now reservists operated by a dynamo, the power beby Dr. Sophocles Dadakis, president place of the steam crusher. At the notices are posted, was the substance of the Cincinnati branch of the Pan-nominal expense of about \$1.50 daily of an oninion by the attended to the place of the control of the Pan-nominal expense of about \$1.50 daily of an oninion by the attended to the place of the control of the Pan-nominal expense of about \$1.50 daily of an oninion by the attended to the place of the steam crusher. turned out by the steam plant.

THREE FAMILIES BIG AID.

Management of Wallowa County Fair

Grateful to 24 Boys. Enterprise - "The County Fair would not be much of a success, so far as the amusement program is con-

cerned, if it were not for the Tippett, McFetridge and Warnock boys." This remark, made by one of the officers of the Wallowa County Agricultural Fair association at the close of the recent exhibition here, has led to an interesting confirmation. In the three families there are 24 boys. They were to the front in nearly every contest put on by the fair. Whenever an added number was desired. all the

to these boys, and almost any kind of an exciting contest could be arranged. S. T. Tippett has nine sons, each of whom is fully able to take care of himself in any event pertaining to horsemanship. The sons are William, T. S., J. H., G. W., C. C., Roy K., Chris, Teddy and Lawrence, or Buster.

John C. McFetridge furnishes seven husky young men-William, Millard, Fred, Alvin. Elmer, John and Chester. William Warnock's five sons are Elmer, Perry, Earl, Jesse and Vernon. Daniel W. Warnock has three sons

Charles, William and Daniel. In the first day's amusement pro gram, the three groups of boys came to the front in the slow mule race, Elmer Warnock, John McFetridge and Charles Tippett being the contestants, while S. T. Tippett, the father, could not keep out of the contest himself, but furnished one of the mules. Elmer Warnock and J. H. Tippett were on deck for the next event, the three-

mile mule relay.

Tippett and Warnock furnished one string of horses for the great 15-mile relay. Lola Warnock was a contestant in the girls' race, showing the boys were not the only members of the family who could ride horses. In the saddle-horse contest, S. T. Tippett and J. H. Tippett provided the winning horses. Dan Warnock's horse was second in the quarter-mile dash. Mr. Briggs has a quarter of a Jack Tippett beat his brother, J. H.,

in the packing contest. On the third day, Alvin McFetridge appeared in the chariot race. Dan Warnock's horse was second in a quarter-mile dash. S. T. Tippett furnished the horse that came in second

in the boys' race. On Friday, Elmer McFetridge captured the cowboy race, defeating Charls, Guy and J. H. Tippett. John McFetridge distinguished himself by riding Hot Foot, the famous Union county outlaw. Saturday brought out J. H. Tippett as winner of the cowboy race, with John McFetridge a contestant.

In addition, the three families were well represented in the exhibits, and won a fine lot of prizes.

POMONA RESCINDS ACT.

State Printer Flat Salary Measure Indorsement Taken Back.

Salem-Unanimously indorsing the recent action of Salem Grange and production in Hood River valley is repudiating the initiative measure just reported by J. R. Steele.

Last May he planted an acre that printer, Marion County Pomona had been in alfalfa for ten years to Grange, representing the eight granges of the county, passed a resolution

The resolution which was adopted each row was one continuous line of by the Marion County Pomona Grange follows:

Resolved, That Marion County Pomona Grange rescind its action of June 12, 1912, in indorsing the alleged flat salary measure and after considering the authorities cited and consulted commend and indorse the report of Salem grange No. 17 in the flat salary initiative measure and senate bill No.

75. Mrs. Zella S. Fletcher, secretary. Senate bill No. 75 is the flat-salary law as passed by the legislature of 1911 to become effective January 1, 1915. The flat-salary initiative measure, which comes before the people in November, would make senate bill No. 75 effective December 1 this year.

Asroplane Strikes Man.

Prineville-Stowall Cram, 70 years, was struck and probably fatally in-The jured by C. Christofferson in his aeroplane at the Central Oregon District fair grounds. Christofferson was makder at the Devil's Punch Bowl, and ing a swoop toward the ground with his machine and as he turned upwards again in his flight the tail of the seroplane hit Cram an impelling blow alongside the head. Mr. Cram was an early settler of Central Oregon and has many relatives living near here.

New Railroad Incorporates.

Salem - Articles of incorporation have been filed by the Oregon Pacific & Eastern Railway company, with a appeared at the car door waving his total blindness. Professor Fuchs, the county would be expected to do the ticles show that the road contemplates same, so there would be a hard-sur- building from the mouth of the Umpqua river following along Smith and Siuslaw rivers to Cottage Grove, and then following Row river and Champion creek to the Champion quartz

Trespass Notice Invalid.

Salem-That it is not criminal trespass to hunt upon uninclosed or uniming secured from Silverton, takes the proved lands, even though trespass nominal expense of about \$1.50 daily of an opinion by the attorney general. Italian Diplomat—We've got to punish the Turks for giving us the imof New York, president of the union yards a day, almost double the amount
trespuss only holds on inclosed or improved lands.