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## **EVENTS OF THE DAY**

### Newsy Items Gathered from All Parts of the World.

Less Important but Not Less Interesting Happenings from Points Outside the State.

Colonel Astor's yacht Nourmahal is reported safe at San Juan harbor.

Senator Borah says the forestry bureau usurps the functions of congress. Football has, so far this year, claimed 30 dead and 216 injured, most of the latter being maimed for life.

Another day's search in the St. Paul mine revealed 47 dead bodies, but no provided, but collected in such a manindication of any more living.

Four hundred and fifty lords will assemble to vote on the final acceptance or rejection of the British budget. Recent court decision against Standard oil is said to be only a theoretical defeat, and will result in no practical

Isthmian canal commission reports trees under observation, with age, diamthe big ditch half finished, and estimates the cost will be double the upon which data the accompanying article is based: original estimate.

No lives were lost in the burning of the steamer St. Croix, but many were injured and great suffering prevailed. The ship is a total loss.

An Ohio banker and party of four have completed a 1,300-mile trip in rowboats down the Colorado river. They obtained many photographs of prehistoric Indian hieroglyphics.

A Kansas hen mid an egg bearing the lettering "Drouth 1911." It is reported that there are 200,000

unemployed in New York city. St. Louis women took forcible

session of the streetcars of that city and cleaned them up. Samuel Gompers has been unanimous

ly re-elected president of the American Federation of Labor.

A submerged wreck on the Atlantic coast is thought to be the missing yacht of Colonel Astor. A fight to a finish for traffic is about

to begin between the Pennsylvania railroad and the New York Central The steamer St. Croix was burned of

the California coast, but the 82 pas-sengers and crey of 36 all escaped in The Italien medium, Eusapia Palla-

dino, who came to this country recently, is reported to be no more wonderful than many American mediums. The federal court has ordered the dissolution of the Standard Oil corpor-

The case will be appealed to the United States supreme court. Twenty men have been taken out of the burning coal mine at Cherry, Ill., barely alive after a week's imprison-ment. Forty dead have also been

French courts have adopted radical

The earning power of the copper combine is \$25,000,000.

President Mackay says the Postal is

not in on the Western Union-Bell mer-Collector Loeb of New York an-

nounces the removal of 73 customs em- 112 ..... Bjornsjerne Bjornsen, the famous

Norwegian author, is near death's door

The United States is likely to recognize the Nicaraguan revolutionists as Attorney General Wickersham de-

clares the government will punish all guilty in the sugar trust case. Mrs. Claus Spreckles has been granted \$5,000 a month until the es-

tate of her late husband is settled. Cornelius Vanderbilt has become director in the Missouri Pacific, thus greatly strengthening the Gould road. 410 ...... 84

The Nevada-California-Oregon railway has announced its intention building to Lakeview, Ore,, from Al turas, Cal. John Jacob Astor and son have no

been heard from for two weeks, and the family is greatly worried. They are on the Atlantic in the Astor private

Cannon says he is not ezar of the house.

A Richmond, Va., boy's vision vague in daylight, but at night he can see clearly.

The four men who held up a Union Pacific train at Omaha May 22 have been sentenced to life imprisonment. Mrs. Yerkes has relinquished all

claim to the \$3,500,000 house in New York for a consideration of \$400,000. A La Fayette, Ind., millionaire has committed suicide rather than face trial for the murder of one of his em

Pope Pius declares that France dis criminates wantonly against Catholic

Senator Aldrich says the comin congress will have a big task ahead of it in disposing of vital questions to

Japan's principal mineral productions are, in order of importance named, copper, sulphur, silver, iron, coal, petro

San Francisco's warring Chinese are eating wildcat meat in the hope of absorbing ferocity and thus improve their fighting efficiency.

Albert T. Patrick, convicted of the murder of his employer in New York in 1900, has secured a writ of habeas corpus, returnable November 29.

Twenty bodies have been located in the mine at Cherry, Ill. One has been

Loeb has begun housecleaning at the New York customs house by discharg-

ing six employes. Eight bankers have been arrested, The physician requests that his trus-charged with the embezzlement of tees, who include the mayor of Van-\$100,000 in connection with the failure couver, use the fund available to care of a bank at Tipton, Ind.

### REFORESTATION IS EASY.

(Concluded from last week.) am told that Germany spends several nillion marks annually to raise trees, and receives annually more than twice as much money from the sale of timber than she expends.

I would also advocate the imposing upon all logged-off lands a basic tax sufficiently high to insure their reverting naturally to the state for a reasonable compensation, the lands to be utilzed in raising trees for futre generaions; the levying of this tax to be suspended in case private owners should wish to set aside their logged-off lands state regulations; this timber to pay a

cutting tax at the time it is cut. The details of such a tax and the set ing aside of logged-off lands for the raising of timber by private owners are matters that can be worked out; the interests of the people protected; the revenue which the timber and lumber interests should rightfully pay the state ner as will help conserve our forests instead of encouraging owners to cut and waste them, as under our present system of taxation. I am firmly of the opinion that if our forests are to be conserved and new forests grown, the first step necessary is the revision or evolutioniz

ing of our system of taxation.

The following table shows a list of

Red Fir. Diameter Esti mated on Stump (Inches) 83 ..... 26 1200 1000 65

Raw Land Brings \$16,000. 100 estate.  $\frac{2000}{1200}$ 

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Ginseng Thrives in Jackson.

oleted thinning his plants,

Factory for Creswell.

city of Creswell, Lane county, is soon to have an ax handle factory, L. R. Rush, recently from McMinnville, having erected a frame building 20x24 feet there, and will install the machinery as soon as it arrives from Port-He will employ several men, and will use oak timber in making ax handies as well as handles for hoes, rakes, shovels, forks, peevies and other im-

chosen for the well is near th Phelps place, in the west end of the valley, about 30 miles north of Paisley.

Record Price for Land.

from this place for \$27,500. ure in Southern Oregon.

1200 Sacks of Onions on 3 Acres

this year was a record-breaker, was taken from the same field.

Packing Many Prunes.

Salem-Six million pounds of prune are passing in a steady stream through the Tillson packing house. The packing, facing and shipping will co well into the new year. Already 38 cars have been shipped out, several of which have gone to make up European

Onions Yield Well.

Freewater-J. J. Williams has just nished marketing 1,203 sacks of onions taken from three acres of land three niles north of Freewater. The onions were sold at \$1 per sack. A few years ago the land was considered worthless. It is now worth \$900 per acre,

Wallowa Sawmill Ready. Wallowa - The Nibley-Mimnaugh lumber company's band mill, having a

pleted. This mill, with nine smaller parsnips, \$1.25; rutabagas, \$1.10 per sack.

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and they will take possession. Mr. Stone will move to the residence he Mr. owns in Creswell. Traveler Will Have Orchard.

Medford-C. W. Cottom has bought 23 acres from Anderson & Green for

FEWER SHEEP ON RESERVE.

Cut of Nearly 2,000 Made in Whitman National Forest.

Pendleton-As a result of the conference between Forest Superintendent Ireland of the Whitman reserve and he advisory board of the wool growers, nearly 2,000 less sheep will be allowed on the forest ranges next year than this. The cut is a graduated one and does not affect the small sheepman, pacity is taxed to the limit, and severa for the purpose of raising timber under but the large owner suffers consider

ably.
The cut is as follows: The man who owns 1,200 or less will not be subjected to a cut; owners of between 1,200 and 2,000 will be cut 10 per cent, providing the cut does not bring his allotment below 1,200; ownbetween 2,000 and 3,000 will be out 15 per cent, providing it does not reduce the number below 2,000, and wners of more than 3,000 will be cut 20 per cent, providing it does not bring his number below 3,000. The total number of sheep allowed on the reserve is reduced from 183,000 to 165,000.

### IRRIGATION IN KLAMATH.

Nearly 40,000 Acres Now Under Su cessful Cultivation.

Klamath Falls-During the past 12 nonths between 30,000 and 40,000 acres f land have been placed under irriga ion ditches in this section, while the population of the irrigated districts has more than doubled. Unirrigated lands have advanced from \$5 to \$20 an acre. and it is certain that values will go much higher with the approach of the Oregon Trunk line, which, in its aricles of incorporation, makes Klamath Falls its terminal.

About 100 homes have been built in Klamath Falls, while the country round about has made a wonderful development. The arrival of the railroad last spring brought no boom, but there has been a steady movement in farm lands.

Hood River—A big land sale took place at Hood River a few days ago, when Charles and J. E. Hall, local cap italists, bought 160 acres of undevel oped fruit land from W. H. Marshall of Dee, for \$16,000. The property for merly belonged to the Velguth family of Portland. It is said to be the inten tion of the purchasers to clear and set the land to fruit immediately. Extension of the Mount Hood railroad, which has just been completed, is causing considerable activity in upper valley real

Medford-Ginseng, a medicinal plant which sells at \$6.40 to \$7.50 per pound, can be grown successfully in Jackson county. Four years ago David Graham planted an eighth of an aere of ginseng on his place near Prospect, and this year he harvested his first crop. or rather partial crop, as ginseng requires five years in order to mature. He shipped to Chicago this week 45 bounds as a selling sample, and judges that he will have 100 pounds more of the finished product when he has com-

Eugene-The recently incorporated plements.

Hope for Artesian Water.

Paisley-The settlers in Christma Lake valley have raised \$3,700 with which to pay expenses of boring for artesian water. It is the plan to pu down a well 2,000 feet, if necessary The boring plant was received at Bend last week, and is expected to arrive on the ground within a day or two. The

Central Point-Bert Anderson has sold 180 acres of his farm two miles Hoke, recently from Florida, is the new owner. Mr. Hoke was formerly exten sively engaged in the growing of pine apples and grape fruit on the west coast of Florida, but has sold out his holdings there and will become a fix-

Milton-J. J. Williams, who reside the interurban line three miles north of Milton, this week completed harvest ng his large onion crop. The yield than 1200 sacks, averaging 21/4 bushel to the sack, being taken from thre acres. Two years ago \$547 an acre, net

shipments.

apacity of 50,000 feet per day, is com-

Creswell—J. W. Stone has sold to G. dium, \$3@3.25; common to medium, Guyer of South Dakota 240 acres \$2.50@2.75; bulls, \$2@2.50; stags, \$2.50 Creswell-J. W. Stone has sold to G. of his farm for \$10,000. Mr. Guver has gone back home to bring his family

the | and.

CAR FAMINE PELT. Shipments From Union Are Tied Up by Shortage.

Union-Car shortage has temporarily opped shipping from Union. Refrigerator and box cars cannot be secured and several carloads of apples are being held in storage,

The flouring mill of this city will shut down soon, as their storage ca

cars will have to be shipped before grinding can be resumed. The planing mills shipped severa carloads of lumber in open cars, but the rain and snow has made it impossible to handle dressed lumber in othe

than closed cars. Several carloads of baled hay are in torage awaiting cars. A loss of thou sands of dollars to the shippers of the Grande Ronde valley is growing be ause of the scarcity.

Another Victory for Hill Route.

Portland-Dispatches were received from Washington, D. C., announcing that the general land office has re-jected the Deschutes Railroad company's maps for section 5, wherever they conflict with those of the Central Oregon railroad. According to C. H Carey, attorney for the Oregon Trunk and the Central Oregon, the action of the land office is on an appeal from a former decision of the land depart-ment to the same effect. The section of the route referred to is in the upper part of the Deschutes country and is pelieved to lie between the mouth of White river and Trout creek.

Coos Livestock Industry Decreases. Marshfield-The livestock industry in oos county has not advanced with the ncrease of population and development of other industries, according to figures which have been obtained by Charles W. Mann, a government expert, who has been here gathering data for the agricultural department. He went over the tax rolls as far back as 1869 and took statistics for each period of 10 years since that time. The purpose was to secure the exact status of the vestock industry of Coos county for

he department.

Largest Wheat Acreage in History. Athena-The number of acres being eeded this fall in this district will surpass by far the record for previous years. This has been an unusually dry fall up to the past two weeks, which has put the farmers late in killing the weeds and seeding the extra acreage. Every hand and team available are at work, and with another week of fair weather the busy souson will be over. Blue stem is growing very popular with

Farm Brings Top Price.

Lakeview-J. D. Heryford has bought or \$20,000. Mr. Heryford is a stock nan, one of the earliest settlers here never awakened to the agricul who tural and horticultural resources of the country until a recent date. The Flemng farm is said to be one of the best farms in this section. It has an indi-vidual water right. On the place there

are about 500 full bearing fruit trees. Utah Invites Oregon Educators.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corval he Utah Agricultural college has in vited the teachers of home economies in the intermountain and west coast re gion to meet in Logan, Utah, February and 5, to study the state problem of work in the high schools. Dean Greer department of domestic science and art A. C., has been invited to open the

Elgin Ships Apples.

Elgin.-The first full carload of apples be sent out of Elgin has just hipped to southern Idaho towns. This the beginning of the movement of apples. These shipments come from the d orchards in bearing. There are many acres of orchard planted, but it will be about three years before Elgin as a locality will put forth claims as a producer of the king of fruit in large quantities,

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Bluestem, \$1.09; elub, 99c; ed Russian, 96½c; Valley, \$1; Turkey red, \$1.02; 40-fold, \$1.02. Barley-Feed, \$28; brewing, \$28 pe

Corn-Whole, \$33.50; eracked, \$34.50 Oats-No. 1 white, \$30@30.50 Hay-Timothy, Willamette Valle \$15@19 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$18 @20; alfalfa, \$16@16.50; clover, \$15; neat, \$14@15.50; grain hay, \$15@16 Butter-City creamery extras, 36c; ancy outside creamery, 321/2@36e per store, 221/2@24c. (Butter prices average 11/2e per pound under egular butter prices.)

Eggs-Fresh Oregon extras, 421/260 5e per dozen; Eastern, 32@38c pe Poultry-Hens, 14@141/2e; springs

4@141/2e; roosters, 9@10e; 141/2c; geese, 101/2c; turkeys, live, 171/4 218e; dressed, 20@23e. Pork-Fancy, 10c per pound. Veal-Extras, 11e per pound. Fresh Fruits-Apples, \$1@3 box; ears, \$1@1.50 per box; grapes, 75c@

\$1.40 per crate, 121/2@15c per basket; Spanish Malaga, \$7.50 per barrel; quinces, \$1.25@1.50 per box; cranber ries, \$9@9.50 per barrel; persimmons \$1.50 per box.

Potatoes—Oregon, 60@70c per sack sweet potatoes, 1%c per pound. Vegetables — Artichokes, 75c pe lozen; beans, 10e per pound; eabb @le: cauliflower, 90c@\$1.25 per doz. elery, 50@85c; eggplant, \$1.75 per box; horseradish, 9@10e per dozen; hothouse lettuce, \$1@1.25 per box; pumpkins, 1@112e; sprouts, Sc per lb.; squash, \$1@1.10; tomatoes, 75e@\$1; 75c@\$1 per sack: carrots, \$1 turnips.

Cattle-Best steers, \$4.50@4.65; fair to good, \$4@4.25; medium and feeders, \$3.50@3.75; best cows, \$3.50@3.75; me-@3.50; calves, light, \$5.25@5.50; heavy, \$4@4.75. Hogs\_Best, \$8@8.10; medium, \$7.50

@7.85; stockers, \$4@4.75. Sheep—Best wethers, \$4.25@4.50; fair to good, \$3.75@4; best ewes, \$3.75 4; fair to good, \$3.50@3.75; lambs, \$5@5.35. Hops-1909 erop, 18@22e; 1908 erop,

Mohair, choice, 24e pound.

What Gold Cannot Buy By MRS. ALEXANDER Author of "A Crocked Path," "Maid, Wife or Widow," "By Woman's Wit," "Beaten's Bargain," "A Life Interest," "Mena's Choice," "A Woman's Heart,"

CHAPTER VII. Richard Saville was not a favorite with his mother, though he had never given her the least trouble. He was a tall, slight young man, but there was no dignity in his height, for it was neutralized by a stoop conveying the impression that he had not strength enough to hold himself upright. His manners were cold, though gentle, and he gave a general impression of languid circulation and extreme correct ness. He had inherited something of the Saville indifference to everything save his own peculiar tastes or fancies, and a good deal of his uncle Ev erton's obtuseness as regarded person al distinction. His keen-sighted moth er soon perceived that her first-born would never fulfil her ambittous aspirations, and this contributed to her strong preference for her younger son, on whose career she had built her hopes, though his choice of a profession had greatly annoyed her. Hugh had inherited all the plebeian energy which made his maternal grandfather a wealthy and useful member of the community, and he cared little for any personal distinction not earned by himself. Nature intended him for a radical, and the accidents of birth and, leave. Rather imprudent, eh?" early association gave him certain aristocratic leanings, which made him

a tolerably round-minded man. He and his brother were excellent friends, in spite of the low estimate each had of the other's tastes.

The arrival of Richard was, on th whole, an agreeable change in the routine of life at Inglefield. He soon dis covered that Hope Desmond was a sympathetic listener; he therefore con fided to her the great scheme he had conceived of compiling a book to contain all the English phrases and proverbs that were distinctly derived from the Anglo-Saxon, and he soon grew sufficiently familiar to ask if Miss Desmond would be so good as to assist him in his work, whenever his mother

could spare her. "I will do so with pleasure, Mr. Saville," she returned, in her frank, fearnothing that every one doesn't know less way. "But you must ask your mother's permission, and before me She is a person not to be trifled with.' "I know that," he said, hastily, "and

I will do so on the first opportunity.' Which he did, in a nervous, hesitating way. "Who cares for Saxon phrases?" re plied Mrs. Saville, contemptuously 'Miss Desmond would be more useful ly employed making flannel petticoats

for my poor old women. However, if she chooses to bestow some of her of such a dust-heap, I am sure she has my consent." Hope Desmond's time was well occupied, for she had come to be secretary as well as companion to her active employer; still, she gave Rich

ard Saville what parings of time she

could, and, if occasionally bored, was not a little amused at the profound importance he attached to his work. But Richard Saville's presence entailed other changes. Captain Lumley found it suited him to ride over very often to luncheon, and sometimes to dinner, staying the night, almost with out a distinct invitation from the hostess, who seemed to think two such fledglings beneath her notice. Young Lumley did his best to attract Hope's

notice, and flattered himself that she smiled upon him. "So you have really managed to sur vive-how long?-five weeks under my aunt's jurisdiction?" he said, having discovered Hope with a book in her hand in one of the shady nooks of the

garden one day after luncheon. "I have, and without any difficulty," she returned, making room for him on the seat beside her, as she greeted him with a kindly smile. He readily accepted the place, thinking he had already made an impression. "Mrs. Saville has been very nice and pleasant.

If she were not I would not stay." "Pleasant! Come, that's a little too much. She is an uncommon bright woman, I know, but it's in the flash-of lightning style, and lightning some times kills, you know."

"Well, she hasn't killed me." "No, I fancy you take a great deal of killing. Perhaps that's because you are so killing yourself."

"Oh, Captain Lumley! that is a style

of compliment you might offer to a

barmaid. It is not worthy of a gallant -what are you-hussar?" said Hope, laughing good-humoredly. "You have taken a leaf out of Mrs. Saville's book," cried Lumley, while he thought, "What teeth she has-regular pearls!" "If you are as hard on me

"I suppose you are not obliged to stay?" "Well, no; but I do not like to go AWRY."

"Then you must strike a balance

not be able to live here.'

to the house. "What! Are you going in? It is ver so much nicer here. May I come?" "Oh, yes, if you like."

"So you are going to help my cous-

in Richard with his-dictionarywhat do you call it?" "I really do not know what its name is to be. Yes; if I can find time I will do some writing for him."

"Richard has more sense that thought.' "At all events he is desperately in earnest, and that is always respectable.

23 aeres from Anderson & Green 101 spoot aeres from Anderson & Green 1 the vicar and vicaress."

'Oh, indeed!" said Hope. "Miss Dacre is rather pretty for an heiress, and rather a jolly girl. You'll like her."

out I shall not dine with you. "No? What a shame!" "I do not see that it is. It would give me no particular pleasure to join your company, and I shall have that

"Very probable, were I to meet her;

recious time to myself." Well the dinner will be all the dull r. My aunt will be as black as thunder. You know she wanted to marry Hugh, her second son, to Mary Dacre.

You never met Hugh?" Why, I am not yet two months in Mrs. Saville's service."

What a very unvarnished way of outting it!" said Lumley, laughing. "I never object to the truth," reurned Miss Desmond. "Why should not serve Mrs. Saville for the time

being?" "I am sure I don't know. Well Hugh is a capital fellow, but awfully headstrong; so, after he was sent ashore last time, he went wandering about the Continent, and fell in love with a charming girl, or a girl he thought charming, without asking

"It was more," said Hope, looking dreamily far away.. "It was wrong. A good mother has a right to be consult-

"Perhaps so; but if a fellow is very much in love he is apt to forget these things. Anyhow, Hugh has been chivied away from the maternal roof. It seems my uncle Lord Everton in roduced Hugh to the fair one and her father, so he has been tabooed, too; but he is a remarkably plucky old boy. so he came down here to plead Hugh's cause, and caught it pretty hard, fancy.

"Yes, I saw him, and I imagine he had a trying time of it. Pray do you -I mean your special family-talk of each other to every one in this candid fashion?" "I do; and why should I not? I say

and talk about." 'Poor Lord Everton!" said Hope with a laugh, as if she enjoyed the recollection. "He did look as if he were being led to execution when he was leaving the room."

"Oh, he did, did he? He's no end of "I can imagine he is. Good-morning, Captain Lumley."

"Must you go?" "I must. I do not know whether Mrs. Saville may want me, and I have spare half-hours on your investigation no business to wander about the grounds with you.

"Perhaps you may be at dinner,

after all." "It is not probable. If Lord Everton were to be of the party I might wish to intrude myself. As it is-good-b, for the present."

With a pleasant nod and smile, Miss Desmond turned into a path which led directly to the house, and left the gal lant hussar lamenting. "She is handsomer than I thought," he mused. "What eyes!-and such a smile! She has rather taken to me, I can see that, but there is somethin unflatteringly self-possessed and frank about her. Treats me as if I were a mere boy. I must be very civil to the

heiress. If my father thinks I am

making any running there, I dare say he will pay some of my debts." Lumley's wishes were fulfilled, for Mrs. Saville, shortly, before the dress ing-bell rang, commanded Miss Des mond's presence at dinner. That young lady hesitated, and said, with her us ual good-humored frankness, "You are always so good to me, that you may possibly ask me to dine as a civility, but I assure you I would prefer the

evening to myself." "You are quite mistaken. I wish you to dine with us to-day. Why, is of no consequence. I may not always ask you, but, when I do, be sure mean it."

"Oh, very well. I am glad you have made matters clear."

CHAPTER VIII.

It was a small party, and not very lively. Richard Saville was not an animated host. Mrs. Saville was not talkative. The vicar was a pleasant, well-bred man, and with the help of Lumley, who was always ready to

talk, kept the party from siagnating.

Lumley har brought with him, by his aunt's invitation, a young subaltern, the son of an acquaintance, who made the eighth and balanced the sexes. This youth fell to Hope Desmond's lot, much to his satisfaction, for she man as she is," he continued, aloud, "I shall aged to make him talk, and talked to him easily and naturally, confessing her ignorance of hunting, shooting fishing, and sport of every kind, rather to his amazement. However, she atoned for her deficiencies by listening with much interest to his descriptions said Hope, and rose up as if to return and explanations. At last he suggested giving her riding-lessons, at which she held up her hands in dismay. Miss Dacre interested her more than any one else. She had never been in the society of a great heiress, a prospective peeress in her own right "What a tremendous position for a young girl!" thought Hope, with a curlous sort of pity. The young girl was, not withstanding, quite girlish, not pretty. but far from plain. She was very dark with small, sparkling black eyes, curly black hair, and a high color. She had a neat figure, and carried herself well.

yet she lacked distinction. "She might be a very pleasant companion," mused Hope, as she gazed at her while her cavalier was explaining

the difference between a snaffe and a curb, "and, considering her gifts, I am not surprised that Mrs. Saville would have liked her for a daughter-in-law. How much, according to her estimate, her son appears to have thrown away!"

Miss Dacre naturally fell into Hope

Desmond's care. "How charming the conservatory looks!" she said. "Shall we walk round it?" Hope assented, not aware of the curiosity she excited in the future Baroness Castleton. That Mrs. Saville should institute a companion was one source of astonishment; that any one so chosen should survive nearly two months and present a cheerful, self-possessed, composed aspect was another. "And how nice she looks in that pretty soft black grenadine and lace! How snowy white her throat and hands are! I suppose she is in mourn ing. Girls never want to be companions unless alf their people die. Poor thing! I think I would rather be a housemaid; at least one might flirt with the footman; but a companion "I don't think I ever met you

here before," she said, aloud. "No; I am not quite two months

with Mrs. Saville." "Poor Mrs. Saville! she is looking so fil. They say she is rather a terrific woman. I always found her very

nice. "She is a strong woman, but there is certain grandeur in her character." "Yes, and I fancy one must be pretty strong to get on with her," said Miss Dacre, and she gave a knowing little nod to her companion. "Then she is so awfully put out about Hugh. You

came after he had gone." Hope bent her head as an affirma-

"He was charming, quite charming -so different from Richard-though I like Richard, too; but Hugh had a sort of rough good breeding, if you can understand such a thing; he was so generous and bright and natural. I knew both the brothers since I was quite a child, so I can sympathize with Mrs. Saville. To think of his having married some designing woman abroad, twice his age, I believe! isn't it horri-

ble?" ran on the talkative young lady. 'Horrible," echoed Hope, "I trust she is conscious of all he has sacrificed

for her.' "Not she," returned Miss Dacre with decision. "These sort of people haven't an idea what family and position, and all that, mean. Do you think Mrs. Saville would mind if I plucked some of these lovely waxen blossoms?"

"I am sure she would not; but you know her much better than I do. Wait moment; I will get you the scissors." (To be continued.)

WHAT THE BIRDS SAY. They All Utter Words if You Can Only Hear Them.

Perhaps, in that happy time of year Over the mountainside and mead Robert of Lincoln is telling his name. not everybody understood his remarks until William Cullen Bryant listened

and reported them: "Bobolink! Bobolink! Spink, spank, spink!" Everybody understands them now, of course; indeed, it seems that Bob-o'-Lincoln's call is scarcely less familiar in its interpretation than that of the other feathered Robert who proclaims nimself so plainly by his name, White! Bob White!" or that of the little Quaker husband who so persist-

ently summons his shy drab wife in a long-drawn, anxious 'Phoe-e-e-be!" Not every bird, however, speaks so clearly. Many a sweet spring call suggests words, but never, to duller ears, quite utters them until some one with the fairy gift of so many old legendsthe gift of understanding the speech of bird and beast-comes to interpret them. Sometimes it is a poet, less often a scientist, occasionally a child. Such an interpreter is Miss Isabel Goodhue, whose lips can catch and render bird-calls like a bird, and whose

quick ears lose no hidden message. The red-eyed vireo, for instance, she always hears encouraging his lady-love to join in his music.

"Deary!" he coaxes melodiously. "Deary! Sing it! Try it! Please do! You know it, deary!" The gay-coated goldfinch, flattering fellow, tells little Mrs. Finch his opin-

ion of her charms over and over:

"Sweet, sweet! Sweet as you

can be! You're a chip, chip, chippie!

Sweet, sweet!" In Maryland there is a dash of dainty impudence in the flattery of the yellowthroats: "Little witch! Little witch! Little witch! You're sweet!" Down in Florida the gorgeous cardinals seem to think that somebody needs comforting-perhaps a homesick traveler, perhaps their mates less splendidly attired. From the thick foliage speeds a flash of scarlet and a sweet cry: "Dear girl, dear girl, dear

girl! Cheer up! Cheer up! Cheer

Love-talk among the birds-who but the birds taught other lovers to bill and coo?-is natural enough; yet there are birds who do not talk of love. Some are more interested in the professions. "Law! Law!" croaks the black-robed crow, with harsh insistence. "Law! Law! O pshaw! More

law!" The song-sparrow, a pert little rogue which one might suppose too frivolous for plety, cries excitedly between whisks of his saucy tail;

"See, see! I think, I think, I think I see the preacher!" And his cousin, the white-throated sparrow, which is even more heavenly-minded, answers sweetly:

"Peace, peace, he with you! Be with you! Be with you!" You may never yet have heard the birds say any of these things. Listen again with the words in mind, and you will find they say them plainly.

Her Ingenious Comment.

Torkins, "did you say all those men

"Charley, dear," said young Mrs.

at the baseball game were trying to reach home?" "It seems as hard for a man to get home on the ball field as it does under

ordinary circumstances, doesn't iti"-Washington Star.

My conclusions regarding the growth f timber are as follows: Red fir will attain an average diam ter of 16 to 18 inches in 40 years; hem ock a diameter of 18 to 20 inches in the same length of time. The growth of the timber examined by me is about two inches in diameter during the past 10 years for trees 40 to 50 years old, and ne inch in diameter for trees 125 to 250 years old. The growth on trees 400

Yellow Fir.

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ears old is hard to read without a glass .- The Timberman.

Great Lakes in Icy Grip Chicago, Nov. 24.-Rain and sleet, lriven by a wind that has blown an lay with a velocity of 48 miles an hour, ecompanied a terrific storm that has swept throughout the Great Lakes region. Only a few vessels have braved he gigantic waves of Lake michigan The government life saving service an wered the appeal of the crew of the freighter Boston for help. This vesel, after an all-night battle with the vind and waves from Milwaukee, was

thrown rudderless upon a sandbar near Willamette, north of Chicago. Eight of the crew were taken off

Cook's Report in Vault. New York, Nov. 24.-The volumin ous report prepared by Dr. Frederick A. Cook, for the University of Copenhagen, which will set forth the orer's claim to having reached the North Pole, will be shipped under a strong guard on the Seandinavianstrong guard on the merican liner United States on Thanksgiving day. From the precau-tions taken, it is apparent that Dr. Cook fears something may happen to his report. Arrangements have been store it in the strongbox in he captain's room on board the ship

where it will be guarded on the voyage Riches Left to Women

Vancouver, B. C., Nov. 24 .- For the surpose of providing for destitute women who are entirely outside the oale of churches and religious organizations, Dr. Eady Stevenson, of this ity, lately deceased, has left property valued at \$150,000, besides a small sum set aside quarterly for two relatives. for the city's destitute.

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