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The name of the writer is signed to each inscription, and for weeks afterward this quaint volume furnishes food for the amusement of the initiated by its curious contents. It is not only in many cases an index to the character of those who are permitted to write in it, but it reflects their temperament as well, like a diary, in which are entered the events of a space of one's life.-Jenness Miller's Illustrated.

She Knew One. He-Yes, I know two men I thoroughly She-Indeed! Who's the other one!admire.



Many girls believe that their possibilities are inferior to those of boys, and thereby their best efforts are hindered. It is an erroneous belief, and a girl should maintain the opposite opinion without fear or favor. She need not be an egotist nor indulge in overweening self confidence, but simply rise above the false sentiment that girls are more "the creatures of circumstances" than boys. Too many are so content with the actual that they do not aspire after the possible. They accept the present situation as if change for better or worse were out of the question. Perhaps they are wholly unconscious of their reserved powers-do not even reflect that the mind

The Chances Girls Have.

is capable of constant and eternal progress. Hence they do not dream that they may become superior to misfortune and sorrow, greater than vicissitudes and trials, and abundantly qualified for the highest positions. They live dependent-ly, languidly and hopelessly. Lacking the inspiration of conscious greatness, they settle down into unwomanly littleness to become the sport of a change of fortune and be miserable thereafter. Girls should feel that such an experience is both unnecessary and degrading; that even the reverses of life may be made subservient to mental and moral triumph .- Jenness Miller's Magazine,

Old Fashioned Herbs,

Old fashioned people could tell the names as well as the properties of many flowers, and had a smattering of knowledge, almost intuitive, of pot herbs and simples, and a certain degree of plant lore was handed down from parents to children. All this is being fast forgotten, and the pretty country names and the Old World meanings, often of themselves a whole history in a word, are alike relegated to the lumber room of the past, disappearing before the botany manuals, with their glib vocabulary, as swiftly as aborigines in the track of civilization. The modern Perdita would scarcely recognize her posy; you must go back two generations at least for the names, and, it is to be feared, further still for their derivations. "Poor selly things," said an old dame recently; "they can none of them do as they used. When I was a girl my mother would have stared to see the doctor's carriage at the door so long as she could stir the yarb pot; but it sims as no one has their health nowadays. They all larn themselves so onsatisfied they're forced to go to the towns to get ill." leisure, the ease and the carelessness of the country life are gone,-Macmillan's Magazine,

GONE FOREVER.

a Young Girl's Heart Was Well Nigh Broken.

It was afternoon. There was a slight haze, overhead, and the scurrying clouds in the western sky bore their warning of the coming shower to the passersby on the ave-nue, who hurried swiftly along, some with their overcoats turned up and others, more free and easy, with the hurried air of the metropolitan pedestrian. It was not a pleasant afternoon in any sense of the word, and yet to Mildred Twilling, as she paced rapidly up and down the drawing room of her father's princely mansion on the ave-nue, it was the gladdest, gayest afternoon in the whole year, for was he not coming As she stopped to think of what this meant to her, her heart gave a great throb of joy. Yes, he was coming at last-her tall, broad shouldered lover, who had said goodby to her on that terrible night two years ago and had left her to roam in foreign lands, and now-now he was coming. She held his letter in her hands, and even as she stood thus, with all the eager joy of anticipation in her beautiful face, a tall and sunburned stranger, with the distinguished air of one who has traveled much, alighted from a carriage that but a moment before had rolled up to the door, walked slowly up the steps and rang the bell.

It needed but a glance to see that Edward Cashmere was not the same impassioned lover that had torn himself away two years before. His face was anxious, perturbed and showed no trace of the great joy that should have been his. He hesitated a mo-ment in the hall, and then, summoning all his resolution, threw open the drawing room door and stood face to face with the woman who had clung to him so passionate-ly at parting and whom he had promised. even as he kissed her farewell, to be faithful to. And now what was he to bring her? Nothing but a record of broken promises, the charred ashes of a dead love. "Edward," she said, looking up into his

face with a searching gaze, as if she would read his very soul, "have you nothing to say to me? After two long years of waiting, do you come back to me now only to tell me-ah, have I guessed the secret?that your heart is another's?"

With a quick gesture of despair he hur-ried from her, and burying his face in his hands muttered hoarsely: "Alas! have you so soon learned the truth? Yes, indeed, it is but too true," he went on. "One day while I was traveling through an unfrequented portion of Italy I met by chance a beautiful girl from Plainfield. For nearly a day after that we were thrown almost constantly together. It is the same old story, Mildred, of"-

"And is she your wife?" she demanded, the color gradually fading away from her face and leaving it quite ghastly in its pal-

lor, "She is," he replied brokenly. "We were married in Paris last month. But, Mildred, dear," he cried passionately, "do not grieve so. Can it be possible that you still love me so? Oh, tell me that this is not true!" With a piercing cry the young girl threw herself prostrate on the sofa. "Oh, why did you not tell me this before?" she moan-ed. "No, Edward, it is not that I loved you o much, but now I fear that it is too late.' "Too late?" he repeated mechanically

"Why, what can you mean?" "I mean this," she cried hysterically. "Knowing that you were coming back and believing you to be true to me, this morning, fool that I was, I sent back four elegant engagement rings."-Tom Masson in Life.

Cruel Man.

"Charley," said the young wife tenderly s she kissed him goodby preparatory to his going down town, "the cook is taking a holiday today, and the dinner you will get when you come home will be entirely of my cooking. It will be my first, Charley, the forehead.

dear, and won't it be lovely?" She twittered softly at the thought, and Charles turned his face away so she could not see the lines upon it, for he loved this wife of his and would not for worlds do or say aught to wound her feelings. "Delightful," he responded, stroking her

sunlit hair, "and I'll bring those good friends of ours, the pastor and the physiian, along to be with us."

"Oh, Charley!" she exclaimed. "Don't bring them. Bring some of the young fel-

lows." "I'd rather have them," he said.

Republican Milton Made a Lord. My Paris correspondent writes, "Deep ly as British civic corporations are sunk in snobbism, none of them ever fell so low as, in naming a street after the hero of Trafalgar or of Waterloo, to cl. isten it Lord Nelson street or Duke of Wel-

lington street." My correspondent underestimated the depth of snobbism in civic human nature. There is, it appears, a "Lord Nelson street" in Liverpool. Even this is outdone in Newcastle-on-Tyne. Some years ago that city boasted of two Byron streets and two Milton streets. In order to get rid of the consequent confusion, the corporation, instead of altering "street" into some synonymous term, hit on the beautiful plan of turning one thoroughfare into "Lord Nelson street" and another into "Lord Milton street," and so the names remain to this day.

The idea of conferring a peerage at this date upon the author of "Paradise Lost" is novel and striking, and when one comes to think of it there are many obvious omissions of this kind in history which it may not yet be too late to rectify .- London Truth.

Congregational Fund for Ministers

What becomes of disabled and aged ministers and their families? A good many of them depend on friends for support, some on public charity, some suffer in extreme poverty. The average salary of ministers allows no margin to be laid aside. The minister himself is likely to cease to be in demand at an age when men in other professions are most prosperous. Our denomination is far behind others in providing for wornout ministers and ministers' widows.

A foundation has been laid for a fund sufficient to provide for the most press-ing needs. The trustees of the national council, having charge of this work. have in hand about \$25,000. The Rev. N. H. Whittlesey, of Evanston, Ills., has consented to present this matter to the churches for three years, in the hope that by that time the needed amount will be raised.-Boston Congregationalist.

Glad to Congratulate Him.

When John Wansmaker celebrated his fifty-fifth birthday recently he received many congratulations and good wishes, but it may be doubted if any of his friends really wished for many happy returns of the day with as much earnestness as that felt by the twentyfour life insurance companies that have issued policies on the life of the Philadelphia shopkeeper. The whole amount of the insurance thus represented is said to be \$650,000. Every additional year of Mr. Wanamaker's life diminishes the companies' risk by increasing their premium receipts. Hence the sincerity of their wish for many recurring anniversaries of the day Wanamaker cele brates.-New York Times.

off his luxuriant mustache and intends to depend upon flowery whiskers as facial adornments through which the sweet south wind can whisper its idea! messages.-Exchange,

Catherine de Medici always wore a wide black skirt, a black pointed bodice with wing sleeves, a black collar, ruff shaped, and a hood that came down in a point over

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a stille children and Athletic Editor of The Spoting Times, writes: "For years I have been actively connect-ed with athletic sports. I always found it to my advantage to use ALLOCK'S PROUS PLASTERS while in training, as they quickly "I have been troubled with that fired feeling, also loss of appetite. I could not sleep at night, my face broke out in pimples, and I had head-PLASTERS while in training, as they quickly remove soreness and stiffness; and when attacked with any kind of pains, the re-sult of sight colds, I always used ALL-cock's with beneficial results. I have no-ticed that most athletes of the present day use nothing else but ALLCOCK'S PLASTERS." BRANDERTH'S PILLS remove all impurities.

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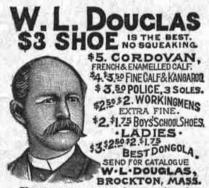
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ago. It will be remembered that Miss Murphy succeeded to the business left by the death of her father, and developed it far beyond any plans which he entertained. Mrs. Blakeley seems to have had similar good fortune with the business of her husband, having already negotiated several important sales. Some of the largest syndicate operations in the annexed district were organized and carried through by Miss Murphy.

Several other women have also taken hold of this business, left them as their only legacy. They are all earnest and persistent, and have done so well as to compel the respect of everybody in the business -New York Times.

No Comparison.

When Lawrence Barrett's daughter was married, Stuart Robson sent a check for \$5,000 to the bridegroom. Miss Felicia Robson, who attended the wedding, conveyed the gift.

"Felicia," said her father upon her return, "did you give him the check?" "Yes, father," answered the dutiful

daughter. "What did he say?" asked Robson

"He didn't say anything," replied Miss Felicia, "but he shed tears." "How long did he cry?"

"Why, father, I didn't time him. I should say, however, that he wept fully a minute." "Fully a minute!" roared Robson. "Why, I cried an hour after I'd signed it!"-Chicago Record.

"Now, dear," she pouted, "why not do as I want you to do? Why do you want them?

Charles hesitated a moment and then took her hands in his own caressingly "Because, sweetheart," he explained, "this is your first effort, and I'd feel so much easier in my mind if they were both here."-Detroit Free Press.

The Very Man.

A company of soldiers is unfortunate if it does not contain a few wags to enliven the And for the few who remain behind the tiresome march and the uncomfortable biy

A Georgia man of enormous girth stood at his gate watching the passage of General Johnston's army. All at once three or four men left the ranks and came running toward the gate, exclaiming; "We've found him! We've found him!"

The fat man was astonished and perhaps a little frightened, and the captain of the company demanded:

"What is it? Whom have you found?" "Why, captain," answered the men, still dancing about the bewildered citizen, "don't you see? We've found the man that swallowed our bass drum!"-Youth's Companion.

Inconsiderate.

"What are you wearing dark glasses for?" said one clerk to another. "You never had trouble with your eyes before, did you?" "Never. But the janitor came around when I wasn't looking and washed the window by my desk. The sudden glare was too much for me."-Washington Star.



The Greenhorn-Arrah, phwat are ye pourin coffee grounds into the sink for? Don't ye know 't will shtop oop the sewer

pipes? The Other One-Phwhishti Shure I da this phwiniver I'm lonesome for gintlemin's society. By this plan I kin count on havin the attintions of a plumber an a carpenther for the next three days .- Puck.

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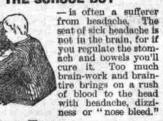
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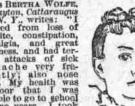
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