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CHAPTER XXII.--(Continued.) "My peerless darling, would I need not leave you. But a very few weeks will reunite us, never again to be parted. As soon as I return I shall want my wife. she had been lain away to rest in Green-shall I have her?"

"Yes; Earle, my Earle, will you surely be back by October fifth?" "Yes; positively. This is but the last of Angust: I shall have plenty of time to reach here then. But what is to hap-pen on that date?" "It will have the first of the change." "It will have the sum of the change." knowing of the change." "Sir, what can you mean? Did I hear

my true name, and receive a small sum. gular assertion fell upon his ears. emough for my support. Had you forgot- "You did! My dear son, you did! You ten this? Will the uncertainty of my re- are my own child and heir, Earle Elfen-Intionships cause any change in your stein Glendenning, and to you will fall at my dear boy, for it is twenty-five years since I have held you ,

Ethel asked this question with a sud- there!" Ethel asked this question with a sud-den timidity of feeling, a dread abe could scarcely account for. This dread, how-ever, was instantly dispersed by his an-swer.

union one hour, I promise you that; will clining days he now had a perfect and tender right to watch and guard. you promise me the same?" "I will," she murmured, "since ours

"I will," she murmured, "since ours By the time they reached Glenden-will be a marriage founded on the purest ning Hall Sir Fitzroy was able to walk love, no worldly expectations or disap- around with a cane, and really seemed pointments shall sever us." to have taken a new lease upon health

Happy in their reciprocated love, they and life. fondly embraced and parted. Little they With thought as they each passed from sight what important changes would take pince he was thus to be restored to his own the fortunes of at least one of them before they met again.

CHAPTER XXIII.

After Dr. Elfenstein had left the casthe he leaped into his gig with a light step and lighter heart, and, touching his horse with a whip, started off at a rapid pace for a village about fifteen moles of permanent change for the better could pace for a village about intern more distant. On the way he passed the post-office, and running in asked for his letters and papers. Among the letters was one from New Among the letters was one from New

forerunner of sorrowful news. Opening felt sure would ensue as soon as a reacit with a trembling hand, he found his tion, after all this excitement, should worst fears fulfilled. It contained the take place, dreadful news of his mother's death, just two weeks before. In need not describe the intense delight of the lovers when they were again unit-

two weeks before. Poor Elfenstein! the shock was to him a terrible one. He had loved his mother of the lovers when they were again then ed, or the surprise Ethel felt on being told that Earle had found a father since told that Earle had some but rightful. tenderly, and was anticipating the great-est pleasure in soon seeing her again, and perhaps inducing her to accompany not written, preferring to tell it in perhim back to his English bome. Now all was vain.

Sir Fitzroy was delighted with his fu-Controlling his feelings as best he ture daughter in-law, for Earle could no could, the mourning son resumed his seat rest until he had taken Ethel to the hall, and drove onward, resolved, although in order to make them acquainted. in order to make them acquainted. dased by the auddenness of this blow, to attend to his duties to the living, even fectly proper, and certainly gave great

though his own heart bled. We will not follow him upon that ride, time he, as well as Earle, looked forwhich proved successful-a physician of ward to the wedding day, which was well-known capability being accured to attend to his patients during his absence tieth of October, with profound pleasnor will we paint the incidents of his ure.

he remarked his proposal favorable voyage, which proved to be short and A few days after their arrival at the propitions, but will present him next to hall, Sir Fitzroy told his son that he felt he w mail, our readers when just entering Mr. Rap-His appear- to visit the ruins, and see the room so

from window to window, in order to TROUBLES OF HERMIT CRAB. watch the drive, to catch the first glimpse Having No Shell of Its Own, It Must of her coming sire. At length her weary watch was re-Fight for One warded by seeing a hansom dash up to The most disconsolate fellow that the entrance, and an elegant looking gen-tleman descend. One moment passed, walks the beach is the hermit crab

whose shell has become too snug for then the door opened, and the stranger comfort, says Country Life in Amerentered. Tall, and exquisitely proportioned, with ica. If it were his own, as the clam's an air at once distingue and easy; hand- is, it would grow with his growth and some features and large, dark eyes; hair always be a perfect fit; but to the herand full beard a rich brown, in which mit there comes often a "moving day," blendod a few gray threads. This was when a new house must be sought. the picture of the one who paused a mo-ment near the threshold to survey the lit-tle group of ladies. Then, as Ethel ad-when a new house must be sought. Discouraging work it is, too. Most of the doors at which he knocks are slam-med in his face. A tweak from a pluvanced a few steps to meet him, he ex- med in his face. A tweak from a pin cer larger than his own will often sat-

"My dariing daughter, I am rejoiced to isfy him that the shell he considers see you!" at the same time folding her

to his bosom in a joyful embrace. (To be continued.) GEESE CATCH FISH FOR HIM.

Canny Way in Which a Scotchman Gets His Dinner.

Finding no empty shell of suitable size, the hermit may be driven to ask a brother hermit to vacate in his favor.

"An old Scotchman and neighbor of The proposition is spurned indignantly mine," says an enthusiastic angler and a fight ensues. The battle is to from Rockland county, "has a method the stronger. Often the attacking party of taking fresh water fish which, to has considerable trouble in cleaning

thetic relative.

my way of thinking, excels all others out the shell, having to pick his adand then, as I told you once, a package aright?" exclaimed Elfenstein, starting for the ease repose and success with versary out in bits. A periwinkle or I hold is to be opened, and I shall learn forward, pale with surprise, as this sin- which it is conducted. The fisherman which it is conducted. The fisherman a whelk may be attacked in a like living on the border of Rockland Lake manner by a hermit who is hard pressdesires, we will say, a mess of pike, ed and has taken a fancy to that parperch or pickerel, with which the ticular shell. If the householder be waters are amply stocked. Well, he feeble, the conquest is easy. If lusty, simply goes out to his barn-yard and he holds the fort.

selects a big goose or a haif dozen At last the search is over. The shei geese as the case may be, and tics is cleaned and ready.

"Yes, this will do. But how my back does ache! 1 mustn't delay a "On reaching the edge of the lake minute! Is anybody looking? Here

"Change in my feelings? Nothing but my death can change my love for you! I date will increase your happiness. What ever it may be, it shall not delay our or, over whose feele health and day nerford for the only mother he had ever taily healed by the gift of a fond fath-ever it may be, it shall not delay our or, over whose heale health and day nerford for the only mother he had a parfect and the old Scotchman lights his pipe and sits down. In a few minutes a fish sees the balt and seizes it, giving anchored the weak and flaccid body to the goose a good pull. The bird starts the inner convolutions of the new one. for the shore at full speed, frightened It is all over; an ampty shell lies half to death, dragging the fish upon on the sand, and a larger one is near the bank where it is unbooked." it with a sleeply looking hermit crab

> in it. Poke him and he leans lan guidly out over his pearly balcony, as Taking life too seriously is said to be if to say, "If this deadly monotony is an especially American failing. This not broken soon. I shall die!"

may be true; but, judging from appear-But, behind this "society mask," the ances, it would seem to be world-wide, cramped muscles are stretching out for, go where you may, you will find and adjusting themselves in absolute joyment, for his lengthened days he the proportion of serious, not to say knew would add to his own pleasure, as anxious, faces ten to one as compared contentment to the roomy spaces of fered them. It was so sweet to own a father's love, a with the merry or happy ones. If

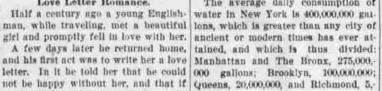
## OUR WATER SUPPLY.

shadow of the inner" and if "the pres-Aqueducts of Old Rome Surpassed by ent is the fullness of the past and the Those of New York. herald of the future" (and how can we The aqueducts of old Rome were nine in number, extended 249 miles York, and the black envelope filled him vice, as far as Providence would per-with dismay, as he feit sure it was the mit, to check the great weakness he that the sadness is a self-woven gar-that the sadness is a self-woven gar-that the sadness is a self-woven gar-230,000,000 gallons of water a day, equivalent to 160 gallons for each in habitant.

That was the standard of water serv ice under conditions not easy to duplicontact. Every room they enter should cate in any large modern city and he brighter for their presence." "Why never rivaled during many centuries shouldn't all of be sunbeams, boys as in any European city. New York towell as girls, all along the way from day, remote from high mountains and obliged to go a long distance for its source of water supply, has a system

The Origin of Pyrography.

not equaled anywhere. The average daily consumption of





doubt It?), how many sad histories can be read in the faces of those we ment, even as is the joy with which it might be replaced. Ruskin says: "Girls should be sunbeams not only to

"the outer is always the form and

Taking Life Too Seriously.

members of their own circle, but to everybody with whom they come in twenty-five years and under to eighty-

five years and over? Love Letter Romance.

pelye's house at Youkers. ance was expected, as he had telegraph-ed of his arrival in New York, and er, and, leaning on Earle's arm, he pro-

tainly had gained some strength since he had left, for now he sat beside a win-dow, in a large easy chair, and it was The evident that he could carry on a conver-sation without the presence and aid of ing, and Earle led him away from the Mr. Gray, his lawyer.

marks, Dr. Elfenstein drew a chair close moved from the place. If not in his fath-

es, the poor man answered, eagerly: concealed roo "Yes, indeed I do! If you have news can be done."

as not murdered, only terribly abused. decay. He has been found, and died a natural death in my own house.

Clasping his hands together, while large tears rolled over his pallid cheeks, in Ethel's charge by Mrs. Nevergail was

Thee, O God!"

A long pause ensued, Elfenstein purpasely refraining from saying more, until his first agitation had passed away. Then, as discreetly as possible, pausing every once in awhile to note the effect on his feeble form, and to watch his varying

spair! Doctor, thus you see my own troubles have been but a speck upon the "Very str ocean compared with his."

must also be aware that, since both brothers are dead, you have become pos-myself the pleasure of seeing my only sessor of title and estate. Allow me to child, until she reaches her twenty-first be the first to congratulate Sir Fitzroy birthday, but from a train of circum-Glendenning."

deep emotion, then suddenly exclaimed: my arms, and give to her a father's "Aud to you I owe this speedy discov kisses and blessing. I presume you have ery and this great joy."

thoughtful for several minutes. At length of your foster mother, and that you are words:

seda: "Since God In his great goodness has train, reaching the castle at noon. Unthus established my innocence, I am no longer afraid to own, and claim my son, and he need never be ashamed to call me that you do not open the package. To gether we will break the seal. Until father!"

"Have you, indeed, a son, my dear friend? This, then, will be to him also a joy. I did not understand that you had been married." Homas of Westmoreland, who conde-Duchess of Westmoreland, who conde-

"I had been secretly married, and my scended to feel considerable interest in wife, Clara Mowbrey, who was the or the young governess of her granddaughphan daughter of the late Presbyterian ter, together with Lady Claire, were seat minister in a small village, came with me to America, unknown to any one, for she had no near relatives. She embarked, cited Ethel, who restlessly paced up and

ed of his arrival in New York, and intention of leaving for his residence on the early train. A bright smile greeted him, and the firm pressure of his hand told that he

With Joy Earle marked this change

home and rightful place, and how proud

to boast an honorable name and right-

cous life, he thanked heaven and prayed that he might be spared long to its en-

But in his heart hy felt that no hope

father's blessing.

The tears he shed over each symbol of the recentric old man might have hilden some bank notes in them. spot, resolving that all these harrowing

old pamphlet they found another kind After a few polite and friendly re- remembrances should, if possible, he reto his side, and laying a finger upon his er's lifetime, at least as soon as he had phise, smilingly said, as he did so: "I am going to see now, my dear sir, how much news yon can bear to be told." Sir Fitzroy said voluntarily: The Origin of Pyrog

Do you feel strong enough to bear a good large amount?" Grasping his hand in one of his thin concealed room torn down as soon as it

that I yearn to hear, it will be better Earle waited for no further orders, but that very day engaged workmen to that this expanse of wood might be improved by a little ornamentation. for many years to come.-New York in a lifetime. Doctor, tell me at once, at once demolish all evidences of that has the mystery been solved? Is my in-nocence established?" Is my in-lery, for pictures and statuary, stood red-hot and began to sketch in a bold "Perfectly established. Your brother where had been hitherto but neglect and design. The result pleased him so

began to attempt other fire pictures on

CHAPTER XXIV.

innocent brother raised his eyes to now fast approaching, it being the first the unknown parent, who was to pre-sent himself upon the fifth.

What sort of a person should she find in him, and would he be satisfied with her attainments and appearance? These questions were continually presenting themselves to the mind of the poor girl. panel.

num resolution to the solution of the second, a letter pulse, he slowly told him the whole story. Is avoing the reading of the affecting jour-and autil another day. "Oh, my brother, my poor, dear broth-art how terrible must have been his feelart how terrible must have been his feel-ings all those years of solitude and de-

"Very strange will it seem, my daughter, to recive this, your first letter from 'Most true; and now, dear sir, you an entirely unknown parent. Not from

The old man received the kind pres- est. I, however, am now counting the sure of his hand and tender words with days when I shall at last clasp her in rupees aplece.

In your possession a package to be ope Bowing his head upon his clasped cd on that eventful day. I have seen Mr. hands, he remained thus silent and Rogers, and he has told me of the death broke the spell with these strange residing at Castle Cairn. My child, I your blessing.

> American. then 1 will only sign myself your affec-

smoke?

I say, with me, bringing our little boy, down the elegant apartment, or fitted

000.000 There are 950 miles of water mains he would expect a reply by the next in Manhattan and The Bronx, and the To this letter he received no answer. maximum daily supply of water for and so disappointed was he that from Manhattan and The Brox is 380,000,that time until his death, which oc- 000 gallons-nearly enough to supply curred recently, he shut himself up in the whole five boroughs. The Brookhis home and lived like a hermit. Most iyn water mains are 700 miles in of his time was spent in reading, and length and there are over 7,000 water was truly welcome. The sick man cer by told of the cruel sufferings one he had the day after his funeral the heirs be hydrants in Brooklyn, the number in loved had endured for twenty-five long gan to search the books in his library, Manhattan and The Bronx being 13,000 for they thought it quite possible that -20,000 in all.

The maximum daily supply of the Brooklyn water system is 300,000,000 They found none, but in a tattered gallons. There are 223 miles of water ten fifty years ago, and which the writ- of these two boroughs being furnished in part by wells.

Over \$150,000,000 has already seen expended for the construction and de-About a century ago an artist named velopment of New York's water sup-Cranch was standing one day in front ply, and the constant increase of the of a fire in his home at Axminster. demand for water makes it probable Over the fireplace was an oaken manelpiece, and it occurred to Cranch that other expenditures in large

AN ATTACK AT SEA.

much that he elaborated his work and How Expedition of Small Boats Goes About Capturing Hostile Ship.

panels of wood. These met with a Imagine a hostile ship lying at anready sale, and Cranch scon gave all chor in an apparently secure position his time to his new art. This was the on a dark and cloudy night. There is of October, and consequently she began beginning of what is now known as py- just enough breeze and sea to make heaven, and murmured, reverently: "For this, Thy great mercy, I thank to feel exceedingly anxious in regard to rography. The poker artist of to-day sounds on the water indistinct. Around uses many different shaped tools and a low headland half a mile away from has a special furnace in which they the anchored vessel steal four or five are kept heated. The art has been boats, pulled with muffled oars and elaborated greatly. The knots, curls filled with armed men. They approach

and fibers of the wood are often naiselessly. worked into the design and delicate Perhaps they are not discovered and tinting produced by scorching the thus reach the sides of the ship. The

Jewels on an Idol.

worth stealing if many of those re- they reach the vessel's side, markably hideous images possess such alarm is given. The men in the boats valuable head ornament as one made hear it, and lash their oars through for the idol Parthasathy, in the Tripil- the water in a determined effort to cane temple at Madras. The ornamicnt reach the ship before the rapid-fire is worth some fifty thousand rupces, guns can open upon them. Flashes of and is made of sovereign gold, studded ire filumine the night. The searchwith diamonds, emeralds and rubles, lights send out shafts of blinding the largest emerald being valued at white. The sharp peaks of the six one thousand rupees and the biggest three pounders, the rapid hearse bark-

Papa's Blessing and a Check. Willful Daughter-Now, papa, we're married and you might as well give us the light guns in the bows huri their

Papa cresignedly, reaching for his checkbook)-We'l, If I must, I must. How much do you want?-Baltimore

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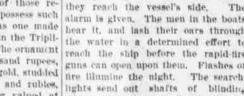
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ing more ultiess than Gatlings and revolving cannon,-St. Nicholas.

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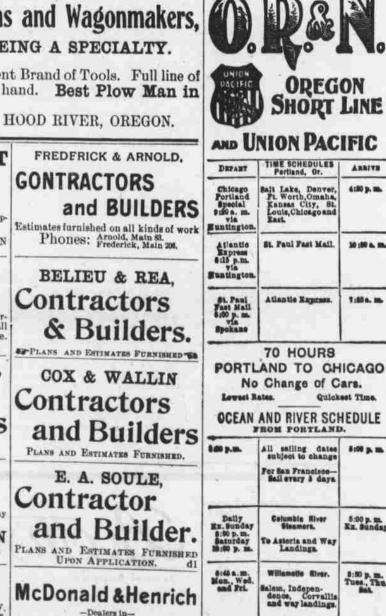
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