

LOVE.

The sweetness of love is dreaming Sweet dreams that will never come true...

The sorrow of loving is waking To a world that is withered and old...

ONLY A FRIEND.



OR years I had known her. Years? Yes, since my childhood...

She was not a beauty as the world terms them, but the kindly smile and true character...

The house was reached, and as we entered I thought I had never seen her looking so well...

"Elsie, angry with me, no"—as she tried to free herself—"you shall listen—angry with one who loves you better than his life..."

Was the Maine Hoodooed? There are many stories about among naval men who believe in "hoodooes" that the Maine was unlucky from the day she was completed...

Parts of a Locomotive. In the formation of a single locomotive engine there are nearly 4,000 pieces to be put together...

Much of the experience a man gets comes too late to benefit him.

ed. They were within a few steps of the door when, as though to add to the panic, the lights were turned off.

"I think not. You will trust me entirely; let me be your protector now"—she nodded as there came a whisper—"yes"—"now and always Elsie?"

QUEER STORIES

A big battle ship has on board an electric plant capable of lighting a town of 5,000 inhabitants.

The desert of Sahara is as large as all that portion of the United States lying west of the Mississippi.

There have been 71,000 deaths from plague in India so far, according to a recent report by the secretary for India to Parliament.

The great barrier reef along the coast of Australia is about 1,500 miles long, the work of coral insects.

The discovery referred to consist of the finding of several massive metal mooring rings and tops of stakes by which the vessel could be moored to the quay.

How the Boy Felt Under Fire. One of the junior officers of the battleship Iowa was describing one day "how you feel when under fire the first time."

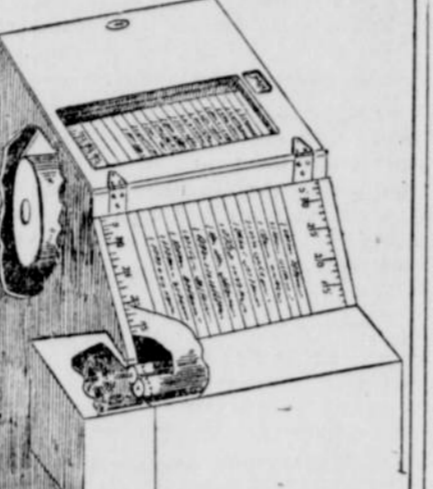
When to Buy Shoes. To get comfortably fitting shoes buy them in the afternoon, when the exercise of the day has spread the muscles of the feet to their largest extent.

When a woman exaggerates the wealth and social position of her "family," it is a mean husband who will call her down.

NEW TIME RECORDER.

Said to Be a Great Improvement Over Previous Devices.

This time recorder recently patented by Frederick W. Cook, of San Antonio, Tex., from previous devices of this character, says the Scientific American...



COOK'S TIME RECORDER.

transversely, as in the ordinary time recorders, the apparatus, it will be seen, provides for a number of lines upon which several names may be written longitudinally at approximately the same time.

REMARKABLE COLORED WOMAN

Traveling Evangelist Has Conducted More Meetings than Moody.

Amanda Smith is a traveling evangelist who has conducted more revival meetings than Moody and covered more territory in a given space of time than most itinerant preachers.



AMANDA SMITH, EVANGELIST.

She has by her own exertion recently bought and paid for an orphan's home in Chicago, at a cost to her of \$10,000.

Drinking a Yard of Ale. At Eton any one who is so minded may at "Tap" essay the feat of drinking a yard of ale.

Bigamy Common in Italy. Italy is said to have more bigamies than any other European country.

Earliest Interview. It is said of the Aberdeen Journal, which has recently celebrated its 150th birthday, that in one of its earlier numbers, now unhappily lost from the files, a participant in the battle of Culloden was interviewed two days after that historic combat.

NEWS BY PROXY.

Young Woman Who Relates Current Events to Society Ladies.

The secret is out. It is no longer a mystery how the ladies of the official set of Washington are enabled to discuss intelligently all questions of national and state affairs...

There, behind closed doors, they met a brilliant young woman, Miss Janet Richards, who, in a talk of an hour and a half, posted her fair hearers on all the current topics of the day.

London gossip and fiction, the workingman's problem and what its solution is to be, Lady Cavendish and her opinions on the social life of past and present, also come in for a share of attention.

Longevity and the Brain. Speaking at Selkirk, Sir James Crichton-Browne dwelt on the dangers to health involved in indolence and disuse of the brain.

Elderly persons who gave up business and professional men who laid aside their vocations without having other interests or pursuits to which to turn were in many cases plunged in despondency or hurried into premature dotage.

It had been said that one of the rewards of philosophy was length of days, and a striking list might be presented of men distinguished for their intellectual labors which they had never laid aside, who had far exceeded the allotted span of human life.

A Story About Nelson. A pretty little romance gives Nelson's memory a sentimental interest in Canada. During his service at Quebec, in 1782, when he was but 24 years of age...

Startling Discovery. He—See here, wife, a hairpin in the soup! She—Now I know at last where our things go to; there is a bootjack missing, too.

ANECDOTE AND INCIDENT

They were talking of the civil war, and the older members of the company had compared reminiscences.

When, after a few months in Washington, a new Senator decided to take a little run home "just to see the folks," he went back minus about twenty pounds of flesh.

During a trip through Ireland a New-Yorker one day found himself without his razors, which were in a handbag he had left behind at the hotel where he had stopped the day before.

It is often said that Frenchmen lack humor and dread ridicule, but M. Francisque Sureau has given an example of that humorous good sense which defies mockery.

Great Samson and his potent bone By which the Philistines were slayer; Small David with his wondrous aim That did for him of giant frame;

King Hal the Fifth, who nobly fought And thrashed the foe at Agincourt; Old Bonaparte, and Washington, And Frederick, and Wellington,

Decatur, Nelson, Fighting Joe, And Farragut, and Grant, and, oh, A thousand other heroes I Have wished I were in days gone by—

Spells of Southern Negroes. There are numerous harmless "spells" which are regular observances in the lives of the average Southern negroes.

Nelson's friend protested against such a rash act, and told him that, "situated as you are at present, your utter ruin will inevitably follow."

THOUGHT IT WAS A SPOOK.

Pilot on a River Boat Stops a Horse with a Megaphone. I was on the upper Ohio this summer when the river was low, and was much amused over the use to which a pilot put a megaphone.

"Whoa!" said the pilot, and again the old horse stopped. Then the old Rube went to the river bank and looked down in the willows, but not a soul could he see.

"Once more the joking pilot said 'whoa,' and again the horse stopped dead still. You could see from the boat that the old fellow was all mixed up, for he looked up and down the river, and then at the hillside behind him to see if he could find the man who was working him and his old horse.

"But the pilot kept up the good work and hollered whoa, whoa, and again the old man hit the gray. Finally it looked as if he had caught on, for he let the old horse stop while he watched the boat.

A Change of Ambition. Horatius at the bridge, and he Who fought at old Thermopylae; Great Samson and his potent bone By which the Philistines were slayer;

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