

LOADING ON A SUMMER DAY.

The lazy boy sprawled on his back and squinted at the sky,
Wishing he were the long-winged bird that slantwise sailed on high;
For day was lapsing swiftly, half way from dawn to noon,

Happy, happy was the boy a-dreaming sweet and long,
Fanned by the breeze that tossed the hair and ruffed the thrush's song;
For the whole glad day he had to loaf, and himself together,

Cupid with a Jimmy

WHEN John Trumbull fell in love with vivacious and sprightly Gertrude Moore no one would ever have suspected that he was a scholar, a thinker and a settled man of 40.

But as the years went by, as the years have a way of doing, Mr. Trumbull gradually awakened to the one-sided state of affairs.

One morning John didn't kiss his wife when he went downtown to business. She moped and wept and scolded the baby and the kitchen maid,

As it was not John's nature to war against anyone, he simply kept himself out of Mrs. John's way. Sunday afternoons he went out for a walk.

"All right dear," said John, and home he went, not stopping long enough to finish up the recollections of the college fight.

The people didn't mind at all. They even held the girl's parasol and pocketbook while she clambered from one window to the other.

John continued to read his Spencer. "That's too bad," he said. "John," she spoke very softly.

John smiled sadly. "You won't go off on that hunting trip, will you?" "Well—ll—ll," he drawled uncertainly.

He walked back and forth through their bit of a flat and held his head up high. Then he sat down beside that little tyrant of a wife and looked her in the eyes.

Whole Town of Fiddle-Makers. The only place in the world where violin-making may be said to constitute the staple industry is Markneukirchen, in Saxony.

DIVORCE CASES DRAW

CURIOS CROWDS FLOCK TO CHICAGO COURTROOMS.

All Sorts of Types Ranged in Exhibition—Busties Prominent Among Visitors—Stern and Gentle Scenes Have Their Own Fancies and Foibles.



A CHICAGO DIVORCE MILL IN ACTION.

fourth, more or less. So the divorce court is a place not only where matrimonial ties are severed, but also where they are originated.

Hear Cases on Saturdays. The Chicago courts, says the Chronicle, devote Saturdays to hearing divorce cases, and the mills of these judicial gods go at a very rapid rate.

It is said that some men and more women are afflicted with a mania to attend funerals, and that it matters little to them whether it be a funeral of a friend, an acquaintance or a stranger.

Such habits are mostly women—

women who have no interest there except to feed their minds upon the stories that fall from the witness stand.

Every Saturday morning the crowds at the court house elevators waiting to be carried up to the several courtrooms remind one that it is domestic scandal day.

Whether men are, on the whole, more manly than women are womanly has always been an open question.

Young Vanderbilt to Wed. His Bride-to-Be, Elsie French, Is of an Ancient Family.



MILLIONAIRE TO WED HEIRESS.

of the parties in interest is almost sure to present a telltale facial expression and unnatural nervousness and anxiety.

Wonderful Memories of the Blind. The acuteness of their memories seems to be a compensation for the blind. One of the visitors to the reading room for the blind in the National Library at Washington expressed a desire to learn to use the typewriter.

brought to her a complete copy of all of the verses, which he had remembered from hearing her.—Woman's Home Companion.

GREW HIS UMBRELLA STOCK.

Infinite Pains of a St. Louisan Bestowed Upon a Maple Sapling. A guest of one of the principal hotels yesterday exhibited a curious and beautiful umbrella handle to a party of admiring friends.

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There are nearly two thousand stitches in a pair of hand-sewed boots. San Diego, Cal., has a lemon grove covering one thousand acres.

Eighteen thousand bills and joint resolutions were presented by members in the last Congress—12,608 in the House and 5,855 in the Senate.

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NO MORE THE GRAND MANNER.

There Are No Longer Gentlemen of Dignity and Breeding.

The "grand manner" has gone from the world and the world seems little put out at its departure. Time was when it was a token at once of breeding and education.

Most great men have been many-sided, but with the gentlemen of the grand air it was a social duty, and all traces of the process must be hidden from sight.

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QUER STORIES

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