

A BLUESTOCKING;

ROMANCE & REALITY.

BY MISS ANNIE EDWARDS.

CHAPTER XV.

Continued.

"How should you? No announcement was put in the newspapers, and for reasons that you can understand, I did not care about writing to my friends, although to you, perhaps, a letter would have been easier than to most people. Ah, Mrs. Chester," she runs on, with the frank self-absorption, the unaffected egotism that renders the society of newly married persons so distasteful to the rest of human kind, "do you recollect a conversation we had in your own room—all roses, and white dimity, and full of the smell of seaweed, that last evening I was at Fief-de-la-Reine?"

"Yes, Daphne remembers the conversation accurately, word for word. "I don't mind confessing that I felt the least, just the very least, degree bitter against you that evening." "Bitter—against me?"

"You seemed so contented with the world and the world with you, and my own spirit so heavy, and—well, if the truth be told, it did appear to me, weighing our lots, one against the other, that I had some small reason to feel jealous."

"So Aunt Hoise was right. Human nature remains the same always. Clementina's love for Severne, lukewarm though it may have been, contained just sufficient vitality to admit of that old-fashioned sentiment, jealousy. "I recollect one thing with great clearness: that I prophesied your happiness," says Daphne, a little conscience-stricken.

"And how you extolled Sir John! Well, looking at his character now with unprejudiced eyes, I can say, honestly and dispassionately, that I think he deserved every word of your eulogies; I can, indeed, poor fellow!"

Up springs the blood into Daphne Chester's face. Something in Clementina's half-pitying tone wounds her to the quick. As though she had a right to feel wounded, to take any lingering interest whatsoever, either in Sir John Severne or in his wife's estimate of him!

"Only his merits were not made for me. There was the pity of it. The fact was, we became engaged much too young. I felt it instinctively that first moment when we met again, don't you remember, Mrs. Chester, how Felix and I broke in upon a little sketching lesson Sir John was giving you under the rocks? And every hour we spent together afterward convinced me more and more of our mistake."

Daphne Chester's cheeks burn like fire. She has heard rumors, even at Fief-de-la-Reine, of the rapid pace, the emancipated doctrine, of youthful matrons of the day. Confidences like these, confidences from the lips of a wife not two months married, positively stagger her.

"You must have guessed, I am sure, seeing so much of us as you did. And now it is Clementina's turn to show embarrassment; she casts down her eyes, she turns her bright new wedding ring round and round upon her finger.

"You must have guessed—that I cared for my Cousin Felix," repeats Daphne Chester, by this time too thoroughly mystified to do more than re-utter the bride's own words.

"He is not brilliant as far as books go; it may be good judges would say he has not got Sir John Severne's solid qualities, and he is certainly poor, while Sir John Severne, as you certainly have plenty of this world's goods. But you see one cannot reason about caring for people! I—I think I have cared for Felix always," says Clementina, the sweetest flush of womanly feeling staining all her face, "and I know that to be with him, poor, abroad, anyhow, will be the only possible happiness of my life."

Daphne had turned first red, then pale, then red again, during Mrs. Broughton's confession—for it is time to call the bride by the name she wears so joyously. No word of congratulation can she speak. Bewildered, scarcely yet enlightened, the dawning of a new wild personal hope, combine together to render her dumb.

"Your Cousin Felix, I—I mean Mr. Broughton, is with you?" she asks, at length, stammering as guiltily as though her heart owned a secret passion for Clementina's husband.

"Yes, he is at the hotel, and later on in the day you will see him—that is, if you will let us invite ourselves to a little high tea. Felix requires a good many hours for breakfast and rest, after the horrors of a Channel steamer, and, as Sir John was ready to escort me, I thought I had better drive on first and give you warning of our advent."

"Sir John Severne is—is traveling with you, then?"

Surely, were Clementina's lips absolutely engrossed in herself and her Felix, she must decipher the meaning of Daphne Chester's trembling lips and rapidly changing color!

"Traveling with you? Well, that is a comical idea. Do you think we could endure to have any other society than our own? No; our crossing over together last night was purely accidental. I never knew Sir John was on board until we got past the Needles, and then the vessel began to roll, and every one was feeling so wretched,

that it quite took away the awkwardness of meeting."

"Awkwardness!" repeats Daphne, mechanically.

Amidst the chaos of feelings that beset her, blank wonder certainly predominates; wonder how any woman, learned or ignorant, could discard Severne, without a pang, to become the wife of Felix Broughton.

"I can tell by your face that you think very badly of me, of course, and yet my own heart tells me if ever there was a case in which to break an engagement would be more honorable than to hold it, that case was mine. To begin with, I have a haunting fancy that Sir John Severne will not be inconsolable.

Daphne rises hastily and moves across to a side window. Away on the orchard terrace she can see Severne's figure, just as in the old happy days, with Paul in his arms. Aunt Hoise is in conversation with him—animated, eager conversation, a look of mingled surprise and happiness on her sunburnt face.

"I was thinking badly of no one," she answers, very low. "I was only wondering—"

"Over the unaccountably foolish choice of Clementina Hardcastle. Ah, well," says Mrs. Broughton, falling back upon one of her stiff little bluestocking phrases, "the depth of human perversity in these matters seems still to be an undetermined quantity. You must remember, if you wish to be charitable," she adds, "that I did not go from my word quite without a struggle. After I returned to London in June it was a settled thing that I should marry Sir John; and I let the dreary farce go on—let Mrs. Hardcastle busy herself over dresses and bonnets, and the lawyers and papa add their heads over settlements, without telling any of them that my heart was breaking. I had only to think of the error of giving up a rich lover—there was the shame of abandoning a cause. As Lady Severne, with money, with influence, I might have founded scholarships for my sex, laid the first stone of a new college or two, and, perhaps in time, have stepped into the lecturer's chair myself. As it was—as it is, Mrs. Chester, I broke down suddenly one day, just as the miller, when he has given up his wedding gown, to his bride, confessed everything, wrote to Sir John, who was away in Scotland, and was sent off, in disgrace, to do penance with Cousin Ethelberta, the cross-grained typical old maid of my mother's family in Devonshire."

"And Mr. Broughton, what had become of Mr. Broughton all this time?"

"Felix was in Paris, poor fellow, expecting daily, so he says, to be asked over, as best man, to the wedding. However this may be, he made his appearance in Devonshire just one week after I arrived there. Old Ethelberta, to our wild amazement, turned out a black! Yes, a black," says Clementina, with tears in her eyes, and, for the first time in her mortal life, stooping to a word of slang. "When she heard my story, and how I had given up money for love, Ethelberta declared I had behaved as people did in her youth, and received Felix with open arms. You can imagine the rest. Without bridesmaids, white satin, or settlements, we were married one summer morning in the village church, Cousin Ethelberta acting as witness, the parish clerk giving me away, and having lived happily, and contentedly ever since."

The bride pauses.

"And your own family?" asks Daphne, "the people who care for you most? Has your marriage been kept a secret from them all?"

"Well, in time, naturally, we had to write penitential supplications, not only for forgiveness, but for money; Mrs. Hardcastle sent me down my trousseau, without a word or message—all the iron of twenty-four silk dresses, all with trains, to people who want bread! Papa inclosed a check for five hundred pounds, and begged we would look upon the gift as a final one. These are our material prospects," says Clementina, cheerfully. "Ethelberta, however—who looks as if she would live another half century—hints that we are to be her heirs, and Felix thinks he will some day be made Second Secretary, with a salary of three hundred and fifty pounds a year, in Vienna! For this winter, we are going to economize in Italy. You look grave still, Mrs. Chester?"

"I am thinking of your father—and of Sir John," is Daphne's answer.

"Papa has begun to relent already. I had a kind little note from him, warning you, may be sure, without Mrs. Hardcastle's leave, the evening before I left Devonshire. As for Sir John—I confidently look to the Lady Severne of the future, that unknown, but not impossible she," says Clementina, with meaning, "to restore his happiness. Do you despair of my prediction being fulfilled?"

But Sir John and Paul having by this time reached the parlor window, Mrs. Chester's answer remains forever unspoken.

(The End.)

The cathedral at Ulm, Wurttemberg, possesses the highest church spire in the world. It is 533 feet high.

Snap Shots, 2,000 a Second. An Italian named Luciano Butti has perfected a photographic apparatus capable of registering the incredible number of 2,000 photographic impressions per second, says the London Globe. The most minute and least rapid and casual movements of birds and insects on the wing, which have hitherto defied science, can, it is claimed, be registered with accuracy, thus opening a new world of natural observation to ornithologists. The films used cost £2 per second for the 2,000 impressions.

A most unusual experience from a cow's kick happened to John Cass, owner of some fine Jerseys, in Plainfield, N. J., the other day. Going into the stable, he stepped near one and the cow launched a kick at him. Her hoof just missed his head, but it caught the ring on one finger, and shot it clear across the barn, without leaving a scratch on him. The only way he knew she had struck him was the slight jar and the finding of the ring several feet away on the concrete floor.

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

The Session Closed With the Announcements for the Year.

The South Carolina Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, which held its sessions at Darlington last week closed Monday, the appointments for the year being announced as follows:

CHARLESTON DISTRICT.
H. W. Bays, presiding elder.

Allendale, W. C. Kirkland; Beaufort, G. P. Watson; Bethel circuit, W. H. Throver; Black Swamp, G. F. Clark; Charleston, Trinity, C. B. Smith; Bethel, E. L. Carline; Spring Street, P. L. Kirkton; Cumberland, W. W. Speake; Mt. Pleasant, I. C. Carson; Cordesville, W. R. Buchanan; Cypress, C. W. Burgess; Dorchester, T. B. Bodenbaugh; Erhardt, T. B. Bell; Grover, R. G. Harris; Hampton, G. R. Shaffer; Harley, J. H. G. Fields; W. S. Goodwin; Hendersonville, J. E. Peeler; McClellanville, W. T. Patrick; Pinopolis, W. E. Barre; Port Royal, L. D. Gillespie; Ridgeland, W. H. Murray; Ridgely, H. C. Moulton; Rouse, E. B. Hutto; St. George, W. S. Stokes; Summerville, J. L. Daniel; Waterboro, Henry Stokes; Youngs Island, W. A. Wimberly; Charleston Port Society, P. A. Murray, chaplain; Student at Vanderbilt University, P. C. Garra.

COKESBURY DISTRICT.
J. E. Carlisle, presiding elder.

Abbeville, P. B. Wells; Antreville, J. A. Butler; Burr, Foster Speer; Cokesbury, S. D. Young; Columbia, W. S. Stokes; Greenwood, W. A. Mansbaur; Greenwood and Abbeville Mills, J. M. Lawson; Kinards, J. T. Miller; Lowndesville, R. W. Barber; McCormick, H. W. Whittaker; Mt. Carmel, R. G. Boulware; Ninety-Six, A. J. Cauthen; Newberry, Central, M. C. Zimmerman; O'Neale Street, M. L. Mollohan; J. H. Graves; Newberry circuit, J. E. Beard; Parkville, R. E. Dagnall; Phoenix, J. R. Copeland; John, H. Whitaker; Prosperity, J. K. McCauley; St. James, J. C. Cauthen; C. W. Creighton; Waterloo, J. L. Ray; Whitmore, J. N. Isom; Lander College, J. O. Willson, president.

COLUMBIA DISTRICT.
J. S. Beasley, presiding elder.

Alken, B. R. Turnipseed; Batesburg, E. T. Hodges; Columbia, Washington street, J. W. Daniel; Main street, W. C. Truett; Green street, W. R. Truett; Grandy, W. B. Brock; Brookland, W. S. Henry; Edgewood, J. E. Graham; Edgefield, M. Auld; Fairfield, W. W. Williams; Fort Motte, J. K. Inabine; Graniteville, A. R. Phillips; Johnston, W. S. Martin; Leesville, M. M. Abraham; Lexington, J. E. Strickland; Lexington, O. N. Rowland; Lexington Fork, G. H. Pooser; North Augusta, H. J. Cauthen; Ridgeway, A. S. Lesley; St. Matthews, J. E. Mahaffey; Warrenville, F. S. Hook; Winboro, J. H. Campbell; Epworth Orphanage, W. B. Wharton; Spaworth, J. G. Gross; Clige, W. W. Daniel, president; A. Duncan, financial agent; Paine institute, G. W. Walker, president.

FLORENCE DISTRICT.
A. J. Stokes, presiding elder.

Cades, J. A. White; Cartersville, J. E. Taylor; Cheraw, Bob G. Murphy; Cheraw circuit, O. L. Durant; Clyde, John Manning; Darlington, Trinity, J. C. Roper; Epworth and Pine Grove, J. O. Carraway; Darlington circuit, N. Clark; Florence, J. G. Beckwith; Georgetown, B. M. Geier; Greeleyville, L. L. Imbriet; Harpers, J. B. Weldon; Hartsville, Dove Tiller; Johnsonville, J. R. Carter; North, W. E. Justus; Lake City, J. B. Truett; Liberty, F. Gibson; Liberty, R. W. Spigner; Rome, T. J. Clyde; Selters, C. W. Ray; Samburg, D. A. Calhoun; Serrano, W. C. Gleason; South Florence, F. E. Hodges; Timmonsville, L. F. McGehee.

GREENVILLE DISTRICT.
R. Herbert Jones, presiding elder.

Anderson, St. John's, M. B. Kelly; Orrville, S. T. Creech; West End, D. W. Keiser; East, J. H. Boyer; M. DuBois; Fountain Inn, D. Boyer; Greenville, Buncombe Street, W. M. Duncan; Hampton Avenue, W. E. Wiggins; Sampson and Poe, A. E. Driggers; St. Paul's, T. G. Herbert; West Greenville, G. E. Hall; Greenville circuit, N. C. Ballinger; G. T. Harmon; Liberty, J. P. Attaway; McClure, A. A. Merritt; North Pickens, Wm. Roof; Pelzer, G. E. Edwards; Pendleton, S. W. Henry; Pickens, O. M. Abney; Piedmont, S. T. Blackman; Seneca, North Rock Hill, Jones; Starr and Iva, J. W. Bailey; Townville, D. A. Lewis; Traylor, Rest, W. L. Gault; Victor and Batesville, J. G. Huggins; Walthalla circuit, W. M. Harden; Westminster, J. I. Holroyd; Williamson and Belmont, R. A. Holroyd; Williamson circuit, W. A. Beckham.

MARION DISTRICT.
E. P. Taylor, presiding elder.

Bonnetville, T. E. Morris; Bennettsville circuit, A. T. Dunlap; Brownsville, S. J. Bethea; Blenheim, B. B. Barker; Brightsville, E. M. McKissick; Britton's Neck, G. W. Gathin; Bucksville, H. L. Singleton; Canby, J. M. Mullinix; Clio and Walnut, E. H. Shaver; Conway, W. L. Bell; Conway circuit, J. W. Bailey; Dillon Station and Mills, J. D. Crout; M. A. Masque; Gallivant, T. D. Moody; Latta, J. H. Thacker; Latta circuit, J. W. Ariall; Little Rock, G. C. Leonard; S. P. S. J. McConnell; Marion, R. E. Satterhouse; Marion circuit, G. P. Pennington; McColl, W. H. McLaurin; Mena, T. C. O'Dell; Mullins circuit, W. B. T. C. Power, supernumerary; Marlboro, J. N. Wright; North Mullins, J. E. Rushton, J. M. Rogers; Macnaman, Allan Macfarlane.

ORANGEBURG DISTRICT.
Marion Dargan, presiding elder.

Bamberg, W. T. Duncan; Barwell, J. L. Harley; Branchville, S. A. Nettles; Cameron, N. L. Wiggins; Denmark, E. H. Beckman; W. H. Wroton, supernumerary; Edisto, C. C. Carter; Ellmore, J. T. Macfarlane; Langley, W. Neely; Norway, J. R. Colbourne; Oranburg, St. Paul's, J. A. Clifton; Oranburg Mills, to be supplied; Oranburg circuit, A. B. Watson; Orange, M. F. Dukes; Providence, W. A. Pitts; Rowley, A. Walker; Sikes, J. L. Tyler; Springdale, R. A. Yonge; Swansco, G. W. Dukes; Wagoner, J. C. Holley.

ROCK HILL DISTRICT.
W. P. Meadors, presiding elder.

Blackburg, C. C. Derrick; Blackstock, J. H. Noland; Chester, Bethel, M. L. Banks; Grace and New Bethel, to be supplied; Chester circuit, J. M. Friday; East Chester, C. C. Carter; East Lancaster, P. B. Ingraham; Fort Mill, J. C. Chandler; Hickory Grove, W. H. Ariall; Heath Springs, David Hucks; Kershaw, O. A. Jeffcoat; Lancaster, R. C. Turnipseed; Lancaster circuit, J. C. Turner; North Rock Hill, W. C. Winn; Richburg, W. A. Fairley; Rock Hill, St. John's, Watson B. Duncan; A. E. Holler, supernumerary; Laurel Street and Manchester, C. E. Poole; Rock Hill circuit, E. A. Wilkes;

Van Wyck, R. E. Sharp; Yorkville, J. L. Stokes; A. A. Weber, supernumerary; Yorkville and Tiram, C. M. Peeler; York, George, S. A. Ross.

SPARTANBURG DISTRICT.

J. W. Kilgo, presiding elder.
Batesburg, E. Z. James; Buffalo and East Union, E. W. Wiggins; Clifton and Glendale, J. W. Ebbins; Cherokee, B. M. Robertson; Clinton, W. H. Hodges; Campobello, J. T. Fowler; Moore, C. E. Burns; Gaffney, Buford Street, J. M. Steadman; Limestone Street, J. B. Kilgore; Gaffney circuit, J. B. Wilson; Jonesville, D. E. Canak; Keltou, A. H. Best; First church, M. W. Hook; Laurens mills, C. L. McCain; North Laurens, J. F. Anderson; Paconet, to be supplied; Paconet circuit, R. W. Mason; Reidville, T. J. B. H. Sarrice, T. O. Watson; Spartanburg, Central, T. O. Watson; Duncan and Saxos, S. B. Harper; Spring Hill, W. Shell; Union, Grace church, D. M. McLeod, W. H. Miller, supernumerary; Union mills, W. M. Owens; Southern Christian Advocate, W. R. Richardson editor; G. H. Wadell, assistant editor; conference secretary of education, J. W. Kilgo; financial agent Wofford college, R. A. Child.

SUMTER DISTRICT.
H. B. Browne, presiding elder.

Bethany, E. F. Scoggins; Blahopville, D. Arthur Phillips; Camden, C. C. Herbert; Cheshireville, J. J. Stevenson; Clinton, S. D. Bailey; Jefferson, S. M. Jones; J. H. Wadell, assistant editor; Manning, A. N. Brunson; New Zion, E. J. Gues; Oswego, E. K. Moore; Pinewood, L. L. Bedenbaugh; Providence, C. S. Felder; Rembert and St. John, S. B. Booth; Richland, Walter P. Way; Santee, S. D. Young; Sumter, First church, P. F. Kugo; Main street, J. P. Inabine; Wateree, W. D. Patrick; conference missionary secretary, P. F. Kilgo; assistant Sunday school editor, L. F. Beatty; transferred, K. S. Enochs to Abbeville conference; superannuated, G. N. Boy; transferred, D. D. Dantzer, Chretzberg, W. A. Clarke, D. D. Dantzer, R. L. Duffie, J. W. Humbert, A. W. Jackson, W. W. Jones, C. D. Mann, N. K. Melton, J. A. Merritt, J. J. Neville, L. Newberry, J. A. Porter, T. P. Phillips, J. H. Wadell, assistant editor; S. S. S. S. A. J. Stafford, T. E. Wannamaker, J. F. Way, J. A. Wood, J. J. Workman.

LABOR WORLD.

There are almost 18,000 organized workers in Norway.

There are almost 570,000 clerks and copyists in the United States.

Mills in the English cotton industry are again running on full time.

Mattressmakers' unions belong to the Upholsters' International, the A. F. of L. convention decided.

Building Laborers' International will meet in annual convention at Minneapolis, Minn., in January.

Advances have been made toward co-operation by the A. F. of L. and the Western Federation of Miners.

There have been strikes in Germany on a scale among the brass workers, cabinetmakers and bricklayers.

Membership in the American Federation of Labor has increased from 40,000 in 1881 to 1,872,200 at the present time.

A resolution asking for more and better parks in the great cities was passed at the recent convention of the A. F. of L.

All bricklayers' unions were enjoined from striking on the building at Madison avenue and Ninety-seventh street, in New York City.

A sympathetic movement to aid the striking longshoremen of the Merchants' Line at Boston has tied up hundreds of bales of cotton there.

Three hundred miners are thrown out of work at Red Lodge, Mont., in connection closing the Gebro mine because of violations of the mining laws.

The Dublin (Ireland) Corporation recently decided to promote a bill in the ensuing session empowering them to award old-age pensions to their employees.

Pittsburg has been selected as the next meeting place of the National Association of Carpet Mechanics, Cyrus Roberts, of Pittsburg, having just been elected President.

NEWS OF THE FAR EAST.

The North Sea Arbitration Commission met in Paris.

A call to 200,000 Russian reserves in seven districts has been issued.

Seven Russians bearing dispatches reached Chefoo from Port Arthur.

Three Japanese torpedo boats were destroyed by mines at Port Arthur within a month.

Some of Admiral Rojstevsky's warships were sighted off Cape Town, heading eastward in the Mediterranean.

General Baron Kaulbars arrived at the front and had a conference with General Kuropatkin.

The thermometer where Kuropatkin and Oyama face each other dropped seven degrees below zero.

It was reported that important Japanese gains had been made in the neighborhood of 203-Metre Hill.

One Japanese torpedo boat was abandoned at Port Arthur and one Russian destroyer was reported grounded.

The auxiliary cruiser Okean, supposed to be in the Mediterranean, was sighted passing Denmark headed for the Baltic Sea.

Food and fuel were reported scarce in the neighborhood of Mukden, and the Chinese are suffering. The military situation is unchanged.

The Budget Committee of the Japanese House reported the war estimates without change. Some alterations have been made in the ordinary budget.

Admiral Togo's reports of the torpedo boats' recent attacks on the Sevastopol and the Russian destroyers outside Port Arthur harbor were made public at Tokio.

Dispatches from Mukden said that winter has effectively checked movements on a large scale. Night sorties continued and sharp skirmishes were frequent.

Comarante Proverbs.
To him who runs full honor pay, though he be last.

Though you may fall the catch each yet may you cast.

If you would trap the agile game, go softly, brother.

Look on a child and judge the same; don't ask its mother!

Beware when o'er the wine he says, "I am your friend."

Give what you have and name no days sooner than lend.

The Evil One who seems most fair knows most wiles.

None shall be his who works great good expecting smiles.

None but the thing that knows no birth knows no strife.

None but the dead below the earth.

—Stephen Chalmers in New York Times.

COLLEGE CLASSES FIGHT

An Ugly Row Among the Students of Columbia.

New York, Special.—No action will be taken by the Columbia University authorities in the case of Kingdon Gould, the freshman student who thwarted the purpose of five sophomores who sought to kidnap him, by shooting a revolver over their heads, the affair having occurred outside the college ground. Captain Nally was ordered to investigate the shooting. Police Commissioner McGoos said: "I must take cognizance of this case. Young Gould has no more right to carry a pistol without a permit than anyone else."

Indignation at the action of Kingdon Gould and the desire to secure a large contingent of freshmen for the sophomore dinner was the cause of a remarkable display of class animosity at Columbia University. Over 300 freshmen and sophomores engaged in a fierce street battle around the subway station at Broadway and One Hundred and Sixteenth streets.

Young Gould himself did not appear at college, but the sophomores were determined to take revenge for his action on his classmates. A number of freshmen, attempting to spirit away President Holbert, of the first year class in the sciences, were intercepted by the waiting sophomores at the subway station, and the fight rapidly centered about there. The surface traffic was stopped for an hour, and the subway station was wrecked. Holbert finally escaped from the crowd, and boarded a downtown subway train, but the fight continued fiercely.

The freshmen were led by P. Von Saltza, a 200-pound student, who bowled over dozens of sophomores before he was himself overcome by force numbers and rendered unconscious. Many other members of both sides were hurt in the same way, but no serious results were reported.

After several hours of continuous fighting, the affray was abandoned by mutual consent.

Wrecking of Ships.

St. Petersburg, by Cable.—While declining to give details, the admiralty admits that Russian advisers from Port Arthur sent by Gen. Stoessel substantially confirmed the Japanese advice of the partial wrecking of the Russian ships in the harbor, and the censor has been instructed to permit the publication of the dispatches. It is claimed that several of the larger ships and a respectable number of torpedo boat destroyers are still seaworthy, but they are not being considered as a factor in the coming fight between Admiral Togo's ships and the Russian second Pacific Baltic squadron. If the forecast is relieved, it is believed the most of the ships will be raised and saved.

No Fighting For Two Days.

Erdagon, Manchuria, by Cable.—The oppressive silence continues. Not a shot has been fired during the last two days. Both armies seem dormant. Russian scouts crept out yesterday evening east of Erdagon and found the Japanese pickets withdrawn. The Russians approached the Japanese trenches, where a few shots were exchanged. The same thing occurred in front of Poutloff Hill. The cessation of hostilities has encouraged the natives to return to the villages, but some of the latter have been destroyed and are uninhabited. A commission is engaged in paying indebtedness to the destitute Chinese.

Murder and Suicide.

Victoria, Texas, Special.—At a farm about eight miles from here, a double tragedy was enacted. Nell Stubbs, a young farmer, rejected, it is said, by Miss Julia Mischulka, shot her to death and then put a bullet into his own brain.

Washington Club Burned Out.

Washington, Special.—The Metropolitan Club House, the home of the most fashionable club in Washington, was gutted by fire, involving an estimated loss of from \$60,000 to \$100,000, partially covered by insurance. The fire was caused by a spark from an electric wire near the elevator shaft. A library, estimated to be worth upwards of \$15,000, and containing some volumes that cannot be replaced, escaped practically unharmed, and the faots did not reach the wine cellar.

To Change Date of Election.

Washington, Special.—Representative Livingston, of Georgia, introduced a joint resolution providing that after the next Congress shall be called in Congress shall be voted for in each State on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in September, and that the 59th Congress shall assemble and hold its first regular session on the first Monday in October, 1905.

14 Guns Captured.

Tokio, by Cable.—The Japanese army besieging Port Arthur reported as follows regarding the trophies captured by the Japanese in the north fort of the Keekwan Mountain. "Further investigation shows that we captured five 8-7 quick-firing field guns, two 47-millimeter quick-firing guns, one of them being serviceable; four machine guns, all serviceable, and a quantity of small arms and ammunition."

Three Children Burned.

Macon, Ga., Special.—A special to the Telegram from Elberton, Ga., says that at Swift's Cotton Mills three children lost their lives by fire in the last two days. Two were children of Mr. Smith, an operative, and were burned to death before assistance could reach them after their clothing had caught. The next day the child of Mr. Strickland, another operative, suffered a similar fate.

Chattanooga's Poultry Show.

Chattanooga Special.—The first poultry show held here in ten years was opened last week. Nearly twelve hundred birds are on exhibition and fanciers are here from all parts of the south.

THE GENTLEMAN

MINUS THE STUDENT

A Protest Against the Accorded Double Standard of Collegiate Conduct.

By Dr. J. A. H. Carlisle, Wofford College.

DANIEL WEBSTER, looking back to an incident in his fifteenth year (1797), when his father was taking him to school six miles from the home, writes: "On the way my father intimated to me his intention of sending me to college. The very idea thrilled my whole frame. He said he then lived for but his children, and if I would do all I could for myself he would do what he could for me. I remember that I was quite overcome and my head grew dizzy. The thing appeared to me so high, and the expense so great, I could only press his hands and shed tears. Excellent, excellent parent! I cannot think of him even now without turning a child again."

Perhaps 100,000 young men may be in American colleges this year. Let us speak to one of them early in the session. "Is it your purpose to be a gentleman while in college?" Perhaps he is at first disposed to resent the question as an insult. But give him a few moments to collect his thoughts and he may give us a frank answer.

"Yes, of course, I expect to be a gentleman, that is, as much of a gentleman as a student can be. You know some things are excused in a student and expected in him that can not be done by ordinary young men of our age. I expect to be a gentleman, minus the student; a gentleman, except in the things where my student character makes me fall short. Unfortunately there was a time when an answer like this was natural. For generations a student was looked upon as a privileged wild animal, not subject to the written laws of colleges, city or State, or to the equally important unwritten laws of refined, or even civilized society. College laws, at one time, seemed to recognize a peculiar college code. In the eighteenth century fines were imposed on American students. The grades of fines and offense seem strange to us now. For playing cards a fine of five shillings might be imposed, while one shilling and a half would do for playing any game for money. "Going upon the top of the college was an offense equal in gravity to drunkenness or lying. It is not surprising that under a system like that the college boys had rather a confused crowd of morals and manners."

We need not go back to the rules of that day to learn what it is to be a gentleman in college. We shall not try to give a full definition of the word. We may safely say for granted that truthfulness, honesty and kindness are included. Does that fact that a young man has