

BURIED TREASURES.

BY MARY SHAW.

June is summer's rarest and loveliest. The roses of June died long ere its noon. Yet they live in my heart's throbbing story. With "pansies for thoughts"—sacred to hold—

Dr. Eifenstein's Mission

A Remarkable Romance.

BY EMILY THORNTON.

CHAPTER XV.—Continued. Not a word was spoken by either, although, to her dismay, Ethel found that he kept perceiving by her side.

CHAPTER XVI.—A NARROW ESCAPE. The next afternoon Ethel felt that she could safely travel to the village to make a few purchases for herself, as at the lunch table Robert had told Lady Constance he should leave home at two that afternoon to visit a young friend, and should remain away until noon the next day.

CHAPTER XVII.—A DREADFUL LIST. The Brooklyn trolley cars killed another victim, a little girl of six years, the other day. This brings the list of trolley killings in this city up to forty-six for twelve months.

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Stopping the horse before they reached the place, in a sheltered and obscure spot, Robert jumped out, then turned to assist Ethel from the vehicle.

As he did so he remarked: "I really wish you had not obeyed directions so implicitly; it would have been so sweet to have—"

Springing past him to the ground, Ethel darted away before he could finish the sentence he had teasingly begun, and with a saucy smile still upon his lips the egotistical and fun-loving young man entered once more and drove toward the stables.

Breathing a prayer of fervent thanksgiving to God for her safe return, when she once more reached her room, the poor girl brushed away the tears that had relieved her excited feelings as soon as she had entered, and then, with a sinking dread at her heart, at once repaired to the sick man's room.

A volley of spiteful, hard words saluted her entrance from the irritable invalid, and it was some time before she could utter the word in her own defense.

"When at last he gave her an opportunity to speak, she informed him truthfully of the outrageous conduct of his wife's nephew.

"Robert! Do you say Robert did so insolent a thing? Was he guilty of so unpardonable an act?" exclaimed the astonished man.

of Dr. Eifenstein bent upon hers, and saw that he was thus kindly supporting her.

"It is all right now, Miss Nevergall. You are safe, and will be yourself in one moment," he said, in answer to the inquiring look she gave him.

"Oh, but that was terrible, terrible!" she murmured, with a shudder, as her eyes closed again, at the mere remembrance.

"It was, truly! While I got you in time, thank God, there was not a second to spare!"

"Oh, Doctor, I can never thank you, for I know now that it was you who saved me!"

"Do not try, Miss Nevergall; I will not be thanked. My fright, I assure you, was nearly equal to your own."

"How did you get the shoe off?" she asked, at length, as she raised herself from his arm, and glanced at her foot.

ALL ABOUT ALASKA.

OUR "COLLECTION OF ICEBERGS" A RICH POSSESSION.

What the Census Has to Say About the Territory, Its Population and Resources—Peopled by Queer Races.

IN many respects an important work is the "Report on the Population and Resources of Alaska," just issued by the Government through the Census Office.

Its native population were considered but a degree above the Digger Indians in intelligence—a cross between Greenland Eskimos and Patagonians.

When Secretary Seward purchased Alaska from Russia for \$7,000,000 twenty-two years ago, the newspapers called it a foolish transaction; a waste of money for a collection of icebergs not worth accepting as gift.

Now we are informed that notwithstanding the above predictions the management of the seal islands alone paid into the United States Treasury between \$6,000,000 and \$7,000,000 in rental and royalties within twenty years, independent of the "extraordinary circumstances" referred to by this special agent.

During the period of twenty-two years, from 1868 to 1890, the value of the products—fur, fish, ivory and silver and gold—reached \$64,156,511.

The Alaska range of mountains extends along the southern coast of the peninsula, varying in height between 5000 and 8000 feet.

into a preliminary phase of local organization. The same period has witnessed the marvelous development of Alaska's mines and fisheries.

Both these industries were insignificant and overshadowed by the fur trade, then practically controlled by a single firm; but in 1890 the mines and salmon canneries had shipped products to the value of \$15,000,000, or more than twice the purchase price of Alaska.

The great interior artery of Alaska is the Yukon River, which, rising in foreign territory, traverses the width of the continental portion of Alaska between the 141st and 164th degrees of longitude, describing in its passage a line over 1200 miles in length.

It may be news to many persons that commerce, both intertribal and intercontinental, was carried on in what is now known as Alaska in times prior to the explorations of Cabot, Hudson and Raleigh on the Atlantic coast.

The glacier region situated to the northward of Cross Sound and Icy Strait, unknown in its contours ten years ago, is now a place of call and one of the greatest attractions for the thousands of tourists who visit South-eastern Alaska every summer.

The Alpie coast region, rising abruptly from the shores of the North Pacific between Cape Spencer on the east and Mount St. Elias on the west, has been the objective point of several exploring expeditions.

Mahoney, prospector; Edward Doyle, a discharged soldier, and William Dunlay. While prospecting for placers, these men found in June, 1873) a gold bearing quartz vein, and



AN ALASKAN TYPE OF BEAUTY.

took samples of the ore to Sitka. One of the men to whom they showed the samples was Nicholas Haley, at that time a private in the United States service.

The account of life in Northern Alaska is interesting. At Cape Smythe and along the Ikipkip and Kuguru Rivers dandelions and buttercups blossom in July and August, to appear but a few hours or a few days at the most.

To understand the Eskimos of Alaska requires years of study in their homes. Mr. Henry D. Woolf, writing of the upper district, says: "The family law of the Eskimo race bears a marked resemblance to the Roman law of paternal succession."

There are instances where the mother's will is paramount in a family; that is, where she is in the position of the superior or first wife.

Some idea of the vast extent of the Alaska coast may be had from the following figures, showing it to be more than twelve times as great as the entire Atlantic coast.

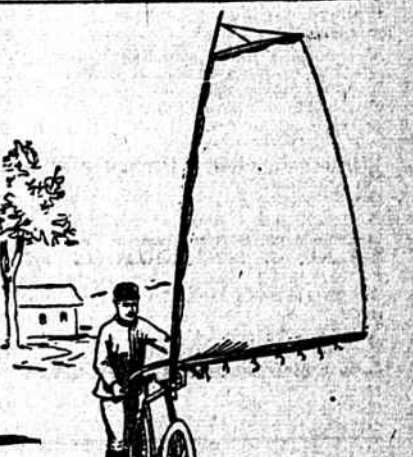
An Italian inventor in New York has just devised a water filter, the principle of which embodies a theory of his own, that water is best filtered upward rather than downward.

Sailing on a Bicycle.

The expert bicyclist often finds a stiff breeze upon his back sufficiently powerful to keep him in motion without his applying any power on the pedals, and even enough to carry him up hill.

In several respects such a mode of navigation differs considerably from yachting. You can't beat or even sail with a beam wind on a bicycle.

The mast, which is set in a hard-pine block clamped to the tubing, is ten feet high, and the boom is eight feet long.



needs. It is also to be remembered that the "sheet" or cord controlling the outer end of the boom ought not to be tied fast to the machine, but run through a small pulley under the seat and kept in the hand.

Bonnets of Steel. The unique bonnet is the bonnet of the moment. Steel is at present in high favor. It is used as a glittering crown, framed by a puffing of crepe de Chine, and



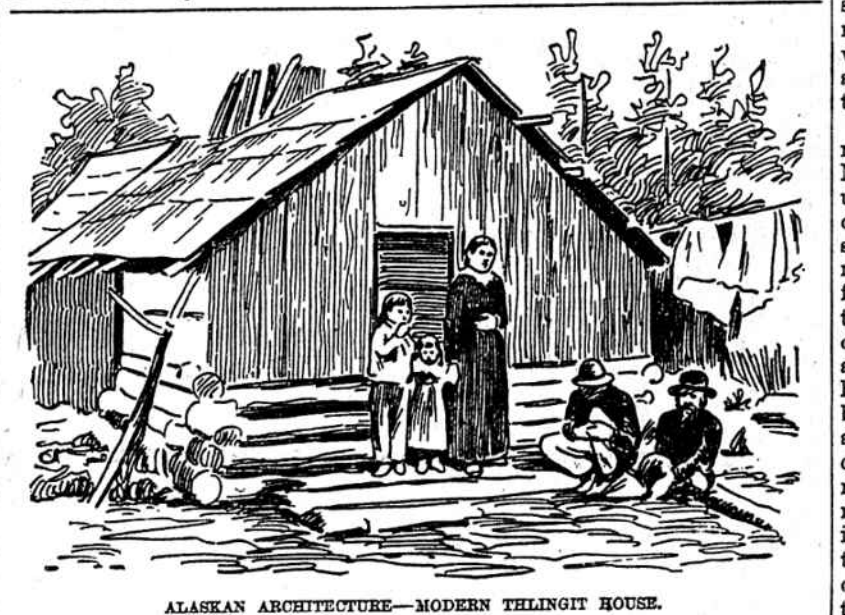
A STEEL BONNET.

steel brims are also seen, faced with some filmy shirred material. One of these "late creations" is odd enough to gain it fashionable favor.

The most elaborate cradle of which there is any account is that which was designed for the children of Queen Victoria. A description of it reads like a dream.



CRADLE OF QUEEN VICTORIA'S CHILDREN.



ALASKAN ARCHITECTURE—MODERN TLINGIT HOUSE.

lishments, say \$500,000 per annum, or \$12,500,000 in twenty-five years, which is a much smaller estimate than can be predicted on the expenditures of the last two years, resulting in a grand total cost in the above basis of \$43,401,792.14.

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A TOTEM, OR ALASKA MASCOT.

state us, even for an expenditure such as the special agent quoted above, figured out so ingeniously by means of compound interest at six per cent. on a cash payment.