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him, and in a manner befitting the inclined her handsome head in silence,

"Mignon-my darling!" He pressed Gilbert's shoulder.

looked at her with wild, glad eyes-

"Oh, papa," she gasped, "this is why

"Yes! I concluded to give you a little

He turned, bold and imposing, to

Shirlaw and Aunt Elinor, who were

both standing silent in the background.

"I am unspeakably glad that you

And then Mignon led him to her

"Victor," she stammered, in happy

A most curious sensation shot

"I hope at a later date to cultivate

Captain Shirlaw's acquaintance," said

liberty to bring a second guest to his

Even as he spoke the drawing-room

you did not answer my letter!"

Vye loved his daughter.

surprise, instead."

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wraps.

"Ah!

managed to whisper to Mignon:

"Well, what does all this mean?"

give us this surprise?"

THE HEMPHILL BOOM. "You will have to love me. Esther-Shirlaw was the last to be presenteast. My wife died; my little girl has bold, had heart this innocent young ed. He looked like a man suddenly I shall give you no peace till you do. emained ever since in the care of her creature-this beautiful, high-bred bereft of his senses. He mumbled a Then she ran and drew the curtains Northern Newspaper Pays Tribute Able South Carolinian. ersonal relatives. It is to this sister girl, who had been reared far from few incoherent words. Esther simply across the windows and arranged the

their lives, and leave this world, scarcely causing a ripple on the great Three men are recognized leaders night lamp. "I must say no more to "A sister-have I a sister?" she daughter of the ancient, aristocratic and Philip Vye, heeding neither, turn- you tonight dear, because you are tired beyond others in the press of the south. sea of existence.

"5. My next point is a very old They are Henry Watterson of the Loued to his brother and put a hand on and homesick and out of spirits. one, and yet it will do no harm to My room is next to yours. Maud Lof- isville Courier-Journal, Clark Howell bring it to mind once more. In the tus liked to be near me even when of the Atlanta Constitution, and James he said, impatiently. "Surely, Gilbert, sleeping-perhaps you may like it, C. Hemphill of the Charleston News very beginning of your business caand Courier. Col. Watterson has nev- reer do not be too close observer of you did not leave your herds and too." er held political office, but has rather the clock. Do not be afraid to arrive Esther grew rigid from head to fool declined all propositions involving at the office or store a few minutes

as lieutenant governor.

ranges for no other purpose than to "What name is that?" she gasped. public station. Mr. Howell has been before the prescribed hour, and do "True," replied the other, "I heard 'Of whom are you talking?" long among the leading politicians and not put on your hat and coat so as to of Mignon's engagement to this gen-"The Canadian schoolmate that I mentioned just now," answered Mig- statesmen of Georgia, both as editor leave at the very minute fixed for clos-"You have become a fine woman, but tleman," nodding toward Shirlaw, "and non; "Maud Loftus, my dearest of the newspaper first made famous by ing. Emergencies arise in all lines you are still my little Mignon," he I started east to make his acquaintriend. She spent several weeks at the unrivaled brilliancy of the late of business when the hours may have Rookwood after we graduated togeth- Henry Grady and as a member of the to be prolonged somewhat, and the

"Mignon engaged!" Philip Vye turned like lightning on his niece, gave Esther cast a wild, hunted look Shirlaw a piercing, unpleasant look,

then smiled. "Ah, Mignon is a sly round the chamber. "What! she has been here-here? puss, and the captain, I acknowledge, Very And he-her lover"- She paused as has stolen a march on me! well. I forgive them both, of course. if choking.

Quite right, Elinor," as Mrs. Vye "I have never met Mr. Fleetwood," cried Mignon, in amazement. "Yes, swept up to Mignon and kissed her. Is the matter settled?" Gilbert Vye looked at his daughter' ed since childhood. She is to marry him at Tamarack Hall. Dearest Es-"If Captain Shirlaw should be at ther, is it possible that you know

lelsure in the morning," he said, politely, "I beg permission to talk with him in private." some other time." "I am at your service at any hour So here, in this strange, for-off Rook you may name." said Shirlaw.

Elinor Vye had drawn Esther down wood, her ghastly sin, her unspeakable o a seat, and was taking off her

The grand, white creature sat voice Mignon, with a face like death. less and statue-like in the midst of the "Oh, my hands!" she screamed out, company. Shirlaw tried to look away suddenly. "Look at my hands! They from her, but could not. He was cerare red-red with blood!" tainly losing his wits. At last he

And, swaying helplessly backward, Esther fell, senseless as stone, to the "You must have had a great deal to loor of the chamber.

nary Care

He found Abel Lispenard pacing his The insects which infest human habterrace in the gathering gloom, with a itations have for a long time been half dozen hounds at his heels-a upposed to be the carriers of the infective agents of certain diseases. only since the demonstration by Ross deep thought and looking odd and uncanny enough in that uncertain light. in 1897, that mosquitoes convey the At sight of Shirlaw the dwarf paused. nfective agents of malaria that this suspicion has been firmly established. "Good heaven! You look as though Reed, in 1900 discovered by experiyou had lost your wits, Victor!" he cried. Shirlaw tried to laugh. ments made in Havana, that the mos-

quito conveys the infective agent of "Perhaps I have. Don't mind me. oring you news, old man. Gilbert Vye hese diseases is very obvious; exterhas arrived at Rookwood." ninate the mosquito. It is not prac-

Lispen

A strange look appeared on Shir

"No words of mine can describe the

Meanwhile, in the Rookwood draw-

"May I asked to be shown to my

The chamber recently vacated or

"Strange that papa never told us o

each other!" purred the latter, sweet-

ly, "and all my life I have longed so

much for a sister! Dearest Esther,

shall be very, very proud to presen

Maud Loftus was assigned to ner

ing-room Esther Vye arose from . .

midst of her new-found kindred

daughter!" he answered, in a low

law's handsome, careless face.

. . .

Mignon followed her thither.

said to Aunt Elinor:

voice.

room?"

icable to exterminate them entirely, "And brought with him another though much can be done by drainage daughter-the child of a first marriage. and by pouring kerosene oil on stag-It seems that the man has had two

antiseptic or the sputum should be

burned. This precaution will prevent

slips, or some material which can be sound sense and of advice based upon

nant water, fumigating rooms thor oughly by burning sulphur will get rid Lispenard's pale, dark face remained them for a short time. One sh

legislature and presiding officer in turn young man who reluctantly stays, or declines to stay, is not the one who is in both branches of that body, and also likely to be retained, much less to be Major Hemphill has followed until advanced. "6 Endeavor to maintain a cheerthis time the example of Col. Watterful demeanor under all circumstances.

son in abstaining from public office. but his friends have taken the business Your employer, you may think, is in their own hands and are making cranky at times, but you cannot alhe is her lover-they have been engag- great progress in a campaign in his ways know the heavy load of responbehalf for the seat in the United States sibilities he often has to carry, and if, for this reason, he should at times be senate now held by Senator Latimer, whose term expires with the present irritable, try to bear with him. Of

Maud? No, that cannot be; but do not congress in 1909. Of his eminent fit- course, you are not required to suranswer-you are frightfully pale-go at ness for that great office there is no render your manhood or your independence or anything which transonce to bed. You can explain all this room for doubt. His work for twenty gresses the bounds of morality. Even years as the directing mind and chief the man who seems to expect it from editorial writer of the News and Cour-

you will most frequently recede from ier has been of so admirable a charhis demands when he finds you imsorrow leaped up fresh before her. At acter in breadth of view, soundness of movable in your stand for the right. sound of Fleetwood's name, her heart argument from his premises, and ener-"In the first of these points I have seemed to stop beating. She stared at gy of statement, as to have made him told you to endeavor to get a position the most influential man in his state in accord with your tastes. But it is for the welfare of South Carolina. not always possible. Then make the Major Hemphill has nature's gift of best of what you do find, bide your superb personal presence and that time until the desired thing arrives, rare finish of manner which has been and it may be that the discipline of

characteristic for generations of the working at something that is partialfinest type of the southern gentlemen. ly distasteful to you may prove in the He has added to the collegiate trainlong run to be of the highest benefit." ing of his youth the further advantages of continual contact with public

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The famous Everglades are to be Most of the public business is done drained, in fact-and a vast area of with small regard for political points. land which has been lost to the use of Reasonable men in the senate can do men, much of which has been overwell for their states though not of the flowed with water and thousands of majority on party questions. If Major thousands of acres of which are al-Hemphill is elected he will fill the pomost impassable swamp, are to be sition so ably and yet with such urbrought under cultivation. Florida is yellow fever. The way to prevent banity of temper and manner as to reto become a much more wonderful peat the proud days of the Palmetto state even than it has been heretofore state and regain for it that degree of and that means a good deal.

respect and power which the old com-A. B. Clark in an interesting article monwealth has justly enjoyed for n the Technical World Magazine exgenerations .- Buffalo, N. Y., News. plains the difficulties in the way of

saving this immense acreage and the SECRETS OF SUCCESS. benefits which will accrue to the state from the carrying out use a good mosquito net. Experi- Advice to Young Men Based Upon prise. ments have shown that flies convey Experience. "The importance of this immense typhoid fever germs. Kitchens and Judged by results, the tendency of undertaking can with difficulty be dining rooms should be so perfectly novelties in what is called popular edcomprehended," says the writer. "It screened that not one fly could be aducation of the day is subversive of the is estimated in figures which can mitted. Other sources of typhoid are habits that make for happiness and scarcely be understood by the ordinary impure water, milk, etc. Typhoid fesuccess in life. The rising generation mind. The reclamation of this land ver is contagious, but by the proper seems to be steadily losing the sense means the addition to Florida of nearuse of disinfectants in the room of one of personal responsibility, the power ly as much cultivated land as she now ill of this disease will destroy the inof initiative and the instinct to work has. It will mean the throwing open fective agent almost entirely, and prein the joy of accomplishment. Here to cultivation of an area twice as large vent the disease from spreading. Koch and there in the country men who as the state of Connecticut. in 1881, discovered the germ, which have succeeded in life through their "It means that Florida will become own efforts are moved to condense causes consumption. This useful disthe sugar-producing state of the Union overy enables us to prevent the spread from their own experience certain and that for her sugar products the of this disease. If one who has consuggestions as to conduct which may \$150,000,000 will be paid which is now sumption spits on the sidewalk or in be heeded only with profit and pleasannually sent abroad for imported sua car, the sputum dries, and we inhale ure by the young men of the country, gar, an amount expended for an imthe germs in the dust. The disease is and, as for that, by the young women port which exceeds by several million too, in this day of participation by communicated from the diseased to dollars the value of our united exports the healthy in this way. Fortunately women in the hurly-burly of business of corn, wheat, flour, beef and naval many persons are immune and inhale One of these benefactors of their race stores. It means that Florida will in germs, which do not "take." One is Mr. Stephen W. White of Philadel few years become one of the richest who has consumption should expectorphia, the secretary of the Northern and most important states in the Unate in a spittoon which contains an Central Railway company. A few

CHAPTER XX. Two In One.

By ETTA W. PIERCE

Jim Hart raised his daughter from the floor of Aunt Deb's cottage. "What does all this mean?" he demanded, with a man's natural antipathy to scenes.

"Let me lock the door, Jim," quavered Aunt Deb. "Esther's in trouble; somebody may step in unawares. You see we were expecting something unpleasant when you appeared." "Trouble ?- what kind of trouble ?"

cried the newcomer. "Jim's a gentleman!" had always been Aunt Deb's favorite boast concerning her brother-in-law. It did not seem a vain one. He was somewhat brown and weatherbeaten, as a westshould be, but extremely ern miner good-looking and extremely well-dressed. He had a quiet, courteous manner, and a well-bred-yes, distingue air. A hawk-like keenness in his face added to its attractiveness. Plainly, Esther's father was no ordinary individual.

"You must tell him the story, Esther," groaned Aunt Deb; "I can't. What with this girl's troubles, and such sudden comings and goings, I'm all struck up in a heap," and she dropped helplessly into a chair. "You might have written, Jim, for us to expect you." "And so I did," he answered, sharp-

"In my last letter to Esther told you I was coming." The girl by this time had recovered you anything in the larder, Concordia? her self-control. She stood up, tall, A piece of Cinderville hake or hadwhite, rigid, before this stranger-fathdock, or any similar trifle? Your salt air revives my old taste for such fare. er, and said:

tress-you won't understand how I could do it, but I destroyed your letter, unread. That is why you took us by surprise just now." last."

ed at her long and critically. She bore the inspection without flinching. swered:

"You are a handsome girl!" he said at last: "I am not ashamed of you You do me credit. Have I been a good father to you, while I was west and you east? Have you had all you needed in the way of fine clothes, and trinkets, and education? Have you lacked anything?"

I'll get you a bite directly. The world she answered, in a seems to have gone well with you, Jim "I have had everything-I have acked nothing."

"I don't know," answered Esther, wildly; "I saw no newspapers."

"That is good. I like to be strictly said, fondly. "I should have known obeyed in all things. And now this you anywhere." "Faugh!" cried Jim Hart, in a sudden, disgusted conviction; "you may be sure that you didn't kill the scoundrel-wounded him, perhaps, but nothing more. The fuss that is made over

CAIN

the shooting of a man in these parts something sickening, and you wouldn't have escaped like this if he had met his just desert. Mr. Guy Fleetwood bears a charmed life. Well, it may be my good luck to meet him later. Come!" his voice growing stern, almost brutal; "face the situation, girl, that you should know everything about

to show the white feather now, or to talk about love, or the giving up of yourself to the authorities." Then. Deb. bringing his hand savagely down on the table, "I arrived here tonight, it that you ain't yourself, Jim Hart, but man dazed. seems, in time to prevent you from omebody else?"

groveling on the floor before him. "He is dead!" repeated the unreason-

Oh, Guy! My love-my love!" As he looked down upon her, moaning there on the floor, with her face

ed to poor Aunt Deb. trum at her leisure," he said. "Have

"One day, when I was in great dis-Hark!" lifting his head with evident

pleasure: "that's the sound of the sea on the rocks, isn't it? Many a year has come and gone since I heard it He turned her to the light and look-Aunt Deb, with her anxious eyes on

the prostrate, motionless Esther, an-

"Yes, I remember well the time you came, a stranger, to Cinderville, and fell in love with our Drusie, and married her against the will of your people, as you yourself said. I guess the tea is still hot in the pot, and, by good luck there's fish in the cupboard.

"Nor L" added Aunt Deb.

brings me to the verge of another confession. Many years ago-yes, before my first marriage—I found it necessary to change my name. I had made my father angry by some wild college

indice.

that I now mean to take Esther."

"Yes, and it is time. I dare say, that

social position, full of pride and pre-

She shuddered, but bowed her hand-

muttered, in bewilderment,

y befell Mr. Fleetwood."

some head. He smiled, grimly.

scrapes-I was under ban-so I dropped the name that he charged me with having disgraced, and assumed that He shook hands with his sister-in-law. of Jim Hart, and as Jim Hart I married Drusie Runnel! Now, don't stare, are here, Gilbert!" she cried, fervently. Concordia," and he gave an exasperating laugh; "it's not to be expected lover.

and prove yourself game! It won't do the stranger who wooed your sister in confusion, "this is papa-you two must his wild youth." "For goodness' sake," burst out Aunt "have I lived nineteen years through Shirlaw as his hand met that since Drusie's marriage, only to hear of the cattle king. He stood like a

making a fool of yourself!" "Exactly." But Esther slipped forward and lay "And perhaps you ain't come from Gilbert Vye, politely. Now, where is

ble young creature. "I saw him fall. He is dead, and it matters nothing what becomes of me now! Oh, Guy!

He checked himself, however, and turn-"Leave her to come out of this tan-

in the dust, it seemed as though he were about to spurn her with his foot.

he mines of Leadville, either?" with my brother Philip? I have taken the growing suspicion. "Sharp Concordia! I have not. was never a miner. Be calm; don't let such a small matter ruffle your tem- door flew open, and Philip Vye, drawn per. It is kindness, sometimes, to de- from his library by the cries and con-

penard's tower.

the right to monopolize you tonight. ceive our nearest friends. My real fusion, appeared on the threshold. "My God!" he cried, starting back a am de trop here." name is Gilbert Vye. I am a Colora-And he made a hasty exit. Down to do cattle king and a person of vast step at sight of his visitor. Gilbert

house"-

be friends."

forced to send wife and child to the bert Vye's thoughts, as he held to his

you make her acquaintance. But her to his heart, he kissed her again

wait! you are going to people of high and again-he held her from him and

sealed about your past. No one must that he loved, and he did love her-

know of the little accident which late- whatever his sins might be, Gilbert

Vves?"

You are to keep your lips in all the world she was the only thing

resources," and he laughed in a mirth- Vye smiled, with the same sang froid the landing he went, jumped into a less, unpleasant way. "Hark! I hear that he had displayed in Concordia skiff and started for the opposite river bank. Half way across the current the rumbling of the last stage for Bar- Tempest's cottage.

he bent suddenly and dashed a hand-"My dear Philip, do you invoke the ton. Make haste, Esther. You are now the elder Miss Vye, and if you Deity in joy or dismay? I hope I have ful of the cold water to his forehead "I must be going mad!" he said to possess common discretion, your hon- not upset you. It is my way to swoop orable relatives will scarcely be able down upon my friends-and enemies, himself.

to find fault with you. Come, girl, also-suddenly. Bless me! how old you have made a failure of yourself- you have grown, Philip! You are as now I will start you upon a new track. gray as a rat. Well, I myself am no Put on your shawl and bonnet and longer a boy-the years leave their square, powerful figure, absorbed in mark on all of us." let us be gone."

Philip Vye regained his self-posses sion immediately. "Of course, I am delighted to see

CHAPTER XXI. you, Gilbert," he answered; "only do Twilight had fallen in the drawingoom at Rookwood-a September twinot say that you are here to take Miglight, full of cold, creeping mist and non from us-our lovely Mignon, as dashes of rain. Mignon, flitting like dear to us as our own flesh." some bright bird from window to win-"No," replied Gilbert Vye, "I do not down, saw the river blotted out in a come to carry Mignon away-on the chilly shroud; but beyond its dark, contrary, Philip, I have brought to sinuous line lights were shining in Lis- you my other daughter."

A blank silence fell in the drawing-She went back to a wood fire burn- room. It was broken by Mignon's aswives."

ing on the hearth. Before it two per- tonished voice. seated-Victor Shirlaw, who "Papa! what do you mean? perfectly impassive. "Let me tell you a family secret, my "Well," he said, simply, "what is Gilhad dined this day at Rookwood, and meek, pale Elinor Vye, the latter busy, dear," said the cattle king, drawing her bert Vye like?" "When you meet him you will doubtfondly to him. "I was a widower when as usual, with her embroidery. "I feel as if something was about I married your mother, and the father less be impressed with his fine phyto happen." said Mignon, dropping of a daughter who had been left in the sique and good breeding." "Then he has preserved the habits upon a tiger-skin rug at the feet of far east, with her mother's people. Elinor Vye, where the red fire shone Owing to her humble station, my first of civilized society, in spite of his long sojourn with the cowboys and halffull upon her yellow hair, and her wife did not quite meet the approval of my kindred"-with a mocking bow breeds? Evil communication has no dinner dress of wine-dark silk. corrupted his good manners, eh?" "My dear?" said Aunt Elinor, in to his brother: "indeed, she was the bone of contention which finally drove "No. One might say that he ha neek interrogation. preserved them to a wonderful degree." me to the frontier. I have never spok-"Some coming event is casting its shadow over me," explained Mignon, en to you of the matter, Mignon, beanswered Shirlaw, dryly. "I am to go over there in the morning, to be propcause, heretofore, I could see no neces-'News from papa, maybe. It is very, very odd that he has never answered sity for doing so; but your sister is erly examined by his majesty regarding my merits as a prospective sonnow homeless, and in great trouble my last letter." "Possibly its contents displeased from the loss of her maternal relatives, in-law. Don't look at me like that im," murmured Shirlaw, gazing fond- and so, to make the story brief, she is Lispenard. I have received a curious now waiting at the gate of Rookwood." shock, you see—some strange, I may y into the uplifted brown eyes. say, infernal delusions have got pos-Whatever Philip Vye may have She shook her head. session of me tonight; but," with a "I think not. He would not sl w thought of this sudden resurrection of his displeasure in that way. I fear he an old and obnoxious family affair, ghastly smile, "they will be gone by did not receive it, or," sinking her his mask-like face betrayed nothing. morning." "Delusions-concerning Gilbert Vye?" "You are rich in surprises, Gilbert, voice to a shy whisper, "perhaps he "Yes, by Jove! yes. He reminds me cannot quite make up his mind how to he said, dryly; but Mignon, now in of a-a-person that I once encounterstate of wild excitement, interrupted: dispose of his daughter and heiress."

say to your father, of course. He has (To be Continued).

PREVENTABLE DISEASES.

here Should Be Cleanliness and Ordi

Miscellaneous Reading. men and close acquaintance with public affairs. He has acquired the wisdom of years while his eye is not dim-

med nor his natural force abated. He

dreary, joyless way. "You do not look in the least as I

expected to see you," keeping his hawk eyes fastened in amaze upon her. "You are far handsomer than your mother ever was, though she passed for a pretty girl in Cinderville, twenty years ago. And you have been happy with the old folks-your grandfather and Concordia, I mean?" "Yes," she answered, mechanically.

"Now make a clean breast of it!" he commanded. "I am waiting-tell me everything!"

dia ?" She told her story with dry, burn ing eyes and colorless lips. He heard how Guy Fleetwood had come to Cinderville searching for a woman called thing. Concordia Tempest-of the wooing at Porgy Rock, the flight and the marriage-of the scene on the beach, where the bride had flung her ornaments in-He laughed. to the sea-of Fleetwood's desertion of her, and the vengeance she had wreaked upon him; and, lastly, of how she had been hiding from justice for two terribie weeks.

He did not move or speak through out the narrative. He sat with chin dropped forward, and eyes fixed on the Jim? floor. Whether or no he was affected hy his daughter's wrongs and crime neither of the others could tell.

"I killed him, father!" gasped Es ther, tragically. "I saw him fall, covered with blood, on the floor of that room. I killed him!" He started as though coming out o

sleep.

"Let me see," he mused: "Guy Fleet wood, a young Canadian-seems to me more heed to her than if she had been that name has a familiar ring! He a dog. Absence, doubtless, had dulltells you himself that he was visiting ed his paternal affection. He had not seen his child since her babyhood, and in Colorado not many months agowestern mining region is scarcely He returns from that region hum! the place to cultivate the finer feelings with a burning curiosity to find a cerof a man's nature. He ate very slowtain Concordia Tempest. He falls in ly, then moved leisurely back from the love with you and coaxes you into an table. elopement; and then the ring and the "Your Cinderville fish has lost its trinkets I sent you turn his heart lavor." he said. "it does not taste as from you, eh? The ring! Yes, I see used to in the years gone by, Conthe connection with tolerable clearness. cordia: or, perhaps, I have outgrown By my soul! Things happen oddly in my love for it." Suddenly he bent and this world. There are so many events touched the girl on the floor. that the wisest of men cannot foreup!" he said, in a tone that made Aunt see!" He laughed, but his eyes flash-Deb jump, so stern it was and pitiless; "Esther, I acknowledge you as ed fire. "I've something to say to you." my very own! my seal, so to speak, is A shiver crept over the lovely, pros upon you! You have acted grandly; you have done the right thing in the trate figure; then, as if conscious that right place. This curious seeker after she had met her master, she struggled to her feet. women with strange names; this fas-"I am going to take you away from tidious husband, who will not allow his Cinderville," he began; "now-this wife to wear her father's gifts; this very night." fine gentleman who can cast off a "Whither?" she queried, impassively, bride one week and woo another the "That question involves some exnext-my dear, he deserved all that he planations. Sit down. You look like its." got. It is a clear case of righteous ghost rather than a live woman retribution. I should have killed him a standing there-you make me vastly Elinor. if you had not. You spared me the uncomfortable," waving his hand with task, that is all." impatience. By some strange revulsion of feeling She sat down. known only to a woman's heart, Es "You have never known your fathther shuddered away from her father. "Don't say that!" she sobbed, with the inconsistency of her sex. "I would another state, and the time has come to the glass, his figure looming up, sugive my own life to bring his back. I for you to make thei, acquaintance. I pernaturally dark and tall, against the the first to recover her wits. shall deliver myself up to the proper must now take you from Concordia background of misty twilight. The I am a murderess-a here, and carry you away to my own authorities. wicked, desperate murderess-let them kindred." She answered not a word-only drawing room of Rookwood with a hang me as such. I love him, and I killed him! Smite me, curse me, dis- looked at him with woful, despairing free and easy air. own me, father, but do not praise me yes. for what I have done." "Heaven above!" cried Aunt Deb, in "My marriage with your mother of- skin. A look-a cry-a breathless rush terror: "don't let her be hung, Jim! She was mad with jealousy-she

as you do not know, I contracted a she was in the arms of the intruder. own child, won't you?" "Papa! papa!" she cried, wildly; "it second marriage, and became the fath-"Has there been much hue and cry is papa! after her?" he asked, gloomily. er of another daughter." Yes, his majesty, the cattle king, had, finger tips to the newcomer. "None that I know of. She hid "Jim Hart!" gasped Aunt Deb, in Canada two weeks, as she just told utter astonishment; "you never mean indeed, come. Gilbert Vye stood again under the family roof-tree, in the home you. Nobody followed her there, she it?" of the old judges and magistrates and he said, lightly. "As guardian of two "Don't interrupt, Concordia-I must says, or spoke of the murder in her hearing."

ey in them mines. You've got the look of a prosperous man." "I have prospered fairly well," answered the returned wanderer, his eyes following her as she began to

bring forth such cheer as she had from her cupboard and arrange the dishes on the table. "Esther has been amply provided for, and you well paid for all our trouble with her, eh?" "Yes," she acknowledged. "Why the deuce didn't you keep her out of this marriage muddle, Concor-

"I couldn't, Jim; 'twas all done un heknown to me. She headstrongwould have her own way in every Mr. Fleetwood asked gran' ther and me for Essie, and we said 'no,' and much good that did! I wish she had been in the west with you."

"With me? You are what you always was-a simpleton, Concordia. What could I do with such a girl in the west? She seems to be a whole handful even here." Aunt Deb regarded him doubtfully.

ding?"

"Get

She shivered.

surely-by tomorrow!"

posite the fireplace.

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orightly tonight," she said.

went the sash—he leaped into the

"I trust I am as welcome by the

Mignon sprang up from the tiger

window as the door." he said.

"I s'pose you've come east for good, "No," he answered: "I shall remain but a few days. Ah, your supper is

ready—I will move up!" Jim Hart, born gentleman, returned miner, drew his chair to the table, and proceeded to partake of the fare which Aunt Deb had spread thereon. All

the time Esther was lying face downward on the floor. Her father paid no

"They are an aristocratic lot," he said, with a shrug of the shoulders.

fended them deeply. After her death past Shirlaw, who had risen, indignant went west, as you know, and there, and astonished, from his chair, and wasn't responsible. You'll save your

make this story short. After a few famous lawyers of his race. Long- such girls my brother has surely a parted father and child were clasped great responsibility resting upon his "Didn't the affair get into the news- happy years-Great God!" passionate-"they were happy, indeed !- I was in a close embrace. What were Gil- shoulder."

"How strange, how delightful, papa! ed in the west under abominably un-In the absence of Cyril Vye life at Rookwood had flowed very peacefully Let me see my sister at once! It was pleasant circumstances, but I canno or the last few weeks. Shirlaw was very good of you to bring her here tospeak of it, even to you.' "And the daughter?" said

constantly there, hovering about Mig- night, that she might share in your non; but Philip Vye seemed to suspect own welcome. I promise to love her ard, nothing, and treated Lispenard's kinswith my whole heart."

man with studied politeness. Aunt "And I also," said Elinor Vye, firm-Elinor saw all, but uttered no word, ly. For once she seemed to forget her husband's presence. "Do not keep her made no sign. waiting another moment, Gilbert; she There was now but one drawback to

Mignon's happiness-no reply had yet will think us unkind and unhospitable." "Very true," chimed in Philip, vivacome from Gilbert Vye, no paternal clously; "bring her in." sanction to her engagement. What The cattle king walked leisurely out could his silence mean? "I hope to heaven that we shall not of the drawing-room and down into

meet with any opposition from him!' the driveway, where a close carriage said Shirlaw. "My darling, I wonder stood waiting. He threw back the doo if you would give me up at his bid- and said, briefly: "Come!"

Esther alighted. Gilbert Vye thrust ome money into the hand of the dri-

"I love him so much, Victor! It ver, and the vehicle rolled away, leavwould break my heart to disobey pa- ing the two together at the entrance pa; but," trying to smile, "we need not of Rookwood. "Your kindred will receive you proptalk like this. His silence does not, erly, Esther," said Gilbert Vye. "Mind cannot mean disapproval. Tomorrow we may hear something favorable from that you say nothing about your late you to our Dale friends."

troubles. You have left your past bedear, faraway Happy Valley. Yeshind you-your very name is now changed. All that happened to you Elinor Vye had turned her face-she always appeared oblivious to the lov- among your mother's relatives you ers and their low murmurs. She was must forget." She nodded, but did not speak. He now looking away to a window op-

pushed her almost rudely toward the "Lispenard's lights are shining door.

other long ago!"

"You are to begin a new life here No whining, remember, and no more "I fear the old chap has something on his mind," answered Shirlaw, care- devilish nonsense, girl! Both you and your sister ought to marry men of er born for seclusion. A kind Provi-"He seems strangely distrait

wealth and position; you have each a dence surely sent you to fill the vacuum of late-quite unlike himself. Maybe the family tragedy weighs on his spirowerful share of good looks. Now ourage-here we go!" "Ah, poor fellow!" murmured Aunt The next moment Esther was stand-

death of a relative. Ah, is it not deng in the Rookwood drawing-room, lightful that papa has come from the The gas had not been lighted in the face to face with the strange kindred whose existence had been unknown to west at last? Of course, he is even coom, nor the curtains drawn. Sud-

denly they all heard a slight sound outside the window: looking, they saw ion, dressed in plainest black, but of We are both motherless, and both have

"Welcome to Rookwood—to

"Miss Vye, I fear you are

handsomer than your sister Mignon,'

With a shrug Philip extended his

Gilbert for bringing you here."

more of a stranger to you than to me her one week before-a grand, pale vislived, I suspect, lonely lives. I am er's people. Esther, but they exist in a man standing there, his face pressed a beauty so startling that everybody sure that, like myself, you have longstared in amazement. Mignon was the ed unspeakably for papa." She

ed her.

of astronomy, it is beyond the grasp Esther's face changed. Had not this rushed forward and caught the imather deceived her continuously conmoment he found himself observed, up pressive creature in her arms. beyond the reach of mathematical cerning his situation, his occupation-"So you are my sister?" she cried demonstration. Light, which travels even his name? Had he not drawn a "and I never dreamed till tonight that sharp line of difference between her at a speed of 186,000 miles in a single possessed such a treasure. Oh, we

ought to have known and loved each and the child of his second marriage? second of time, takes over four years to reach us from the nearest star. The "No," she answered, sternly; "he is, thread spun by a spider is so excesindeed, a stranger to me. I never knew In Esther's big, woeful eyes a sushim and I never loved him." picious moisture gathered, then Aunt "Oh, you cannot mean that!" Elinor embraced her and said, boldly: Mignon, greatly shocked. your reach to the moon and over 3,000 "I do-I do!" protested father's birthplace, my dear! I thank

"You are sweet and gentle gloomily. and amiable; but I, by nature, am a wicked, heartless creature. Don't lion tons. If a railroad could be built start. I shall not harm you. Neither," with a half sob, "could I dislike you if I tried." Mignon went straight up to the handsome, desolate creature and kiss-

coined gold in the world.

ion." months ago the Manufacturer's Record called attention to an address he CLEVER, BUT TROUBLESOME. the spread of consumption. The seats had made in Philadelphia to a body

of cars should be covered with linen of young folks-an address full of Characteristics of the Red Ants That Invade the Pantry.

an active business life of forty-odd sterilized by boiling and frequent The small red ant, the pest of the vears. Of like purpose is an address changes should be made. Contagious pantry in country or town, is as clever delivered by him more recently before diseases are liable to be contracted in as she is bothersome, says a writer in the Employment Club of Philadelphia. cars, which have not been properly the New York Tribune. Many a time The address is so full of meat that the disinfected. Dust is the harbinger of a despairing housewife has marked Manufacturers' Record quotes from it lisease. To 'dust' as usually practica path around the legs of tables or reto some extent. Speaking to individed, merely means to distribute dust frigerators, to find next day that the uals about to enlist in the great army nore equally over a room. The only engineering corps had brought grains of wage earners, Mr. White said that way to remove dust is to wipe everythe employer locks for sincere and of sand to build a bridge over the tar thing with a damp cloth. And all and that the workers were merrily furniture ought to be so made that it willing service-that is, a readiness to do whatever is asked to be done, it carrying off the sugar, syrup, or whatcan be wiped with a damp cloth withever they had decided to store away being taken for granted that no rightout injury. In private houses cases for winter. Once, when sand was minded employer would ask his emof purulent opthalmia, ending in lacking, it was found that the workblindness have been known to occur ploye to do anything that was wrong ers had returned to their village and rom the use of a soiled towel by anor to sacrifice his manliness, and as a had brought over a drove of their other member of the family. If the corollary that the employe, keeping cows and had stuck them in the tar. in mind the highest interests of his surgeon were to disregard dust and cheerfully sacrificing them to the urnot sterilize his field of operations he employer, as well as of himself, will furnish the very best that he has to gent needs of commerce. would indeed get poor results. He

Learning that chalk lines drawn on give, both of physical and mental abiltoo well knows that the germs which the floor would keep the ants away. ity, and should put into that giving cause suffruation are in dust. A dirty the acid in the chalk being too strong such a measure of honest, sincere enfor the sensitive ant nose, a man once deavor as well make his effort earnest and thorough, whether he is being di- drew a thick line around a party of rectly superintended or not, whether ants that was foraging across his the master is present or not. With kitchen floor. He kept them several that broad principle in view, Mr. days, as none would cross the line. White elaborated the following rules: Finally, feeling sorry for them, he "1. Endeavor as far as possible to chopped up some fine grass and drop-

secure a position which you think will ped it in the circle, that they might accord with your tastes, because we eat and keep them from starving. are apt to do that thing in business Eat? Not they. They simply seized best which we like best to do. the bits of grass, bore them, piece by "2. Having obtained a position, let piece to the chalk line, built a pyramid

oom. Bed clothing should be of ma- nothing divert you from making your- and when it was high enough, pushed self familiar with its duties, so that it over the line, thus making a green sterilized. This may be done by either in time you shall become essential to bridge over which the prisoners triyour employer and be able to obtain umphantly passed. that increase in your compensation to and is the cheapest disinfectant, it

which your added skillfulness entitles 17 An extraordinary curiosity, says London Sphere, is to be seen in the you.

"3. Do not perform your duties village of Gunten on the Thun Lake, mechanically. Think. Study your which takes the form of a natural tree employer's methods. See where you fountain, the water flowing contincan perchance improve them. Gain uously, apparently, from the trunk of ance to the nearest fixed star is so remendous that, like many of the facts his confidence, and faithful work will the living tree, and shows the wonderdo it, for employers are not all the ful vitality of cut wood. About twenof the human imagination, though not hard taskmasters that the grumblers ty years ago the water of the spring make them out to be. When you are was conducted through a shaft, and assured that you have found your way the supply pipe was directed through into his confidence, then make the the cut trunk of a young poplar tree suggestions that have occurred to you, which was rammed in the ground. Afand in the vast majority of instances ter a short time it became patent that you will find not only are they accept- the trunk had struck root, and sively fine that a pound of it would be ed, but that your value in his eyes has branches were pushing themselves well long enough to reach around the earth. increased, and in time it will bring forward; at the present time a splendid It would take ten pounds of it to the desired reward. top growth is to be seen. The pipe and

"4. How many have I seen grow tree have become inseparable. pounds to stretch to the sun. But to old in business life without any appar-

to The District of Columbia has the get a thread long enough to reach the ent advance, either in position or comnearest star would require half a mil- pensation. Sometimes you will hear greatest population per square mile of any other section of this country. The them complain, sometimes not. What to this star and the fare fixed at a is the cause of this stagnation? They fighters are slightly more than 3,839. cent a mile the total cost of the jour- have never learned to know what has In Alaska there is only one person per ney would be \$250,000,000,000, or more been aptly termed a 'noble discon- ten square miles. Rhode Island is than sixty times the whole amount of tent.' Satisfied with a fairly comfort- second to Washington, with 407 perable position, not too hard or driving, sons per square mile.

THE MARVEL OF DISTANCE .- The dis-

carpet literally infects the room. The The island girl stood in the charm pest floor is some non-absorbent maing room as insensible to its luxury as terial, or wood with oil paint over though she had been at Porgy Light. which a new coating could occasion-"Do not present me to anybody," she ally be applied. The same is true of answered, in a stifled voice; "do not walls. The walls if plastered can be let it be known that I am here." kept safe by frequent lime-washing. Mignon stared and smiled.

Furniture should be of polished wood, "Oh, but I must! We could not con metal or marble from which dust can ceal you if we would, and we would be easily removed. Curtains should. not if we could. Why, you have the if used, be of material which can be beauty of a Cleopatra-you were nevsterilized by boiling. Thorough ventilation is essential for a healthful made by a schoolmate of mine who terial every particle of which may be lately occupied this room, but was suddenly called to Canada by the dry or moist heat. Heat is the best

destroys all disease germs .- Dr. B. F.

Rea, in Lafayette (Tenn.) Sun.

