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He grew a shade paler.

Heaven hears me, you will!"

"I decline to consider your proposal

for an instant, by dear aunt! You

NO. 57.

#### When she looks at me I do not know the Venice moonlight, the palms and whether I am medical student or a aloes, the marvelous atmosphere-yes, clam digger. Bring your cool brain and the donkey boys of Cairo; you TERRIBLE and keen eye to the cape, and you will know you quite loved those donkey must be mad to choose me, of all men, boys, Aunt Latimer," with a merry litfind occupation for both." Hume had paused in the friendly tle laugh. The elder woman regarded her niece shade of some wayside trees to read the letter. His back was to a stately with fond, indulgent eyes. CASE 👄 "The very nicest thing I remember," garden wall, overtopped by English hawthorn. He leaned meditatively she said, cheerfully, "happened one against the gray stone, smiling at his night when we went to see the pyramids and the Sphinx by moonlight. her plan in secret. His prompt oppoown thoughts. "Poor old Jack!-rescued from ty-By ETTA W. PIERCE. phoid, he must tumble into love! Who \* shall say that the last state of the man is not worse than the first? Cape Desolation-a sailor girl-a terrible casebe kind to the old mother for his sake." CHAPTER IX. pooh! Sometimes he found her presiding at His Failure. the tea equipage in the Ellicott drawcannot go.' He put the letter back in his pocket. On the following day Nigel Hum-Sometimes, in gray twiing-room. As he did so a thud of approaching ment, wanted to run up and down the lights, when the east wind was blowing hoofs saluted his ears. Miss Fassel, sharp as a knife from the harbor, she nounted upon a superb bay horse, apsat under rose-colored lights, and peared in a bend of the road. played nocturnes or soft sonatas with She wore an English habit of dark the skill of one who had learned her blue cloth, a small, round hat of the same color, and silver-gray gauntlets. it into the Nile-a very wise act, too, very little to say at any time to the piano, singing in a soft, dreamy voice shabby medical student, and Hume Her slender figure stood out in bold and one that surely broke some evil relief against the green trees and high spell. Old Father Nile seemed to cast did not wonder at that. How could stone wall which framed her on either she tolerate him at all? How could side. She drew rein at sight of Hume. for after that night I never saw you she bear to enter the Ellicott house, or out of spirits again." "I fear you are lost," she said smiling. even hear the name spoken? The blank silence which followed "No," he answered; "only seeking Sometimes he saw her on the crowd-Of fruitless husk, and fugitive this reminiscence recalled poor Aunt fresh fields and pastures new." ed streets, riding in a victoria with Latimer to her senses. "Oh, dear!" "You may not know it," she said; green liveries; and one day a certain she stammered, "the person who talks "but you have stopped directly at my Jack Harold, his friend and fellow stuown gate. Yes, this is Windmere," as too much is always sure to say somehe started up from the wall, coloring thing wrong. Pray, pardon me, Edith, "In Heaven's name, Hume, why do the instrument, and came forward into you always change countenance at sight hotly, "my birthplace. Ah, how awk--I am sure he likes it strong and hot." of that particular carriage? I chased ward! The exclamation was called forth by some rich shimmering fabric. In her to discover what it held that upset you a coil of loosened hair which fell sunglance at Edith Fassel. Her face was denly on her shoulders from under her calm and unmoved. She replenished hat brim. Like a huge twist of bronze "I hope your laudable curiosity was the teacups with a steady hand, and silk shot through with yellow gleams then began to feed the collie dogs with it swept down to her saddle. "Well, I saw two women inside the the last of the cakes. "I have been riding far and fast, vehicle-one young, one old-and some she said, "and the wind is high. Unfluffy lapdogs. All belonged, without fortunately, I lost sight of my groom vas time to say good-by. doubt, to the four hundred. The younger female was a genuine Boston some time ago, and have no idea where exotic, white as snow, cold as Arctic he now is. May I ask you to hold my ice-looked as though s' e could dis- whip and gloves, Mr. Hume?" rectly. Yes, she told me you were to cuss bacilli, Browning or beans with a He took the whip and gray gauntlets and with a dexterous turn of her white oom full of savants." wrist she gathered up her escaped Hume frowned. tresses, and pinned them quickly in "What nonsense' you talk, Jack! That is the girl whom Lepel Ellicott place. Hume gave one look at the supdeserted on her marriage night. The ple curves of her figure-at the highsight of her throws me into a cold bred face so cool and unembarrassed; weat. I long to hide in dens and then his eyes sought the distant landscape, and he did not even glance tocaves-to fly ward her again till she reached for her anywhere, out of the 'Anywhere, gauntlets. world! "Now that you find yourself at my very door, Mr. Hume," she said, sweetfiguratively speaking, am attempting ly. "I beg you will not refuse to take a to put on Lepel's shoes. Perhaps these cup of tea with Aunt Latimer. She is facts account for the peculiar sensaat home, and will be glad to welcome tions which I experience in her presence. At any rate, I would rather face you. A sudden dazzling smile, such as a loaded cannon than Miss Fassel." "I fear you overrate my powers. Can

There was a bridge-Kasr-el-Nil it was pointment. called-and an avenue of acacias, "This is the first command I even which some khedive planted for the Empress Eugenie; and the Nile was as white as silver, and the vast sands and you immediately refuse to obey me What a medley! Of course, I the Arab mud huts under the date Hitherto. Miss Fassel has been considered by the world at large a rara palms were all very picturesque. A avis-a wonderful creature. What good

tall Bedouin, in a curious white garthing do you find lacking in her? oyramid for our amusement or instruc-Youth ?- beauty"-"Stop, I beg you! God knows she tion, I forget which, and he demanded lacks nothing. You purposely misunten plastres for his trouble. In search-

derstand me.' ing your purse, you discovered Lepel "When you first entered this house, Ellicott's engagement ring. You threw she cried, raising her voice to a shrill staccato, "I was careful to ask if you You assured me were heart-whole. benign influence upon you at once, that you were."

"I spoke the truth!" he answered. foomily. "And yet"-with accession of wrath

-"you refuse to approach Miss Fassel was Henry Clay, an unsuccessful can-

tional

redeem Lepel's honor?"

who respects himself would undertake the party nominee three times before he has reached his fiftieth year. His career has been varied. His aptitude

for politics was early marked, and his "Ingrate! Say it again, that I may absolute control of a great national

"I will not!"

There was a sudden movement on

Oratory Helped Him to Fame. some person had pushed back a chair con Street house. At the end of that suddenly. Mrs. Ellicott started-Mr. Bryan is of Virginia stock. His changed countenance. The sound father was Silas L. Bryan, who was seemed to remind her of something born in Culpepper county, Va., at the "I wish to see you immediately," she which, in the excitement of the mo- foot of the Blue Ridge, and lived there wrote, "on business of importance. I ment, she had forgotten. She limped until 18 years old, when he moved to shall leave the city shortly for my to the curtain, dashed it back, and on Illinois, where he eventually became Newport villa, and there are matters the other side of that abominable enough of a politician to be elected

ful, patient to endure the scanty get the sight?-Edith Fassel, in street from the Illinois college in 1881, and later entered ocean, exactly between the two points standing with one gloved hand Lyman dust. on the chair from which she had just Turnbull, who later became United to be connected, is a great plateau. A canal ran close to their line risen, and the other pressed against states senator, and was one of the like an immense prairie, stretching entrenchments, from which they got her heart. She had heard every word most remarkable men of his day. The over an extent of 1,400 miles from he-for the last time-entered the Elli- of the conversation in the adjoining influence of Turnbull upon the young their water. Arabi dammed this caeast to west, with an average depth nal and cut a deep drain by which he aw student had much to do with of about two miles. As it approaches intended to let out the water into the "Edith! Edith!" cried Mrs. Ellicott, forming his mind and his future cathe Newfoundland coast it is entirely which separated that apartment from in a frightened voice, "I quite forgot reer. He settled at Jacksonville. Ill. valley and so make it impossible for free from the effects of icebergs the British to get their supply. that you were waiting here-I did, inwhich ground on shallow bottoms. In and within a year married Miss Mary A few days before the final battle E. Baird, the only daughter of a merevery other part the Atlantic is charthe British engineers were astonish It was useless for Hume to call upon chant in the neighboring town of Peracterized by abrupt declivities and ed to find the water in the canal risthe earth to open and swallow him. Ervan was now 24 years of age mountain heights. ing. The tendency before had been a Without a word-for he was past He had a wife, was a fluent talker Another advantage was found in rapid decrease from consumption and speaking-he seized his hat and rushhad very little law practice, but plenty the deposit of infusoria, covering the evaporation. As every one knew the of pluck and hope. He visited Lincoln ed from the house. bottom in abundance. The material canal was dammed, they supposed Neb., in 1887, upon invitation of a col-. . showed a tendency to unite with the the only solution of the mystery was Mys. Ellicott limped up to the molege chum, Adolphus Talbot, He soon iron wire protecting the cable, thus that the rising of the Nile had filled tionless figure, and threw her arms was of opinion that the country of the forming a concrete mass, making in the canal above the level of the dam effect a bed of down for the cable to around it. Platte offered better opportunities and that the water was pouring over "How could you?" said Edith Fasse than Illinois and he moved to Lincoln rest upon. it. The increase was availed of at in a low, broken voice. "Oh, Mrs. Elli-His law practice was not worth much The landing of the cable in Dolus once; the lock was opened and the cott, how could you-after all that more than \$1,500 per year, and there bay was successfully accomplished on level of the water raised. have endured in the past?" the 6th of August, 1857, Never before did not seem to be much chance of its The true solution of this increas "Edith, you break my heart! Yes, increasing. But a stroke of fortune had such a mass of people assembled of water never entered the European t was a foolish scheme—an outrage came. Mr. Bryan was élected a deleon the shores of that bay. They came mind. Later it was discovered. Arabi an insult-I acknowledge it now. Forgate to the Democratic state convenfrom miles around-from their huts give me. I found it impossible to re-Pasha had cut the dam. A dervish, or tion at Omaha. During a lull in the on the steep hillsides and the mounholy man, much venerated, had come sign you wholly, and since you could proceedings he was invited to make a tain passes, from the storied scenes never be my daughter, by this way I to the camp. He had heard of the few remarks. That was the turning of Killarney in the interior and the building of the dam and pronounced thought to keep you always near me. point in the life history of the young bleak coast in the south. it contrary to the faith. He declared You know how Lepel's falsity wrung man. His remarks attracted attention It was a great day for all. Five that although the British soldiers

THE ATLANTIC CABLE. transportation companies. This produced a discordant note in the Democratic party, and Mr. Bryan soon saw The Various Attempts to Lay it That that he had struck the wrong key. He The 17th of next August is the soon dropped the subject and returned fiftleth anniversary of the sending of to those before the public at this time. the first cable message across the At-His ideas are expressed in the platlantic. The message was of ninety form words, from Queen Victoria to Pres-Mr. Bryan is a remarkable talker. A recent visitor to his home tells this ident Buchanan. It took sixty-seven minutes to transmit. It was the first tangible proof that one of the great-"The Democratic chieftain estimates

roughly that each year he has deliverest attempts of man in the field of science had succeeded. When a little ed 250 speeches, traveled 25,000 miles company of men, under the leadermiles since his first defeat for presi-speaking distance of each other by dent, has addressed 3,000,000 people, means of a protected thread of wire has spoken 3,000 times and has talked across the Atlantic they were hooted 1.500 hours, or a little more than 62 at as madmen. Capitalists who investdays, which is two full calendar ed their money in the scheme were thought by their friends to have be-

One year Mr. Bryan spoke a huncome bereft of reason. Few imagined

By formal agreement, on Sept. 29. 1856, the Atlantic Telegraph company was organized. Its object was "to lay. or cause to be laid, a submarine cable across the Atlantic." Among those prominent in the forming of the comany were Peter Cooper, Chandler White, Moses Taylor, Marshall O.

Roberts and Cyrus W. Field. The first step in the programme was to be the laying of a cable across the Gulf of St. Lawrence, from Cape Ray Cove to Cape North. The first trial was disastrous, because of a furious storm, but in the following year the cable was successfully laid. Newfoundland was to be the western terminus.

Assistance was obtained from the United States, Newfoundland and English governments. The United States frigate Niagara, which was detailed to assist in submerging the cable, went o England, April 24, 1857. The coiling of a cable in Liverpool occupied three weeks. A strand of seven copper wires, composing the conductor. occupied the centre. There was a gutta percha insulation, a covering of specially prepared hemp, and then the outer covering of Iron wire, for protecting the cable.

Five large cones were arranged in he hold of the Niagara, round which the cable was coiled. The length carried made a total of 1.264 miles. The remainder was carried by the English ship Agamemnon, 1.700 nautical miles being required between the termini at Newfoundland and Ireland. specially constructed and complicated apparatus was designed for paying out and, if need be, winding in the cable.

Nature seemed to favor the project for extending along the bed of the

in the character of a lover?" "I refuse!" "She does not suit your fastidious taste?"-mockingly. "You, the son of In 1824 the election went into the naand give Mr. Hume another cup of tea a penniless country surgeon, deliberately slight a belle and an heiress, whose Had his life been the forfeit, Hume place is at the very top of the social could not have refrained from one swift ladder." He made no answer "In short, you will not attempt to hands of the Republicans three times.

"It cannot be done," he replied, with liam J. Bryan was born in March. bitterness born of the tumult which 1860, at a time when the country was The repast under the roses ended-it she had aroused within him. "No man deep in trouble, so that he has been

> the task! In a towering passion she rose from

be certain my ears have not deceived party like the Democratic has stampeaning against the rose-wreathed me; you will not try to woo Miss Fas-

> "You give up the Ellicott fortune ooner than ask her to marry?" "Most cheerfully."

nomination tendered him and dictated the other side of the portiere, as though its policies.

she had never bestowed on him before, which I must arrange with you before drapery Hume saw-would he ever for- a state senator. Mr. Bryan graduated tained. The men were steady, cheer-

appeared at the Beacon Street house, full ten minutes in advance of Mrs. Ellicott's dinner hour. He meant to be punctual. As the footman opened the drawingroom door a strain of music greeted art from famous masters. She had Hume's ears. Some one was at the

that song of Swinburne's: "'Is it worth a tear, is it worth an

To think of things that are well

flower. The dream foregone and the deed

forborne Hume crossed the threshold, and a dent, said to him:

hush fell. The musician arose from the light of the mantel candelabra. It was a girl in a dinner dress of it two whole blocks one morning, just

corsage was pinned a spray of tuberoses. The whiteness of her skin made her look like something cut from Pa- rewarded."

rian. She glided toward the intruderfixed upon him two wide brown eyes.

"I am Nigel Hume," he said; "I dare say my aunt is expecting me." "And I am Edith Fassel," replied the vision. "Mrs. Ellicott has had a sudden ill turn, but she will be down di-

dine here today." Hume felt a sudden, strange impulse

to take to his heels. "Miss Fassel!" It was the bride that Lepel Ellicott had deserted on her marriage night. "I have heard of you!" he stammered, idiotically.

'Very likely. And I of you"-with a faint smile. "Mr. Hume, I am glad that Mrs. Elliott has found a nephew She is old, infirm and alone. You will She is a sort of relic of Lepel; and I comfort her-you will reconcile her again to life."

Brazen enough under all ordinary circumstances, Hume felt himself coloring now, like a schoolboy.

Harold, a small, fair young man in comfort her?"

Aunt Latimer gave Hume a friendly hand at parting, and begged him to ome again. Miss Fassel repeated the her chair. invitation, but without warmth. He cast one last look at her, as she stood balustrade, her dull-blue gown and sel? golden girdle shining in the sunset

light; then, feeling as though the gate of an enchanted land had closed upon him, he strode off down the driveway, and took the road back to town.

For a week after he kept closely to his studies, and forgot to visit the Bea-

time a note from Mrs. Ellicott stiffly reminded him of his neglect.

my departure."

for Miss Fassel's next suitor. I swear o you. I have not the effrontery for Career of Mr. Bryan as the Idol of His such a role." Then, waxing vehement, Party. "I would rather he shot than attempt Twelve years ago William J. Bryan it! You will have to excuse me-as

was nominated for the presidency of the United States at Chicago for the about him: For months she had been cherishing first time. Mr. Bryan was renominat-

Miscellaneous Reading.

THREE TIMES FOR PRESIDENT.

ed in 1900 without a dissenting vote. sition filled her with rage and disap-But the convention did not acknowledge his dictatorship, repudiated his spoken on an average half an hour

aid upon you," she said, bitterly, "and candidacy for vice president and came each time. The figures show that, in- ship of Cyrus W. Field, began to ornear rejecting his demand that the cluding his trip around the world in ganize for the purpose of bringing ree silver coinage declaration of 1896 1896. Mr. Bryan has traveled 300,000 the Old World and the New within hould be reaffirmed. In 1904 Judge Parker was nominated without difficulty, but a vigorous opposition develped within the convention, and, win-

ning a victory in the resolutions commonths." mittee, forced him to write his gold

standard telegram and thus created dissensions which helped to aggravate dred times on the Chautauqua circuit the feat possible. alone, and often in the campaign in his defeat. It was in the 1904 conven-1900, when anti-imperialism was the tion that Mr. Bryan made a most vigorous campaign in the committee on paramount issue, he talked thirty-five

times a day. In 1904 the speeches he esolutions, the session of that body made for Judge Parker greatly exceedasting for seventeen hours. For the third time Mr. Bryan has become the ed those the candidate made for himself. candidate of his party. Three times

Mr. Bryan, in addition to being a lawyer, is the editor and proprietor of didate for president. Three times the Commoner, a weekly newspaper of Andrew Jackson was a candidate for great circulation. He lives on a farm

president and twice he was elected. about four miles from Lincoln. Neb The farm is a model in its way and one house of representatives, and of the show places of the district. John Quincy Adams, chosen. Grover The members of his family are hi Cleveland's record equaled Jackson's. wife, a young daughter, Grace Baird James G. Blaine was an aspirant for Bryan, attending school in Virginia

the nomination for president at the William Jennings Bryan, Jr., a son who attends a military college, and but landed the prize only once. Wil-Mrs. Ruth Bryan Leavitt, a married

> daughter. SOLDIERS' UNEXPECTED ALLY

How a Mohammedan Holy Man Cam to the Rescue of a British Regiment Sir D. C. Drury-Lowe, who recently died, a veteran of Crimea, the Mutiny, the Zulu and Egyptian wars ed him among men as an adept in his was one of the leaders of the forced line. A remarkable feature of the march to Cairo, which made its way for sixty-five miles across the desert

nomination of Mr. Brvan is that the former big leaders of the party were and consummated the victory of Tel absent from the convention and he el-Kebir. A curious incident is told ran the machine himself, took the

of this campaign. The story illustrates the absolute and superstitious devotion of the Arabs to their reli gion. Arabi Pasha had concentrated his forces near the English camp. The British soldiers were a queer looking set in their rough, loose, jack-

ets, dusty and muddy, their growing beards, their dirty belts and helmets but the strictest discipline was main-

ompanied the words. Go with her "Yes, and in a measure fill her son's pectacles, looked hard at his friend Hume read these words, and felt, He could not help himself! Like "By Jove!" he said, and drew a low man in a dream, he walked by the side somehow, that a crisis was at hand. place." whistle.

chair.

And Hume?

He shook his head. "I have small hope of doing that Spring came.

First of all, some evils are too great The lively crocus peeped from the brown mold under the plate-glass win-

for consolation; then I am a stranger dows of the Ellicott house. The huge the child of a sister with whom she was at variance; I have none of the vines, curling about the little iron balbrilliant gifts of that precious foo"conies of the mansion, put forth countless leaves. Across the mall the grass He pulled himself up suddenly. was like emerald velvet, and the old, mean," he concluded, with increasing confusion, yet looking her squarely in historic trees spread full, umbrageous

the face, "Lepcl Ellicott must have oranches to the June sky. One afternoon Hume started out for been a queer sort." solitary walk in the suburbs. Inces-"Did you know your cousin?" asked

sant study and meagre fare were tell-Miss Fassel, dryly. ing on the young fellow's strength. He "Not at all. But that fact gives me Jack

no particular regret. I pitied him till looked haggard and careworn. this moment. Now I see that he was Harold, who was just recovering from an unheard-of idiot, who deserved a sharp attack of typhoid, had gone her.' away to recuperate in some remote all"-

Luckily the door opened before he Maine fishing town. In the absence of his friend, Hume tramped off alone, could finish the sentence, and Mrs. weary in body and somewhat dull in She greeted her Ellicott entered. 'arying in hue from fairest white to other." spirit. nephew cordially.

He was a good pedestrian, and the "I have had a slight indisposition, she said. "These attacks-with a sad afternoon was his own. The broad avenue along which he plodded was smile-"warn me to set my affairs in mooth as a floor, dappled with soft order. Ah!" she flashed a quick glance shadows, and bordered on either side from Hume to Miss Fessel, "you two teriors need no introduction. That is with superb villas and gardens. A cool, sweet wind, full of reviving pow-

want you to be friends." They went out to dinner. Hume did er, blew from him the sickening scents not shine at the meal. He was siof the hospital. His thoughts were lent and shy. Though he was careful occupied with a terrible surgical opereyes from Miss Fassel ation which he had witnessed that day. not a movement of that young person "It was superbly done," he muttered escaped him. He marked her slow, half aloud. "Old Bellamy surpassed the roses. lingering smile, the graceful turn of himself"-referring to an autocrat her head, the beauty of her dazzling, surgeon, of whom the students stood

ringless hands; and the scent of the n wholesome awe. "Pity that Harold should have missed the sight! I must suddenly in a glass door behind Hume's tuberoses which she wore in her bosom remained in his nostrils long after he write to him about it." "Report has exagger In sudden remembrance, he clapped left the house.

ated her charms," he thought; "she is a hand to his breast pocket, and drew forth a letter received several hours counterpart of Tennyson's simply a before, but quite forgotten in the im-Maud:

portant event of the day. icily regular, faultless, " 'Faultily splendidly null.

It was Harold's latest effort, and ran as follows: "Already I have gained stuff gave a fetching air to the cos-She seemed quite at home in that tume. desolate house-quite at her ease, also. amazingly in flesh and strength, my And it was plain that Mrs. Ellicott dear Hume. Old Bellamy knew what through the bronze colls of her hair.

he was about when he advised me to adored her. Coffee was served in old Dresden try the air of Cape Desolation. The cups; and as Hume was about to make finny tribe disport in all the neighborhis adieux, his aunt drew him into her ing waters, and birds abound on the library, and opened a check book. rocks. I remember that you have no tendre for the sex; but I will mention "I hear that you live in obscure lodgings, and in a very humble man- that the cape girl is renowned for her ner," she said; "I wish to change all good looks. I have established a close

friendship with a certain old fisherthat." strawberries. He drew back, reddening to his tenman named Hillyer, who owns a jigger, and lives at a secluded cove, called ples.

me-I cannot after his own family. He is the uncle "Pardon money. I live quite as well as the of two blazing beauties, both still in majority of my fellow students. My their teens. I give you my word, that wants are but few, and 3partan sim- pair of young creatures would create a laugh-"is sensation in any Boston drawing room plicity"-with an uneasy The elder known as the sailor girl, be good for a man.'

cause of some wonderful exploits of She looked at him steadfastly. "You are too proud to accept help ners on blue water, is a Juno, with forsaken love! velvet-black eyes and a profile cut like from me," she said; "you prefer to re an old cameo. The other- But I formain independent?"

That way lies madness-"That is it!" he answered; and she bear! closed the check book, and permitted diablerie. One must neither think nor him to depart without further words. talk about the other.

After that, he was summoned often "Come down here for a week or two to the Beacon Street house-to stately my dear Hume, and hear the noise of dinners, to cheerful five-o'clock teas, to the surf, and the scream of sea fowl delightful lunches. Said Parker, the on Cape Desolation. My landlady, worthy soul, bakes toothsome coddies, butler, to Susan Taylor:

"My stomach rebels agin that young and airs her sheets with religious care. man as slashes up cold corpses: he Of course, you will say no, and plead comes 'ere much too often: I 'ave no the old excuse-an empty purse-your isual inability to raise the wind. But liking for your Mr. 'Ume.' onsider; you are fagged out-done up "He isn't my Mr. Hume," sniffed Su

of the bay horse, through the stone He made haste to meet it. In the dusk of the summer twilight gates, and up the long driveway Windmere, cott drawing room. It was empty, but room. At the door she sprang from the saddle, hardly touching the hand which a murmur of voices behind the portiere Hume held out to her, and went away

the library told him that his aunt was to doff her habit. Aunt Latimer arose from a seat on the plazza, and came not far away. Presently she pushed deed!" back the curtain and limped in, looking forward to greet her visitor. "So glad to see you, Mr. Hume more feeble than ever. "I have not seen you for a week,

And she drew him hospitably to a seat she began, with some asperity. amid the ferns. "Positively, Edith ev-He hastened to push her favorite ery day grows more and more like an

English woman. She finds her chief chair into place. "I could not help it," he answered amusement in her horses and dogs. dare say that poor groom is lost again mendaciously. "I am not a brilliant

fellow, you know—I make my way only -he always is when he tries to follow by hard and diligent study."

"Sit down beside me. I have call-Hume glanced around. The plazza was a bower of tropical plants, set in ed you tonight for a special reason. huge Moorish jars. Magnificent roses, It is time for us to understand each

"Quite true," he answered, quietly larkest crimson, flaunted on the posts "My mind is made up, Nigel. You and the balustrade. Two or three colshall be my heir, on one condition." lie dogs lay stretched along the floor. "Name it."

Through long windows, opening this "I have chosen a wife for you. Marry way and that, glimpses of luxurious inher, and I will ask nothing more." were revealed—a mahogany For a moment he seemed too ascom, with walls of soft willow green and draperies of salmon-tinted bro ounded to reply. ade-a salon with ivory-enameled fursmile curved his well-cut lips. "My dear aunt, you snatch away my niture, and walls paneled in blue and

oreath. A wife? You are very good gold. The peacocks were spreading -too good, for, pardon me, I have no gorgeous plumes on the terrace, and all esire for such a possession." he air was heavy with the perfume of

it!" she cried, pounding the floor with "Let us have tea on the piazza, Aun her gold-headed stick. "Don't advance Latimer," said Miss Fassel, appearing objections-I know what I am talking about."

"Then you have the advantage o Her riding habit had been exchange ne," he answered. for a dress of dull-blue faille. Its full She laid one hand impressively on his falling oversleeves were tucked up to

ture." show close mediaeval undersleeves, stiff rm. The tears shone in Miss Fassel's "Let me explain. You are already with gold embroidery. A high collar aware that your cousin Lepel, at the brown eyes. She leaned and kissed her

and pointed girdle of the same rich time of his death, was betrothed to the friend. "Promise never to speak of this hour richest single woman in the country?" A golden dagger was thrust

"Yes." "When Edith Fassel lay in her cradle A servant brought out the tea ser-Mrs. Ellicott." was planning to marry her to my vice, and laid it on a round table in son. I loved the girl-have always the midst of the tropical plants. The loved her as a daughter. I need not attling of the Sevres cups and the speak of Lepel's madness-it is a mys-

old Dutch-galliot spoons made a cheertery which has never been solved, and ful sound in that bower of bloom. Miss ing room, rang the bell for Susan Taynever will be, perhaps. I will simply Fassel poured tea for her guest, and Aunt Latimer helped him to delicious say that I want you to marry Miss Fas-"I must see my lawyer, Mr. Steph sel, and atone, so far as you can, for little cakes and a dish of crimson

Lepel's conduct. You are his succesor in this house. Take his bride, as well as his inheritance-become at once

All in a moment he became aware a suitor for Edith Fassel's hand; purthat he was poor, unknown and haltsue her till she is won, and every doling in speech-that his clothes were shabby, ill-fitting, and permeated with lar that I possess shall be yours. The Ellicott fortune, united with Miss Fasingering odors of anaesthetics-that sel's, will make you enormously rich." he was the last person on earth who He sat as though turning to stone. should be sitting there with that rav-Darkness was fast gathering in the one is this-the Ellicott fortune is shing patrician girl-Lepel Ellicott's oom. On the mantel a timepiece of again without an heir!"

tortoiseshell and brass ticked with loud "It is good to be once more at Windinsistence.

nere in dear, beautiful June," Aunt "Why do you look at me like that" atimer was saying, with her kindly ried Mrs. Ellicott, sharply. "Speak!old face turned upon Hume. "You see. say something, and at once!"

last year, at this time, Edith and "My dear aunt, did it ever occur to were abroad. I am a miserable travelyou that Miss Fassel may have had er, and the dear child insisted upo juite enough of the Ellicott family and going everywhere and seeing everyall its connections?" said Hume, in a thing. You can't imagine, Mr. Hume, queer, suppressed voice. "It would be the fearful muddle of dingy old pictures and dusty cathedrals and dirty singular if, after her experience with beggars that confuse my poor memory matrimonial overtures from another of when I try to recall our eighteen his race."

months of travel." "She is a woman," answered Mrs be forced would render all the work "I fear it was a little tiresome to yo san; "I want no part in him. Indeed, You have studied harder than any of "Nope, we bin standin' pat." is said that the nomination was an af-"After that the bandits, who were Ellicott, "and therefore can be won. dear Aunt Latimer," said Miss Fassel, I couldn't bring myself to look with us-burned the midnight oil with what unavailing. "Has congress done anything yet? terthought. Mr. Bryan has always had very superstitious, obeyed every com-On Aug. 5, 1858, the eastern end of with the sugar tongs lifted above a Her fine nature harbors resentment favor on the Angel Gabriel himself, may call ghastly freedom. A few large percentage of Populism in his mand. Every time they began to for if I saw that he was trying to shp in- days' rest will put you on your legs massive silver bowl, ornamented with against no one. With your own eyes 'Not a thing." he cable was landed in Trinity "Jerome done anything?" get their obedience Yncenlos, the again. Ask the rich aunt for a check, the head of winged Mercury. "You do you have seen how she cheers and comcomposition, and his views have been Newfoundland, and the press of the manufactured god, would appear and country sounded loud praises in honto poor Mr. Lepel's place." Mrs. Ellicott did not again offer her pawn your watch, turn footpad-do not flourish on foreign soil. Yet, you forts me. As for Lepel, she forgave startling to the east. He early advo-"Nope." cated control of railroad rates, and frighten them again. Finally they "Platt resigned?" famous messages were sent and rehad some happy days, did you not?" him long ago-who can cherish ill feelnephew money, nor seek to impose any anything, lawful or otherwise, but come "Yes, yes-certainly. As soon as I ing toward the dead? His terrible fate Nope hearly all the "isms" that have ap- were stirred up to such a fanatical ceived by cable between Queen Victor frenzy that they would do anything ria and President Buchanan. obligation upon him. Hume met Miss before my own leave of absence dwin-"Panama canal built?" peared in the country. A Political Backset. His second defeat in 1900 was dis-appointing, but he was not dismayed. In 1906 he made a tour of the world backset. His troops in 1896, 200 soldiers were killed. When the Americans took the In 1906 he made a tour of the world backset. His troops in 1896, 200 soldiers were killed. When the Americans took the his backset. In 1906 he made a tour of the world backset. His back saw that new scenes and new experi- has wiped out his errors. Nigel Hume, Fassel constantly at the Ellicott house. dles to a close. Plainly, the events of the previous year "By the way, Hume, I have stumbled ences were working wonders for you, you have lived long enough to know "Nope." had in nowise disturbed that young upon a case here-a curious and terri- dear. I was quite resigned to every- that the man who woes with sufficient "Bryan been elected?" "Nope." ardor can win any woman whose heart In 1906 he made a tour of the world islands Papa Ysio was at his height, commercial purposes, his ground beperson's affectionate relations with ble case-which at first sight aroused thing." Mrs. Ellicott. She bore herself like a my professional interests to the ut- "I mean," said Miss Fassel, calmly, is unoccupied." "Carnegie poor?" and was received by crowned heads, a but the troops drove him into the ing that the cable had ceased to test and was received by crowned neads, a<br/>"Lepel's death has blotted out all his<br/>transgressions," Hume secretly con-<br/>cluded. "Womanlike, she finds it easy<br/>to forgive the man she loved, and tomost out real made nothing of re<br/>that you retention with pleasue such<br/>that you retention with pleasue such<br/>transgressions," Hume secretly con-<br/>to forgive the man she loved, and tomost out retentions retention of the shops near the Tulleries;Doubtess allss reasers dead noter<br/>all you retention of the<br/>shep again."-Success.man was received by crowned neads, a<br/>mark of esteem and honor seldom ac-<br/>corded to a private citizen. Upon his<br/>sill occupies her heart."<br/>"The dead are harmless rivals. You<br/>and other fascinating sweets, which we<br/>to forgive the man she loved, and tobut the troops drove him into the<br/>mark of esteem and honor seldom ac-<br/>corded to a private citizen. Upon his<br/>sill occupies her heart."<br/>"The dead are harmless rivals. You<br/>and other fascinating sweets, which we<br/>to forgive the man she loved, and tobut the troops drove him into the<br/>mark of esteem and honor seldom ac-<br/>return he made a speech advocating<br/>government ownership of railroads andbut the troops drove him into the<br/>mark of esteem and honor seldom ac-<br/>to forgive the man she loved, and tobut the troops drove him into the<br/>mark of esteem and honor seldom ac-<br/>to post-intelligencer."

Then a curious my heart. I dreamed that Hume-but next they thrilled his hearers, and no, I will not offend your ears with finally he captured the convention. The his name. He is weighed in the balnext day he found himself instead of a ance and found wanting. From this struggling lawyer one of the foremost noment I wash my hands of him!" figures in state politics. were set free.

Miss Fassel struggled hard for comwas reform of the tariff and anti-dis-"I ask you to marry-no, I command posure. Perhaps the compassion which crimination by the railroads. The she felt for Lepel Ellicott's mother farmers were deep into those subjects. overcame her natural indignation and Bryan was overwhelmed with invita wounded pride.

tions to make addresses, and his fame "Oh, Edith, cannot you pardon the spread. Soon he was known as "The blunder of a heartbroken old woman?" Boy Orator of the Platte." groaned Mrs. Ellicott. "Yours is a

Gets Into Congress.

wonderfully sweet and generous na-In 1889 he declined the nomination for lieutenant governor, but a year later he accepted the nomination to ongress from his district. The district was naturally 3,000 Republican,

but the Republicans of the state had 30 long as we both shall live, and I for some time been affected with prowill pardon you with my whole heart, hibition ideas imported from Iowa, and nad committed themselves to an

amendment to the state constitution Ten minutes later Miss Fassel had prohibiting the liquor traffic, as it was rohibited in Iowa. Bryan won by Mrs. Ellicott, left alone in the draw-6,713 and was re-elected two years later by 140 majority. He was given a field. place on the ways and means committee and became a lieutenant to Wilens, immediately, Susan," she said, as liam L. Wilson on his great tariff that scraggy female appeared in haste. fight. "It is long past office hours-send a

Becomes Free Silver Champion. During his second term in congress

"Lord above! ma'am, I hope no new inpleasantness has happened to you! entured Susan, in sudden fright. "Many things have happened, Susan replied her mistress, "but the principal

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"I promise, dearest child."

aken her departure from the house.

nessenger at once to his house."

RIP VAN WINKLE .- Rip Van Winkle returned from his long sleep looking

resh as a daisy, and made his way to the enemy contracted for two columns the village shop, not only because he of space on the editorial page of Mr needed a hair-cut and shave, but also Bryan's paper, and used it so effectualbecause he wished to catch up on the ly that Bryan went to court to annul

"Let's see," said he to the barber, after he was safely tucked in the chair, Lepel, she could consent to receive "I've been asleep twenty years, haven't 'Yep," replied the tonsorialist. "Have I missed much?"

days the Niagara sailed, overcoming were infidel dogs they were still God's great difficulties in the laying of the creatures and should not be made to cable; then, on the sixth day, when suffer and that the divine blessing the Niagara had left the shore 300 could be expected only if the water miles behind, a mistaken order to put on brakes resulted in a strain which

Arabi was a devout Moslem, and he broke the cable. instantly complied with the dervish's There was nothing to do but return

to England. The Niagara sailed for New York the following November. Of course, a great cry was raised

hat the scheme had been fairly tried once and failed, and that any further the Superstitious Islanders. attempt to achieve this imp A war of extermination against the

Philippines, with the killing of several hundred natives, is the prediction of the Rev. Harry Maxfield, missionary of the Tabernacle Baptist church

to this island, who is now at home on a furlough. "The bandits of the island gave the Spaniards trouble for eight years, and it was only a year ago that our sons related to improvements in the troops wiped out the leader and broke impossible to mind in the was up the band," said the Rev. Mr. Max- it "The leader of the band was an

ox driver named Diopici, who was opfled to the hills, where he quickly having received a fresh supply gathered a band around him. The coal, started for midocean on the 10th, the point of rendezvous having band he later increased to several been hundred men. In 1900 he could mus-

er 2,000 men. "He found that it was difficult t

miles and 280 fathoms of cable had only by good fortune that the vessels eturned to land in safety

the harbor of Queenstown, meetings were held by the board of directors n London. It was proposed to abandon the enterprise and sell the cable When the news of this reached Mr. he started in great haste for Field with the He remonstrated London. despondent, upheld the wavering and finally, by his will and courage, obconsent to make another at-

tempt. The vessels accordingly, met again the rendezvous on July 28, and after making the splice with some Anxiety Was ceremony, separated. keen, as a kink in the cable or a hole through the gutta percha running through which not even a a hair could

Mr. Bryan became the open champion

unruly spirits and so he manufactured a scheme of worship. He dressed one of his lieutenants in a black suit put a mosquito net over him, and second term, Mr. Bryan undertook the between the mosquito net and the editing of the Omaha World-Herald as suit placed thousands of huge fire a free silver organ, hoping to win elec-

tion as United States senator. But flies. "Then he manufactured a mechan ical device to slide up and down, by which this man slid down during the night, making it appear as though he came from the heavens and as tained the contract. But he failed in that and

though he were clothed in fire. The in his hopes of becoming a senator. bandits thought he was the Lord, His first nomination 12 years ago was won by his remarkable speech on and when he spoke every one grovellfree silver. He had prepared this ed on the ground. The manufactured speech carefully, but not with the idea lord then appointed Daniel his mounof being nominated for president. It tain pope and called him Papa Ysio.

of free coinage of silver, and was made the chief lieutenant of Bland. He was ontinued on the ways and means comnittee and was the first, it is said, to suggest the income tax clause in the Wilson tariff bill. At the end of his

decision .- Youth's Companion.

NEGROS BANDIT LEADER

His Trick to Secure the Allegiance of

was madness and a criminal waste of bandits in the island of Negros, in the the stockholders' money. But in the of all this opposition, the little face band of resolute men, led still by the indomitable Cyrus W. Field, mined to make another attempt.

They had learned by their experlence many valuable lessons. was that it would be better for the wo vessels carrying the cable to meet in midocean, make a splice and then sail in opposite directions. Other lesimpossible to wind in the cable after

was once out, as the very weight of the line was sufficient to break it. The telegraph squadron arrived at Plymouth, England, June 3, and after pressed by the Spaniards in 1890 and an experimental trip of three days.

deter-

One

decided. When the splice was finished connecting the cable of the Niagara with that of the Agamemnon, the two ves-A terrible storm came sels parted.

govern such a large band of wild and up soon afterward, and after 142 been paid out the line broke. It was

While the squadron was lying in