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A Dialogue.

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e-e-e-e-e-e-e-e-e-e "She is absolutely perfect," said young Stafford Orcot. "She mostly always is," said Jim.

BY EDWIN FUGE.

"It's quite the commonest type of "Mind you, I'm not one to rave," Stafford went on. "Some lovers do,

I know, but I flatter myself I'm not that kind of man at all." "Yes, you flatter yourself," mut-

"Eh? Oh, I only wish you knew "I know hundreds of her."
"She's not like other girls."

"Of course she isn't." "In the first place, as I have told you, she is perfect."

"And in addition to that?" "Oh, you wouldn't understand. Jim, if she refuses me, I shall die!' "Otherwise I suppose you have de-termined to be immortal."

of the world."

of the kind." "I wish you would. I assure you I'd be only too pleased to take your

advice if". "If I advised you to do as you think best. And what would be the use of that? It would be like spur-

ring a bolting horse."
"Look here!" said Stafford, with an air of inspiration. "I've a jolly good mind to speak to her point blank and be done with it. I can't go on like this. It's making an old man of me. And at the worst she can only condemn me to a lifetime of misery."

"And what is a lifetime of misery, after all?" asked Jim. "You can easily compress it into a few weeks.

Look at me, for instance."
"You?" Stafford looked slightly incredulous.

"When I was a mere boy-ah, it must be some six months ago now," said Jim solemnly, "I, too, was in love. But she told me she would always be my friend, and she hoped that I should find some one more worthy of me." He shook his head mournfully. "Well," he continued, "to cut a long story short, she was a better friend to me when she said that than she ever expected to be. And as for the 'some one more worthy,' their name is legion, but none of 'em are worthy enough." "I hate that kind of cheap talk,

Jim," said Stafford impatiently.
"So do I," Jim replied. "But they all say it. It's their way of letting you down lightly."

Stafford looked at him reproachfully. Jim rose and clapped him on the shoulder.

"My dear old chap," he said, "the world isn't going to stop laughing because a girl has curly hair and a man takes himself seriously about it. If you marry this girl, and equally if you don't, you'll soon learn to laugh again yourself. You'll have to-we all have to, to keep our of those who would see love slaughtered to make an 'Ally Sloper's Half Holiday,' but all the same I am not going to encourage you in the belief that you are not more than slightly ridiculous. Here is a girl good and charming and all that, I've no doubt, and here are you, such as you are, pretty ordinary and right. You

love the girl and want to marry her.
Well, tell her so. Take my word
for it, she is very ready to be told."
"Jim, old man," said Stafford,
smilling wanly, "I feel that I can't talk to you any more about this. It's too sacred. And you're so unsympathetic. You mean well, but you don't understand. It isn't as if she were one of your frivolous society

"They are qu'e as much yours as mine," protested Jim. "She is an angel," said Stafford,

"Not yet." "I could die for her."

with conviction.

"Why waste a charming widow?"
"I know you think I'm being a
hit extravagant," said Stafford, "but
really and soberly I do believe there is something divine about that girl."
"It's her expression," said Jim

gravely. "How did you know that?" cried Stafford.

"It's either that or the way she sings."
"Yes," Stafford responded eager-

ly, "she does sing, you know, only privately, of course." "Not much, but often," Jim sug-

It was the last straw. Stafford picked up his hat.
"I believe you are turning into a

profound cynic, Jim," he said, "and I'm sorry to see it."

"A cynic is never profound," re-torted Jim. "All the same, I wish you the best of luck." "She will never accept me."

"Even if she does I shan" de spair," said Jim, grinning. 'By the way, what it her name?"

"Her rame?" stammered Stafford. "For purposes of reference and identification, you know," said Jim. "she must have a name, however un-

worthy."
Stafford whispered in his ear and rushed from the room, Jim stood

motionless before the fireplace.
"The same girl!" he said, with a sigh. "Poor old Stafford!" And he filled his pipe.
But she accepted Stafford.

"Of course she is six months old-er now," Jim reminded himself. And a woman grows more inclined to accept something less than perfection as the months roll by. It makes a difference."

"And now you're the happiest man in the world?" he said when Stafford imparted the great news to him a day or two later. "I suppose so," said Stafford, adding hastily, "Of course I am."

Jim appraised him with a keen glance. "Her parents," Stafford proceed-ed rather inconsequently, "are all in favor of an early marriage."

"Lucky. man!" "And of course," said Stafford, "there is no doubt, as her father says, that the sooner we get it over the better."

"Sort of cold bath business." thought Jim.

"I say, old man," Stafford blurted out at last, "of course I'm awfully happy and all that, and she is quite the dearest little girl in the world, but has it ever struck you that marriage is a little rough on the man?"

"Otherwise I suppose you have dermined to be immortal."

"Jim, advise me. You're a man the world."

"That is why I shall do nothing the kind."

"I wish you would. I assure you stafford shuffled. "I said she was as perfect as a worse could be."

as perfect as a woman could be."
"'Absolutely perfect' were the
words you used."

"That's not evidence. I swear it. I had myself perfectly well in hand. And I particularly said at the time I didn't want to be extrav-

"And you said also that you would surely die if she refused you."
Stafford tried to laugh. "Never knew you read novelettes before,

"Moreover, you insisted on it that she was an angel."

"You have mixed me up with some other man." "You were certainly not yourself

at the time. I could almost wish now that you had been." "Take your time. Say some more,"

Stafford drawled. "I've nearly done," said Jim. "You finally accused me of being a cynic because I ventured to suggest she was more or less human."

"Were you so wise when you were in love?" Stafford asked.

"No," answered Jim, "but the woman was. She declined to come down from her pedestal."-Black

The Proper Way to Introduce People. In making an introduction the man is always taken to the lady to be presented, and the formula is, "Miss A., may I present Mr. B.?" Where two women or two men are presented the elder is addressed where the difference is marked. A girl presents her friends to her mother, but the mother says, "Allow me to present my daughter, Mrs. Blank." A woman should rise when another woman is presented to her unless she is much younger than herself. If a man is presented, she retains her seat and bows and smiles cordially. Men always shake hands when introduced to each oth-

er. Jomen do so when desiring to show especial friendliness.-Ladies' Home Journal.

A Lake of ink.

Men of science tell of the existence in Mexico of a "lake of ink." The body of water or ink or whatever it is is so covered with the ashes from the adjacent volcanoes as to appear a part of the surrounding ground, which is all of the same dull tint. At first the party of pioneers who discovered the lake inclined to the theory that it was but a mere hole, but the condition of the clothes of one of the party who fell into it quickly disproved this for the dirt left an indelible stain. It was called ink forthwith, and, as it blended readily with alcohol, one of the draftsmen of the party took the occasion to supply himself with a good cheap quality of drawing ink.

Care in Drying Linen. In these days of factory made linens it is especially essential that the goods should be carefully laundered. The fiber of linen is easily cracked when it is in a frozen state, and for this reason it is much wiser to dry it in the house during the cold weather. Old fashioned linen such as our great-grandmothers wove could be easily hung outdoors in winter and allowed to bleach in the frost as well as in the dew, but when the fiber has been weakened by the use of bleachers it is impossible that it should wear like the old time

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- Even the self-made man is preferable to the machine-made candidate. odds. A UNIQUE BIBLE

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The greatest care is necessary to the first letter is very large, usually manently with the hearing. two or three inches long, and is brightly illuminated in blue or red ink. Within each of these initials there is drawn the figure of some following chapter tells is illustrated. There are two columns on a page, and nowhere is traceable the slightest irregularity of line, space or for-mation of the letters. Even under a magnifying glass they seem flawless. The precious volume is kept under a glass case, which is sometimes lifted to show that all the pages are as perfect as the two which lie open.

A legend relates that a young man who had sinned deeply became a monk and resolved to do penance for his misdeeds. He determined to copy the Bible, that he might learn every letter of the divine commands he had violated. Every day for years he patiently pursued his task. Each letter was wrought with reverence and love, and the penitent soul found its only companionship in the saintly faces which were portrayed on these pages.

Sanitation in the Middle Ages. The Greeks and Romans paid special attention to the physical culture

of their youth, to public water supplies and baths, and Athens and Rome were provided with sewers

early in their history.

During the middle ages sanitation received a decided check, and this was the most insanitary period in history. Most European towns were built compactly and surrounded by walls. The streets were narrow and winding, and light and air were excluded. The accumulation of filth was frightful. Stables and houses were close neighbors. The dead were buried within the churchyards or in the churches. Wells were fed with polluted water.

All conditions were favorable for the spread of infectious diseases, and in the fourteenth century alone the oriental or bubonic plague, the black death of recent historians, carried off a fourth of the population of Europe. The birth rate was much less than the death rate normally. The cities had to be continually repopulated from the country.

The Angels Came Too Readily. 'A Georgia darky went out to an old field to "seek and pray."

It was dusk, and he knelt down angels would come and minister gan to grow in ornateness. unto him.

Presently he heard a flapping of wings behind him, and in a second he was making race horse time on the home road, where he jumped i. to bed and covered his head. Suddenly there was a loud knock-

ing at the door, and his startled wife cried: "John, git up dar, fer de Lawd sake! De angels you been seekin' is come fer you!"

"Le'm stay dar," was the trem-bling answer. "Tell 'em thoo' de keyhole dat I ain't got no wing ter fly wid, en I too heavy ter tote!"-

Atlanta Constitution.

Don't Talk Your Aches and Pains. As soon as possible dismiss from the mind every suggestion that has to do with illness. If you have had an operation and it is over, let it glide into the shadowy background of memory. Do not dwell upon it. Do not talk about it. Cultivate thought about others, about the great round world, about its heroes and its martyrs, its battles and its victories, its happy homes and loving hearts, but utterly turn from the night side of suffering, except as you may relieve it, and dwell in the blessed sunshine. There is no sweeter thing on earth than to be one of God's light bringers and to make those about you stronger because you are uncomplaining. - Ladies'. Home Journal.

Potatoes.

To test the quality of potatoes cut one in half and rub the two pieces together. If it is nice and mealy, they will stick together, and there will be a show of froth at the edges and on the surfaces, but water should not run out even under pressure. The color of the meat should be white or of a yellowish tinge. The opinion that entirely yellow potatoes do not boil well is not well founded, for there are some yellow varieties that leave nothing to be desired in this respect.

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The human car is a much more delicate organ than most people suppose. It is extremely dangerous to interfere with it by use of ear picks or any of the various instruments used for the purpose of cleaning it from wax. The wax is a natural secretion, and unless the ear becomes diseased it does not accumulate any facter than is necessary to protect the passage from the entrance of insects and various particles which might otherwise be forced in and tend to interfere per-

The greatest care is necessary in washing the ears of little children. They should be washed outside, but on the inside only so far as the finger wrapped in a soft towel will go. saint, or some incident of which the The practice of forcing a hairpin or any other hard instrument into the ear passage is fraught with danger of injuring the membrane, causing permanent deafness. Eurache is a malady of childhood and causes most distressing pain. The simplest remedy for it is to take a little cotton dipped in warm sweet oil and put it in the ear passage.

A danger that may arise from do-

ing so simple a thing as this is that minute particles of the cotton may be left in the ear. To prevent this some physicians advise making a little wad of the cotton and wrapping it in the finest and thinnest inen cambric that can be found and dipping this in warm sweet oil. In case of intense pain a few drops of hot laudanum or camphor may be used with the oil

When foreign bodies get into the car, they should be removed by syringing them out with warm water. To attempt to remove anything from the ear passage by forcing an instrument in is a rash thing for any one except an aurist to undertake. The best medical practitioners refuse to treat affections of the ear or eye, but send their patients to specialists.

Christmas Card Evolution. The Christmas card dates back to

1842, in which year the idea of such a device occurred to Sir Henry Cole, who employed the famous artist, J. C. Horsley, to make the design for but words of most exquisite sound. him. Sir Henry gave his idea and design to a London publisher, who "touch" until it is but mockery to printed and sold about a thousand cards. They were lithographed and then colored by hand. Such was the small beginning of what is now an immense business. Every Christmas cards were put on the market, but they did not seem to be popular until 1862, when they came sudden-ly into favor in England and soon began to be used to a considerable extent on this side of the water. It was some years, however, before the Christmas card achieved in the United States the great popularity which it now enjoys. The first Christmas cards were simple affairs, those of the early sixties being mostly plain cards bearing the It was dusk, and he knelt down and put up a long petition that the py New Year" only. They soon beand finally arrived at their present

A Veteran Danseuse.

Probably the professional life of no class is so short as that of the ladies who dance for our delight in the season of pantomime, and none nowadays can be said to dance through two generations. What a surprise the present public would experience at such an announcement as appeared in the London Weekly Journal of Jan. 26, 1723, that a veteran danseuse, aged seventy-one, would on a certain date perform a series of dances. The celebrated Peggy Fryar, therein advertised, had publicly danced in the early years of the reign of Charles II. and made her final appearance in the time of Course W. H. in the time of George II. Her dancing in her seventy-second year drew crowds to the New theater in the Haymarket in 1723, but the charm was probably the novelty rather than the excellence of her performance.

A Clover Retort.

An old lady brought up as a witness before a bench of magistrates when asked to take off her bonnet refused to do so, saying, "There's no law compelling a woman to take off her bonnet." "Oh," said one of the magistrates, "you know the law, do you? Perhaps you would like to come up and sit here and teach us?"

"No, I thank you, sir," replied the old lady; "there are old women enough there already."

Accommodating.

There is a point to this story: A burglar whose night entry into the parsonage awakened the sleeping pastor said to his helpless victim: "If you stir, you're a dead man! I'm hunting for money!"

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"Black Valley R. R. Ride," I. N. Tarbox, D. D. "John Gilpin's Ride," William

"Charlotte Churchman's Ride," A. A. Preston. "Collins Grave's Ride," John Boyle O'Reilly.

"Erl King's Ride," Wilhelm von Goethe. "Ichabod Crane's Ride," Wash-

ington Irving. "King of Denmark's Ride," C. E. Norton. "Kit Carson's Ride," Joaquin Mil-

"Lady Godiva's Ride," Alfred Tennyson. "Mary Butler's Ride," B. F. Tay-

"Parson Allen's Ride," Wallace "Paul Revere's Ride," H. W. Longfellow.

"Ride to Aix," Robert Browning. "Skipper Ireson's Ride," J. G.

"The Radical Ride," A. J. Walker.
"Warren's Ride," E. H. Weston. "Young Lochinvar's Ride," Walter Scott.

To the above may be added "Grayson McArthur's Ride," "Israel Putnam's Ride," "Wilhelm's Ride With Lenore," "John Sullivan's March," "Don Quixote's Parole," "Mazeppa's Circus Feat," "News From Flod-den Field," "Pythins' Homeward Race," "Ride of the Light Brigade," "Ride of Commendatore," "The Ride For Life" and "Dick Turpin's

Japanese Paint Brushes.

The Japanese artist has made a most careful study of how to convey truths in the most pleasurable way —how to make his lines most beautiful, as though a speaker would use "touch" until it is but mockery to compare it with that of his European brother. He has learned to handle his brush with a directness and preusion which are a thing of wonder, and he has studied with a patience beyond compare the possi-bilities of each particular kind of brush. He knows, for instance, that one kind of brush may be used to express a bamboo stem and that another brash will be less efficacious. He knows how to fill each particular part of that brush with a certain amount of color or of water so that a single movement of the hand over the paper will paint the stem. its light and shade, its peculiar characteristics, complete. And to the study.-Independent.

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