

THE STOLEN BRACELET

The pride of Mrs. Lester's heart was vested in her diamonds. With these diamonds, Mrs. Lester often remarked, she would feel like nobody. Consequently when Miss Arabella Tiptop espoused Mr. Augustus Highflyer, and the pair gave their grand reception prior to their European tour, Mrs. Lester donned her jewels and in gala attire proceeded to make her call. It was a formal affair and soon over, and Mrs. Lester returned home anticipating no change in her domestic arrangements, but to her surprise the moment she entered the hall her eye encountered, perched on the two hall chairs, a mammoth valise of dingy yellow and a large basket with two handles.

little. Mrs. Lester played a waltz; the rest said, "Charming." Mrs. Atwood sang; her friends remarked, "Lovely, indeed." Then Mrs. Atwood "really must go," and the Lesters "must be sure to spend an evening with us," and adieu were said, and the guests departed, and Mrs. Lester came to the fire yawning behind her handkerchief. As she lifted her arm Mr. Lester uttered an ejaculation. "Where is your bracelet, Augusta?" "My bracelet? Oh, how stupid I am!" cried Mrs. Lester. "I took it off to write to that tiresome Aunt Jenkins and left it on the table in the back parlor."

A WEDDING TOUR INCIDENT. The Bride's Embarrassing Meeting With Her Former Fiance. She is very pretty, and no one wonders that her husband is much in love with her unto this day, but she tells this story of a bad half hour on her wedding journey. "I was eighteen," she said, "when I was married and had been engaged to my husband a year, but preceding both engagement and marriage I was sort of engaged, schoolgirl fashion, to another young fellow. It was one of those intangible engagements that melt into thin air when the real prince comes, but fervid enough while they last. In this case my interest in the affair cooled with the rapidity of a collapsing balloon, and as the youth lived in a distant city no embarrassing explanations were necessary.

THE BERMUDA ISLANDS. They Occupy For England a Singularly Commanding Position. Imperial England knows what she is about. Those islands (the Bermudas), besides being used as a garrison for her troops and a safe, landlocked harbor for her warships, are a link in the chain that connects her American provinces in Canada and Nova Scotia with her possessions in the West Indies. The Bermudas occupy for her politically and commercially a singularly commanding and an unrivaled position, says a correspondent of the New York Mail and Express.

He Forgot. A colored man, about 30 years of age, drove up to the depot with a load of baled cotton, and he had just begun to unload when an old, gray-headed negro with a bad limp came down the street and shouted at him: "Say, yo' pussen deout!" "Hello, Uncle Joel!" saluted the other. "Now, den, what sorter man be yo'?" demanded the old man as he reached the wagon. "Hul! What yo' mean by dat?" "I mean, sah, is yo' a man of honah or not?" "Of co'se I ar'. Why, ole man, yo's all excited this mawnin'. What's de matten?" "Sam Johnson, I'ze got a darter Linda!" replied Uncle Joe as he straightened and waved his arms about. "Yes, of co'se. Yes, sah, yo's got a darter Linda, an she's a powerful fine gal."

Beauty Triumphs, 'Tis a Priceless Treasure. No woman objects to being beautiful. Beauty is woman's crown, and she will do anything to possess it. The world has always pined and adored beautiful women. A pretty woman draws maternity for fear of losing this power and influence over men. What can be done to perpetuate the race and keep women beautiful? There is a balm universally used by cultured and uncultured women in the crisis. Husbands will do well to invest in this remedy in order to reassure their wives on the point of ease with which children are born and all beauty of form and figure retained.

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— "Beauty is only skin deep," remarked the Wise Guy. "Yes, and some people are pretty thin skinned at that," murmured the Simple Mug.

— "What's the matter?" asked the rooster; "more absent-mindedness?" "Yes," replied the hen; "I can never find things where I lay them."

— "Are you sure you love me for myself alone," asked the romantic young woman. "Well," replied the practical young man, "I don't think I love you for any one else."

— "A man never begins to learn until he has forgotten most of what he only thought he knew."

— "Steer clear of the man whom dogs and children dislike."

— "There's something to be said on both sides of a question, and usually the most is said on the wrong side."

— "The plow is certainly the oldest and probably the simplest of agricultural implements, being represented among the hieroglyphics on the ancient tombs of Egypt, dating back more than four thousand years. As early as the year 1000 B. C. the plow was described by a Greek historian as consisting of a beam, a share and handles."

— "Why, your honor," exclaimed the new jurymen, "how in the world do you expect the members of the jury to agree when the lawyers in the case can't agree themselves?"

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