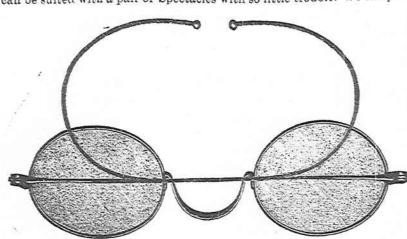
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AN INTERVIEW IN WHICH HE TALKED TO GOOD EFFECT.

He Joyfully Subscribes to a Home and Philanthropically Founds a Utopia-Then, Thanks to His Trusting Caller, He Indulges In a Substantial Lunch.

[Copyright, 1900, by C. B. Lewis.] Major Crofoot, grand promoter and general originator, was just making ready to go out after a luxurious 15 cent lunch when there came a timid knock on the door. It couldn't be the agent of the building after the four months' back rent, for he would have boldly knocked the door open; his landlady, to whom he owed \$48, didn't know where his office was; the tailor had grown discouraged, the coal man always sent his bill in the forenoon, and should it be a bill from the cobbler he would dispute its correctness. In answer to the major's "Come in!" a young woman entered.

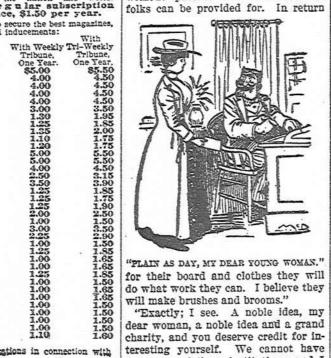
"I-I have called," she began, "in the interest of a new industrial home soon to be established. I am soliciting per-

sonal subscriptions." "My dear woman, sit down-sit right down," cheerily replied the major. "We may call this a coincidence-a curious coincidence. Not half an hour ago I began drawing up plans for just such an institution. It is to be called the Crofoot Self Supporting Home."

"Then you would not want to subscribe to another, of course?" "Perhaps so. You may give me what particulars you can."

"It is to be a home where children

without parents and friendless old



"PLAIN AS DAY, MY DEAR YOUNG WOMAN." for their board and clothes they will do what work they can. I believe they will make brushes and brooms."

"Exactly; I see. A noble idea, my dear woman, a noble idea and a grand charity, and you deserve credit for interesting yourself. We cannot have too many of these institutions, and I personally feel that I cannot do too much for them. You may put me down

"That is very nice of you," she said as she wrote his name in her book. "I have taken 200 subscriptions, and yours is the most liberal of all."

"I never do things by halves, miss. When I enter upon a charity, I do it with my whole soul. You may make my subscription \$15."

"And now about my own home, the ne I have planned. You will probably be interested in it. I shall erect a building to accommodate at least 250 inmates. It will not be an industrial home in the usual use of the term. Perhaps I shall change the name to 'The Crofoot Utopian Power company.' The first idea is the care and comfort of the unfortunate; the next to make them feel that they are not dependent

upon charity." "That is good of you," observed the

caller. "How best to do this was long a puzzle to me, but I have solved it at last. When Major Crofoot starts in on an idea, he never lets it get away from him unsolved. There will be no manufacturing in my home. The inmates shall simply eat, sleep and walk about. Your countenance expresses surprise, but let me add that each and every one shall earn his keep."

"I-I can't see how." "The simplest thing in the world. In the basement will be a 5,000 horsepower engine. Pipes will lead to it from every room. That engine will be run by what may be called lost power. For instance, you sneeze or cough. There is power there, but it is wasted. You fall off a chair; you sing or whistle; you yawn. It takes power to do it, but the power is wasted. By a system of pipes all this lost power will be conducted to the engine to run it. No coal, no gas, no wood. Engine runs right enough to supply all factories within half a mile of it. What the factories

"What an idea!" gasped the woman. "Not a bad one," smiled the major as | ly.-Gentleman's Magazine. he walked around, "and I am sole originator. All others will be imitations. All I shall ask of the inmates is to take comfort. As they rock to and fro in 250 rocking chairs the engine is worked up to its full capacity; as they move across the floor, eat, sleep, quarrel or make up they furnish me power. Out of 250 people 188 will snore in their sleep. These snores will give me a pressure of 50 pounds on the engine." "Wonderful! Wonderful!" she whis-

pay will keep the home going. Do you

understand?

"It's just making use of natural philosophy. It is not a stock company, and there will be no dividends, but I want outsiders interested. I want 100 people to take shares of \$17 each in order that they may help me run the home and receive a share of the public praise. The superintendent alone will receive a salary. May I offer you the position?

"I don't believe I could take it. You see, I am only a volunteer canvasser." "Exactly, but I am satisfied you would make a good superintendent and see that none of the power was wasted. I can say that the salary will be at

least \$5,000 per year." "It is awfully kind of you, but I fear I must decline.

"Then I will not press you. I will however, put you down for a \$17 share, and whenever you are near the home you are entitled to drop in and stir up the inmates. The harder you stir them the more power we get. Have you \$2 handy, miss? If so, I will use it for revenue stamps."

abrupt appearance and demeanor and "I don't understand," she replied as she rose up with a puzzled look. "Plain as day, my dear young woman. I subscribed \$15 to the home you are wished he had asked for his autograph. canvassing for. I put you down for \$17 for a share in the Crofoot Utopia Power company. The difference be-

tween \$15 and \$17 is \$2. You had best behavior of his scholars during mealpay now and have it over with." "But I don't see," she protested as times. A short time ago the master observed one of the boys cleaning his her eyes grew big. knife on the tablecloth and immediate-"Then we will go over it again. you add 2 to 15 it makes 17, doesn't it? | ly pounced on him.

And you owe me just the difference. home, sir?" he asked sternly. This being my busy day"-She looked at him in a vacant way On, no, replied the boy quiety. Passenger—Yes, for a minute and then laid \$2 on the "We generally use clean knives at list.—London Fun. She looked at him in a vaca desk and walked out without a word. home."-London Fun.

Ten minutes later she was back with the real estate man on the first floor. and the real estate man pounded on the | An Old Fad With Modern Improve-

door and called out:

hand over that \$2!"

The silence of death.

"Open, or I'll kick the door in!"

"Yes, we'll kick the door in!"

"Yes, a deep dyed scoundrel!"

sit down with plenty of elbow room.

Rivalry Among Congressmen For a

Good Position In The Record.

The general rule is, "First come, first

served." In this way those who want

to make their speeches influential will

at times arrange to have them on the

first page of The Record on the morn-

ing of a day when a vote is to be

taken, in order that they may be

brought prominently to the attention

ture of judicious advertisement-

Lincoln Coulen't Do It.

was killed at Leesburg, Va., during the

nomination for congress," said Dr. D.

were keen for the nomination. Both

necessary to settle the contest. Baker

won. Both men were at Springfield

when the news came. Lincoln was de-

make a speech now. I expected to re-

ing me. But I can't do it' "-Argonaut.

The Smothering Scene.

As to stage appointments, there

were no plush or velvet curtains or

couches draped with satin in early

days. The furniture was as unpreten-

tious as the costumes. Indeed on one

occasion when a lady was playing Des-

demona to her husband's Othello a dis-

astrous and at the same time ludicrous

effect, though of course unrehearsed,

Othello—Nay, if you strive— (Keep quite still.)
Desdemona—But half an hour. (Oh, hold me!)
Othello—Being done, there is no pause. (I'll

Desdemona—But while I say a prayer. (Do be quick, Robert, it is slipping.)

Which, indeed, it was, for the bed col-

lapsed, and Desdemona's body lay up-

on the floor, her head upon the sole

chair, which stuck to its post faithful-

Weir Mitchell and Whitman.

In Dr. Weir Mitchell's book a pleas-

deny the name of poet, while others re-

poets. One of the characters in the

story of "Dr. North and His Friends"

says that Whitman was eaten up by

his own vanity, regarding everything

he did as of such supreme value that

he had lost all power of self criticism

and could not tell good from bad or in-

different. Once he was asked if he

thought Shakespeare as great a poet as

himself. He replied that he had often

thought of that, but had never been

He went to a physician upon an oc-

of health. When he learned that his

ailment, whatever it was, could be

treated best by living as much as pos-

sible out of doors without dosing with

medicine, he was leaving in all good

the physician's fee. "How much will

it be?" he inquired. "The debt was

paid long ago," said the doctor, who

you who are still the creditor." Whit-

man thanked him and went out. An-

knock or announce himself-and said,

The lady was scandalized by his

They Used Clean Ones.

The head master of a boarding school

"Is that what you generally do at

"Oh, no," replied the boy

knew and liked his writings.

"That, sir, I call poetry."

able to come to a decision.

was played out:

night. (I'm falling, dear!)

oush the stool under.)

Othello-It is too late!

Washington Star.

M. QUAD.

the woman.

No reply.

Record.

ahead.

CONVENT LANTERNS.

ments-An Electrical Display. "Open, you sleek, slick man, and In the old days a favorite fad for travelers in ancient lands was the collection of lanterns. Those from ruined "Yes, you talked me out of \$2," added convents, decayed mosques and poverty stricken shrines were prime favorites. The fad is not entirely dead, but the supply has run so short that now enterprising firms in Birmingham, "Major Crofoot, you are a scoundrel!" England, and in New York turn out large numbers of excellent imitations. But the major heard not the words. The new ones are machine made and He had seized the money, locked up his so far as strength and durability are office and gone down by the back concerned are superior to the ancient stairs after his luncheon. He no lon- designs, which were hand made, but ger figured on a 15 cent "grab," but his the latter in many instances were ornamented with inlaid work as well as thoughts bounded forward to a 50 cent with carving and twisting of the most artistic type. The machine made goods can never reproduce these latter characteristics so well as to deceive an ex-FIRST PAGE FOR SPEECHES.

The material of the lanterns varies from fine woods and glass to iron, The effort that is constantly being steel, brass, bronze, copper, pewter and made to secure the printing of speeches even silver. The simplest forms are on the front page of The Congressional cylinders which are perforated with Record is not generally understood. numeous holes so as to resemble the Senators and representatives naturally clumsy sieve. Then come globes, cubes, desire to have their deliverances in octahedra, hexagonal prisms, ovoids congress receive as much attention as and more complex solid forms. The possible, and there is but one publica- prettiest of all are the mosque lantion in which they can monopolize the terns. Many of them are of bronze infront page in a display of their laid with silver, pierced with little winspeeches. That one publication is The dows and these closed in turn with white or colored glass. With a lighted Of course speeches that are printed | candle inside they look like a mass of in regular order in the debate, ap- jewels in a dark room.

A wealthy man on Brooklyn heights pearing on the day after they are delivered, are to be found only in their who has traveled a great deal has one regular place in The Record. But in of his rooms illuminated by lanterns of the cases of speeches withheld for re- this type. They range in size from vision there is an opportunity to have small affairs four inches in diameter to them displayed on the first page of the stately lamps a foot in diameter and official report of the proceedings. This two feet high. In place of candles inis merely done by an arrangement be- side he employs electric lights, one tween the senate and house by which | bulb to the smaller lanterns and three, this privilege is about equally divided. four and a dozen to the larger ones. Senators and representatives who When the current is turned on, the withhold their remarks for revision splendor of the effect is almost starfrequently inquire when they can have tling. The colors of the glass have the first page of The Record, which is been deepened and made richer by the generally reserved for at least a week years, and the radiance they give may be compared to that from a great oriel in a Gothic cathedral.-New York Post.

COMEDY IN THE AMBULANCE

A Doctor's Story of a Man and a Wo man, Each With a Broken Leg. "When I was an ambulance sur geon," said the young family physiof their fellow legislators just before cian, "I used to start like a fire horse they are to take action on the matters at the sound of the call. I was just as of which they treat. It is in the na- much interested in the work at the end of two years as I was the day I began. It was the excitement of the life that made me so fond of it. I had all sorts of experiences at all sorts of hours. "When I was in Springfield, Abra- There was an element of danger in it, ham Lincoln and General Baker, who too, but that only added to the charm.

"One night I had a call from the west civil war, made the race for the Whig side in the neighborhood of Chelsea square. It was for a drunken man who B. Hill. "Both were Whigs, and both | fell down and broke his leg. On the way back to the hospital with him I had a strong personal following, and if picked up a drunken woman to whom a both ran the Democrat would win in similar accident had happened. There the district. So a primary election was was nothing to do but put her in the ambulance along with the man.

"After that the ride across town was exciting enough for a cowboy. At first pressed. The crowd to cheer him up the patients sympathized with each called on him for a speech. Getting other. Then they began to cry in choup, he said: 'Gentlemen, I'd like to rus. At Broadway they fell to kissing comply with your request, but I can't each other. At Third avenue they were 159 East Bay fighting like a pair of Kilken ceive the nomination, but I failed. If and I had my hands full in keeping I had won, I know Baker would have them apart. The woman had scratchgot up here and so charmed you with ed the man's face dreadfully, and he his eloquence as to make you believe had nearly closed her eye with a punch. you had done him a favor by nominat- When we struck the asphalt in Twenty-sixth street, they were singing 'We Have All Been There Before Many a Time,' and such singing! The uproar attracted a crowd who evidently thought I had an ambulance full of lunatics. When we reached the gate, they swore eternal friendship, and at the office they parted in tears."-New

She Knew All About It. "I was dining out one evening among a notable company of people, most of had been imminent through the lack of whom I knew only by reputation," says even a nail or two to make an old stool George Inness, Jr., in The Home Jour-"I was assigned a seat next to a It was the smothering scene, and the nal. couch was made up of two chairs and a very charming and intellectual woman rickety stool covered, of course, with and did my best to entertain her. Said the simplest draperies-a red merino I: 'What can I talk about that will interest you? I have had some little excurtain trimmed with yellow worsted fringe. Imagine a Desdemona endeav- perience as a cavalryman. Possibly you may care to hear something about oring to recline gracefully, all the while horses in the field.' feeling portions of her couch sliding from under her. This is how the scene

York Sun.

"'Why, yes; certainly,' answered my fair companion. 'I know a little con-Desdemona-Kill me tomorrow; let me live to cerning army life, and I once wrote a book called "Boots and Saddles." And then it dawned upon my poor, dull brain that I was talking to the widow of the great cavalry leader, General Custer, so I said no more about horses or army life."

> Weight by Inches. "Forty and a half," sung out the cut-

ter of a Chestnut street tailoring firm as he passed the tape across a customer's chest. Thirty-eight was registered when the measure girded the customer's waist, and then the cutter stepped back and sized up the patron's height ant story or two is told of Walt Whitas compared with that of the salesman man, the writer, to whom some would who was recording the measurements. "Your weight is 165 pounds," he gard him as one of the greatest of all

> "One sixty-seven," spoke up the man who was being measured for a coat. 'How did you guess it?"

"No guesswork about it. I simply compared your height with that of the salesman here, who is 5 feet 8 inches tall. You are about two inches taller, or, say, 5 feet 10 inches. With chest and waist measurements and a man's height figured out I can come within a pound or two of his weight every time, as my close estimate of your avoirducasion, thinking himself seriously out pois proves. Of course there are exceptions, notably the man with the very slim waist and wide shoulders, who is invariably much lighter in build than his appearance and measurements indicate. In that case I drop about ten humor when he bethought himself of pounds from my figures and manage to come pretty near the mark."-Philadelphia Record.

A Grand Memory. A highland girl, who had been in service in Dundee and had gone to a other patient, a lady, had taken his place farther south, called upon her old mistress on her way north to visit place when he returned, put his two great hands on the table opposite his her friends. medical adviser-he had not stopped to

She was invited to take dinner with the family, and her master asked a blessing on the meal as usual, when the girl said: "My, maister, ye maun ha'e a gran

asked as soon as the writer had gone memory. That's the grace ye said for the second time, "Is the gentleman when I was here sax years syne."insane?" but, learning his identity, she | London Telegraph.

Sulted Him.

Railway Official (traveling incog. on his own line)-They say there has been in Sheffield is very particular about the some fault found with the lamps on these trains. Do you see anything wrong with them? Passenger-No, sir. On the con-

trary, they are exactly the kind of lamps I like to see used. Railway Official (highly pleased)-I presume you are a professional man? Passenger-Yes, sir. I am an oct

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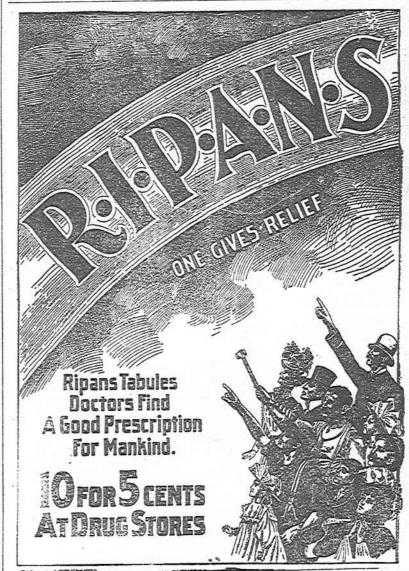
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Lv Florence, Lv Kingstree, 3.25 A. 7.55 P. 8.57 9.15 9.15 4.38 4.38 Ar Charleston, North-Bound.

*78. *32. *52. 6.33 A. 5.17 P. 7.00 A. Lv Charleston, r Lanes. Ly Lanes, 8.18 6.45 Lv Kingstree, Ar Florence, 9.28 *Daily. †Daily except Sunday. No. 52 runs through to Columbia via Central R. R. of S. C.

Trains Nos. 78 and 32 run via Wilson and Fayetteville—Short Line—and make close connection for all points North. Trains on C. & D. R. R. leave Florence daily except Sunday 9.55 a m, arrive Darlington 10.28 a m, Cheraw, 11.40 a m, Wadesboro 12.35 p m. Leave Florence daily except Sunday, 8.00 p m, arrive Darlington, 8.25 p m, Hartsville 9.20 p m, Bennetsville 9.21 p m, Gibson 9.45 p m. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.55 a m, arrive Darlington 10.27, Hartsville 11.10

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday 6.35 m, Bennettsville 6.59 a m, arrive Darlington 7.50 a m. Leave Hartsville daily except Sunday 7.00 a m, arrive Darlington 7.45 a m, leave Darlington 8.55 am, arrive Florence 9.20 a m. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4 25 p m, Cheraw 5.15 p m, Durlington 6.29 p m, arrive Florence 7 p m. Leave Hartsville Sunday only 8.15 a m Darlington 9.00 a m, arrive Florence 9.20

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54. 53. *6.40 A. *4.15 P. Lv Columbia, Ar Sumter, 8.05 *6.24 P. Ar Florence, 9.20 Florence. 10:00 Marion. Ar Wilmington, 1.25

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Ar Creston. 4.52 Ar Orangeburg, Ar Denmark, Ar Augusta, 7.55 No. 32 Lv Angusta, 2.40 P. M. Lv Denmark, Ly Orangeburg, Lv Creston, Ar Sumter, 6.24

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