

The Two Mysteries.

We know not what it is, dear, this sleep so deep and still, The folded hands, the awful calm, the cheek so pale and chill...

A CHOIR-SINGER.

There are two sides to every question, as the best of reason demonstrates; but Marie Pirot, try as she might, could find only one side to the question of her engagement to Sydney Worth...

"Miss Pirot!"

"Miss Pirot!" started visibly, then walked over quickly to her place, with a heightened color. When had she ever before needed a summons to duty?

"No," said Marie, vaguely. "Did you tell me?" "Come to think of it, I didn't," said Sydney, smiling. "That's so. I was afraid it might annoy you."

The Romance of Wedded Life.

"James, dear, will you bring me up a box of coal from the cellar?" said a busy wife.

The Story of William Tell.

The old story of William Tell, his son and the apple has a sequel in Boston that threatens to end tragically.

Dickens' Mother.

The childhood of Dickens was so shadowed by poverty, and his sensitive and imaginative mind was so keenly alive to his position, that it was hardly possible that he could draw an absolutely impartial picture of his parents.

On the Seventh Floor.

A well known Parisian portrait painter lived once, before his fame came, in a common lodging house at an altitude of seven stories.

Peculiar Eye of a Marksman.

This man Swinney who was to be a train robber, and isn't, has most remarkable eyes. He is a dead shot, if such a thing exists, and you would think so when you first look at him.

A Sensible Custom.

One of the sensible customs that the Anglomaniacs is to be credited with introducing is that of turning up the bottoms of the trousers in stormy and windy weather, which is now becoming conspicuously general.

IRISH WIT.

Delightful, Wild, Fictitious, Irresponsible and Audacious. Irish wit is a delightful, wild, fictitious, irresponsible, audacious quality. It is gloriously spontaneous, and there is a lurking twinkle in its seemingly most obtuse 'bull' that the thorough Saxon mind often fails to grasp when on his first visit to the Distressful Country.