MILDRED'S SNAP-SHOT.

"Oh, pshaw! You're too mean for any-Mains!"

Tom Gilespie turned and beheld Mooking girl, who held a camera, and whose evident design had been to choose whim as a subject for a snap shot.

"I think you're the mean one," said cTom; "you nearly made me tumble? 'And did I move?'

"Well, to tell the truth, I was, and you did," replied the unheralded arrival. "I want it for mamma, and it was, such a fovely chance: You don't care. do you?

"Care?" laughed Tom: "of course not! I'll sit anyway you want me' to if you'll send me one of the pictures."

"Oh, goody; I'll do that''' eagerly unake two?"

"All you wish my dear," promptly your name?"

is Dearie' Wells. We're only here for prevented the poison from spreading go to California. Have you ever been snakes usually results fatally to California?"

"No," said Tom. "I haven't, but I'm going some day."

"Wouldn't it be jolly if we could meet out there " chattered Mildred. "I like you 'Mamma'd like you, too, I guess. Now sit around on that stump again, just as you were before, and put your

mobody but Mr. Gilespie." Tom drew Littisan.

forth a letter and a crumpled and spot. ted picture, which he immediately rec. Then he read the epistle. It ran:

I also inclose a little picture of "Dearie" experiment. string on the house-block, so you can

'At a recent flower show in England some sweet pea vines were exhibited which were grown from seed taken from the tomb of an Egyptian mum- this house, in Polk street. You know about ten feet distant a very jolly- my buried some 2,000 years ago. The the little window high up near the top? blossoms were of a delicate pink and It was there. The rent is cheap. Late white and were less than the ordinary size.

SCIENCE NOTES.

Mr. Spencer, an aeronaut, together with a companion, left the Crystal Palace, near London, and landed between Treport and Dieppe, France, on

July 29. In Crossing the Channel they were obliged to throw out everything to prevent their falling in the water; even their anchor was abandoned. The balloon then attained an altitude of 12,000 feet.

A Chilean snake charmer was recently bitten by a Gila monster while agreed the tiny phowgrapher. "Can I giving a performance at Coney Island. The wound was dressed by a doctor, who tied a tight bandage about the consented Tom.' "But what may be wrist, drawing out the poison. The snake charmer had tied a tight com-"Mildred Wells, and mamma's name press about his thumb. This probably

the summer, you know. We go mome through the system, and undoubtedly next month and maybe the winter we'll saved his life. The bite of one of these There is one department of the

municipal government of New York which does not cost anything and into which politics do not enter. This is

the Municipal Art Commission, which passes upon the artistic merils of all paintings, statuary and other works of art offered to the city. The commispipe in your mouth. There, that's the sioners serve without salary and they way! Now, just a minute and I'll get are their own clerks. They pay no you all right. My, but that's fine!" office rent, meeting at their offices and

A few days later, as Tom Gilespie houses. Owing to a wise provision of corted his mail, somewhat aimlessly, pelled to select the members from a this indifference suddendly vanished as the new character, the Mayor is comthe picked up an envelope on which was list prepared by an association of art scrawled a full copy of his business societies called the "Fine Arts Fedcard, and in addition the caution, "For eration," so that it is strictly non-

A large percentage of the flowers which are exhibited at horticultural ognized as that of thimself on the stump, shows show the results obtained by crossing different varieties, so the de-Mr Gliespie-I promised you a pic ficiencies in one may be made good ture, and here it is. Two were bad and by the virtues of another. The Deand one was good. This was good .. | partment of Agriculture is studying made it this morning on one of the how to obtain orange trees that posonly two pieces of printing paper I had sess greater hardiness, and 't the same I thought it was fine until I showed it time produce a delicious fruit. Their to "Dearle," my mamma. It made ther efforts have been crowned with succry. The spots on it are her tears. She cess The sweet orange was crossed 'just said "Tom," and then she cried with the Japanese orange, which reall over it, and you see now she spotled suited in the production of a hybrid "It." I am going to make a good one for that is much hardler than the ordinary her on the only piece of printing paper sweet orange. The department is also I have left She mays she will keep it experimenting with crossing sea island as long as she lives. When I get more cotton with upland cotton, and the paper maybe I'll send you a better one. pineapple has also been the subject of

It seems we have at last aseptic duelwhat she looks like. I made it. | ing. According to The Medical News, Isn't she sweet? I shall keep your card in a recent Paris duel, whenever the a long time, for I like you very much. sword of one of the gentlemen who Your little friend. MILDRED WELLS sought this foolish manner of settling Tom, whose fingers now trembled, their differences touched the ground, took from the envelope the hitherto the duel was instantly interrupted overlooked picture of "Dearte." The until the blades were thoroughly sterilized by passing through the flame of an alchol lamp. What is specially he flung himself back in his chair. | feared is that the swords may become contaminated with the bacillus of tetanus. A French surgeon has issued a book giving regulations for the proper conduct of a surgeon when summoned to a duel The most rigidly surgical sterilization of the dueling swords is recommended, and their careful preservation ip the state of most absointe asepsis until they are handed to the duelist.

# THE HEART OF MARCIA.

fler name is Marcia. It is pretty, not so? She was blind. She lived here he sion. at night her brother Luigi came home.

He was a cook. Terese came to live in the house with Marcia and Luigi. And they were happy—all three.

In the evening they sat on the stairs and talked, or Beppo played his maddolin while Marcia sang while it was all dark and still-maybe a little noise from the street. And on one of these nights, which were dire nights, the little blind girl sat silent, as if unhappy. 'and sighed.

And when it was all finished-when Beppo had gone home-Marcia and Terese sat silent and held each other's. hands.

"What is it, little bird?" asked Terese. And Marcia sched and held down her head and cast down her eyes, as though they feared to meet those of Terese. "I am in love," said the blind girl. She hung her head on Terese's shoulder, "Oh," she cried, "you are in love! You are in love!" Then she grew wh.ter and held the little blind girl off and

looked at her a long time, silently and strangely. "Yes," said Marcla simply. "Terese,

thinkest thou Beppo likes me?" The serenata was like a fete. There were undreas that sat beneath the trees and listened, as did Terese and Marcia Beppo sat between them.

"There is a song in the night," said Beppo, "and there is a song within my heart, but it is unsung." "I will sing it for thee," said Marcia,

and she smiled. "Thou art good," said Beppo. "And

yes-thou shalt sing for me, and make, me happy." And though he spoke to Marcia he looked at Terese, and love shone in his eyes. And Terese looked at him and love shone in her eyes. But her face was white nevertheless and her eyes were downcast. And when Beppo clasped his hand she did not smile. When he pillowed her head upon his breast she did not look up.

"Thou lovest me?" said Beppo. He looked at her drawn face and thin lips. and read the love within her eyes, so that for a moment he was awed. "Thou lovest me," he said. And Terese hung limp within his arms and dropped her head.

'Yes,'' she said, "I love thee." Then-just as poor blind Marcia's song came to an end-they kissed. And why the sound of it should have been so loud I do not know-maybe it was not loud after all-but it reached the

ELECTRICAL NOTES. In some places trolley companies are

cultivating strips of lawn between the tracks, producing a most pleasant effect. The Electrical Review remarks that grass in the streets is now a sign of progress rather than of retrogres-A South Side ohurch in Chicago has a steeple on which are lights are placboth.

ed. The lamps are 225 teet above the This was perhaps peculiar, for the level of the street, and, as it might be suitors were of distinctly different imagined, produce an excellent effect lemperaments. Breen was styligh. He and serve to effectually advertise the church.

A correspondent informs us that kind. He was gallant and pleasing to on the Milwaukee-Waukesha electric line air brakes and air whistles have been used with much success. The distance of twenty miles is made in country store at Woodstock, where fifty-five minutes, so that there is need anything from a hairpin to a plough for effective brakes and whistles. We noted a short time ago that they were munificent sum of \$6 per week. to be applied on the cars between St. While Wichman, on the other hand,

Paul and Stillwater. There are two electric tramwaya in opération in Holland. One is from Vaals on the German frontier which et social functions. is only half a mile in length, and the line from the Hague to Scheveningen is somewhat over six miles. 'The cars are actuated by accumulators, as the village. trolley system is forbidden. Holland is a country of short distances, and it ering, Willie went home feeling downought to be an ideal location for

cast. That night he thought the matter tramways. over and decided he would go to New The Baldwin Locomotive Works, of York, make a name for himself, return Philadelphia, have recently constructed and carry off the prize. So on Baturtwo electric locomotives for the Imday the weekly paper selated this item. perial Government of Japan, where "Willie Wichman is going to New they will be used in the coal mines. York to make his fortune." These are the first engines of the kind Andy Breen felt hanny and easy after which have been exported from Amerithis. His way would be clear, ca. The height from the rail, exclus-Annie was philosophical. Willie had ive of the trolley, is 2 feet 10 inches; told her his intentions and she had width, 4 feet 2 inches; length over end given him her blessing. bumpers, 11 feet 8 inches. The loco-In two weeks the local paper announmotive complete weighs 12,050 pounds, oed: and is of twenty-horse power. It has "Willie Wichman, who left us a

a speed of 8 miles per hour. forthnight ago; has secured a position In Germany electric plowing comin the empoly of the X. L. N. T. Ballpares favorably with steam plowing as road, New York," regards expenses. The cost of clec-Everybody seemed glad that the young tric plowing in heavy soil with deep man was getting along, but the paracultivation is from \$11.25 to \$14.35 per graph created no great furore. acre. while the steam plowing custs \$21.25 per acre. The mechanism used ward another item appeared, thus: on the royal farms in Prussia consists of a motor wagon containing a motor father, has been promoted and is now driving the windlog drums, and the a trusted employee of the great X. L. motor may also be coupled to the driv-N. T. Railroad in New York. ing wheels of the wagon to give it the proper advance at the end of each traverse of the plow. The depth of the furrow is 8 to 10 inches and the speed of plowing is about 3 feet per second. They were engaged.

We have already referred to the offer of President C. J. Glidden of the Erie Telephone and Telegraph company of a million dollars for a telegraph repeater and telephone quadruplex. He has received a large number of letters, and he states that many persons have entirely misunderstood The whole village talked. In their the offer, and inferred that the sum is imagination they could see the represto be set aside to be used by inventors entative of the village at the head of to assist them in their efforts to produce such a device. The offer, is however, only for a perfect device fully to heart. The postponsment of his wedcovered by the United States patents which are to be assigned, the instruments when used on telephone circuit to produce the same result, telephonically speaking, as the telegraph re-

WILLIE WICHNANS RISE Andy Breen and Willie Wichman were in love with the same girl. Their contest over the affections of Anale

One night, after a small society gath-

Corunna in Spala e oldesi ligathouse in exist More than 5000 period Haywood had sone on for shout als months, Apparently neither had gaine annually in the paupers. ed a lead. Annie could not bring her Berlin. self to make a choice. She liked them In the South within the

The coldines in

monchs \$17,000,000 or new wap been invested in cotton wills. Good extracted boner is us thought more of appearance than of heavier than water, and should. said, weigh three pounds to the s education or sober knowledge of any Since the beginning of this of the ladles, and was considered a good no fewer than filtrame roles catch by the matronly minds of the vil- ands have arisen out of the gat lage. He was head salesman in the lien have disappeared and ten as inhabited.

The largest mass of pars-rock could be purchased. He received the in the world lies under the provider. Galicia, Hungary. It is known to 550 miles long, 30 broad and 250 fe was rough shod, but good-natured and in thickness.

hard working. He lacked the gavety Even a little thing like the could which brings a young man into demand needle threader & worth 110,000 year to its owner, while the "return Willie was being brought up to the ball"-a wooden ball fastaned on a trade of cobbler. His father was the place of elastic-yields \$50,000 per anmost widely-known tradesman in the num.

> The cable rates between South Alrica and England will be reduced to four shillings a word soon. This will be a boon to newspapers in ease war with the Transvall.

In a single year the value of winnes. les raised in Germany is satimated at one-quarter million dollars, and it is satisfactory to learn that the greater part of this sum goes into the patches of the very poor.

Boston recently began a series against the English sparrow, and per the people regret it, because the claim the municipality is visited at plague of buse and other grad things which the birds formerly YOU ed.

The hydraulic mining pile in the formule materially changed the in scape in many plates. The set and Scientific Pre's recently had interesting Electronics of the part in hydraulic mine in Nevada. . Along about three months after-California, which was washed can fatty years and, and now it is taken "Mr William Wichman, son of his covered with a growth of pines other trees, and patches of brush dot the once verduraless aloped. General Boulanger's famous-

During the period of Willie's absence During the period of Willie's appende Andy Breen had had a flourishing time horse Tunis has met in . Inster in his courtship. He and Annie has death: After the first of House allowed Willie to float from their minds. The animal passed from hand, for and finally descended to the interest

When the last account of Willie's service of drawing a sab th doings appeared the sin began to think strath of Parts. This proved a think she had made a mistake in ad for Tunis and he was sold cepting Andy without waiting to see Delogue, a well-knows del

effect of his first glance was startling. His pipe dropped from his mouth and

"Great heaven-Laura! At last! Af last!" he exclaimed. "Tom, can you forgive me?"

Could he? It looked as if he did when ten seconds later Middred danced up and down as Tom, kneeling at "Dearie's" side, brought like pretty head around and then gave proof in such a way that Mildred excitedly shouted:

"That's right! Kiss her! She can't help herself. Ain't he lovely, "Dearie?" "Now you go and get your camera and make our pictures," said Tom to Mildred, as the settled himself in the hammock by "Dearie's" side.

Tom came very often to the farm during the next few weeks. There had been cases like it before and probably the British army are ten nominally will be again. When, fifteen years Scotch, eight Irish, three Welsh and previously, Laura Hale, to please her parents refused to marry Tom Gilespie and became the wife of Willis Wells, built in Missouri, to connect with the Tom nearly heartbroken, had left her side to hope and wait, believing that her love was still for him, a ithen almost penniless lawyer. For years he had managed to at least know where she was, though he never trusted himself to see her face. Then their path's drifted apart until Tom's fishing-rod and Mildred's camera brought them tocether .-- Chicago News,

#### The Colffure.

While fashionable women are wearing their hair carelessly disposed about the face and drawn to a high knot stop the head, there is talk of a return of the Mme. de Maintenon coiffure. This will bring down the locks to curve about temples and cheeks in, let us sive luxury.-Hartford Times. hope, becoming ringlets. Something is sure to happen to make women cut their hair, now that it has grown long and even. Women with plenty of time and money give much attention to their hair. One week it is washed, the next it is singed, then it is brushed, and the next it is treated with tonic or again brushed. After a few months of such care the hair becomes shining, pliable and greatly improved in color. Hair thoroughly washed, dried and iminediately waved will keep its wave for two weeks. A late notion is to confine the freshly dried heir in a loose silk mop-cap, kined with cheese cloth. A layer of cotton between cheese cloth and silk is thick with violet sachet. An hour's wear suffices to impart to the hair a delicate perfume. The same cap may be donned at night. Such caps may be bought, made and perfumed, but it is much cheaper to make them, and the home-made ones are sure to be prettier.

-A Voice in the Dark .- "Mamma, please gimme a drink of water; I'm so thirsty." "No, you're not thirsty. Turn over and go to sleep." A pause. In the service of the District of Co-"Mamma, won't you dease give me a don't turn over and so to sleep I'll get up and whip you." Another pause. 'Mamma, won't you please gimme a. drink when you get up to whip merry ty-four. Every State in the Union is -Denver Tribune.

## ALL SORTS.

Every lover of baseball believes he was once a mighty good player.--Atchison Globe.

Among the infantry regiments of forty-three English.

On an eight-mile road now being Missouri, Kansas and Texas, twentyfour bridges are to be constructed. The rifle which Kit Carson carried for forty years is now a prized and carefully guarded possession of Montezuma lodge, F. A. M., Santa Fe. It is estimated that about 400.000 acres of land in the United States are planted with vines, three-fourths of them in bearing condition. In the amount of wine raised. New York to raise, and the supply is inexhaust-State ranks next after California.

Lily Langtry's new husband is the disinherited son of a baronet with an income of only \$1,500 a year. We fear this enterprising Englishwoman will find her latest "deah boy" an expen-

Poultryman E. C. Lightner, of Trenton, Mo., is making ready to ship 200,000 live chickens to Honolulu. They will make the journey to San Francisco in forty standard poultry cars and every car will carry 4,000 pounds of feed.

"Tod" Sloane announces that he is worth \$100,000. If "Tod" is wise he will get a guardian appointed for himself now, give him the money and make him give bonds not to pass it back at the rate of more than \$10 a day.-Chicago Times-Herald.

French railroad companies have been ordered by the courts to provide their passengers with season tickets without advertising. The Western railroad had increased the number of advertisements until a season ticket was as thick as a pocketbook, and commuters refused to carry them.

A blue book of the employes of the District of Columbia government has recently been prepared by one of the officials. Vermont has thirteen sons jumbia government, and they draw an drink? I'm so th rsty." "If you average salary of \$13,255. Maine has fourteen employes in the district government, while Massachusetts has forrepresented.

cars of the little blind girl like the roar of a mountain torn asunder. The last faint chord quivered unheard in her throat and ended in a choke.

"Marcia," said Beppo, at last, "Teress and I"----and pressed her hand across his mouth. But the little blind girl understood, and rose to her feet with her face all white, and she spun around her hands were flung high above her head so that they fell in Beppo's fact as he caught her and laid her tenderly on the ground.

Tepese cried, as Beppo durned to her with face all puzzled .

"She loves thee." She sobbed and klased the poor white face of the little one. "She loves thee, and I must go away."

But Beppo did understand this. "Lovest thou me?" he asked. "Yes. Yes," answered Terese, "thou knowest that."

"Then," said Beppo-he smiled-"that 💼 all." ' When Marcia opened her eyes her

face was wet with tears, and the whole of the tale was being sobbed into her cars. But she only smiled, and when she rose she grasped the guiding fingers of the two and walked up the stairs to the little room with the window that overlooks the lake as though nothing had happened at all. Though Terese oried all the way down again, despite the kisses and caresses of Beppo.

### How to Appreciate Water Cress

Water cress is not half appreciated; people dip it in sait and nibble at it a Little, or gamish disbes with it, but it is a delicious salad plant if it is properly treated. It costs next to nothing thle, as it is constantly growing. It flourishes for nearly nine months in the year, provided it is not allowed to seed, and its crisp, piquant flavor has an especial charm. All salad plants should be thoroughly washed through several waters. Shake the cress in a umpire."-Philadelphia North Americ big bowl of water, sprig by sprig. Put | can. plenty of salt in the water; the cress is generally full of queer little parasites, and the salt sends them quickly to the bottom. After washing in several waters shake it until it is thoroughly dry. Heap it in a salad bowl and put in a cool place. It is leaving a deli-

cate salad in a hot kitchen while the dressing is better prepared that sends it to the table in a willted condition. Cut a few chives in tiny slices-use a very sharp knife-and when this in prepared sprinkle it through the creas, When ready to serve them make a dressing-a simple French dressingand be sparing with the winegar. It is said that a London physician asserts that the cause of the good health of that metropolis is due to the fact that water cress is sold in vast quantities at the market every morning.

-"See, Edmund," called the poetical girl, "those sunset clouds which were silver are now lead." "Lead!" muttered Edmund, who was thinking of dollars. "Then I guess we had better try to pass them on conductors when the car is crowded."-Harper's Bazar.

-The president of the bank seemed very much perturbed, "I'm afraid we shall have to keep an eye on that new cierk," he said Have you noticed anything suspicious?" asked the cash- Tully, and their straying sense of just saw him to a restaurant this morning of course-Ballimore American.

peater and quadruplex in the workings of the telegraph circuit. BASE HITS

Baseball is a noble game only when your nine wins .- Chester Clarion. No. Maude, dear, it doesn't take to the object of her search. She prossed which was presented twenty runs to make a baseball score. -Philadelphia Record. It is about time for the Brooklyn

baseball team to lose a game, just to over the Hudson River. vary the monotony of things --- Brooklyn Times. Baseball will strike the Philippines the wanted to know. Finally she pretty soon and you'll hear of the started back. Sho walked to the and Tagalos Luzon to the Visayans .- Phil- of the ferry dock ... adelphia Record, What a fine base sunner Aguinaldo, a sight greeted her ever which made pearance them vill make when the national game is her hold her breath for a second, ing the school.

the ferry.

Window Cleaning Made Lasy.

will make when the national game is her hold her breath for a stoond. acclimated in the Philippines .- Mem- There was Willie, high up on the side of the ferry sip. phis Commercial-Appeal. He was ringing the for bell. Perhaps as a general rule among

younger men, those most wildly anxweek. ious to get home are the baseball players on third.-Philadelphia Times. Eventually scientific management may be able to reduce the great American game to such a perfect system that the home team will always win, -Milwankee Sentinel.

"Are you a lover of the national are whiting and cold water mixed to the game?" he inquired as they passed into the ball grounds. "No, sir," replied Tinse first with hot water and then the person addressed, "I'm a baseball with cold, and dry thoroughly, Varnished wood should be well rubbed with bolied linseed oil and then well polished with a soft duster.

'Say, I wouldn't be as superstitions as you are for \$40." "Who's superstitious?" "W'y, you. Carryin' a horse, shoe to de hall game." "Aw, go on. Dat's to woak de empire wit'."-Kan- or cleaned with whiting like paint. sas City Star.

First Citizen-I'll bet the home team lost to-day's game. Second Citizen-What makes you think so? First Cit-What makes you think so? First Cit-fzen-Those two fellows we just passed in this manner, rub dry with a clean were cussing the umpire .- Ohio State soft cloth and then polish with soft Journal. olean. He (just accepted)-And now, dar-

If you prefer to use whiting it must ling, hadn't I better speak to your he mixed with cold water to a prate father? She-Not this evening, about as thick as thin cream Dip a George: no. Papa attended the ball clean cloth in this and pollan as you game this afternoon and you know the would silver! Rub off the whiting home team fost,-Ohio State Journal with soft paper, and polish with clean

Don't forget the umpire. Don't for-get him for one little moment. He will In damp weather it is a gred plan to notice it if you do, and become miser- and water, and this makes the game ably unhappy. Tell him what you dry more quickly, and it is issu trouble think of him unceasingly. There is to polish. mothing so pleasing to an umpire at the great secrets are to have the ears as the eweet strains of a whisky, cloths clean, to use plenty of them and trimmed voice ringing softly on the non to make the glass so wel that the evening air: "Hey, redlight, youse is water drips from it.

a robber an' a d'iell" Umpires love to be criticised in this manner. With Skirts with learthway platte tucks are entensively shown every critician they brace up wondertestion is one meters ter. "Well," said the president, "I the returns. Toulys noticed this fact the plate ace a

how the other sultor advanced. Ho she tared, out up and sold put her wedding off , saying she would Doses. in the marine like to walt a little longer.

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PERSONAL

the great railroad corporation. Lord Robert Cesll, third a Andy Breen naturally took the matter Saliabury, is a practicing l har beer made a Que ding made him look like the prover, inusually sarly and like bial 30 cents in the eyes of the people. I self to the "Parliamentary Te One day Mrs. Haywood announced is the British supirated into to her daughter that she was going to done in this country by the life New York to do some shopping. Annis practice is described as duit. pleaded to be taken along, LIVE.

The afternoon the girl and her mother Miss Wilkinson, the gard arrived in the city Annie slipped away. Matropolitan Garden . An Straight to the X. L. N. T. Ballroad London, Mas change che made her way. Inquiry at the to an extremely at ferry-house brought no information as blon Bauare. De of Month, is the line

The day was unpleasant. A drissling out by the rain was falling and a heavy for huns was pair for aby trusteed.

Annie seked more questions on the J. F. Powe Jersey side. No one could tell her what TATENT TOO around Individual United States, all six feet and As she was about to step on the boat and weight 100-Dame de wos i MECODIC and one Link

The flow of an Annie married Andy Breen the next etaxtinopie who hi cause of calesionic for cause of mile DAVE M. VAN. is the oldest signer

lege. He entered an Sort and solutions First remove all dust. both outside and inside. Use a skewer and a cloth to clean corners and grooves. If the woodwork needs cleaning do this next. studies was deored Was sind the chose of De was thirtens.

### AN AD 45

The glass may be washed with clean tepid water, to which ammonia or paramn has been added in the proportion of a tablesnenful to a sallon. A STATE OF THE OWNER

Dip the chamola in a bowl of repid water, ammonia and water, or whatever ou may be using, squeeze it almost dry and rub the glass with this, rinsing it ACCOUNT OF STATES AND A CONTRACT OF 

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