an old studio, fame-garlanded, A fair, mysterious status once has place. With long hair shrouding its averter

face, and on each graceful foot a wing wide spread, "'Tis a mask'd Mercury!" quoth one

"Nay." said The sculptor: "This is Opportunity Men know him not too oft, when him they see Because of his veiled face, averted

head."

"But why these wings upon his lovely feet?" "Because," the gray-eyed master

made response, "He cometh ever upon pinions fleet,

To fiee as swiftly. He can come but once: And once departed, unembraced by men,

None can o'ertake or urge him back again." -Eleanor C. Donnelly, in Donahoe's.

CLARA'S CONVERSION

"It is your own fault, Clara," said

Walter May. "Of course it is," cried out Clara, passionately, stamping her foot on the carpet. "Do you suppose I don't know it perfectly well? And that is what makes it so hard—oh, so cruelly hard to bear!"

The fact was that Mr. and Mrs. Walter May had begun life at the wrong and.

Clara Calthorpe was a pretty young girl, just out of the hotbed atmosphere of a fashionable boarding school. Walter May was a bank clerk who had not the least doubt but that he should uitimately make his fortune out of stocks and bonds.

"Clara," he had said to his young wife, while the golden circle of the honeymoon was yet overshadowing their lives, "would you like a country life?"

"Oh, dear, no," said Clara, involuntarily recoiling.

"Because," said Walter, somewhat wistfully, "my father and mother are alone on the old farm, and I think they added the smiling old lady. would like to have us come and live with them."

"I shouldn't like it all," said Clara. " and mamma says no young bride should ever settle down among her husband's relations "

Mr. May frowned a little, but Mrs. Clara had a pretty positive way of her debt had gathered darkly around them, so dearly! So if you're willing dear-" were looking their future in the face. alive. But-"

which she couldn't afford to people who didn't care for her. She had pat-models which were far beyond her with your husband's relations." reach, and now they were rulned.

ter to her mother, who was in Wash- she silently pressed Mr. Noah May's ington, trying to ensuare a rich hus- kindly hands. band for her younger daughter, but Mrs. Calthorpe had hastily written ago," said she, "and, oh, so much hapback that it was quite impossible for pier!" her to be in New York at that time ! of year and still more impossible for her to receive Mrs. Walter May at the monster hotel where she was boarding. And Clara, who had always had a was quite certain of it now.

"There is but one thing left for you Clara," said Walter, sadly.

'And that-" "Is to go back to the old farm. I have will be sure of a warm welcome from new situation which will enable me to constant motion. earn our daily bread."

Clara burst into tears.

mobbed. "Oh, Walter, I cannot." "You will have to," he said, doggedly, "or else starve."

So Mrs. May packed up her trunk and obeyed. And all the way to Hazel- given were perfectly exact. The laws copse farm she cried behind her veil and pictured to herself a stony-faced man with a virago of a wife, who and the tower simply obeys the phywould set her to doing menial tasks and overwhelm her with reproaches for having ruined "poor, dear Walter." As for the farm-house itself, she was guite sure it was a desolate place, with corn and potatoes growing under the wery (windows and the road in front filled with plows and pigs and harrows solidity of the structure, which is aband broken cart wheels. But in the midst of her tears and desolation the river called out:

"Hazelcopse Farm! Mr. Noah May's! Here's th' 'ouse, ma'am."

A long, low gray stone mansion, all garlanded with ivy, its windows bright, thirty-one tracks and twenty-four with geranium biossoms and the scarlet autumn leaves raining down on the welvet-smooth lawn in front. Clars could just see how erroneous had been all her preconceived ideas, when she found herself clasped in the arms of

"My poor dear!" said old Mrs. May, earessingly.

"You are as welcome as the sunshine, daughter," said a smiling old gentleman in spectacles.

And Clara was established in the easy chair in front of a great fire of logs, and tea was brought in and the two old people cossetted and petted her as if she had been a three-year-old child, just recovering from the measles There was not a word of reproachquestioning look, not a side-long glance all welcome, and tenderness and loving commenseration. And when Clara went to sleep that night with a wood fire giaring and glimmer ing softly over the crimson hangings of the "best shamber," she began to think that perhaps she had been mistaken in some of nar ideas.

The next day she had a long, confidential talk with her father-in-law. while Mrs. May was making mince pier in the kitchen.

"But there's one thing I haven'!

dains to sell "Walter about," she sale with tears in her eyes. "What is that, my dear?" said the

old Lentleman. "My dressmaker's bill," said Clara "It came the night before I left New York-oh, such a dresdful bill! I hadn't any idea it could possibly amount up so fearfully."

"How much was it?" said Mr. Noch May, patting her head. "A hundred and fifty dollars," Clara hanging down her head.

"Don't fret, my dear; don't fret," raid the old gentleman. "Walter need never know anything about it. I'll settle the bill and there shall be an end of the matter." "My dear," said old Mr. May, I'd do

much more than that to buy the color back to your cheeks and the smile to your lips." And that same afternoon, when Mrs May had been talking to Clara in the

kindest and most motherly way the girl burst into tears and hid her face on the old lady's shoulder. "Oh, cried she, "how good you all are! And I had an idea that a father

and mother-in-law were such terrible personages! Oh, please forgive me for all the wicked things I have thought about you!"

"It was natural enough, my dear," said Mrs. May, smiling, "but you are wiser now, and you will not be afraid of us any longer."

When Saturday night arrived, Walter May came out to the old farmhouse dejected and sad at heart. He had discovered that situations do not grow, like blackberries, on every bush; he had met with more than one cruel rebuff and he was hopelessly discouraged as to the future. Moreover he had fully expected to be met with tears and complaints by his wife, for he well knew Clara's inveterate prejudices in regard to country life.

But to his infinite amazement and relief Clara greeted him on the doorstep with radiant smiles. "Tell me, dear," she said, "have you

got a new situation?" He shook his head sadly. "I'm glad of it," said Clara, brightly, 'for we've got a place papa and

mamma and I." "It's all Clara's plan," said old Noah Mav. "But it has our hearty approval,"

"We're all going to live here together," said Clara. "And you are to manage the farm, because papa says he is getting too old and lazy," with a merry glance at the old gentleman, who stood beaming on his daughter-inlaw, as if he was ready to subscribe to one and all of her opinions, "and I am own, and he remonstrated no further. to keep house and take all the care off miles. Though situated far down the But at the year's end Walter May mamma's hands. And, oh; it is so line in the deserted region of the Vichad lost his situation, the clouds of pleasant here, and I do love the country | toria docks, a passing word must be

under the red flag. They had made a Good-bye to city walls and hearts of all parts of Great Britain. Frozen complete failure of the housekeeping stone; good-bye to hollow appearances chickens and ducks with heads and an he used ter wait tull dark ter feed. The Chinese emblem of the dragon business, and now, in the fourth story and grinding wretchedness! Why, beaks swathed in coarse muslin are 'em so they couldn't see the sawdust in consists of a nve-ciawtu imperial drage. of a third-rate hotel. Mr and Mrs. May Clara, I shall be the happlest man also received here from Russia.

Clara looked lovingly up into her

She had sent a tear-besprinkled let- mother-in-law's sweet old face, while "I am a deal wiser than I was a week

"So am I," said Walter.

The Eiffel Tower Twisted.

The daily movement of the Eiffel Tower, due to expansion and contracvague idea that her that her was selfish, tion, has been studied by Colonel Bassot, who recently explained to the Academy of Sciences that the expansion of the metallic components of the structure produces a torsion movement from sunrise to sunset. This moveno longer a home to offer you, but you ment is repeated in an inverse direction during the night, as the column my father and mother. I shall remain becomes cooled, so that the lightninghere and do my best to obtain some rod on the summit of the tower is in

Colonel Laussedat, director of the Conservatoire des Arts et Metiers, be-"Go to my husband's relations?" she, ing appealed to for confirmation of Colonel Bassot's statements, stated that he had carefully followed Colonel Bassot's investigations, which extended over ten years, and that the results of the expansion and contraction of iron by heat and cold are well known. sical law of temperature influence, says Industries and Iron. in summer the expansion is greater than in winter, and the movement reverses at night owing to contraction due to the cooling down of the mass. Yet this twisting, this torsion, in no case compromises the

Largest in the World.

Among the monster railway stations of the world that of St. Louis is the largest. It has an area of 424,200 feet roads running into it. Its capacity is almost double that of the Boston and Maine sttion at Boston, the second

largest in the world. Two hundred and sixty trains pass in and out of the Union station every day, the sweetest and most motherly of old 130 each way. They average 100 passengers to a train. This means that s total of 20,000 passengers pass through thatstation every day. Imagine the fourth largest city in the State-Spring. field—turned loose in a day and coming to St. Louis.

Taking the daily verage of 26,000 passengers as the basis of this calculation, 780,009 travelers pass through Union station in a month, which it more than the entire population of West Virginia.

The yearly average is 9,360,000, and this sum is equal to the combined population of the States of New York and Illinois.

Worse Than Chills. Trembling violertly with fear the

young man receded from her side. "Don't leave me," cried the maiden. "Ah, how that young man trembled One could see he had no control over his motions. He was as an aspen leaf "I'll be back in a couple of shaken." he chattered. It is fearful to tremble like that.

They Cover 2.000 Acres and Have To Milion of Quay.

The London docks cover an area of about 2,000 acres, with upward of twenty miles of quay for discharging try boarded No. 1 at Dodge City a few feet for storage purposes. All this is whiskers and a wide-brimand white under the guardian care of the London felt hat, and he stood & feet & and India docks joint committee, which in its present amalgamated form, has however, it should be understood, does the negotiations of those who do, by keeping the quays, docks and warehouses in proper condition, for which! advantages merchants and shipperra are charged certain rentals. The London docks were opened in 1805 and the St. Katherine docks in 1825,

To begin with the wool warehouse.

it is estimated that about \$100,000,000 worth of wool arrives annually in! London alone. But the shorn locks, of sheep, till converted into fashionable cloth, baffle the deserription of the uninitiated, and we pass on to survey more questions. He sat in the drawcludes many things not usually admitted to the "Brtish pharmacopeia." To traverse the "drug" floor alone means a walk of a quarter of a mile! up,' So many and various are the things stored in this warehouse that a museum of specimens has been fitted up for the convenience of merchants and visitors. Opium, agrimony, hmachis: kola nuts and cocoa leaves are shown: also cochineal beetles (for dyeing) the tiny beetles having been scraped off the leaves of trees into bags and dipped into boiling water; coffee, straw plaits from Japan, charcoaled bones for sugar refining, ebony, malacca and snakewood sticks; sticklac, a resinous and used not only in dyeing, but to fasten silk on high hats.

Besides these you will be sure to be called the conductor. shown three grewsome objects, a long snake, a scorpion and a centipede, each preserved in alcohol as specimens of the soft for unregistered passengers you see a mummified cat and rat; found among the bottles of quicksilver. Cats, by the way, are a great feature of these warehouses, for their daily cost for meat and milk forms a distinct item in the company's books.

The wine and spirit vaults contribute another extraordinary series of pictures of the docks, and, indeed, of undereground London. You can walk about in them literally for miles; to: be exact, the actual length of gangway is twenty-eight and a quarter given to the thirty chambers, prob-

but."

heat. They are in total darkness, ex- town ye can put me down as a flar it; wrath can be desirously ten to make them.

"I thought, my dear," said Walter, cept when the electric light is turned them wigglers hadn't churned that horses at any weeking our by a new control of the light is turned them. ings to keep them clear. The outside delivered the milk ter his customers manger. air may be bitterly cold when one en- an' didn't do a thing ter them wiggiers ters, but on passing out again from the but take the hull outfit home an' made ice chambers the change gives the im- em do his curnin' after that. Some pression that currents of warm air are men would a bin satisfied with this, tapping one's cheeks.

> Musicians as Litter Reavers Upon recommendation of the chief surgeon, an order has been issued by the assistant adjutant-general, Unitmembers of regimental bands will be thin like that, and blame my hide, et much of first aid to the injured as is practicable under existing circumstances. To this end, writes Dr. Heninstructed in hospital drill, and as Army, in the Medical News, all musi- goin' ter deliver milk, jist ter save exclans will hereafter report to a medical penses, an' when they war goin' ter informed by his gardener that it was each day for instructions until they are pronounced qualified bearers by the medical officer who instructs them, This arrangement will add largely to the numerical force and efficiency of first aid bearers upon the battlefield. Men will be needed who know how to handle a wounded man so as to place him with care and expedition upon a litter and transport him smoothly and without jolt to the first dressing station or to the ambulance. Practically, therefore, the instruction that band members are receiving consists of exercises in the manual of the litterviz., marching with the litter, as litter squads composing a detachment sc as to mobolize at a given point; search. ing for the wounded by scattering the several squads under charge of their respective squad leaders; the proper loading of the litters, with the wounded and their easy convoy to some designated spot, and the placing of loaded litters in ambulances.

Chinamen as coldiers.

The enlistment of a Chinaman in the volunteer army in California the other day recalls the fact that there was but one Celestial in the war of the rebellion. His Chinese name is unknown, but the name under which he enlisted was Thomas Sylvanus. He was born in Baltimore about eighteen years before the outbreak of the war When only a child he was taken to Pittsburg, where he acted as a servant for a wealthy family in that city When the war broke out Thomas rar away and enlisted in the army. He served Uncle Sam until the close of the war, shortly after wich he turned up in Indiana, Pa., where he resided until his death, which occurred a sew years ago.

While in the service of the United ladies were there. States Sylvanus contracted a disease of the eyes, from which he almost went blind. In 1880 he applied for and was granted a pension of \$12 per month He also secured several hundred dol. we had to let them go this morning." lars' back pension. An examination Sylvanus was the only Chinaman ir are you running?" the late war, and consequently the only one of his race who drew a pen- f at the other end. sion. At last accounts his widow and Pa.—Washington Post.

A traveler from the short fram con ships and more than 15,000,000 square nights ago. He wore long, white

His boots were neatly blacked, and he had on a new suit of clothes. It was existed since 1888. This dock company apparent that he was not at home in however, it should be understood, doer his new toggery. He was going to not itself trade; it exists to facilitate California, he explained, to what his oldest son, who was a prosperous fruit raiser on the count. He had engaged a borth in the Pullman, and he saked the conductor where it was

"Right here, bir," said the conductor us he pointed out the section. "Do you sleep in it that way, all surled up on a seat!" he asked in imazement.

"No, it will be made up when you are ready to retire." The man did not exactly know what 'made up" meant, but he asked no

the "drugs," a term which here in ing room and smoked, and finally he mid to the conductor: "Well, I guess I'll turn in." "All right, gir; your borth is made

The man walked into the main part of the car. Then he went back to the irawing room. "They all look alike," he said: "you

will have to show me mine." The conductor showed him to his berth and left him. The man looked at it; then he went back to the rear place form of the car and closed the door, in a few minutes he stuck his head in the car and shouted:

"Look out: I'm coming." made a run for his berth with his substance formed on trees by insects clothes, or most of them, under his arm. In the morning he stuck his bend out between the curtains and

> "How in thunder am I going to get out on the platform to dress with all these people looking? The conductor explained to him that

occasionally found among the goods on he would have to dress in the berth, arrival at the port of London. Also He did so, but it took him two hours

A Mean Man. Speakin' uv mean men; " observed the man from Coyote Prairie, "alius mecks me think uv ole Peter Funkler, who used to run a milk wagon over ter High Hosa." Sold chalk and water for milk, did

be?" remarked a listener. "Hardly. Ketch Peter spendin' monfew. He used ter water his milk tuli hundred years. ye could see the bottom uv the cans, an' when his customers complained at its bein' so thin he sed it war a new kind uv transparent milk-which war

shed tears ter see them cows uv his eat, complete failure of the housekeeping stone; good-bye to hollow appearances chickens and ducks with heads and pusiness, and now, in the fourth story and grinding wretchedness! Why, beaks swathed in coarse muslin are the charge of a third-rate hotel. Mr and Mrs. May Clara, I shall be the happlest man also received here from Russia.

Were looking their future in the face, alive. But—"

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heat. They are in total darkness, ex- town ye can put me down as a liar if but not Peter. The very next thing he does is ter write a piece fer one uy them big magazines called 'Recent Progress in Science. A Paper Showin' the Advantage uv Utilizin' the Power uy the Wigglus Narrativus in the Pro- Freels hohow, and their be times when duckshun uv Country Butter,' er somethe fool editor didn't give him a hunstrange how some people wants the metry."

earth."-New York Journal. Told Them What "shy" Meant. To confuse a witness is generally an easy task, and lawyers know no easier way than to make a witness explain the meaning of his words, knowing that very few people can do so without getting excited. Occasionally a victim resents nagging, and answers in a spirited and unexpected manner. A lawyer was cross examining a young much pressed. However, I have not Out Steticsman are coppl, but in the girl of rather haughty temper. She had to cross the theatre." "Ab," he of the recent death of the statement had testified that she had seen the defendant "shy" a book at the plaintiff, one ought always to be in evening and in bad baste?

Ind the lawyer had selzed on the word dress." "Nevertheless," Gallet answer. Despairing Humanilat—Heat

Court what the word 'shy' means?" The girl leant over the desk beneath no doubt, but but he is a tenor!" the witness-box, picked up a law-book and threw it at the lawyer's head, who

dodged just in time. "I think the Court now understands the meaning of the word 'shy,' " said the judge, gravely, and the girl was allowed to finish her testimony without further interruption.

Used the Telephone.

A San Franciscan, who has recently returned from Honoiulu, relates that while he had occasion to inquire about two ladies who, he understood, were stopping at the Chapin House, and accordingly used the telephone. "Let me have the Chapin House," he

said to central, and, when the connection was made, he inquired if the two

"No." came the answer. "But they were there last night weren't they?" "Yes." was the hesitating reply; "bu

"Had to let them go," echoed the San of the records discloses the fact that Franciscan; "why, what sort of a hote "This isn't a hotel," replied the voice

"Isn't that the Chapin House?" children were still living in Indiana manded the mystified San Franciscan. was the reply, "it's the station "No." house."

Frenchman is thirty years.

Argentina owes its names to the all very reflections of its rivers.

The number of churches in Chicago bas grown from 157 in 1870 to 648. The sultan possesses no grown postion being unknown in Turkey.

Belgium is about the combined also of Massachusetts and Rhode Island. During the last century 100 lakes In the Tyrol have subsided and disap-

There are more public holidays in Honorulu than in any other city in the A novel and simple cure for the

benilache is said to be to walk backward for about ten minutes. Within the last ten years the number

Meaned from 6,376 to 8,893,

One great drawback to the development of manufacturing industries in Mexico has been the lack of a proper supply of coal.

Missouri evaligelist recently preached a sermon mustrating with themicals, showing the effects of sin on he human heart."

In the flag manufacturing department of the Brooklyn navy yard there is an old sailor whose duty it is to inspect the finished emblems and to pass upon heir quality.

The safe deposit vaults of some of the ap to date trust companies have compartments especially designed for the reception of fur garments, fur mater

Servia is said to have more centenaclans per capita than any other country in the world, 575 of her 1,300,000 ey fer chalk. But water! Well, yes a inhabitants having lived for over a

Yucatan is a compound Indian name meaning "What do you say?" which was the only answer the Spanlards and all the pretty new furniture, East— "Willing," cried out Walter May, ec- ably the largest in the world, where a perty transparent lie—but Peter had could obtain from the natives to their be mighter and more remunerative than in the control of the mining of the mighter and more remunerative than it is to their be mighter and more remunerative than it is to the more tha ably the largest in the world, where a perty transparent lie-but Peter had could obtain from the natives to their be mighter and more remunerative than

roof are thickly covered with ice cry- cruisin' round on a lump uv butter as slarm is utilized to declass a weight the last thirty state. stals, while piled up on all sides are big as a wainut. Was Petter put out which opens the valve of a small hop big as a wainut. Was Petter put out which opens the valve of a small hop big as a wainut. Was Petter put out which opens the valve of a small hop big as a wainut. Was Petter put out which opens the valve of a small hop big as a wainut. Was Petter put out which opens the valve of a small hop big as a wainut. Was Petter put out which opens the valve of a small hop big as a wainut. Was Petter put out which opens the valve of a small hop big as a wainut. Was Petter put out which opens the valve of a small hop big as a wainut.

STORYETTES.

A London curate the other day ceived an astonishing answer to an inquiry after a parishioner's health. "Well,, sir," said the paristilones, "sometimes I feels anygow; sometimes I feels as still as a himmidge.

Lord Selkirk had a formal garden an Italian garden, as it is called—and ry I. Raymond of the United States church in his milk wagon as he war.

Army in the Medical Name of the deliver milk that the church is his milk wagon as he war. the terrace at St. his. s isle, and was four me out of a poster of penses, an when they war goin' ter informed by his gardener that it was a wanted to see at a continuity ring the bell he sed they'd better not, for stealing apples. Un reaching the or the conscience that it was a wanted to see at a continuity reaching the continuity rea which the band belongs for one hour as it might sour his milk-yes, sir, other end of the terrace, where there that's what he did. When he died it was another summer Louse. Selkirk bewar found that he'd put it in his will held the gardener's son looking dolethat twenty-five cents admisshun was fully out of the window.... "Eh. John. ter be charged at his funeral, but some what's this? Has you, noy been steat lowed that wasn't so mean, as he let ing, too?" "Na, na, my lord;" was the children come at half price. It's answer, "I just pu. in for syme

Louis Gallet, a vieuch musician, presented himself at the director's room al the Grand Opera in Paris one evening during the administration of Eugene Ritt. The latter was a great stickler for the dignity of the place and remarked as the visitor took off his topcoat that he was not in evening dress: "Yes, my dear director," returned Gallet, "I am come just as I was. So very sighed, "but on the stage of the opers they treat of don't they seem hearts "Shy—shy a book? What do you ed, lightly, "I just now saw Jean de nothing! Confound it, by the temes by that? Will you explain to the Reszke very stylish, no doubt, but in a these verses get kito juint he'll be frock coat—a frock coat!" "Yes, yes, clent history!- Chicago: Tribune.

ODDS AND ENDS.

queen of italy. It will be on Mount Herald. Rosa, and nearly 16,000 feet above sea.

Two persons playing dominous tex hours a day, and making four moves i minute could continue 118,000,000 years without exhausting all the combil nations of the game, the total of which (a. 248,526,211,849.

One does not usually associate a mod ern man-of-war with Noah's Ark ye a correspondent of a Service Journa points out that the dimensions of ou latest warships correspond almost ex actly with those of the first records skin as given in Genesis

A SECTION OF THE SECT

Pive's the anomber you me has five furers on his hand a "Three is undoubtedly the number," interrupted another, "be nights, and if at first you don't mee

This was received with some tempt by the company, and a second youth guided out. "Two, oh, two is the mayle num One's self and one other! The sel of railway stations in Germany has in one! Just us two!"

try, try again-three times you as

A hard-featured individual, who According to the registrar general's erio unmoved here remarked, in

According to the registrar general latest blue book, Scotland still contains harsh voice—

A professional beggar of Hong Kong has just built a fine three-story test has just part of all followed, after which they went in silently to supper.

> "My friends," said the eloquent min. ister. "were the average man to turn and look at himself in the eyes and ask himself what he really needed most what would be the first reply suggested to his mind?" "A rubber neek," should be the precocious urchin in the rear of the room and in the confusion while followed, the good man lost his place in his manuscript and began o

4EalD Her Volce for War. "Maria," said the poet to his w "It looks like war, and I fear me I when have to leave you and the muse in or der that I may serve my country. is a heartrending thought!"

"I know it, John," she said, "but just think—we won't have to live or air and incense then for you'll draw \$13 each month of life!" "But"-he gasped-"If I should be =1=1n-----

"They'll pension me John," she replied, sweetly. "Our only hope is war-In our particular case the aword wil "May I sak what is poing on in the village?" inquies the observant

STAIDST.

"I don't know; present the threatened to leave, Direct P A Burdene Buigliring, "Bir." sold the talleverous we entered the office of the city of "hard'you a conscience fund of which this municipal botel?"

The courts eyes twinkied.
"Contains we have" he replied.
The stranger looked blingships.
"Years to contribute?" the check Lived.
"No?" mad the strauper. No." "But you waked it we

Ornel Waggerallon Bagetock's wife kicks the

Baretock looked dombikul was suggested going to the flore slicer.
'Why pos?' quoch Ara. B.
'I'm saved, my dear' explores
Begenock, 'that the judges wouldn't like it. 'They shield flink we were to log to draw attention from the ente beloment."

No Dauger. Friend (looking over manuscript) These verses of your on The Smilled are clever, but in view

"By introducing a weight guessing

contest."

Piggle Mayed. "Patrick, you were on a bad spre The record of the greatest number of notes struck by a nuscian in twelve hours is said to have been made by paderowski, who struck 1,020,300 notes processed by the complant he kepes the complant he complant he kepes the complant he complant he

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