## LOVE'S SACRAFICE

"My dear," said Hero Field, "don't a up. If you yield this way, it's all with you for the rest of your marand the idea of a bride in man weighed down with as old grandfather and grandmother-in-law!"

Nample Eastlake was a bright-eyed. and pineteen, a girl who had been chool. And the first real heart experimon that ever happened to her was Donald Aubrey's love.

"But they are Donald's grandparants," planded Nan.

Well, what then? Let him provide has the first right in the house, and so Id tell him if I were you. A mother--law would be bad enough, but this is Sen times worse."

So when Mr. Aubrey came to make his usual evening call that night and Aunt Ponsonby had discreetly made some excuses for leaving the drawing mom. Nannie broached the subject at COLCE.

"Donald," she said, "I have lately Seen thinking-----

"Yes, dear ?'

"And I've come to the conclusion that you ought not to ask me to make home for old Mr. and Mrs. Vivian." "Is it not right and natural, Nannie, that their home should be with me?" he iked his face clouded over. "I dare say it will be very nice for

them," said Nannie, with a toss of her Boad. ""But frow about me?" "Do you object to them?"

"Very decidedly, indeed," answered the pretty young bride, fondly imagining that she had but to lift her slender Inger to win any boon that she asked of Donald Aubrey.

"I syn very sorry," said the young man, calmiy, "As I have decided to ask them to remain permanently with me, Cannot, of course, permit my wife-" Nannie reddened.

"I sminot your wife yet, Mr. Au-Brey, "and cannot be your wife if-" "Nanniel# :

you really care for me you will give up this unreasonable caprice."

His dark eyes were bent on hers as "Is it unreasonable," he asked, "to

honor our aged parents? Is it caprice to retain some natural affection for those who loved and cared for me think it is, Nannle, I have been sorely mistaken in your character."

"I prefer my duty to anything in the world, Nannie," he added.

"Thave the honor to wish you a very good evening.\*\*

Before he could add another word the airl had left the room.

day when Nannie related to her the oc- or pale blue.

#### COTTON FROM FIRWOOD. IS ENGLAND DEGENERATING?

from the Artificial.

now being made from firwood which

has been freed from bark and knots.

The fibers are broken up by a special

machine, and are then placed in a lead-

lined copper cylinder having a capacity

of 100 cubic centimeters. Into this

steam is introduced for ten hours by

At the end of that time 60 cubic cen-

timeters of soda lye are poured in and

boiled for 36 hours under a pressure

of three atmospheres. The material is

then washed and thoroughly crushed,

after which it is bleached and dried.

The pure cellulose thus obtained is

treated in an autoclare containing a

mixture of zinc chloride, hydrochloric

acid, and nitric acid, to which a little

castor oil, caseine, and glycerine are

added. The fibre, after being further

reduced, is passed through a weak so-

lution of carbonate of soda, and then

The necessary firmness is given to

the thread by finally putting it in a

bath of diluted ammonia and then

washing it with cold water. The sub-

stance thus made may be easily woven

and dyed. When the artificial product

is compared with the natural it is said

to be difficult to distinguish the differ-

ence, and it is even asserted that the

former may be so economically pro-

between drying rollers.

means of a pipe in the bottom

Cotton, which used to be born, is

Statistics Taken from the British Army Confirm That View.

Arnold White has written as follows in the London Chronicle of physical degeneration in England: "The Germans drink an enormous quantity of beer, but there is no-class in Germany of drink-sodden, dirty and broken mothers such as we produce by the thousand. When Taine was shown the seamy side of London he said that the rush of the inhabitants of an east London slum into a wide street when attracted by the spectacle of an accident was like a human sewer emptying itself. Before the outbreak of the Afri-For them as other people do. His wife enlist in Manchester, only a little over 1,000 could be sent into the army. The Scotch highlanders and the Irish peasantry are healthy, but English townsmen can no longer vie in war with the Tyrolese and Bavarian mountaineers, the inhabitants of east Prussia, the French peasantry, the Montenegrins or the hardy Russians.

"Britain's soldiers are born of mothers affected by the normal conditions of town life, both moral and physical. The average stay in hospital of soldiers affected by one preventable disease is 32 days. Thus in one year we have a total loss of 1.738.688 days' army service. Two hundred and three soldiers in the British home army go sick out of every 1,000; in the French conscript army only 48 become invalids.

"In 1845 the standard of height for admission to the army was five feet six inches; in 1883 it was five feet three inches, and in 1900 five feet. There is a progressive decline in the average weight. As the British army is ten times more unhealthy than the German, it loses three times as many by death."

#### Customs in China.

China, as seen with our eyes, is grotesque. She is the antipodes of all the rest of the world. She seems the upside down of everything. The needle in her compass points to the south. "I am guite in carnest," said she. "If the says west north instead of northwest.

She enjoys her f. eworks in the daytime; her ladies use wheelbarrows if to read the very secrets of her heart. when they are making calls; they drive cows instead of horses; the necks of their prisoners are put in the stocks; their surname comes first, as Roosevelt Theodore; they mount their horses when I was a helpless child? If you from the right side; the old men fly kites, while the small boys sit demurely and watch them; they keep on their hats as a sign of respect; their crim-

son visiting cards must be a burden to them if they do much calling, as they are four feet long and about two wide; Ish Rock, Stornoway Bay-a rock which is separated from the Island of their boats are drawn by men, their carriages by sails; they never drink Lewis by a channel over fou feet wide. "Good?" cried Miss Field the next milk and their mourning color is white On this rock a conical beacon is erected, and on its summit a lantern is

# THE WOMAN IN THE CASE

"Who is the woman in the case?" Difficult to Distinguish the Natural

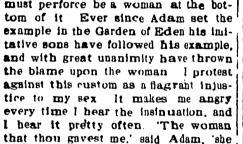
It was Mr. McBride who asked the question, and the query was directed to McBride's friend, Mr. Darley, as the two sat and smoked in McBride's den after dinner.

Mrs. McBride was about to enter the room at the time, and she heard the inquiry and resented it. "The woman in the case," she repeated to berself. "The men always think there is a woman at the bottom of it when a man gets into trouble. It was my husband who asked the question, and I am just going to read him a lecture which I hope will also do some good to Mr. Darley."

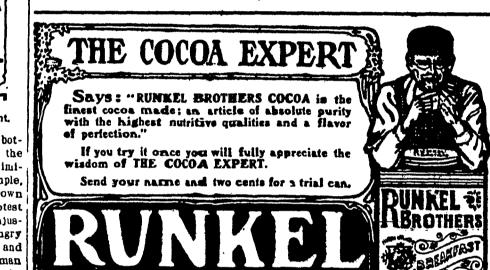
Mrs. McBride entered the room while these thoughts were passing trough ber mind, and her presence prevented a prompt answer, for the gentlemen rose as she came in.

"Mr. McBride," she said to her husband, as she seated herself, "I heard you ask Mr. Darley who the woman was in the case. Now, I don't know what case it is you have been discussing, nor do I wish to know. I merely wish to express my opinion on the mascu'ine idea-for I think it is a distinctively masculine notion-that whe a m i disgraces himself or gets into difficulty or trouble of any sort, 'there











currence of the evening. "He'll be on passed, and you'll have your own way for good and all after this."

But the three days passed, and three. more on the top of them, and never a penitent lover appeared to sue for Nanmie's pardon.

"Oh, Hero, what shall I do?" she pleaded with tears in her eyes.

"Let him go." said Miss Field. To tell the truth. Hero had been a little bit envious that Nannie Eastlake ( had been engaged to be married before herself.

Donald Aubrey was sitting alone in that he had furnished expressly with regard to Nannie's taste.

"A lady to see you, sir."

Then Donald found himself looking into the deep blue eyes of Miss Eastlake:

"Nannie!" he cried.

Yes it is I. Oh. Donald. I have heen so foolish, so wrong-headed. And I have come to ask your pardon." "My dear dear little Nannie O! No

word more The pert post Donald I must tell you how earnestly 1 have repented me back to your heart, I will try to be Ansconds Standard. a good wife to you and a dutiful dauga-

e to your mandparents."

The wedding day came, and the wedfor her-

The old people were waiting on the bride kissed and embraced them heart- storm of rain or hall drive the sheep "深刻的影响,"

Dy .... But when dinner was over the two ald people got up.

Hone," said Mrs. Vivian.

Lione is here, " mid Nannie. "No, my dear, no," said the old lady. tindly. "Young people are better by nios cottage a mile or two out in the comparer where I can keep 5 cow and comparer on look after the poultry. Tou must come and see us every day." So the old couple trudged away, and Nannie looked up into her hushand's isce

"Parsald, what dois this moon" she event, oper-sidenty." Besser, by definer," he answered, and will have a home without any rees is liev after all."

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Their young women, no matter his knees to you before three days are beautiful they may be, according to household. Even the emperor's mother ranks higher than he does. When a son is fortunate enough to receive an honorable decoration, he brings it to

his mother, who wears it for him .--Sunset Magazine.

Owls Electrocut. J.

The temporary suspension of work at the mine and mill of the Granitethe pretcy blue and gold drawing room | Bimetallic Mining Co., at Pittsburg. caused by an owl becoming entangled In the wires, recalls the fact that since the transmission line was put in commission, nearly four years ago, 25 owls mays been electrocuted by coming in contact with the wires, and since Nowember of last year 12 fine specimens

of the owl family have gone to owl land over this route. The transmission line is 11 miles in length and fur-

mishes a current of 10.000 volts to the mine and mill, No. 4 copper wire being used. The line traverses a wild and unsettled country, the abiding place of all kinds of wild beasts and birds .---

#### Gente as Pilots.

In Switzerland and other mountainthe tour passed away, and Nannie Au- ous countries goats lead long strings of here came home to the house prepared animals daily to and from the mountains, but it is in South Africa that the goat is regularly kept and employed as threshold to greet her. The yours a leader of sheep. Should a blinding

before it, or cause them to huddle tomether in a corner, so that there is a danger of their suffocating each other, "Where are you going ?" asked the the trained goat will wake them up, when by a method of his own, induce them to follow him to a place of safely.

#### The Money-Mad Poor.

It is a great mistake to suppose that every rich man is money mad, for many rich men are money sick, and it a still greater mistake to suppose that the only money mad people in the world are rich people. A man who is poor but bent on becoming rich is much more likely to be money mad than a man who has an independent fortune,

omity he shows it is a different way. A man of large fortune who is money mad shows it by his continued activity mat grand pape and his wife could not im money making. The poor man who by in the unwonted confinement is money making. The poor man who ety. The loss the country. So hattne those who are more successful. hating those who are more successful, -Ohicago Chronicle.

> Consumption of horse fich is largely indreasing in Berlin and its suburbs. Mary 260 horse slaughter houses exist. Many dealers have become so opulent that they have exchanged the humble collars where they formerly carried an business for handsome shops. In other large towns the same state of affairs obtains, especially in Hamburg, where the annual consumption is computed to be 5,000 horses, much of which, however is used in sausage manufactories

A groosr whe sands his sugar has e grit than principle.

shines a light which is seen by the fish-Chinese ideas, are slaves, while the old ermen far and wide. The way in which mother of grown sons and the wrinkled the lighthouse is illuminated is this: grandmothers are queens, and the most |On the Island of Lowis is a lighthouse. respected and beloved members of the and from a window in the tower a stream of light is projected on to a mirror in the lantern on the summit of Arnish Rock.-Exchange.

mon belief they are made of earth."

The secret of the true Chinese porce-

lain was first discovered in Europe a

generation later by the German chem-

ist Bottger, the inventor of what is

Unique Lighthouse.

ish lighthouses is to be found on Arn-

The most extraordinary of all Brit-

now known as Dresden china.

## Compulsory M. P.'s.

The Norwegian parliament consists of 114 members, many of whom sit in the house under protest. All Norweglans over 25 years of age who satisfy certain conditions of residence, etc., meet in the local parish church once in three years and choose one man out of every 100 present to select the members of parliament for the country. The men so selected are bound to serve. whether they like the honor or not. Immediately parliament, meets onefourth of the members are chosen to form the upper house, the remaining three-fourths constituting the lower house,---Failadelphia Ledger.

## In a Glacler 28 Years.

In an almost perfect state of preserration, and easily recognizable, the dead body of a guide named Nagi, a native of Aosta, Italy, who fell into a crevice in 1877 near the summit of Monta Ross, was recently recovered from the lee

Nagi was descending the mountain in company with two Milanese Alpinists when he suddenly disappeared, and the cord which bound him to the others was cut by a sharp piece of ice. A search party made many vain attempts to recover the body .-- London Mail.

How Birds Doctor Themselves. Certain birds seem to possess a remarkable instinct for surgery. The woodcock, the partridge and some others are said to be able to dress their wounds with considerable skill. A naturalist observes that he has shot sevaral woodcock that were recovering from wounds previously received. In every mistance he found the injury neatly dressed with down plucked from the stems of feathers and skillfully arranged over the wound, cvidently by the long beak of the bird. In other cases ligatures had been applied to wounded or broken limbs .-- Exchange.

#### Rich Americans Abroad.

A cynical highland gillie thus erplains a certain rich American's action in paying \$25,000 as a year's rental for a castle in the north of Scotland: "He pays \$5,000 for the house, \$5,000 for the Realing, \$5,000 for the deer, \$5,000 for the grouse and \$5,000 for being near Balmoral, where the king occasionally visits."

It appears that spice in the form of nurses have been introduced in considerable numbers into the families of French officers by some unnamed European power. The government has informed corps commanders about it.

The largest flour mill in the British captre is in Montreal. It turns out 6,000 barrels of Sour & day.

game me of the fruit, and I did eat. Men of modern times are just like him. "There's a woman at the bottom of it." say they, and thus they attempt to ] shield themselves and shift the consequences of their own misdeeds. It is enough to make every woman's blood boil in her veins. Now, I don't know what case that was you two men were discussing when I came in, about which I heard my husband ask, 'Who is the woman in the case?' but I'll venture to say that there is no woman connected with the matter at all."

She looked from her husband to Mr. Darley, and that individual arose and walked to the other side of the room, saying:

"You would better be careful, Mrs. McBride. You have made a very vigorous and a very praiseworthy defense of your sex. Don't you think it would be better to let the matter rest there. and not run the probable risk of destroying the effect of your forcible speech by citing an illustration which possibly might not help your case?"

"No, I don't think so, Mr. Darley. I'm so convinced of the general truth of what I have been saying, and of the fact that in every ninety cases out of a hundred no woman is in any way to blame for a man's trouble, that I am willing to rest the matter on this case you have been discussing, and defy you ; to show that there is a woman connected with it."

"I'm afraid we'll have to tell her. Darley." said MaBride.

"It looks that way, although I strongly advise her to let the matter drop just where it is." "No, I shall not drop it. You-two

rreat big men are afraid, that's all. Now tell me what case you were disevasing." "Since you must have it, my dear,"

said Mr. McBride, with evident reluctance, "we'll tell you." "Please don't insist, Mrs. McBride,"

pleaded Mr. Darley. "But I do insist," the little woman

"What came were you disdeclared. ounsing?

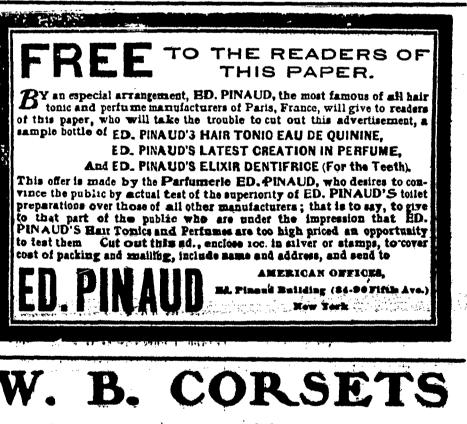
"Mr. McBride was telling me of Mr. Keedick's engagement to be married, and I-----' Mrs. McBride burst into tears.

"I think you men are real mean," she aobbed.

### Yeast of the Ancients.

The yeast employed by the ancients in making bread was probably of the same kind as the Israelites of the days of the great Pharson, the oppressor, used, calling it "leaven." This was what is known nowadays as a wild yeast. Its germs or spores being affort everywhere in the air. A bit of dough was preserved out of each batch prepared for the overs, and when this was saded to the next dough the yeast contained in it quickly spread through the whole, only a little being required to "leaven the whole lump."

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