

THE LITTLE GOD

And a Separation and a Reunion.

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Philippa and Richard had been sweethearts for so long that no one could remember when the "little god" first claimed them for his own.

Armed only with his high school diploma, he obtained a position as country schoolteacher in a town which possessed the advantage of nearness to his ladylove.

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evening as his step sounded upon the stair she seated herself before the newly installed instrument, and as the door opened she sang a little song, the one he had liked so well.

"I bought the piano, Richard," she faltered, "intending to pay for it with my own money."

"Your money?" he burst out contemptuously. "Then in your opinion marriage does not make two people one."

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Band Pit Puzzles. Nebraska's sand hill region offers one of the most unusual fields for scientific investigation in this country.

How Unreasonable! Many business men actually believe that spelling ought to be an accomplishment of the average college graduate.

Parker's First Stories. Gilbert Parker said of his first attempt at authorship: "I went to Archibald Forbes, with whom I was acquainted, to have him give me a note to the Macmillans."

The Great Frederick's Joke. The czar's changing of the name of his second and more modern capital from St. Petersburg to Petrograd may be paralleled by the case of the "new palace."

Musical authorities seem agreed that when used in a proper way the drum is thoroughly musical.

Line Carrying Rockets. The first line carrying rockets were invented in 1820 by an Englishman named Trenprouce.

Canadian Musk Ox. Many musk ox robes are in use in the province of Ontario for cold weather driving.

FIRE EATERS. The Trick of Breathing Flames and Sparks From the Mouth. The first known fire breather was a Syrian slave named Eunus.

Various theories have been advanced to account for other feats of this sort performed by the ancients.

TRAINING FOR LONGEVITY. The Mental Attitude is as Important as Bodily Vigor.

A few years ago a young man "died of old age" in a New York hospital. After an autopsy the surgeons said that while the man was in reality only twenty-three years old he was internally eighty.

Chemical Prints. Here is a way to take a picture in the dark: Draw a picture on a piece of paper, using sulphate of quinine in making the outlines.

Submarine Mines. Wet gun cotton in submarine mines is, of course, a very potent explosive.

Clever Pigeons. A close observer writes that he has noticed a smart trick again and again on the part of pigeons in Palace yard, London.

Yellow Jack. Not only is yellow jack a popular term in some places for molasses candy, but it is a common nickname among seamen for the dreaded yellow fever.

Taken Literally. "Are you saving up something for a rainy day?" "No," replied Farmer Comtesse.

Right in the Family. "Are you family friends of the Worn hats?" "I presume I might say so.

Artificial Turquoise. Artificial turquoise is made in Europe by soaking ivory which shows no grain in a saturated solution of ammoniacal copper oxide until the desired shade is reached.

Sorry She Spoke. "You mustn't laugh so at the table," expostulated the mother.

It is a mistake to set up our own standard of right and wrong and expect everybody to conform to it.

Wagner and His Dog Peps. Richard Wagner's fondness for his faithful dog Peps is well known.

Condensed Language. "Samoa has an ideal language, and there it was I got my inspiration," says Gelett Burgess in "Burgess Unabridged."

His Second Thought. A politician named Blank got a place for a clerk during one of the sessions of the legislature of his state.

A Glimpse of Parnell. Like most men with claims for greatness, Parnell had his peculiarities as well. One of them was a distressing lapse of memory on occasions.

Strange Symphony. A certain clergyman was the guest of the Rev. Edward Everett Hale overnight. In the morning he came down stairs with a look of pleased surprise on his face.

In Doubt. "Ethel—Oh, dear me! I don't know what to think! Algy asked me last night if I wouldn't like to have something around the house that I could love and would love me.

Bull Racing in Burma. A form of sport very popular in Burma is bull racing.

Took Them All. "Somebody stole three sets of harness out of my stable."

Starting the First One. Willy (just wed)—George, just think what the neighbors will say when they hear that I do my own work!

Going to Extremes. Billed Sylvester—He's a bad character, an' I wash my hands of him.

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The Victoria Cross. The Victoria cross had its origin in the Crimean war and was primarily intended to be conferred upon junior commissioned officers and the rank and file.

Quaker Dance in the World. The Godavari dance of the malayers, or drummers, of Malabar is a very popular function when the native farmers are taking their ease after the hard work of harvest.

Lake Winnipeg. Of the lakes of Manitoba Lake Winnipeg is the largest, being 276 miles long and from 40 to 60 miles wide.

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