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f		very softly, "father died, and mother lived but a month longer. My brother	+ The+ **	FARM JUST TO HIS LIKING	THEN IT CAME HOME TO HER	
	From the	married and then I started to learn all I did.not know. It is not easy to learn at thirty five not medicine, at any	Jerap Book	mer in What He Considers Ideal	Moment When Henrietta Realized That	There is a woman living on the Heights who is rather timid about fires. And the night was cold, and he
20000	- Beginning	-rute-and it was ten years later before I got the right to hang out that sign		Certain of our readers have so far	in the World. Henrietta Weird- looked at the	husband was out of town, and where she retired at night she felt nervous.
2002	BY LINCOLN ROTHER ITM	forty-five, a new doctor does not easily build up a practice in a small town-	The little flag on our house	developed the detective instruct as to have been able to	change the conductor had just given her-a quarter and five nickels.	three, she was awakened by the sound
(Ci	pyright, 1918; by the McChurs Newman	I sent myself to bed supprises like a naughty hoy being punishel for having	deside the great big Stars and Stripes;		"he's given me a nickel over!' I'm riding for nothing!"	sprang from her bed. The house stands close to the street, and the gong was clanging in front of the house. She rushed to the window and

"Zebiah," called a weak, complaint hearing people speak of that old it signals with its one bit ing volce from the other room. And batch," 'old haldy," and 'bowlegs,' and "We've got a boy in France! Zehlah lifted her angular form and wondering who'll he leave his money hstlessly walked to the bed where lay to when he dies."

"It jest seems as if I can't get com-

fortable," was the querulous response. "If I face the window, the sun bothers a whining wall.

Zebiah did not answer. She lowered drawing up a choir to the bed, picked up a book preparatory to reading.

ought to know it." the old lady mutter to forgive, mother."\* wrinkles,-"you-don't-pay-no-attentionto me at all, though I don't know as I ought to be expectin' much more from a stepchild."

Zebiah seemed restrained from arguing by the invalid's weakness. "Now, mother," she softly replied, laying the offending book on the table, "don't work yourself up. You know Doctor Merrifield said you should not get excited-your heart won't stand it."

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Mrs. Seagrave waved her shrunken hands dramatically. "There you go. mentioning that doctor again to me. Ain't I told you how I hate him with his vile tastin' medicines and pills that by his use of her Christian name. stick in my throat?" Her voice rose to a shrill accent. "Anyhow, 'pears to me he likes to come to see me-every other day would be enough to take keer of an old woman, to say, nothing of twice a day like he's been hangin' aroun'. I suppose it's my money what he's after as soon as I'm cold-running nroused love. I long thought gong. up a blg bill like that." And the outburst of temper was followed by a protracted racking cough, rendering the body so weak and helpless it scarcely seemed alive.

Zeblah petted the scant, ashy-white hair. "I am sure Doctor Merrifield does not want your money, mother," she soothed, "he hasn't taken a penny yet for all the medicines he has given you. We all want to see you get well." Her ministrations were inferrupted

by the entrance of a quiet, earnest looking man, whose hald head and bowlegs seemed strangely at variance He smiled encouragingly at Zebiah. "Now did she sleep last night. Miss Seagrave?" he questioned in a low tone.

cough gave her no rest. She is not much better this morning."

As the doctor turned with professional interest toward the patient who

per Syndicate.) | Spolit-his life, ne aspect interity. "Look up and see my own i Zebiah forgot herself as she saw the We've got a boy in France!" Miss Zebiah Sengrave, unmarried, need for quick sympathy. "But look The little flag on our house, Miss Zebiah Seagrave, unmarried, need for quick sympathy. "But then The little flag on our nouse, inbeautiful and of uncertain age, pull-how splendidly you have done, doctor, it floats sometimes at night, ed the cancibettion rocker closer to in the five years you have been here. And you can see it "way up there then and the five years you have been here. And you can see it "way up there when the street lamp shines just right." hands in her 'sp, heaved a great sight "It is if it were not counteracted by When the concounter the son some by perchance

hstlessly walked to the bed where lay a frail, old woman. "What is it, mother?" she asked gently, though her-volce had a werry and both stood over the figure breath-Because of war's grin chance. "Thank God? We've got a boy in France!" -William C. Demorest, pulse and boked very comparsionately in at the lined features. Weekly.

"Guess I'm done for, Zebiah." came me; and if I face the door, I don't see in a far-away voice, "and-and-don't the sun ; and if I set up, my bones liet the Doe get my money. I'd ruther And the voice dwindled off in \_\_\_\_I'd ruther\_\_\_ A weak cough stopped her. In a moment she went on. the shade to cut off the bright glare of been so kind to you. Zebiah, these "I'd ruther see you have it. I ain't the su i, straughtened the pillows, and, many years. You'll forgive me, child?" With tears coursing down her faded

cheeks, Zeblah leaned over and kissed "I don't want to be read to and you the shrunken lips. "There is nothing

"I wish I'd been your real mother girl, T might've done better by you. Don't give the Doc any of my money." Silence ensued.

The doctor noislessly arose and covdead," he said simply. Zebiah retreated into the other room and the doctor followed. She was dry- has been newly invented. It carries figunan to understand, when we coneyed and felt horribly old. Irritating the swatter on the end of a spring sider the roads built by the Romans and complaining as her stepmother had which, (as shown in the picture) is bent thousand years ago, which, except fo

seemed too immense to fill. Her head sank upon her chest. "Zeblah,"\_the\_doctor-ealled Zebiah was aroused from her apathy

"Zebiah," he repeated, "will you marry me?" Zebiah stared in incredulous amaze-

ment. "We are both alone in the world' he continued gently taking her handle "Your goodness to your stepmother has Don't you think you could learn to

oare for me?"

baldy.' 'bowlegs.' Come, it's not too late, Zeblah, lets start from the beginning."

Zehiah seemed to have lost her angles her hair seemed to curl about her forehead and long-absent color mounted her cheeks.

"Yes, let's start again," she whisnered.

PECULIAR SOURCE OF RIVER "I was up all night, doctor, as the Pool Flowing From Cave Gives Rise

to the Oklawaha Stream in Heart of Fiorida. Down through the heart of Florida

mond in an emerald setting .--- Chicago

She Was No Piker.



SHOOT THE FLY

In these days, when firearms are so ered the body with the sheet. "She is fashionable, it is proper to shoot the great difficulty in determining how a fly instead of swatting him in the ordinary way. A pistol for the purpose

been, she new had no one and the void back and caught with a hook that may neglect of the surface, are still giving be released by pulling the trigger. ill-at-every shot

In the picture the swatter is represented in section. It is, however, cirframe of felt padding to protect furni-

scratched by the swat.

'Rat Stole Soldier's False Teath. Rats-destroy-£18:000.000 of human food yearly in the United Kingdom,

an agricultural expert stated recently. These destructive-rodents, however, dosecond another part of her, "I'm only not confine themselves to food, as is formation furnished by commerce re-"old-maid Zebiah, 'homely old Zebiah.'"

"And I'm only 'that old batch,' 'old a convalescent home, an exchange 6ays.

culiar prize.

ceived a shock, for a large rat was

Cant.

"The Germans," said Gen. G. O. Squier, head of the signal corps-"the

are over the change, and then she remem- throw it open. There were no fire en nearly right. bered that the conductor had rung up We are living her fare and that probably the nickel on

country would have to come out of his own a -Avinte Ducker "Oh, dear !" she thought remorseconsider the ideal farm for the city fully, "Perhaps the poor man has a

man. It is off the large family and perhaps a nickel a main road-in fact, even the side road day is all he can afford to feed them terminates at our gate. It is miles with, I suppose I roully ought to refrom a railroad. Even the rural free turn it to him. But no, he has a had delivery does not reach us. It is a very face-1 shouldn't be surprised if he big farm, and there is a lake and a for-beats his wife every day, and it would est and a swamp on it. But that is not serve him right to suffer for his own what makes it ideal for a city man- carelessness f Still, of course, and especially for us, wouldn't like to feel that I am depriv-

There are no horses, cows, chickens, ing his baby of its daily bucket of ducks, geese or other live stock on this milk-no, Fil-keep it-a man in his There are no crops to bother position has no moral right to have a farm. with. The prowling skunk and the mid- large family, . Goodness, what, if he night fox pass us by for we have no should suddenly find out he gave me oultry to interest such marauders. We too much and demand it back again? weed the strawberry patch, we hoe the I think I'll get right out-I'm only ten

potatoes, we inspect the peas and blocks from home, anyway. beans, and our day's farm labor is - And at the next stop she hurriedly lone; we retire to a well-earned repose left the car, still clutching the quarter and are sung to sleep by the frogs and and five nickels in her hand. the owls and the whippoorwills. "Id better look again-perhaps It would be a daudy place for a gang there are only four nickels after all,"

sound

of counterfeiters-or moonshiners. Do she thought. And she opened her we hear any offers2-Exchange. Ancient and Modern Roads.

Modern road engineers seem to have

really good and substantial road should be built. This is hard for the Well-nimed, the weapon is bound to able roads of the Continent, that have good service. Then there are the notsurvived hundreds of years' traffic

It would seem that a study of suc roads would furnish much needed incular in form, of wire net, with a formation; but possibly the trouble lles in a fulle altempt to get someture or other objects from being thing for nothing, by spreading the cost of one mile of good road over ten miles of makeshift.—Scientific American.

Nine Kinds of Bread in Sweden.

Only nine types of war brend are

A decree has been issued restricting Matara diamond. the brends to be made to the following During the summer they were sleep types: Dry, hard bread and 80ing in the tents in the garden. Awak- called "coffee cake," and their weight ening one early dawn the soldier re- prices are prescribed by law. In making bread only wheat, rye, burley, and slags. Zirconium fire brick prommaking off with his false feeth which or oat flour may be used and flour had been left the night before at his substitutes are prohibited. For ordibedside. The rodent succeeded in get- nary bread no butter, lard, or other ting away with its strange and pe- fat, milk, or cream may be used. Soft bread may not be sold until\_it

# What Was Coming.

Flanders Mud.

On the night of the first hig min-Germans have a detestable habit of strel show in Richmond a private enaccompanying the vilest deeds with tered one of the boxes with a magnifi- jectiles, and builet-proof metal; a new the most hypocritical and canting hom- cently bejeweled and befurred young patented alloy of zirconium with nick- til

gines visible, but a street car was standing on the track, and somebody was calling "Fire! Fire!" "Don't stand there and yell fare !" she shricked to the street car crew, both of which were standing in the

street. "Turn in an alarm!" "Go back to bed lady," answered the motorman, "I wasn't vella fire. The trolley was off and the conductor. couldn't get it back on and I was yellin' 'Higher-higher !'"

And that's all there was to it



He-I bet you've told everyone when I told you as a secret last night. She-Why, the ideal 'There's a whole lot of girls I haven't seen yet.

Joyawa Assurption A "cut-up" scatters careless chaff. He is indeed a happy sil Who thinks he should make others lay By watching him enjoy himself

Physical Proves

"That man ought to be arrested for beating his wife." "How do you know he beats

wife?" inquired Mr. Meckton. "He conferment it,"

"Maybe what he told you was a confession and maybe it was only bragging, Walt and hear the lady's ide of the story."

What Pa Sald.

"I'm-aw-beastly fond of-aw-forlowing the bounds doncher know "I inferred as much from what pape sald.'

"Weally? And what did yoush fawthah smy?"

"Oh I he said you seemed to be going to the dogs."

Poultry Finance.

"An egg is mighty valuable these

ing armor plates, armor-plercing pro- tossel. - "An egg will bring almost enough to pay for feeding the hen weshe

A Case for the Censor,

Happy to Lose Her.

Cora-Miss Antique is to be mar-

Dora-Indeed! Who is the happy

Not Very Much

She-I could never many a man whe

BEST THING.

Cors-Her father, I think.

"Bliggins thinks he knows h

war should be conducted."

is at least 12 hours old.

-Judge.

It of the Highest Value Commercially.

The layman would hardly know that baddeleyite and jacupirangite are different names of the same thing-in fact he would probably not recognize either of these impressive words and

would find their pronunciation difficult, but they are the correct mineral names for the ore of zirconium, which is found in Brazil and is said to occur there in enormous quantities.

"The dishonesty of this world!"

Rare Metal Has Properties That Make

The mineral zircon, a silicate of zirconium, is probably most familiar as a gem stone, and when so used is

known as hyacinth, jacinth, jargon; or Zirconium minerals are used chiefly as refractory material, which melts only at an extremely high temperature and ises to be extensively used. The fused oxide of zirconium expands so little on

being heated that crucibles, muffles, combustion tubes, and similar articles made of It are not broken by sudden changes of temperature.

Several alloys of zirconium have unusual properties. A sirconium steel is days. said to be particularly sulted for mak-

iny so white and still, Zebiah stole winds one of the most beautiful of quietly from the room. It was the American rivers, fiptly named by the mirror in the gilt frame, sole adorn- Indians Oklawaha, "Crooked Wa-ment of the bare walls of this "sitting ters," The steamboat that carries you quick tears of self-pity came to her the palmettos and live oaks which eyes. As she stood off so that the line the river bed. Every few minsmall mirror might reflect her figure, jutes it seems that the boat will run the flat-chested, hipless, coloriess re- into the banks, which refuse to stay takes.

flection brought forth audible suffering. (at the sides, but are always shifting "Yes. I've given her my best years, so as to get directly in the way. Just even if she isn't my mother. I've stood as you decide what to do when the her abuse and I've given up friends." apparently inevitable collision shall The thoughts seemed too great for occur, a long pole, dexterously guided, utterance and Zeblah sank into the shoots out, the boat swings around, cane-bottom rocker which creaked and you are safe until next time.

tered the room. "Come Miss Seagrave," he comforted, patting her head, "you mustn't

steadily worse.' ly imagine yourself in the African jun-

Zebiah rose and wiped her eyes in a gle instead of only a few miles from handkerchlef already sadly wet. "Oh, civilization. it's not that."

"I-know you have been very patient and good," the doctor continued, and he added in a hesitating manner "I hope you will be rewarded."

The pent-up gates of suppressed emotion gave way. "What has my goodness and patience brought me? I have become a recluse even the chilsource, the mysterious Silver spring, a like men's." dren can point out 'old maid Zebiah,' pool 75 feet deep, flowing from a great our minister questions me what dispocave. How the water gets into the fition I will make of her money, and cave, and why it rushes forth with ler to someone 'as homely as Zebiah.' such force are problems yet waiting What reward can atone for all that?" not is not caplanation. The great You must not let such unkindness, pool is 600 feet from lip to lip, a dia-

weigh upon your mind, Miss Sea- Daily News. grave. We all have our crosses to bear. Even my life has not been a bed of roses-

Zeblah loöked up at the kindly face n surprise.

"For a great many years," he coninued, not noticing the interruption. ather fild invait mother and to put sau get you a divorce without any pub- though as set in infant one. licity whatever for five hundred dol-lars." She looked at him haughtily. my brother through school. I longed .o study medicine, but-"

The memory seemed too poignant a "I have pienty of money, one will are very deligate. nain to recall. Zebiah's faded-couitenance assumed a look of sympathetic publicity and everything?" He saw inderstanding. "And for how long did that she was a person who wanted delicate too. if they got the hot-towel-1 last?

"When I was thirty-five." he spoke

"The Gérmans are exactly like the field had nothing on him for chivalsecond-hand dealer who said to his rous bearing and grandiloquent con-80n : cern for the comfort of the ladies "Tommy, I made a mistake in giv- They were conspicuously long in get room" that claimed her attention. The up the stream scrapes its sides against ing change to the customer who just ting settled. Not being able to stand close inspection did not please her and the river banks as it twists through bought a Palm Beach suit. I gave him it any longer, or, perhaps, prompted a dollar too little. That teaches us, by jenlousy, a soldier in the balcony Tommy, my dear boy, that we should velled down:

always try to profit by our mis-"That's all right, old top; you'll be washing dishes tomorrow."-

#### Alligator Was Obstinate.

The following is a Munchausen tale Soldiers had to be called to the rescue when the big alligator at the Cin-showing the quality of the mud in cinnati zoo was moved from his win- Flanders at the present day:

A soldier walking along a road no ter to summer quarters this week. A sympathetically, as she buried her head Presently the charm of the tropics rope was tied about the animal in the ticed a hat, which he attempted to in her arms, her shouldars shaking selzes you, and you forget to worry usual way and three or four of the zoo kick out of the mud. What was his with her sobbing. Doctor Merrifield en. about the boat. You hear a sudden guards started to lead him in the usual surprise to find a head under it and to "kerchunk," and a sleepy alligator way from the winter quarters to the hear a voice calling for help.

flings himself from his sunny log into concrete pool outside. But the big al- When the man was extricated h the water. The swamps beside the ligator refused to budge. Four sol-said: "I was on horseback." So to take such things so to heart. Your river are rank with lilles, water hya- diers who were passing saw the offi- gether they proceeded to dig out the mother has been ill a very long time cinths, and yellow jaginine. Gray cial's plight, and volunteered their horse. The horse's month was found and you know she has been getting Spanish moss twines over the trees. Services, eventually succeeding in movto he full of hay taken from a wagon which had sunk still farther down, The follage is so dense that you readt-ing the alligator.

Save the Twine-

Bobbie's Good Suggestion. With binder twine high in price Junior and Bobble are both four. The water of the Okiawaha is black Junior and Bobble are both four, having it in quantities will be great as you look down, but if you dip up a Bobble has his hair cut short. They idea ble more indea ble more inter the house are up of the lock of siderable more twine than large ones cupful it is clear and sparkling. Down were playing soldier, and Junior spent to join the dark river flows the Silver most of his time pushing his hair back It takes only a moment to adjust the Spring run, a stream as clear as the out of his eyes. Finally Bobble said: size of the bundles and in no two

Oklawaha is turbid. Here the boat "Say, don't you know sojers don't have grains should the bundles be the same ha and travels up the tributary to its tell your mother to have your hair cut just about what grain will cure out On

handle.-Farm Life.

In a Receptive Mood. "Uncle Jake, how's your rheuma-

tism?" "It sho' is had, sah." "Do you think a quarter would cure

"It might not cure me, sah, but

sperrits, bein' as how dey's low dis plano?" mawnin'."-Birmingham Age-Herald.

## Etiquette Explained.

"My dear, don't eat peas with your knife at the table." "Of course, I wouldn't "Hon't you most affecting I have ever heard" uppose Tve got sense enough to know t they'd roll off?"

a small donation?" "No." For Both of Them, "But you just said-"

"Willie Jones, does your mother know you are learning to smoke?" "No; I want it to be a surprise."-London Opinion.

el, called cooperite, is extremely har and is particularly well adapted for making cutting tools.

#### Tying the Nuptial Knot.

"Hope he does. Maybe they'll make In some parts of the world the sup-him stop, talking for fear hell sive tial knot is literally as well as figura- away our most valuable military as tively tied. This is in India, at the cret.' marriage of a Brahmin. No sooner

has the father, in words as plain as can he, given the bride away than the bridegroom places the "fall," or insignia of marriage, consisting of a piece.

of ribbon with a gold head suspended, man? upon it, around her neck and ties the Befors the knot is tled the mot. bride's father may refuse consent unless better terms are offered, but immediately the knot is tied the mar-

has no money. risge is indissoluble, for the Brahmins He-But there's germs in n do not recognize divorce. The Par-She-And there are germs in h sees blud the hands of the bridegroom but that don't bother you. with a sevenfold cord, seven being a

sacred number. The ancient Cartha-ginlans tied the thumbs of the betrothed with leather lace. With the Latins, on the contrary, part of the ceremony was for the bridegroom to loosen (solvere) the bride's girdle (nodus herculeus), not to tie it.

### A Serviceable Plano.

A prominent musician tells som funny yarns. One relates to his experience in find-

leaves the main stream of the Oklawa- long hair? You better hike home and size this year. Every operator should ing suitable instruments when on

On one occasion at a small place nicely and still he small enough to where he was due to appear he inquired where he could hire a piano, and found that the only one available was an ancient looking instrument in s mail shop

He asked if he could borrow it for his performance.

"You could not play on it, least ways, not as it is," replied the owner, "for it's full of books. Jim," he twould be mighty stimmeriatin' to de bawled, "where's the inside of this

And Jim's voice from upstairs, ere plied: "Ain't it out in the garden?"

make a great deal of money as a pre-

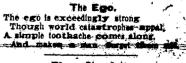
moter. There is no earthly excuse."

# naken nun "Thanks, boss. Then you'll give ma

Thom Pie Acts. Bacon-Now they say ples are going

Egbert Well, why shouldn't they? "Exactly. A man with your imag- Egbert Well, why shouldn't they? Instion and rift of narration ought to Look at the demand for them in the inovies for hitting fellows over the lead-

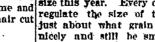
of three months every year. The Ego. Could Make His Own Way, "Your hard-luck story to one of the

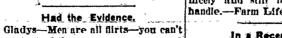


Smart-I never saw anything good

Wise-Ohl yes, He takes a vacation

about the work of Doctor Berry





rust any of them. Reggy-More so than a woman? Gladys-Well, I'm engaged to three of the nicest men I ever knew, and I've found that every one of them is you?

flirting with some other-girl. -

Turkey Ranches.

The lovely lady consulted the popu-. lar attorney in regard to getting a di-In order to relieve the food shortage, vorce. She was particularly interested it have ranching has been tried in the in knowing how much it would cost. foothills of California and some parts 'I turned over every cent I carned as After looking over the case the lawyer of Arizona. In other western states t-machinist to support my crippled said: "This is comparatively easy; I thas become a recognized industry.

Myrt-Gladys thinks her feature

things done right, so he hastily revised ing, pommeling, painting and powder-

his figures .-- Cleveland Plain Dealer. ing that hers do.

Those Girls.

Gert-Gee, your features would be