

WHEN THE ALARM SOUNDED

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Mary Hilton closed the book she had been reading and jumped to her feet lustily. It was an overdrawn story of spies and international intrigue, but there was a fascination about it that kept her reading longer than she had intended.

As usual, there was no car in sight when Mary arrived at her corner. By the time one came she was sure it was impossible to get to the station in



Dropped Her Suitcase.

time when she stepped from the car she looked for the station platform, arriving hot and panting to find no train waiting. She had missed it. No, she hadn't. The train was chuffed up seven minutes late.

When the train pulled in an excited crowd hastened to board it. Mary hated crowds, especially on hot days. She stood back as the others pushed forward.

Mary usually enjoyed train journeys, but this afternoon she could not settle her mind to enjoy anything. The thought of Harris kept coming up. They had been a devoted couple until he had been transferred to another city, and even then for months his letters had seemed as devoted as ever.

would not have looked nice in writing, though, she thought, as she settled back in her seat and tried to enjoy looking out of the window. The scenery didn't interest her. She thought of the unfinished novel in her suitcase and reached for the bag and opened it. She nearly fainted from surprise. The suitcase was not her own. It was filled with man's wearing apparel. Who did it belong to and where was her suitcase? She remembered this she must have made the change when the alarm clock went off at the station platform.

She rummaged through the clothes in hope of finding something to identify the owner. Right at the bottom she found a leather-bound diary. She opened it hastily and recognized something strangely familiar in the writing. It was Harris'. Her name was the first to catch her glance.

She turned to the last she judged. If this would be the end of her life, why should she be so concerned? She thought of the diary she had found. It was Harris' diary. She had found it in the suitcase. She had found it in the suitcase. She had found it in the suitcase.

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No Sovereigns to Counterfeit. A barrister at the Kingston bank-ruffed out a week or two back started everybody by putting his bad financial state of affairs down to the war.

Spilling His Joke. Redd—What day of the week is Wednesday? Greene—Why, the fourth. "No, it's the third, isn't it?" "Why, no; Sunday is the first day of the week."

HOW GERMANY PLANS TO LOOT VESSELS SUNK BY UNDERSEA BOATS.

Altogether the prospects are very bright for the recovery of many ships, or at least of a large part of their cargo even though they may lie in water 300 feet deep. It behooves us to devise means of conducting such deep water salvage for if we do not do this work we may be sure it will be undertaken by the enemy.

The Germans have not been carrying on their submarine warfare without a thought for the future. Last May when the U-boats were making frightful raids into allied shipping there was an item in a German newspaper calling attention to the rich treasure that was being piled up in the sea and stating that the German wrecking companies were planning to recover this treasure on a large scale after the war.

Clearly, Germany is making great preparations for the peace and intends to be a far ahead of other people in salvage method that after the war most of the treasure in the sea will fall to her lot. She feels confident of winning on that and then she fully believes that the sea will be her as well. But we are not asleep. We are doing some interesting work in the field of deep water salvage.

How They Catch Fish in India. A writer in Manchester Guardian contributes an interesting paragraph on one method of keeping the "pot" supplied with fish.

How Bell's Tone is Changed. Bells may have tones which, while thoroughly agreeable to the manufacturer, are not so pleasant to those who have to listen to them.

WHY Soldiers in British Army Carry Sticks

It is one of the regulations of the British army that every soldier when walking out must carry in his hand a stick in order to preserve a soldierly appearance and prevent anything like slouching in his gait. This rule says Dundee Advertiser applies to all ranks and should anyone seek to evade it he would find his progress barred by the sentry at the barrack gate or entrance to camp.

Why Thunder Rumbles is Explained by Scientists as Being a Very Simple Matter. Why does thunder rumble? The rumbling is caused by lightning through the air may be several miles in length.

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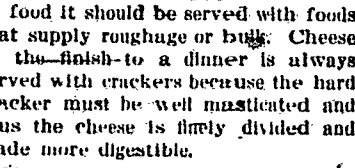
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THE KITCHEN CABINET

He only will please long, who by tempering the acidity of Sature with the sugar of Civility and alloying the heat of Wit with the frigidty of Humble Chat, can make the true Punch of Conversation.—Johnson.

CHEESE A MEAT SAVER.

Cheese is best uncooked, but when served in dishes that are to be cooked the heat should never be very high, as intense heat toughens the protein and makes it stringy and difficult of digestion.



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Why does thunder rumble? The rumbling is caused by lightning through the air may be several miles in length. All along this path the sudden expansion of the heated air—a true explosion—sets up an atmospheric wave which spreads in all directions, and eventually registers upon our ears as thunder.

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HAWK DESTRUCTIVE TO TREES

Birds' Unvarying Diet of Fish Sooner or Later Causes Death Through Accumulations of Grease.

Random bits of curious knowledge often come the way of persons who live in the summer time close by the ocean's edge. One gets to know, for instance, such things as why hawk nests so often are seen in dead trees.

Hawks of the kind considered here live exclusively on fish. Fish are oily, and so it follows that after a few thousand have been dissected and eaten in a nest the tree inhabited by a hawk family becomes discouraged and abandons the struggle.

After hawks have used a lofty bough as a dining room for two or three years a tree becomes so greasy that leaves find it impossible to hold on. The oil slowly makes its way to the roots, covering them and making the absorbing of water from the earth out of the question.

HOLD SWORD SACRED THING

German Officer Said to Lose Commission if He Should Be Forced From Weapon by Force.

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