

The House Next Door

By SYLVIA FROST

Edwards had rented the back suite of rooms on the second floor of the old-style house on Irving place because they promised complete isolation and security from interruption. It would take at least four weeks to revise the "Compendium" and he could not afford to leave town.

"Well, there isn't a soul to disturb you here, sir," Mrs. O'Brien promised him. "Sure, anybody that can get away this kind of weather is bating it for the seaside, and them that's left haven't got the strength to make any noise. You'll have the place to yourself."

RAINBOW IS OF REAL VALUE

Spectrum Analysis Shows What the Distant Stars Are Composed Of. While it is true that the beautiful colors displayed by the rainbow are due to the passage of light through raindrops, the popular conception that the drops are directly in line between the sun and the bow is incorrect.

valent resources for entertainment. Some days they would model in clay, and on others colored papers would flutter about like butterflies under their fingers. Then again, they would have a story day, and gather gravely around her under the tree, or else they would dig along the borders, and try to coax the nasturtiums and sweet peas to brace up and bloom rightly.

Perhaps even he had not realized how that little daily group had woven itself into the fabric of his personal happiness until he missed it one day, and Mrs. O'Brien told him Miss Stafford's name in the old house.

"Oh, Doctor Edwards, I didn't know you lived next door," she exclaimed. He sat down beside her, smiling guiltily, telling her how Miss Stafford had lured him to the old neighborhood because it was quiet.

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The Richmond made a proud war record in Admiral Farragut's fleet. In his attempt to open up the Mississippi river from its mouth, the admiral first employed camouflage in smearing the sides of his ships with mud to conceal them from the enemy.

The old Civil War "battle wagon" shows upon its scars received in the battles of New Orleans and of Mobile Bay, where it covered itself with glory. In the Spanish-American war, the Richmond was stationed at the Philadelphia navy yard to serve as the receiving ship there.

TRACING HISTORY OF BALLOT

Present System of Voting Has Been Arrived at After Many Years of Bitter Opposition. The ballot (French ballotte) is properly a little ball used from ancient times in secret voting. In Greece voting was by marks on potsherds (ostrakans), from whence came the term ostracism for one banished by public vote, and afterward for anyone thrust from the pale of society.

Another "Bridge of Sighs"

When the American troops invaded the Rhine valley they discovered a bridge that had never been shown on the old maps. It was a huge steel structure which spanned the Rhine far from the spot where Julius Caesar placed his famous bridge. It was built during the war by the labor of British, French and Russian prisoners.—Boston Post.

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Half the names of our states are pure Choctaw to all but educated Europeans, and not much more to many of those. A celebrated violinist said he had long ago given up trying to comprehend American geography or Indian names, and simply bought his railroad ticket to any place his manager designated.

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ON SAME MISSION.

A Logansport minister was on his way to fill the pulpit of a church in Terre Haute a few weeks ago, and happened to overhear a prize fighter, occupying the seat in the train just in front of him, remark to his companion: "I am going to Terre Haute to knock 'em out of 'em."

INFLUENCE.

The high school teacher was giving a review biography of John Milton. "His life influenced a great many of his poems," she told the class, "and Milton had a very unhappy life indeed. His first wife and he were very unhappy." She talked a few minutes and then asked: "Now what poem did this unhappy marriage cause him to write?"

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