The House Next Door

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Edwards had rented the back suite knew must be hers. "Compendium" and he could not afford Stearns was ill in the old house.

you here, sir," Mrs. O'Brien promised thing, measles, I think it is, or maybe away this kind of weather is hating her. Mrs. Duplessy, the caretaker, it for the seaside, and them that's left says she can't be expected to care for haven't got the strength to make any her, and who the devil's going to, she noise. You'll have the place to your-don't know. Old Miss Stafford's gone

the second Monday morning, just as up the ambulance now." he had settled himself to work in the an amazing sound. High and shrilly in the interests of-of-humanity." a clear soprano leading.

ing, a'roving, Here come three kings a'roving, With a rancy, tancy, tee."

shell-rimmed glasses irritably and convalescent in the garden. strode to the windows. Down in the "I had to tell her everything," Mrs. adjacent yard he beheld a ring of O'Brien told him innocently. about eight youngsfers holding hands the kind you can't deceive." and dancing back and forth as they He found her alone, sitting in the sang. A green table stood under the big willow chair, in a new gray silk sumae tree, with eight small painted kimono, embroidered in blue birds and chairs around it, and one large willow sprays of cherry blossoms. She held armchair. Standing up was the man-



ager of the enterprise, undoubtedly. She was about eighteen, with smooth brown hair pushed back from a low. plexities to mere child training. Be make our ordinary white light. fore he realized it he was smoking be— Two persons standing side by side fore the windows, staring down with see two different bows, though they frank interest at the disturbers of his present the same appearance.

"It appears to be, but I don't think which they are composed. matches the first day she was there, definite analysis of all light. and her name was Miss Stearns-

Rieanor Stearns, that was it—and she mid she was from Dakota. college, and in the summer it was too that he was "gwine to quit." his emexpensive to go home, so she was doing ployer was for a moment startled into and start putting on their coats before this work to tide her over. If they silence. When he had finally regained bother you, Mr. Edwards, I'll put in a his composure, he asked:

aulck complaint and chase out the whole bunch." -But Edwards assured her there "I'd rather not say, suh," replied would be no need. And mornings he Tom, politely. would watch the little class dance to ind fro in their games like awaying knowing."

velous 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. It seemed that she was living in the house all alone except for the caretaker, and at night he saw a lone light in the second floor back room that he

of rooms on the second floor of the Perhaps even he had not realized old style house on Irving place because how that little daily group had woven thex promised complete isolation and itself into the fabric of his personal security from interruption. It would happiness until he missed it one day, take at least four weeks to revise the and Mrs. O'Brien told him Miss

"Sure she's gone and visited around "Well, there isn't a soul to disturb in them families, and caught some-"Sure, anybody that can get it's worse. And not a soul to do for to some rest place in the mountains Fortified by her assurance he had and nobody knows where the girl's moved in and found it a haven of folks are. She'll have to go to Bellesolitude for the first week. Then on vue, I told her, and I'm going to call

"No, you're not, Mrs. O'Brien," Ednarrow glass-inclosed porch that ran wards ordered sternly. "I-I will take across the back of the room, he heard the responsibility of providing for her sweet it arose from the yard next door. It seemed a good explanation to him-

and above the small voices there was self as well as to Mrs. O'Brien. Not once did he go into the house next Here come three kings a'roving, a'rov- door, but he footed bills for two trained nurses, a doctor and a cook, and Mrs. O'Brien acted as guardian angel until there came a day when Edwards Edwards pushed back his tortoise-received a summons to attend the gine constructed in Washington. In

out her hand to him shyly,

you lived next door," she exclaimed. Capt. Thornton A. Jenkins. He sat down beside her, smiling guiltlly, telling her how Miss Stafford had lured him to the old neighborhood because it was quiet. And then they both were silent, struck by the same suspicion. Up at the university classes had Miss Stafford noticed the doctor's eyes lingering on his most attentive student, or heard Eleanor's praise of him? Had she deliberately as Mrs. O'Brien would have said.

did you do it?"

hand between his palms tenderly. "I think I must be like your kiddles." first played under the sumac tree.

"I'm roving here to get married, married, married." Mrs. O'Brien came to his window to shake a table cover and retreated hast-

Ily at sight of the two. "The old schemer," she laughed to herself. "Ain't he the wise one, planning to get her all this time, and me thinking he was one of them troubling philanthropists,"

RAINBOW IS OF REAL VALUE

Distant Stars Are Composed Of

While it is true that the beautiful broad forehead, and brown eyes that colors displayed by the rainbow are drooped at the outer corners wistfully, due to the passage of light through at least so he thought at first glance, raindrops, the popular conception that and it softened his intent. She wore the drops are directly in line between blue linen, and all during that first the sun and the bow is incorrect. The morning Edwards found his thoughts light enters the raindrop and is restraying from the "Compendium" to fracted back to form the bow. In this the group in the yard helow. He had passage through the drop the different not dreamt there could be such com- colors are produced which, blended,

Untold centuries after men had "And don't that beat all," Mrs. viewed this wonderful display of color a bag of coal,"—Boston Transcript. O'Brien exclaimed, when she brought in the sky it was discovered that light up his noonday tray, and witnessed thus separated into its component the invasion. The house belongs to parts had a story of great interest to old Miss Stafford and she goes in for tell. By passing light through carethis social settlement work. You know fully prepared prisms and charting the bridge that had never been shown on lipes, by heating to incandescence va-"I know it well," answered Edwards. rlous substances and passing the light "Well, once before in the summer through the same prisms to the chart far from the spot where Julius Caesai "His life influenced a great many of she had a day nursery in her house it became possible to trace and idenand all the neighbors complained about tify the substance incandescent at the it, and then she handed it over to source of light. Thus by spectrum French and Russian prisoners.—Bos deed. His first wife and he were very convalescent soldiers for awhile, and analysis not only the sun's light but ton Post now look what she's got in there. It's also that of the stars as well is made a backyard kindergarten, ain't it?" to tell the story of the material of

I shall mind it. Who is the teacher?' Speaking broadly, it has been found Mrs. O'Brien gave him a swift, sus-that these bodies separated by tremen picious look, knowing as she did the doug distances from us are made of susceptibilities of the masculine mind, substances known as component parts but Edwards went on eating placidly, of our own globe. The rainbow, long of an easy "homer," Whereat one of and she told him what she knew. The the mystery of the sky, has proved the teacher had sent over to borrow some bow of promise in fending to a very

Why He Left,

Old Tom Parker, a colored servitor, And what was she doing down here, had been in the service of a certain it's dark. asked her, added Mrs. O'Brien family for a long time, and so when And she said she'd come to go to he made the surprising announcement

"But why do you wish to leave Tom?"

"But come, come. I insist upon in the wind, and sometimes "Well, suh, of you must know, I's the "Compendium," as he lean been heah now fo' mo' than twenty you want to start not later than 7 a his arm chair, half dozing yeahs, an' sub, I's absolutely sick an' m." division . She had such mar tired at de sight of yo' fambly!"

SHIP'S DAY OF GLORY ENDED

Famous Old Richmond, in Farragut's Fleet at Attack on New Orleans, to Be Scrapped.

In a few days, says the New York Sun, the U.S. S. Richmond, once a part of Admiral David G. Farragut's fleet, will be consigned to the scrap heap. After long service as a training ship the vessel has been sold by the government to a Philadelphia firm of netal dealers. The Richmond, once the flower of the American navy, on her last voyage, will depart from Norfolk and sail up the Delaware to Bridesburg, Pa., where the dismantling

The Richmond made a proud war ecord in Admiral Farragut's fleet. In river from its mouth, the admiral first much more to Europeans than some employed camouflage in smearing the sides of his ships with mud to conceal them from the enemy. So successful was this shrewd practice that when the fleet was later ordered in 1802 to the Southwest the mud bath was again repeated.

The old Civil war "battle wagon" shows upon it 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. During the last war she afforded quarters for the MAY LEAD TO OTHER THINGS training school for firemen at Berk-

The Richmond first splashed water in 1860, her hull having been built by the Richmond navy yard and her en-Ictober, 1861, the Richmond fought the ram Manassas in the Southwest pass. Somewhat damaged in the battle, she emerged from convalescence with sufficient strength to join Admiral Farragut's fleet for the attack on New Orleans. Disabled in this battle by the terrific Confederate fire, she underwent further repairs and fought her last battle of the war on "Oh, Doctor Edwards, I didn't know Mobile bay, under the command of

Present System of Voting Has Been of war was contested in the vigorous Arrived at After Many Years of Bitter Opposition.

erly a little ball used from ancient carried off the sewing machine, and relied on propinquity to close the deal? times in secret voting. In Greece one may imagine that the natives are voting was by marks on potsheards proud to possess it as a rare and im-I never, never can repay you for (ostrakan), from whence came the pressive curiosity. But the time has your kindness." Eleanor said, soft-"It was wonderful of you. Why public vote, and afterward for anyone will be of much practical importance thrust from the pale of society. But to the average Igorrote family. He leaned forward and took her little balls or ballots were commonly used and at present have given their name to any secret voting. Great A Logansport minister was on his he said, gently. And sang under his Britain adopted the secret ballot sys way to fill the pulpit of a church in breath the words of the game they had tem in 1872, after a long struggle for Terre Haute a few weeks ago, and it lasting over a hundred years. It happened to overhear a prize fighter, may be remembered it was one of the occupying the seat in the train just six points the Chartists contended for in front of him, remark to his com-John Forster's ballot act brought it panlon: about at last, for all parliamentary "I am going to Terre Haute to knock elections. The pleas advanced by h -- out of ---. could tell certainly whom one voted "Why, that is just the very thing I

for and, secondly, that it would pre-lam going for." vent intimidation by employers or par- The young man looked at the min-In 1874, during the regime of the late Hon. Alexander Mackenzie, voting you?" at elections of members of the house . "No. I am a minister," was the re-Staring Down With Frank Interest. Spectrum Analysis Shows What the of commons of Canada by means of ply, "but my business is to knock the secret ballot was introduced and h-- out of people, and that is just

has ever since been the practice in what I am going to Terre Haute for." federal elections. A little later it - Indiamapolis News, was introduced into provincial elections .-- Montreal Herald.

Make the Load Worth While.

some of the skill in epigram that was clearing at Norwegian ports was greatpossessed by his distinguished father, er than those of national registry. This He was speaking of his desire to act was due to war conditions. A great in Shakespeare's plays when the inter-number of Norwegian vessels had viewer remarked: "But it is such been chartered by the allies for over-

onel, sadly, "and you may as well reduced both imports and exports to climb to the top of the mountain car a very small figure compared with the rying a hag of diamonds as carrying records of previous years. The per-

Another "Bridge of Sighs." When the American troops invaded 50.2 in 1917, and 50.7 in 1913. the old maps. It was a huge steel structure which spanned the Rhine not a review biography of John Milton.

Why Hurry? One of the colored convicts at to write?" Leavenworth had knocked the ball "Paradise Lost," came back from one over the prisen wall in a baseball game of the listeners. and was tearing around the bases at terrific speed making bard work" out

the boarders shouted: "Take yo' rme, bo,' take yo' time

yo's in fo' life; take yo' time." Saved Scolding. Patience—I like the movies because

struck you in the eye."

Patrice-Naughty, naughty. "No, not that, but when it's dark and a dozen men hear you stand un the end of the picture, you can't say anything because you're not sure which

Early Shopping. "You are beginning to say Shor Early', rather shead of the season." "Not at all. If you want to get to

PLACE NAMES THAT PUZZLE

Europeans Said to Find It Hard to Master the Designations of the Various States.

Down on the wharves they tell a owing a skiff under the stern of the

"A ho, a naitch, and a 10," said one of the limies, "Wot a 'ell of a name for

We made very merry over Russian and Polish names. When it came to the Balkans we were free to confess hat we didn't know whether the Doprudja was a river or a breakfast food. But it is now borne in upon us that his attempt to open up the Mississippi our own place names may not mean

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

"You ought to translate them," he dded plaintively. His host confessed:

"We can't."-Boston Globe,

Having Sewing Machine, Igorrotes Possibly Will Send Forth Call for the Fashion Magazines.

Wearing about as little clothing as is possible even in the least sophisticated part of the Philippines, the Igorrotes of Bontoc in the mountain province have little need of sewing; out Bontoc at last has a sewing machine. The first sewing machine ever seen in Bontoc turned up there recently as a prize for the winning team in a tug-of-war contest at a local celebration. Never did a crowd of nearly naked villagers look with more interest at a new object of curiosity than did the simple Igorrotes when the won-TRACING HISTORY OF BALLOT der of the sewing machine was explained to them; after which the tugfashion inherited from generations of tribal ancestors to whom this simple exercise had stood as a great tribal The ballot (French ballotte) is prop-sport. The winning team presumably

those desiring it were that it would be The Presbyterian minister became a safeguard against bribery since none interested, and said to the pugilist:

ister aghast, and said: "Why, you're not a prize fighter, are

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Existence of God Eve and the Serpent Evolution

During 1918, for the first time in the history of Norwegian shipping, the Llonel Barrymore seems to inherit number of foreign vessels entering and sea service, and the blockade and gen-"Everything is hard work," said Li-eral restrictions growing out of it had centage of vessels of national registry in the Norwegian carrying trade of 1918 was only 31.6, as compared with

Influence. The high school teacher was giving placed his famous bridge. It was built his poems," she told the class, "and during the war by the labor of British Milton had a very unhappy life inunháppy." She talked a few minutes and then asked: "Now what poem did this inhappy marriage cause him

Power of the Human Voice. "I hear you are studying elecution." "lam.

"But you told me you intended to devote your life to moving pictures." "True. But I'm going to be a director and I'll have to holler at the

The Supreme Sparkle. "Now that you are a high-salaried

picture star, you can wear diamonds.' "Diamonds!" echoed the film favorite, scornfully, "Where are you going to get any jewelry that will put up a display to compare with the electric lights at the front of the house?"

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