

Partners for Life

By MARVIN ST. JOHNS

"Things look pretty dubious, you see," observed lawyer Bailey.

"I hope you do and you look as if you are going to give the experiment a good, hard try," observed the attorney with an admiring glance at the clear-faced, supple-limbed young man before him.

Percival Deane had been called from the midst of splendid attainments at college to realize the true nobility of a self-sacrificing father.

"The situation is easily told," said Mr. Bailey. "Two years ago your father's partner, Mr. Marvin, induced him to agree to investigate a chance to purchase a Peruvian concession to cost \$30,000."

"That's the only way they can explain this unaccountable silence," agreed the lawyer. "Cramped for capital, your father has seen the business fairly go to pieces. He kept the true state of affairs from you—"

"I shall be able to pay you quite a weekly allowance, Mrs. Marvin," he stated cheerfully.

"You are most kind and considerate," declared Mrs. Marvin.

"You shall receive a share as long as the business lasts," insisted Percival.

AS COMET SWINGS ITS TAIL

Speed Records of Celestial Bodies Are All Broken When They Turn Around the Sun.

One of the most remarkable things about comets is the presence of a tail. Not that all have them. Many possess such appendages, and some make marvelous displays.

As a typical comet swings swiftly around the sun, the tail seems to swing around as well. Always it stretches from the comet in a direction away from the sun.

A modern Methuselah, reputed to be the oldest man on earth, has started out to see the world before he gets "too old to travel."

The aged Turk is a skeptic on the subject of matrimony. Having tried the experience four times, he says he speaks with a certain amount of authority.

The aged Japanese statesman had a little, saucer-shaped scar on the tip of his nose.

Before the year ended the United States public health service had added three more hospitals to the fourteen it had opened since January 1 last.

"I have some lines addressed to D'Annunzio," said the timorous visitor.

A reinforced concrete building sixteen stories high is to be built in the leather district of New York city, just below the Brooklyn bridge.

The Missing Cuffs

By CALVIN HENDRICKS

John Martin, mortgage banker, shrewd and careful man of business, sat facing his bookkeeper, Ralph Terhune, a pleasing, clear-minded young man, in the estimation of Eunice Martin at least, although the money absorbed father knew nothing of that.

"Perfectly, Mr. Martin," replied the young office man.

"I have never trusted any employee as I am trusting you. It is necessary that I should, for some important transactions will have to be handled by you during my absence."

"Let us take a little stroll, Terhune," he suggested, apparently casually, he later met his intended victim on the street near his hotel.

"I declare," he exclaimed, "I left my cuffs in the rack back at the billiard hall."

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"I left a package containing twelve hundred in cash in this safe when I went away, and it is gone," he said, sat down grimly, wrote out a check for a month's salary and added: "Terhune, you are discharged."

"This: I can prove who opened that safe," and Eunice placed before him a pair of cuffs and a card covered with figures.

"The maid found these in the waste basket in cleaning the room that Mr. Beale occupied," said Eunice.

HAWAIIAN FISH AND GAME ASSOCIATION

Asserts That Condition on the Islands Are Bad.

The latest application received by the American Game Protective association for club membership comes from Hawaii. The Hawaiian Fish and Game association has been formed by a handful of the sportsmen in the territory who have realized that unless they take drastic steps the game on the islands will soon be exterminated.

The Chinese dove, Mongolian pheasant and California quail are the most common upland game birds, although formerly peacocks, turkeys and wild chickens were plentiful.

The game animals in Hawaii consist of goats, sheep and deer. The theory has been advanced—and found the ear of the lawmakers on the islands—that deer are detrimental to forests.

COMMUTER HAS GREAT IDEA

Warms His Hat Before Putting It On When the Morning Is of the Chilly Order.

The commuter was shivering. An icy blast had chilled him through when he got out of bed to close the window and, although he was about to seat himself at the breakfast table, his teeth chattered at the thought of the cold wait he must take to get the 8-70.

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A pointed question. Alice Whitney Auerbach, seven-year-old daughter of Murray A. Auerbach, executive secretary of the Indiana Tuberculosis association, is an ardent advocate of women's rights.

The conclusion has been reached by a well-known engineer who has given the subject considerable attention that certain cities, if not indeed most inland cities of say 100,000 population or more, appear to be "thunderstorm spots."

Regiment of Nurses Ready. In the event of another great outbreak of disease such as the influenza epidemic, the city of Chicago has a nurse militia ready to be called out on a few hours' notice.

COAL THAT SATISFIES

322,000 Grains From One.

An experiment to show the fecundity of a grain of wheat has just been concluded at the official school of agriculture, Valladolid, Spain, with the result that one grain produced in a year 322,000 grains.

Stars in Daylight. It has been recently found that photographs of stars down to the sixth magnitude (degree of brightness) can be taken in broad daylight, so that astronomical photography need no longer be confined to the night.

Prevents Motor Skidding. As an antiskid arrangement, as shown in the Popular Mechanics Magazine, side wheels are placed on a motorcycle recently displayed at a Berlin auto show.

When compared with the tailor-made woman appearances are against the self-made man.

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