CHAPTER I.

said the rector. farmer, grunted his dissatisfaction. The glanced at the other members of the board other members of the Little Puddington as she spoke. Mr. Sowerbutts and hi School Board offered no opinion. a quarter's notice, and get rid of her," con- mur, and the rector bowed in a stiff but tined Mr. Dowthwaite. "She is terribly courteous fashion. The modest request was behind the age, there's no doubt of that. The school has earned hardly any grant for the last two years."

meaning to express thereby his contempt hands. alike for Mrs. Piggin's grant-earning powers, the grant, and the Education Depart-

will bring down the wrath of the depart- nose-" the vicar of Little Shenstone. There ment upon us in earnest. Perhaps they can be little doubt as to her capability to will dissolve the board and order the election of a new one." "That won't do, nohow," said Mr. Sow- might go further and fare worse."

erbutts, decisively. present holder of the office of schoolmistress of his stick gently on the floor, and be invited to resign, and that the Chairman cordingly it was settled that Miss Laura be requested to insert advertisements for a Bill Grayling should be appointed to the new teacher in the Church Times and other vacant office. newspapers," said Mr. Dowthwaite, making) a jotting of the motion as he spoke. "Mr. Wintle seconds the motion," headded, with a glance in the direction of that gentleman. intimate that the meeting was at an end. monium preferred," he added to the list of for the future. equirements. There was a standing difficulty In that particular, however, they were

most unpleasant part of the business. It the village constable. went off, however, better than he had feared. When the rector visited the school every done this work themselvees it will be my dington for the next annual inspection he of the dogs leaped; two of the lions then By degrees he got the old lady to understand | Monday morning he was delighte | with the that if she sent in her resignation it would order that reigned there. He thought Miss be gratefully accepted, and she would be con- Grayling a very exemplary and superior sidered as having put the parish and the young woman. He lent her books. He country generally under an obligation. follow the times," said good-natured Mr. trouble good Mrs. Piggin, and his counsels Dowthwaite, in an apologetic tone. "We were invariably received with a charming can't afford to lose the grant another year, deference.

we really can't. children to learn their catechism and do himself he felt a certain tremor as

The day after his advertisement Dowthwaite's "Chronicles of the Schonbergappeared he received one hundred and Cotta Family. twenty seven applications for the vacant post : the next day brought him two hundred | children's mothers looked on her as a and thirteen; the third day produced ninety- perior being. Even cross old Miss Sower-All the applicants were able to teach butts, at the Mount Farm, liked to have he every necessary subject, as well as several go over on a Thursday afternoon, when John which were not necessary, and every one was at market, drink a cup of tea with ber, was able to produce testimonials of the high- and enlighten her as to the real fashions as

sister in law. Miss Jordan, who had kept | Miss Jordan, the rector's sister in-law. his house since the death of his wife, and humbly sued for her-advice and assistance. strong, old fashioned prejudices, and she ter-in-law one Sunday after church. objected to the new scheme altogether. She sarcastically advised the reinstallment of Mrs. Piggin a course which was plainly out turned for help to his curate, the Rev. Augustine Cope, a meek and gentlemanly young man, who acted as unpaid secretary Grayling, which was visible in Miss Jordan's to the rector when there was anything face troublesome to be done. Mr. Cope took the made an attempt to select a few of the most promising applications from the others. At the end of four hours' work, however, he found that his list contained no fewer than forty nine names an obviously impractic-At the next monthly meeting of the board table of the morning room at the rectorywhich served as a board room was covered was plain that Miss Jordan was not capti-

sat gaping at the piles of documents in help- It happened that one afternoon, in early waite with a very vague notion of what the with Miss Sowerbutts. It was a Thursday rest of his sentence was to be, when a knock | -a day when the farmers always attended at the door interrupted him. "Come in." he cried.

lady wishes to see you. "But I am engaged, Thomas.

School Board certainly. I particularly mentioned in the raiment of a quite remote antiquity, in al advertisements that no personal applications of which Miss Grayling took keen interest. were to be allowed," said the Chairman to ! her. Show her in, Thomas,

"Thomas, set a chair," said he. The young lady bowed with the utmost borne onward by his gig and his good mare, self possession, and took the seat which Jess. was offered her. She was decidedly pretty. There was no doubt of that, in spite of her paleness and her thin lips. Her fair hair was brought down smoothly over a brow as white as any woman could desire; her features were all delicately formed, her leaned out of the gig to shake hands with eyes being especially attractive. Her age his sister's visitor. it might have been difficult to guess; a man would have admitted that she might be over twenty; a woman would have said fore dark she did not look thirty. "Your name is Miss ah? Miss Gray-

ling?" asked the rector, referring to the eard which Thomas had handed to him. the other members of the board in one steps in the world. swift glance, finishing with the curate. Mr. Cope dropped his eyes. Miss Grayling ing round the unwilling Jess. smiled inwardly. in the parish school, I understand?" in-

quired the rector. Again Miss Crayling bowed without

"I particularly requested that no personrector, in an injured tone. Miss Grayling gave a little sigh. "I was afraid I had done wrong," she

said, with her eyes on the carpet : " but was so anxious that my application should not be overlooked. If you would kindly excuse my coming, I think you would find my testimonials satisfactory. As she spoke, she lifted her eyes to those

of the reverend gentleman, dropping them immediately in a very modest and becom-Mr. Dowthwaite was molified.

"Where have you been teaching?" he

Yorkshire, and Mr. Cope busied himself in hunting up her letter of application and her testimonial from a large bundle of similar documents. Having found them, he laid was said them before the rector in silence. "Not very much experience; not so much as we could have wished-only six months,"

said the rector. "Now, we particularly want ed a certificated teacher. "I have little doubt that I could pass the examinations if you think it desirable," said Miss Grayling quietly; "but I think I may say I am capable of teaching the village children everything necessary. It was, indeed, absurd to imagine that

this elegant young lady was not capable of acting as preceptor to Betsy Jane Pugh and her companions; and the rector, feeling this, tossed the rather scanty testimonials aside. "I ought to tell you," he said, "that this is a very modest appointment. You know the salary is not large, and depends partly on the Government grant earned by the school

The position is not-ah!-not an exalted one. By the way," he exclaimed, suddenly "can you play the harmonium?"

"Oh, yes, sir," said Miss Grayling, with a bright and pleasant smile. "Ah-well-we will consider your appli- one of the events of the year at Little Pud-

ling, in a low, earnest tone, as she slowly raised her graceful form from her seat; "but would you allow me to wait in the hall, or the kitchen, or anywhere, till my case is de-"I'm afraid Mrs. Piggin will have to go,' cided on? I have a long journey before me, and if you could-?"

Mr. Sowerbutts, a stout, middle-aged | She did not finish her sentence; but she friends had not, meantime, spoken a word "Yes; I think we must give the old lady but now they uttered a half-articulate mun granted, and Miss Grayling withdrew. Somehow, the young lady had made the board feel that she was, in a sense, awaiting Mr. Sowerbutts gave another grunt, their verdict-that her fate hung in their

"Well, gentlemen," said Mr. Dowthwaite carve the joint. "I don't know that we could do better. This young -ah !- person is recommended, "I expect in another year the Inspector by the"-lifting his double eyeglasses to his undertake the duties. And really, if we began hunting through all these papers, we "'Ear, 'ear," murmured Mr. Sowerbutts, "Then Mr. Sowerbutts moves that the in a hollow, base voice, tapping the poin

CHAPTER II.

In the course of a month the new school mistress entered upon her duties. The vil Mr. Wintle, whose eyes had been fixed the lage children regarded her with mingled adwhole time on the rector's face, gravely nod- miration and awe as she came into the little ded : and the rector rose from his chair to schoolroom for the first time in her spotless morning gown. The dress was only of cot-Mr. Dowthwaite spent the whole of the ton, but it was neatly, even stylishly made. afternoon in drafting an advertisement and They gazed with wonder and delight as sending copies of it to various clerical and Miss Grayling contemptuously flung poor scholastic newspapers. "Must be a sound Mrs. Piggin's cane into the empty fireplace, churchwoman. One able to play the har- and they promised themselves golden days

about getting a not utterly incompetent per- disappointed. The new teacher, they soon former on the harmonium at Little Pudding- discovered, was not to be trifled with. They ton; and the good rector thought he might as had to work harder than they had ever done well make the obnoxious Education act use- before; but they did not grumble. They literally worshipped their schoolmistress The interview with Mrs. Piggin he defer- and would no more have thought of disobeyred till the following morning, as being the ing her than of disputing the authority of

gave her much advice as to her work, with "You see, Mrs. Piggin, we are obliged to which he had not thought it worth while to It was the custom at Little Puddington

"Oh, I suppose not, Sir," said Mrs. Piggin, for the curate to give the school children a fixing her eyes on the rector's face. "I've lesson in Bible history on Wednesday afterbeen schoolmistress in this parish for two noon; and Mr. Cope looked forward to his an 'twenty years, an we've done very well first lesson under Miss Grayling's auspices without any grant. I've brought up my with some inward trepidation. In spite of their duty, like their tathers before them. dressed the new teacher, and yet he found I can't teach French an' drorin', an' such himself continually desiring to speak to her. good it would do them if I By degrees, however, this wore off; and he could Hovever, I've saved enough, thank came to look forward to Wednesday after-Heaven, to be independent of every one; and | noons as pleasant interludes in his rather Bet-y Jane Pagh, stop talkin' and go monotonous weeks. He, too, was solicitous on with your sum, or it'll be the worse for for the new teacher's mental pabulum, and lent her books, beginning with popular his-The rector listened in silence, and finally tory books, going on to Sunday afternoon made his escape, thankful that the most tales, and finally reaching the stage of un disagreeable part of his duty as a reformer was demiable vellow-backed novels. Miss Gray ling smiled to herself as she placed Mr. But his difficulties were by no means at Cope's "Orley Farm" in her desk beside Mr.

But everybody liked Miss Grayling. The worn in London. The only person who did In his despair the rector turned to his not join in the chorus of approbation was "Don't you think we were very fortunate in getting such a superior mistress in Mrs. But Miss Jordan was an elderly lady, with Piggin's place ?" said the rector to his sis

"I dure say," said Miss Jordan. "There is a marked improvement in th behavior of the children, both at church and of the question. Mr. Dowthwaite then in school," continued the rector, in rather magisterial way, as if to resent the impeachment of an undue partiality for Miss

"The boys don't make half so much mass of papers home to his lodgings and noise in going out of church before the sermon as they used to do," continued the

"I've no doubt the young woman is very well fitted for 'er place," said Miss Jordan. "Dear m !" said the rector to himself. it's odd how few women can forgive another woman, in a somewhat lower rank o matters were no further advanced. The life, for having a pretty face and an attractive manner!" . Whatever the reason, it with letters of application and copies of tes- vated by the new mistress. They avoided timonials; and the members of the board each other, as if by mutual consent

Summer, Miss Grayling had gone up to the "Well, gentlemen," began Mr. Dowth- Mount Farm, by invitation, to drink tea market at the neighboring town of Groby. "I must make haste and get home before "Please, Sir," said Thomas, "there's a dark," said Miss Grayling, as the day began to close; and she went up to put on her bonnet. The operation, however, took "But this lady has called about the some little time, as it was diversified by an exhibition of Miss Sowerbutt's mother's "An applicant? It is rather irregular, wedding dress, and various other pieces of "I declare it's getting quite dark," exhis fellow laborers, "However, since the claimed the schoolmistress at last, as she young person is here, we may as well see threw on her hat in a great hurry and went down stairs with her hostess. Arrived moment afterward a slim, upright in the garden, however, it was impossible a dainty Summer costume, ap- to go without a morsel of Mrs. Sowerbutt's in the doorway, and the farmers delicious sweet-briar; the peas, too, were rose instinctively to their feet. in a most interesting state of development Only the rector retained his presence of and by the time they had been duly admired, the farmer's burly form was seen

> Certainly Miss Grayling looked a pretty figure as she stood at the porch of the farmhouse shaking hands with its mistress. "Well, Miss, and how are ye?" said Mr. Sowerbutts, with a very red face, as he

> slowly advancing between the hedge-rows,

"Very well, thank you. But I must say good evening. I really must get home be "What's the need for that? Jess and I mun

"Oh, no, no! I couldn't think of such thing. You must be so tired, and the poor The young lady bowed. As she lifted horse, too. Good-bye." And Miss Grayling her head, she saw that the rector was still took a hasty farewell of her friend, and ran how I feel for you—and how much I long to to and from the Dominion, and on the rail-

Meanwhile Mr. Sowerbutts was slowly turn-"But, John, the mare will be overdone. "And you have come about the vacancy | She can find her way home. Or I'll send his own Jacob with her," said Miss Sowerbutts, regretting in her heart that she had ever in- continued, his eyes searching her downcast manifestation of good feeling between the vited the schoolmistress to the farm.

succeeded in turning the horse and gig he end, but I have youth and strength on my- will learn from the British farmer in many speedily overtook Miss Grayling, who was side. Sooner or later I must get a living, points not a little, in return for the hospiwalking on ahead in the most determined and then-oh, Laura! say that tality which we are proposing thus in the best "Whoa! who-a!" cried Mr. Sowerbutts to the mare. "Now, Miss, will 'ee get in?" And he held back the apron as he spoke.

"Really I can't - I can't take you back to Puddington after your journey;" and Miss | clock striking fell on her ear. Grayling stood hesitating. "No," she said. more firmly, as Mr. Sowerbutts only sat and looked at her without speaking; "there is than generous, but I cannot trust myself to really no necessity for it." "If I ask ye to come I mean it," said the farmer, "an' I take it as a favor. "Oh, if you put it so politely, I shall be very happy," said Miss Grayling, as she

She mentioned the name of a village in held up her little gloved hand and was hoist-It was, after all, only a mile and a half to the village. For the first minute nothing

church beautiful," said Mr. Sowerbutts, at that it was not for his interest to marry a Miss Grayling laughed and turned her his proposal. Her decision, she added, was smiling face upon her companion "Do you think so? I'm not so sure of

with emphasis. "And settin' there, in the letter of dismissal. chancel, with the red window shining on yer 'ead, you look like a saint in glory "Oh, Mr. Sowerbutts! you shouldn't be so very complimentary," said Miss Grayling, tranquilly. "And now, tell me how things went at market to-day The conversation thus took a more saic turn, and Miss Grayling evinced deepest interest in the price of hav, calve and other agricultural topics, until they

reached the cottage in which she lived. CHAPTER III.

The Government inspection was always

"I beg your pardon, sir," said Miss Gray. gentleman, whose proper name was Chris- of the schoolgirls could make even a decent topher Wensby; but whose ordinary name buttouhole, much less one like those conamong the teachers of his district was "The tained in the specimens. Walrus," from the fact that his bald foregave him a decided resemblance to that rectory.

tender, passages at some remote epoch. At | from Miss Grayling, in which she said that | Exhibition at Earl's Court. Mr. Wensby always dined at the rector which had been thrown upon her management which has been used during the last few the 20th of September promises to eclipse once a year, when his toils in the little vil- of the school she felt that the course most years for the display of the Indians of the them all. The list of entries is the largest the end of the day Mr. Wensby sat down at ing the rector's hospitable table.

person indeed," returned the Inspector.

the gesture went unnoticed. her quite an acquisition," said Mr. Dowth- accepted "Yes; there seemed an improvement in the curate's turn to preach, the rector's to looking as sharp and needle-like as those of al products and the dog show, the Exhibi-"but especially in the needlework. Under dren were in their places, and Miss Jordan a puppy.

the former mistress the needlework was very scanned the congregation with an approving clumsy; now it is admirable." glance from the rectory pew. Miss Jordan smiled incredulously. "I assure you I have received very neat moveth us." began the rector. specimens of buttonholing," said the In-

said Miss Jordan, dryly. were produced, and very neatly executed received a shock such as he had never before the animals during the time he has had them Doubtless many causes may be assigned, the

bent over the buttonholes. "But I saw them?" ejaculated Mr. pew, and then, having dully installed his ance. "Saw the stuff in their hands, I dare a louder tone than usual. men know about things of that sort?" she looked very pretty. Her triumph was com- tant entered the arena with the lions and one D., St. Thomas, Ont.

you assure me, from your own knowledge firm sway. of the children, that they could not have When Mr. Wensby came to Little Pud- forming festoons, over and under which one duty to institute further inquiry. "I am certain of it," said Miss Jordan.

that he was surprised-secretly, he was ty and beautifully-dressed woman. The lady moving the front wheel with its fore fee, startled-to find what a large number of bowed graciously to Mr. Wensby, and he, while the boarhound was pushing behind "attendances" had been made, even by the not remembering the circumstances under The chariot was then brought forward; one young, old, or middle-aged, who find themmost irregular of the village children. said Mr. Dowthwaite.

themselves. If she says they did, I will fix thing in his friend's ear. day-I can come over in about three weeks ed discrepancy between the two sets of work | the face-that was all." -why, of course, I must report accordingnext board meeting." All this made the rector feel very uncom- deaf for the remainder of her days.

fortable. But there was no help for it, and the next day he sent a verbal message to the schoolmistress, requesting her to step over to the rectory, where the School Board was then sitting. marck expresses both surprise and scorn that "Miss Grayling," said the rector, no without embarassment, "I believe that he ready to dance to his music while he was

Prince Bismarck and the Newspapers.

In one of his latest interviews, Prince Bis-

this change of tune as a mournful sign

of modern degeneracy and an example

of ingratitude almost beyond belief. The

fact that these newspapers were sycophants

and that it is the nature of sycophants to

worship therising sun, seems to have dawned

come upon him in conjunction with other

painful truths so numerous and startling

Fortnightly Review for August. The mani-

fold tyrannies, blunders, and untruths o

which he has been guilty in his domestic

ly way. The Bismarckian policy towards

the press is sketched in colors which suffi

ciently account for the hasty desertion b

the editors of the dispenser of the "reptile

satisfying their cravings. In the settlement

of the affairs of Hanover, after the war of

1866, the King of that country was allowed

the capital sum of \$12,000,000, the interes

of which at 4 per cent. was to be paid to him

of 16,000,000 in State bonds which he had

taken with him in his flight. He complied

with his share of the contract, but no soone

had he done so than Bismarck declared that

conspiracy against Prussia, and was forming

a Hanoverian legion in France, and that it

was necessary to deprive him of the means

the Hanoverian or Guelph Fund, as

of the Government (that is of himself).

order to "hunt these reptiles into their holes.

public accounting. It soon became known

that it was used for corrupting the press

The Frankfort Zeitung, having given a hir

witnesses whom he called, being official

cult to understand why the implicate

newspapers turned so suddenly from the

setting to the rising sun. With one word th

for ever. By lifting a corner of the veil

British Farmers Coming.

the various provinces of the Dominion.

the delegates they will be expected to pre

country, and to extend the influence of prac-

Had to Tear Himself Away.

"I had hoped, darling, that as your hus-

"Now, you frighten me, Edward: do not

Simply because the boss has engaged an

A Good Suit.

"Yes. You'll have great difficulty in keep-

"Oh, Edward! Why, why?"

"I want a running suit."

"Are the colors fast?"

"This is a good durable suit."

The Minister of Agriculture at Ottawa,

partakers of the Reptile Fund.

paying his forces. He therefore asked that

Majesty's Inspector will be able to report express their high appreciation of him, had school." Miss Grayling bowed politely "There is one point, however, on which These pieces of sewing, now"-and he pro luced them from a drawer as he spoke-'seem to me very neat, very creditable but are you sure that the children whose names are attached to them did them themselves, unaided ?" "Quite sure," said Miss Grayling tran- upon the ex-Chancellor all at once. It has

"And the attendances—they seem muc larger than they used to be. Are you sur you have kept the register accurately?" "Perfectly sure," said Miss Grayling, looking the clergyman full in the face. One or two members of the board mov uneasily in their seats, and Mr. Sower butts seemed to be on the point of protest ing audibly against these aspersions Miss Grayling's good faith. The rector felt very uncomfortable. "Very good, Miss Grayling," he said; am glad to hear you say so. And I thi

we needn't detain you any longer. The schoolmistress slowly, rose, bowed her usual dignified manner, and withdrew Before long it got abroad in Little Pu dington that Miss Grayling was in disgrace or at least in a condition of suspended far Various reasons were given for thi the most popular theory being that the new mistress had been caught stealing the school pence. The matter was discussed in the the ex-King of Hanover was engaged in a alchouses, at the doors of the cottages, in the churchyard after service. Through it all Miss Grayling went on her way, serene as usual, preserving exactly the same manu to every one as if the voice of scandal ha

never mentioned her name.

was called, should be placed at the disposa A little before 6 o'clock one evening the Rev. Augustiue Cope knocked at the door of the pretty cottage in which Miss Grayling lived. For some months—ever since he had He observed also that absolute secrecy was first seen her, in fact—the susceptible curate necessary to enable the Government to carry had been under the spell of the young lady's out its purposes with the reptiles. A bill was sweet brown eyes. He had struggled with passed accordingly, and in this manner the himself long and manfully. He was not in a sum of nearly \$500,000 per year was put in position to marry and Miss Grayling was Bismarck's hands to be used without any not a suitable match for him. He knew all that very well. He did not like to think of what his aunts. Miss Cope and Miss Georgma Cope, would say on being presented of this, was prosecuted and condemned; the with a village schoolmistress for a niece. were not allowed to testify. It is not diffi But, then, he had not looked on the face any other woman who could be called a lady -save Miss Jordan's-for nearly eight monthe. He was in love ; he could not help new government could blast their characters it; and now this unpleasant matter added at once to his love and to his embarrassment Even now he did not know his own mind

could expose them to public contempt His ostensible object was to exchange one of the harmless novels, with which he now kept Miss Grayling well supplied, for another of the same type. "Miss Grayling," began the curate, as he seated himself in the little parlor, "this can has arranged for a number of British tenant not be true!

"What is not true?" "Of course not, and I did not think that is proposed that one shall be selected to re

you, Mr. Cope, would pay any attention to present the North and the Midlands, one them," said the schoolmistress, with quiet from Wales (who should be able to speak and write in the Welsh language), two fror "Oh, no ! not for worlds !" exclaimed the | Scotland (one from the north and one from curate; "I believe in you as I would in a the south), and two from Ireland (one from saint ! Dear Miss Grayling-Laura-I may the north and one from the south).

shield you from the calumnies and troubles | ways in Canada, as well as a reasonable sun of the world in the shelter of an honest man's for travelling expenses. On the return As he spoke, the curate took Miss Gray- pare short reports, which will be published ling's white and well-formed fingers between at the expense of the Government. six gentlemen can be seclected to come on

"I offer you my heart and all I have," he this year. The exchange of courtesies ar face. "Alas! that it is so little! I know | British and Canadian farmers will have its To this John made no reply, and having well we cannot marry on my present stip- good effects. The Dominion agriculturists printing ink consumed amounts to 1 ton, 10 you love me !" "Mr. Cope, I feel honored and flattered sign, of course—that is quite manifestmore than I can say, and my heart tells me

it is not indifferent to you, but-" She paused, and the tones of the church methods widely known, to advertise the "Mr. Cope !" she exclaimed, withdraw- tical experience. ing her fingers as she spoke, "you are more give you an answer now. I must not be rash, or unjust to you. Leave me nowleave me, I beg you. I will write to you to-

band I might live and die happy, but now it cannot be. To-night we must part and Somewhat surprised at this sudden dispart forever. You will never see me again missal, the agitated curate took his hat and I am going far, far away. stick and departed. Next day he received a daintily-scented talk thus. What should part us ?" note from Miss Grayling, in which she said "Ha! ha!' he laughed bitterly and smiting that, much as she honored, him and highly his forehead. "Would it were not so. "You plays that there armonium in as she valued his friendship, she could see all regrets are vain. We part to-night fordowerless girl, and she therefore declined

quite "irrevocable." There was but one "r" in irrevocable," and somehow this cir- books of account." cumstance did something toward mitigating "Beautiful!" responded Mr. Sowerbutts, the grief with which Mr. Cope received his The testing examination, which was to confirm or overthrow Miss Grayling's reputation, was fixed for a Friday afternoon.

The School Board meeting happened to fall on the following day, Saturday. ing up with them. At 3 o'clock on Friday Mr. Wensby arrived, and Mr. Dowthwaite and Miss Jordan went with him to the schoolhouse. children were all there, with clean pinafores the one who lets horse racing severely and shining faces, but Miss Grayling was alone. absent. Miss Jordan's face wore a peculiar home for three days.

smile as one of the older girls informed the Buda-Pesth, for selling young girls, rector that Miss Grayling had not been at pupils, to rich old men in South America Miss Jordan soon set the children to work, He got the girls to their destination cation," said Mr. Dowthwaite, shuffling dington. It generally took place in the end and in five minutes the Irapector was conof August. The Inspector was an elderly vinced by the clearest evidence that not one employment

LIONS IN HARNESS. The Long Training Needed by the Desert "You had better get rid of your superior

King Before Be'll Slave. The very spirited illustration of three lions head and white moustache pointing downward young person as soon as you can," he said to driven abreast by a man standing erect in a in a straight line on each side of his mouth Mr. Dowthwaite, as they went back to the Roman chariot is familiar to most residents in London. It portrays, without the usual creature. Report stated that Mr. Wensby Next morning, however, when the School abourd exaggeration of mural art, an enterand Miss Jordan had had tender, or semi- Board met they found a letter awaiting them tainment which is given daily at the French have been the past Exhibitions held by the any rate, they were very good friends; and in consequence of the undeserved aspersions In the centre of the large circular space held at Toronto this year from the 8th to

lage school room were over. The day came; consistent with her dignity was to resign the Wild West, the sports of the Roman Am- and it includes the best exhibits that have the inspection was duly performed; and at post which she had had the honor of hold- phitheatre, &c., is erected a smaller circle, ever been made in Canada. The special atsecurely surrounded with iron bars, having tractions as announced in the official pro-The rector was indignant, and moved that at the back enclosed building containing "And what do you think of our new mis- Miss Grayling's resignation be not accepted, dens. The "open sesame" of my host pass- character that cannot fail to attract the tress?" asked the rector, as he began to but that in consequence of the revelations ed us into the private recesses of this prison people from all parts of the Dominion and that had been made she be summarily dis house, in which I found four young lions, adjoining States. The railway arrangements "A very superior person-very superior missed. Mr. Sowerbutts was not present, but the oldest being about three years of age. are good, and cheap fares will prevail durthe other members of the board, who had These constituted the trained troupe, and ing the whole exhibition, and with fine Miss Jordan's chin was lifted a little high- but a very limited idea of the heinousness of there was also one younger scholar who weather the attendance of visitors at the er in the air as this answer was given; but Miss Grayling's offense, murmured at the had just been added to the collection. The Toronto Fair this year will probably severity of the sentence, and at last the rec- education of this one was just commencing, greater than ever. All who take a special Send for prospectus. "Ah! Glad you think so. We consider tor was persuaded to let the resignation be- and he still retained the feline characteris- interest in the manufacturing departments tics to such an extent that any approach to should endeavor to go the first week, as the The following day was Sunday. It was familiarity was met by a snarl which dis- buildings are not so crowded as later on, and

The training of these young lions rarely occupies less space of time then twelve "Dearly beloved brethren, the Scripture | months, and is chiefly accomplished by kindness. Mr. Darling, their trainer, informed Coughs and Colds, is the most reliable med At that moment an unwonted rustle was me that he regarded force as not being de- cine in use. spector. "The department cannot fail to heard at the door, a subdued murmur ran sirable, as it excited the animals to rebellion be pleased with them. I can show you them through the assembled worshippers, and and was not conductive to obedience, where- a great deal. the rector, lifting his eyes, beheld the ex- as, trained under the system adopted, each "I should very much like to see them," schoolmistress moving up the aisle on the animal knows its name and answers to it. So aid Miss Jordan, dryly.

After dinner, accordingly, the specimens doubt of what had happened. The curate Darling, that he has never been bitten by years the largest enrolment in Ontario?

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experienced. Miss Jordan forgot herself in in hand "I don't believe our girls ever did that her amazement, and stared at the bride as In addition to the lions, the collection in and thorough instruction, reasonable rates, work," said Miss Jordan, solemnly, as she if she had been a ghost. Mr. Sowerbutts cludes two huge Bavarian boarhounds, which practical courses of study, good organization, tramped stolidly on till he reached his own take a very prominent part in the perform- thorough equipment, good board and the comwife therein, began to say the responses in

plete. Miss Sowerbutts retired to a cottage of the dogs; the former at the word of com-"I have always to report as to the quali- which she owned in the outskirts of Groby, mand leaped up upon pedestals and arrangty of the needlework," said the Inspector, and the schoolmistress reigned over the ed themselves in pyramidal groups. While of two scarfs in the mouths of the lions. That evening Mr. Wensby compared notes ed by the rector, when the party met a from side to side. One of the lions then

which he had last seen that attractive lion entered readily between the shafts and selves nervous, weak an exhausted, who are

quick in descending was amusing. seen; but at present they offer the most comtired to private life. He looked upon plete specimens of trained lions that it has

A Bad Fruit Season.

ever been the writer's fortune to witness.

The New England Homestead says: "Ap bles will be scarcer and more costly this alf a crop of winter fruit in the famous that he has not yet had time to digest them Southern and western Ontario and Michi- onto, Ont. gan along the lakes. In Maine and some sections of Vermont and New Hampshi there is a fair yield of apples, being best in Maine. Throughout Southern New Eng land, New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey. and the interior States generally, the prom ise of winter fruit is worse than ever before known. The apple-belt of Western New York, along Lake Ontario and Erie, which in good seasons ships much more than I 000,000 barrels to New York or foreign man kets, has almost no crop whatever this year. The Homestead confirms this fact by the tes imony of over 300 correspondents, and be by Prussia annually. In return for this the lieves that the great majority of farmers i that region will not have enough apples for Curiously enough there is one consideral area in Missouri and Kansas, within a

lius of 100 miles of Kansas City, on which there is a phenomenal crop of winter apples of fine quality. Eastern buyers are already buying it up at good prices. Summer and fall apples are also short and command good prices. The Homestead thinks that choice Western fruit, like prime Baldwins, will rule at \$4 to \$5 per barrel in Boston and New York within three months: \$4 has already been bid for one lot in Addison County, Vt., and the exports of apples from the United States and Canada of the 1890 crop will not be much over 500,000 barrels, against 700,000 barrels last year and 1,000,-Peaches are a practical failure in Southern Ontario and Michigan, as well as in the

Southern States and Connecticut. Pears and plums yield unevenly, but are far be- tar o, 4261 Yonge street, Toronto, Ont low an average crop and must command good prices. Grapes, however, are an immense South, where the black rot is playing havoc with the fruit. The scarcity of other fruits will sustain the market for grapes. The shortage of large fruits is due to t fruit buds, the cold snap following warm spells last winter, and to a cold wave and 59 Victoria street, Toronto. in July caused much fruit to drop.

rain that blasted the blossoms, while drouth potato crop indicates a disastrous shortage | culars. -63 King Street West. in the South and West, a curtailed crop in early as possible with a view of preparing a which is now making its appearance. Pota-

also rotting in Scotland Facts and Figures for the Curious. At 6 o'clock on the night of Friday, Aug. | FIREACHERS can make money during vacast, thousands of copies of Stanley's book were distributed to the trade, and by the fast selling Books and Bibles, especially History following Monday it was circulated through- best edition ever publ shed, prices low, terms out the length and breadth of the land. The liberal. Write for illustrated circulars and first English edition numbered 20,000 copies (this is inclusive of the luxe edition, etc.) I is estimated that during the last four months nearly 11,000 men, women and children have been employed upon it. In England alone Only 60 compositors, 17 readers, 12 reading boys and 200 machine and warehousemen were at work on it. In the binding of 40,000 vo umes 500 men and 600 women were employ ed. There are ten foreign editions. cwt. ; multiply these figures by eight for the the English edition weighs sixty-five and spirit to show to him. There is in this deso large as the English, the figures are mul element of statecraft: it is purely an effort tiplied by four only, which produces a total to benefit agriculture, by making the best of 262 tons. The binders' cloth used for England amounts to 4,500 yards, in America to 9,000 and in other countries to 1,000 (they have paper covers in many cases). That makes over eight miles! It is estimated that 268 printing presses have been in use to print

Respect to Cobras. I had an outhouse which I wanted to pull down, but my servants begged me not found that a cobra had taken up its abode there, and they used to feed it daily. They would sooner desert a building than eject a cobra. An Arab merchant, on the point of sailing with a cargo of cocoanuts from the port of Cochin, discovered a large cobra in the hold of the vessel. He had it fed and carefully preserved, as the safety of the ver expert to start to-morrow on examining the sel would depend on the creature's life. Whenever the natives find a dead cobra they burn its body with a piece of sandalwood, a President. Head Office, 2 Toronto Street grain of gold, coral, and other things, Toronto, Ont. Consulting Engineers and

> custom to good account by killing a cobra and selling it to the natives, who eagerly buy it for the sake of giving it a good funeral. -Life and Sport in Southern Indian, by Col. Heber Drury. A Gurl's Scheme.

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We cannot all be first, but T. A. SLO-CUM of 186 West Adelaide St., Toronto, "Ilike Dr. Nichols' Food of Health' very much stiffly, and with a slight blush. "But if Mount Farm and its owner with gentle but in this position Mr. Darling placed the ends Ont., must feel more than ordinary pride in and find it of great dietetic value in many di the cure of lung diseases, viz: SLOCUM'S not be surpassed." Send forsample FREE. was proceeding to the schoolhouse in state, stepped upon a plank, forming a seesaw, the LIVER OIL. No preparation of the kind bearing Miss Jordan on his arm and escort- dog leaping on to the centre and swaying it has ever met with the same success in the with his host, and the rector confessed pony carriage, in which was scated a pret- mounted a tricycle, working the pedals, are allfrom themostauthenticsources. Every

"We have a board meeting to-morrow," smile, returned the salute. Mrs. Sower- two others took their places at either side, broken down from excess or overwork, butts glanced at Miss Jordan and smiled one proving rather refractory, but, after resulting in many of the following symp-"Then ask Miss Grayling to attend it, maliciously. Miss Jordan dropped her sundry growls, he submitted to the strong- toms: Mental depression, premature of said Mr. Wensby, "and ask her whether hand from her companion's arm, and the er will of the trainer, who mounted the age, loss of vitality, loss of memory, bad the children actually did the needlework rector, stepping forward, whispered some- chariot and drove the trio round the circle. dreams, dimness of sight, palpitation of the The performance is very distinct from that heart, emissions, lack of energy, pain in the "Good gracious !" exclaimed the Inspec- of lion tamers in general, who rule their | kidneys, headache, pimples on the face or to see them do some more specimens; and tor: "that woman! I hadn't an idea how charges with rods of iron, and prod them body, itching or peculiar sensation about the Miss Jordan can be present. If there is a mark- she was, I assure you. Thought I knew with points worse than the stings of scorp- scrotum, wasting of the organs, dizziness, ions, utilizing the fear and terror of the ani- specks before the eyes, twitching of the But Miss Jordan had suddenly become mals at the superior power of man. Mr. muscles, eve lids and elsewhere, bashfulness, ly; and you can consider he matter at the deaf, and on the subject of the senior Darling, on the other hand, is very familiar deposits in the urine, loss of will power, churchwarden's wife she continued to be with the members of his troupe. The man- tenderness of the scalp and spine, weak and ner in which he took hold of the forelegs of flabby muscles, desire to sleep, failure to be one of the largest and pulled him down from rested by sleep, constipation, dullness of his pedestal, when he was not sufficiently hearing, loss of voice, desire for solitude, excitability of temper, sunkeneves surround The lions are of African descent, but, like ed with LEADEN CIRCLE, oily looking skin, like the majority of the species now in men- etc., are all symptoms of nervous debility certain newspapers that had always been ageries, have been born in captivity, and fam- that lead to isanity and death unless cured. iliarized with man from their birth. Wheth- The spring or vital force having lost its er they will retain their docility as they ad- I tension very function wanes in consequence. ignorance may be permanently cured. Send your address for book on all diseases peculiar to man. Address M. V. LUBON, 50 Front St. E., Toronto, Out. Books sent free sealed. Heart disease, the symptoms of which are

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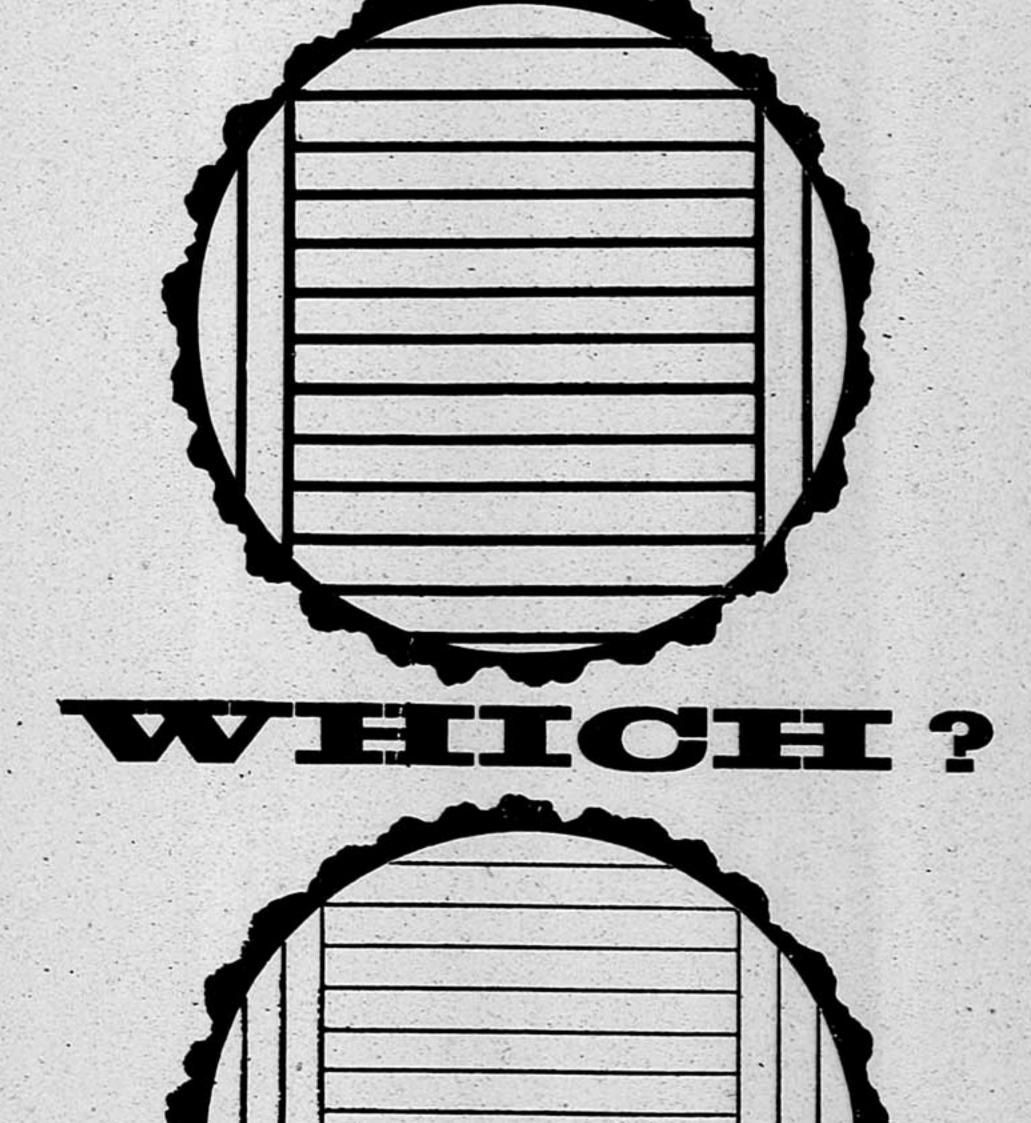
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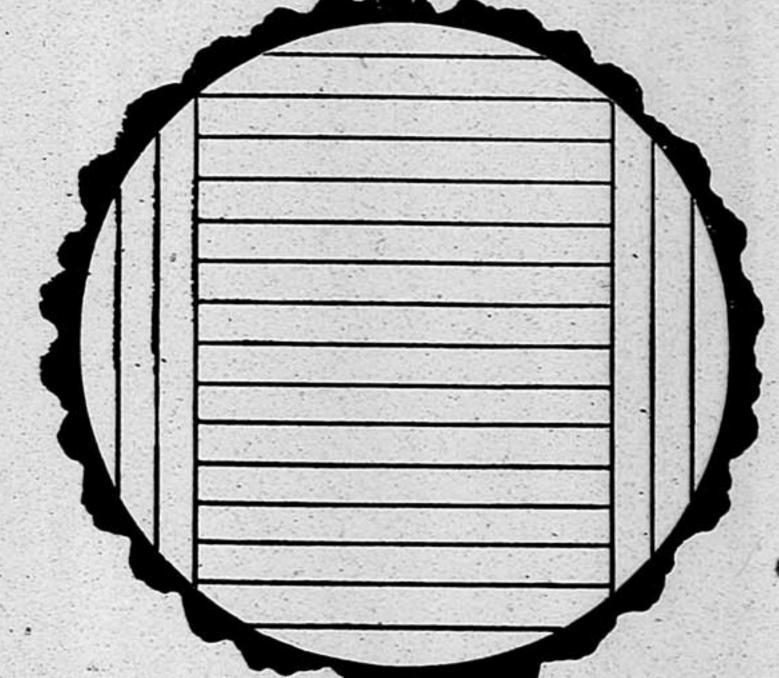
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