NATURE'S LAUNDRY

le Liable to Play Pranks With Wash in Yellowstone Park
Nature's gifts are widely and
riously distributed. In one place of elements of things are given to hade available by labor: elsewh she provides things ready for man use. To gain our bread the seed an be first sown and months afterna the grain harvested thrashed an ground. But the native of the Pacis isles plucks his bread from the bread fruit tree. Perhaps nature forest the overworked and not overstook housewife to whom "washing day" a dread and burden when she estal lished here and there natural washing machines and t some places even provided ready mad

In the Yellowstone National par the family washing is easily dispose of. The soiled bedding and clothin are put into a stout bag, which hung in one of the boiling springs an left there while the party wander about sightseeing. When taken of the clothes are so clean and white that no rinsing is necessary.

On one occasion a party hung the bag of clothes in the basin of the go, ser called "Old Giant" and, wanderin off, were absent longer than they is tended to be. While they were awa the "Giant" spouted, and the garment were thrown high in the air, torn int shreds and scattered.—Exchange.

CHINESE TREASURES

"Rubbings" on Paper From Ancies Tablets and Monuments.

Chinese men of letters are exceedingly fond of ancient records in the shape of long scrolls of paper "rul bings" from famous stone tablets an monuments. The Liu Li Chang str tioners of Peking are extensive trader in these. They send special agents of long trips to shrines or arrange wit the local people at the place of noted monument to take paper rul bings from it. The usual rubbing is field of black where the face has been inked, the lettering cut into the man ble remaining white on the paper rul bing.

To the foreigner in China rubbing from the tablets the one left by the Nestorian Christians at Sianfu, it Shensi, about 600 A. D. and the M hammedan tablet are especially inter esting.

Those from the tablets at the ter ple of Confucius at his burial place Chefoo, in Shantung, are among the collections of the Chinese man of ed cation. So many rubbings have been taken from several of the tablet which bear line portraits of Confuciu that the lines and the letters on th stone have become so faint that th government has prohibited further hhings being taken - New York

Man More Liquid Than Solid. Every fiber and every cell that enter into the formation of a living body bathed in moisture, by which men alone these ultimate elements are ker alive and are enabled to carry out the duties. Even the bones, which appea to be the most solid of all owe mor than half their weight to the presen of fluid. That our bodies contain large amount of fluid is proved in striking manner by the blisters which rise after the infliction of a burn Water, in fact, plays a very importan part in the human anatomy, for it though its agency that the vital pro esses of digestion, absorption and th excretion of waste products are cal ried out. To reduce the whole matte to figures and taking 154 pounds to b the total weight of an average fu grown man, it is said that water alon

accounts for 109 pounds of the whole Tortoise Shelf. The finest of tortoise shell is said t be that which comes from the India archipelago, although much of the obtained on the Florida coast is of th very best quality, says the Scientifi American. There are three rows plates on the back of the animal calls blades" by the fishermen. in the central row are five plates and in esc of the others four plates, the latte containing the best material Beside these, there are twenty-five small plates around the edges of the she known as "feet" or "noses." The bis gest turtle does not furnish more the sixteen pounds of shell. Formerly th undershell was discarded as worthle but now it is much esteemed for it delicacy of coloring. Sometimes in tation of tortoise shell is made of the horns of cows.

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The Knight A Romance of

CHAPTER II. TOLD him the simple truth.

which I must confess sounded very much like a magnificent lie. O'Ryan looked surprised. and his companions whispered among themselves when I had finished. "I'll take my oath I didn't come that

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way," the captain said. "Which way, then?" I asked. "I'd like to know. We certainly started up a mountain path, but before we had gone far they blindfolded us, and then we went down, where I can't say, but it was somewhere near

"And how long have you been here?" "I don't know. Time is not of much consequence in this country.' "What did you come for?"

to roaring water."

"Money," was his laconic answer. "There must be a way out." I said. "There ought to be since you found a way in. We'll talk of it tomorrow. Rest now, for we start early." It was early morning when O Ryan

woke me. "Come and look for your friend." he I felt refreshed, but terribly stiff and

bruised. Sunlight was upon the mountain tops, the shadows of light, fleecy clouds crossing them swiftly. Before the cavern ran a broad, bard road, rough and snow caked, descending somewhat sharply to the right, ascending gradually to the left, and directly opposite was the way I had come last night. stood looking at it in amazement. A glacier stretched up to the mountain opposite, a portion of it ending at the roadway against which the winds had

piled loose snow, luckily for me, but part of it had cracked and sunk, turning to run beside the road for a few yards and then ending abruptly in what last night had appeared to me as a black line. Here the glacier was broken off, its support a straight wall of rock going down sheer for at least 500 feet. At the base roared a torrent which burst from the rock and lashed itself into foam over its rocky bed.

"If your comrade wasn't dead before he went over that, he was dead before he got to the bottom of it, said O'Ryan.

I looked down at the water tumbling among the rocks and saw a little black mass lying there motionless, save for the motion the swirling water gave it. It was impossible to sav what it was, but I think it must have been Mustapha, for two spots suddenly rose from it, growing larger as they mounted toward us with heavy flight

"Vultures!" said my companion. Poor Mustapha! He had expected so much of tomorrow. God rest his soul! He had indeed found a new country.

It was still early when we started upon our journey. Two men were sent

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on in front and told to keep a sharp lookout; the others fell to the rear, and O'Ryan and I rode alone.

"What am I to expect at the end of this journey?" I asked presently. "Faith, that's more than I can tell. It's every man for himself here, and you'll find your life pretty much what you make it."

"That sounds promising," "Oh, there's plenty of promise. It's some of the fulfillment I'm waiting for. It's all very well to live back in the middle ages and feel like the hero of a boys' story book, but it wants paying for."

"Then the legend is true, or partly true?" I said.

"I don't know anything about the legend or how these people came here. Anyway, here they are and engaged in as pretty a piece of war as poor old Ireland has ever suffered from. There are two factions in the country, the king's party and the rebels, who are headed by a relation of his-Princess Daria. Those who fight for the princess fight chiefly for love of her, which is all very well in its way, but not attractive to the adventurer who hopes some day to go home and enjoy himself The king, on the other hand, pays his soldiers, and, not having enough men in the country to fight his cause, he has got in a few foreigners to help them. I'm one of the foreigners. We have all been brought in secretly, and not a man jack of us knows his way out."_

"Does the king pay well?" "I think he would if he could, but his lack of the necessary troubles me, 'O'Ryan answered.

"Then how does he manage?" "Much as they do at home makes promises and pays for the accommo dations. That's not a new trick. It was an old fashioned one in the days of ancient Babylon. The king, as matter of fact, expects to find a treas-We were looking for signs of it when you came. I expect the treasure is where the legendary part of the story comes in."

"You found nothing of it?" "Not a cent Still, my undertaking the mission means promotion when I

"And with a prisoner too." "I would sconer have had a bit of the treasure to take back," he answered bluntly. "I don't deny that I shall try to make something for my-

"How will you explain my coming?" asked. It was well that I should know how to speak best for myself. To look after No. 1 seemed to be the creed of the country.

self out of bringing you back."

"I shall tell the truth." he continued. There is no lie to equal it. I'm glad you're a big, healthy looking fellow. We don't take, much notice of weaklings. As long as a man has a mighty arm the size of his brain doesn't mat-

The mountains on either side of us narrowed as we went on until we were presently passing through a de file that a few resolute men could have held against an army. I noticed that O'Rvan quickened his pace and became silent for a time.

The defile came to an end suddenly and we came out on to a broad road which swept round the slopes of the lower hills. An exclamation of astonishment and admiration burst from my lips. Away from the road the hills, green clad and wooded, undulated to level country, which stretched away for miles. Green pastures, arable land. clusters of rough stone dwellings here and there, a river glinting in the sunlight and woody hollows made as fair a landscape as one could wish to see. Cattle were feeding below us, and I saw some women moving about the dwellings at the foot of the hill.

"Your first real glimpse of Drussenland," said O'Ryan. "Is that how you call the country?" "I didn't christen it, but that's the

name of it." "It is very beautiful," I said, "and

doesn't look as if it were the seat of war." "Things have been rather quiet lately, probably because there's a storm

brewing. You see those women? Women do most of the work just now because all the men are under arms on one side or the other." "And are unprotected women safe in

such times?"

"Well, I won't go quite so far as to say that, but there is a rough sort of gallantry among us that compares fairly well with that of civilized nations when war is the order of the day." "The legend says the women are beautiful."

"And, by \$t. Patrick, the legend's right so far! If I ever get back to Ireland there'll be moments when I shall wish myself here again, though the finest pair of eyes in the old country were looking at me. The women are all right and luckily for most of us, cling to the man who can hold his own against other men." "Is there no marriage?"

"Oh, yes, we get married after the law of the country, but it's not very binding here, so I suppose most of us will pose as bachelors when we get away, if we ever do. There's no breach of promise and there's no divorce, and if two men quarrel they just go to a quiet spot and hack away at each other until the affair is settled. The one who comes back takes possession of the lady or the money or whatever they have been fighting about."

"Primitive," I said. "I judge, captain, that you are comfortably set

tled? Trust a son of the house of Michael O'Ryan of County Kerry for that. I've had to fight about her twice, and each time I've crawled home again. Possession, is something-nine points of the law, as they say, but the tenth point is always in favor of the man quickly as possible. This remedy who desires your property and han-

dles a sword as well as or perhaps bet ter than you do." "Swords! Have you no firearms in

this country?" "There may be a stray revolver or two brought in by some of the foreigners, but they're not much use without ammunition, and that's not to be had in Drussenland."

At a turn of the road I saw again the snow clad peak which I had seen so often yesterday, looking far grander now than it did from the mountains. It rose almost abruptly from the low hills. I mentioned to my companion how I had been struck with it yesterday.

"It is called Khrym, which means the white knight, and it is supposed to rule the destinies of the Drussenlanders." he said.

They worship it?" Not exactly, but it is a symbol of everything that is good and great. The



PRINCESS DARIA.

religion is as curious a jumble as the language. I wonder how far our advance guard is ahead? I thought we should have overtaken them by this

"Do you expect to be attacked?" I asked. "No, but we don't want to be too

far apart. We are in the rebels' part of the country."

He was evidently anxious, and we went on for a long time in silence. The road began to ascend again, and presently we got another and a wider view of the lower countr | Kar across the open plain I saw the dim outline of a city, at one side of which was a

"Yonder is the capital," said O'Ryan. "And the rock?" "The great stronghold of the city-

indeed, of the country-the fortress of Yadasara." It rose from the plain abruptly, its frowning top jagged as though lightning had played angry sport with it. It looked square in shape, but I could not judge its height from this dis-

"It is a mighty stronghold." said O'Ryan after, a pause, 'and I trust' I may never find myself shut on the wrong side of its walls."

"It has a bad name for those who displease the king. Those who are carried to its gates seldom return. It is the time of the middle ages here, Verrall, and they were parbarous times, you know. Death has a hundred ghastly realities in the fortress of Yadasara."

There was little swagger about this adventurer as he spoke. Fearless as he was about most things, the fortress had inspired him with awe. He shook up his horse, and we went on at a' rapid trot, the men behind keeping close to us. Soon afterward we entered a wood. O'Ryan reined in his horse, and we proceeded slowly and silently.

"I wonder where those fellows are."

We were approaching the outskirts of the wood, and he had hardly spoken when there was a sharp clatter of horses' hoofs coming rapidly toward us, and a moment later our advance guard appeared. A strong company of the enemy was before us, not by chance but apparently awaiting our advent

"Were you seen?" asked O'Ryan. The men did not think so.

There were only seven of us, and I was unarmed. It would be madness to go on, and O'Ryan evidently thought so, for after a moment's thought he turned his horse from the road into the wood.

"We must get away if we can." be said. "There is a chance of reaching the open country this way. Look out for the holes," he added, turning to

"I am sorry we haven't a spare sword. You must take your chance." CHAPTER III.

E had not gone fifty yards when a score of men, simi-larly accountered to my companions, rushed upon us. The struggle was short and sharp. I was unable to make any kind of resistance and was dragged from my horse and my hands tied securely behind me. O'Ryan and his men fought desperately and for a few minutes the clash of steel woke the echoes of the wood. But numbers told, O'Ryan was knocked out of his saddle and was bound as. I was, and three of his men were also taken prisoners. Six men lay

dead, two of our and four of the ene my, bearing terrible witness to the fact that the tight had been no child's play. It was my first experience of medieval warfare, but it was not deltined to be my last.

"With luck we may get to heaven," O'Ryan whispered to me, "but I don't think we'll ever get to Yadanara.

Prisoners of war get badly handled. We'd be better off lying with those

poor devils yonder." Surrounded on every side by mountains, twilight is of short duration in Drussenland. It was dark long before we came to our journey's end, and in spite of O'Ryan's gloomy forebodings I was not sorry to reach the rebel beadquarters.

The rebel camp, which was set around a good sized town, called Meera, i learned later, lay between two spurs of the hills, and we came upon it suddenly. O'Ryan and I were taken into a barrack yard full of armed men and after our hands had been untied were locked in a dungeon. We were in absolute darkness and for some moments stood quite still and were silent. Then O'Ryan growled out a long string of oaths, which must have given him considerable troubleto collect, and ended by consigning himself to perdition for leaving his flask in his saddlebag.

A flood of daylight pouring into the darkness through the open doorway awoke me and almost blinded me too. I rose to my feet, but the two soldiers who entered had not come for me. They shook O'Ryan, who, after a few sleepy grunts, stood up, very wide awake indeed.

"Wanted so soop?" he said. One of the soldiers answered in the

affirmative. "Good! Far better than long waiting," he said, and he shook bands with

The next moment he was gone. The door closed and was locked again, and 1 was alone. Perhaps an hour elapsed before the door opened again. A soldier entered and placed on the floor some food and a flagon of wine. 1 thanked him, and he saluted me. He waited until I had eaten some of the good and drunk the wine, with what relish I leave to the imagination, and then requested me to follow him. Outside a small guard received me, and I was taken across the barrack yard. which was full of life and business,

to a building on the opposite side. It must have been about noon when a body of warriors more imposing than any I had yet seen marched into the yard. The officer came to me.

"The princess holds council, and I am. commanded to bring you before her," he said.

I inclined my head. My journey to the council hall was through the streets, and many people, chiefly women and old men, had gathered to see me pass. We turned into a courtyard surroupded on three sides by massive stone buildings and, marching straight across, halted for a moment before gates which opened into a great hall. At each end of the building was a huge round window, but the lighting was insufficient, and the place was gloomy. The floor was of stone flags. worn a good deal, and indeed the whole edifice looked old. I know little of architecture, but although the style was common in Drussenland I have seen nothing like it elsewhere. Seated In the center of the hall on a platform was a woman surrounded by knights. who were clad in steel-a goodly sight to look upon, if strange to such eyes as mine. Just below the platform on either side stood a dozen men in loose garments reaching from shoulder to heel, tied at the waist with a white sash the ends of which fell to the ground. Each wore a white skullcap.

They were all elderly men, and their hair and beards had been allowed to grow at will. To say that he princess was the most beautiful woman my eyes had ever rested upon is bardly to describe her. The whole of Princess Daria's world allowed that she was the most beautiful of women, and the women of Drussenland are beautiful. Her warriors, from the highest knight to the humblest soldier, worshiped her

and had sworn obedience to him who should win her for himself. My first impression was that she was fit to rule those who bowed before her. She looked queenly and their mistress. Seated in her chair of state, as I first saw her, she looked a princess; she looked what she was, the idol of her people, and she looked more, a woman a man could love. Every eye was turned toward me

as I advanced up the hall. Certainly. never before bad I been such a center of attraction. I saw O'Ryan standing at the foot of the platform between two soldiers, but as I approached he eluded their vigilance and, rushing toward me, fell on his knee and kissed my hand, whispering as he did so: "Admit everything. It's our only

Evidently I had to play a part of some sort. There was silence for some moments as I stood at the foot of the platform. The princess feaned forwardin her seat to study me closely, and I tried to look unconscious of the sensation I caused.

He in the white robe and the silver girdle was the first to speak. "Is it true what this man has told concerning you?" he said, pointing to

"Sometimes men lie. What has be told concerning me?' I said. "That suddenly, while he watched in the night, you came from the mountains quickly by a path unknown.

which no man has traveled." "It is true." "Room you aught of us in Drussen

land?" "I know that war sings death among the tilla ing day of a spun say. "Nanght else?"

"I know that Maryin looks down and

biding bis bend with The grant Khrym shall be appeared tomorrow." be said. 'Is it from Khrym you have come?"

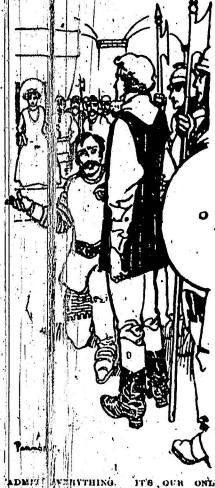
He asked the question slowly. 'I have said that I came from the Has any man traversed bountain the path baye traversed?"

"And y where come to belp us?" "buog ile oT"

your mission that we may "Tell

From the mountains have I come to help your against your enemies. / Be strong, and your princess shall sit upon the thone in Yadasara. Be faithful, be littent, and that which has been hidlen for ages from your eyes shall one more sparkle in the sunlight in Drussfoland."

My all lon to the treasure had an electrical effect upon my audience.



TT'8 OUR OND CHANOR.

The pringess rose to per feet, and the steel rule mightily as every sword eaped them its scabbard. The priests powed by, and shout after shout made til massive walls echo again. Only man seemed unmoved at

my sta ment-be who stood at the right had of the princess. "Has he priest sure proof that the knight png expected has come?" The lists shall study before they

speak count Vasca." "Rem per." shid the count, irritated at libe priest's quiet answer and pointing he O'Ryan, "on the word of a reign for we are trusting."

"Nay, count, on the word of the knight winself." pe princess who spoke. It first time I had heard her

speak the her voice thrilled me. "The Princess has judged." answered he court. What, then, shall be done to this foreign dog, who, knowing that his well the promised knight, sought. p carrie to our enemies in Yada-

sara 7 A grow! of hafred followed these words, and I saw that It was likely to

go hard with O'Ryan, "Stant" cried, raising my arm for phose who fight in a cause. faithing to that cause, are worthy of honor, These foreign dogs, valiant though they be, fight often in ignorance."

To par man owes many a knight his overthoow." said the count. "If the bas been mighty in a wrong cause snore mighty shall be be in a. right of a He has told the truth of me

and is therefore sucred to me and to

my cause, "Then have not understood our said Count Vasca in a. voice which tank dear and loud through the hall since the days when the mountains shut in our land no foreign dog has come to us, who are true Drussenlander Orr enemies have called them in to her us, but we who are true people bate them even with a more deadly batted than those who, born in the land, bear arms against us in the play of him who calls himself the king. Have not the priests, spenking as with the mouth of Khrym himself. commenced us to crush them as we would reptiles under lour feet? Have the priests given us false counsel, or does this knight o'erstep his mission? Would his blym speak in one way to the pries is had after another manner tohis nie renger? Is it not strange, princess, that two commands concerning

our en mins are given us?" "Count Tasen spenks most truly," I said. But man's judgment is bound by the things of today, and of the morrow he knows naught. Where man sees on an enemy today. Khrym may recognize one who shall tomorrow be bis mosenger. This foreign dok has been ad marked out. Had it not been given to know me might he not bare attacked me instead of welcoming me? If in his ignorance be wished to take me to those whom he served was be not faithfully fulfilling his drift as he understood it? The priests have well understood and have right spoken the law, but of this man they have not spoken."

"He in g foreign dog: it is enough." said the count but no sound of approbation bllowed.

"I come from the mountains, and to the morningains I can return." The presta have not yet consulted,"

be sairi. Let ned beware bow they do so annivered. In their study lies the rate of Ormsenhind. This man is my bearer. my page and mulie. armor

(To be continued.)