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Up where the clouds are curled;

My ocean puts its arm around

The bottom of the world.

I do not fear my sea will dry;

I connot glibly talk with men,

No gift of tongues have I;

But tales of comic worth,

Of conclaves of the early gods

Told by Eternity to Time.

That they have special privacles

Which they impart to me.

The tales they know so well,

I do not fear my sea will dry ;

My bill will last as long as L.

Select Family Reading.

Her Mistake.

"Quite comfortable now?" asked Craw-

ford of the News as he threw a rug across

The two men occupied a sheltered nool

After a few puffs Crawford burst out

"By Jove! 1sn't this glorious? What a

difference there is between this and Om-

"A lady at breakfast this moning some

way or other got to know that I was Craw-

ly heard that you and I were pretty thick

at the front, as she inquired if you had

completely recovered. Seemed quite inter-

"Yes-beavens? What's the matter,

"Well, old man, you see I knew her

once. Engaged. Got chucked, somehow.

Crawford quietly stooped down and

Vandeleur was somewhat of a mystery

to Crawlord. The latter could never

grasped Vandeleur's hand. There was

lot of quiet sympathy in that silent hand

you see, I can't. You understand."

ld fellow? You do look queer

ford, the News man. She had also evident-

"Rather. All the same, I liked it."

close to the Palace botel, and Crawford,

And I am glad these tales will take

-Sam Walter Foss.

I'm glad I own the sea;

It took eternity to learn

Eternity to tell.

Vandeleur's feet.

resting in a sling.

durman !"

"Sinclair ?"

Perfectly, thanks."

Expecting no reply.

My sea and mountain talk to me,

They tell me tales I may not tell,

Who ruled the infant earth ;

Tales of an unremembered prime

And so I'm glad the mountain's mine,

My bill will last as long as 1.

Enough to suit my notion : I own a mountain toward the west, And toward the cast an ocean. Just this one mountain and one sea Are property enough for me.

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understand why a successful novelist such as he was had given up a promising future. His hairbreadth escapes had been the talk of the army. It was at Omdorman -his luck almost came to a close. They had dragged him from beneath a heap of bodies and at first every one thought that the Dervish sword bad finished the "mad correspondent of the Sentinel." Ready-Mixed Paints and Paris Green

The shave was a close one, but never theless they pulled him around and now he was on the fair way to recovery.

After a pause Crawford spoke. "Forgive me, old chap; I didn't know. You see, we hadn't met until after that." "Don't apologize. I am so confoundedly weak. Crawford, I can't stay here. must get away. I can't meet her again-

or, at least not yet." "Oh, nonsense! You can't go just when the air is pulling you around so well. Besides, there is little possibility of your friends and the public meeting, as she is not even aware of your generally, that they are now being here. Hello, there's White calling

"Not at all. In fact-I am afraid it's not exactly complimentary to you, old best looms of the world, and fellow, but I would rather be alone for a

Crawford comprehended and merely said: "I understand, old man. I'll be back in half an hour." Then he quietly walked Vandelour sat thinking. His thoughts

were bitter as they went back two years, and he recalled the heartless manner in which this woman had thrown him over without any perceptible reason. He could never understand it. "Are all women the same?" he wonderel. "Does every woman play with a man

merely to fool him in the end t" But his cogitations abruptly ceased as his glance wandered down the path in the direction of the hotel. He started slightly and a flush showed itself for a moment in his thin features. A strangely familiar figure was coming

oward bim, and his fingers nervously twisted and untwisted as he recognized the one woman in all the world whom he lesst desired to meet. His natural impulse was to get away, but his weakness rendered such a proceed

ing impossible. In his weak state the sight of her con jured up strange emotions. He felt more keenly his own helplessness, and then as be watched ber there arose in his heart a Gladys." passionate longing for sympathy and rest. If only-if only-bah! What a foul be

Then as she sauntered carelessly along a dull feeling of resentment displaced his previous mervousness. True, she might not deign to actice bim, but if she did there would be no trace of the old madness to gratify ber,

was as big a fool as he was 18 months

Meanwhile, the object of his wrath, utterly oblivious of exciting the attention of any one, never deviated from the path that must take her past the spot where Vaudeleur was sitting, but strolled along with an open book in her hand. So immersed was Miss Sinclair with her reading that she failed to notice the man

until she was quite close.

At the first glance, however, she recognized him, and the sudden shock was most painful, but recovering herself in a moment walked straight up to Vandeleur and held out her hand, saying gently :

"I am so glad, Mr. Vandeleur, to see that you are better-so very glad."

Although Vandeleur's heart beat quickly he was outwardly calm and cool as he replied nonchalantly. Except for the fact of feeling weak now and then, I am comparitively well. I trust you are quite well, Miss Sinclair ?"

"Yes, I am very well, thank you. Butbut Mr. Crawford told me you had by ro means recovered yet." Vandeleur mentally anothematized Crawford as he said with a bad imitation

fellow, but you know, he occasionally constructe a mountain out a molehill." Pointing to the scat which Crawford had vacated a few minutes previously, he continued: "Won't yau please sit down, Miss Sin

"Pshaw! Crawford is an awfully good

olair? I long to have a chat with an old friend." His own desire now was to keep her, and an unnatural elevation pervaded him as be hailed with almost hysterical delight the

prospect of showing this woman how utterly indifferent he was to her. She hesitated a moment, then quietly sat down. "But surely, Mr. Vandeleur," she said "your wound cannot be of so trivial'a nature as you would have one believe?

papers said so, and I-every one was so dreadfully sorry. "Were they ?" said Yaudelour ironically. "Borry to say their feelings must pass unpreciated. Enough of myself, however I presume you are staying here some time?" he added, as he threw his cigarette

You were reported killed at firet. All the

"Please don's !" oried Miss Sinolair. You know I have no objection. My tastes have not changed even in 18 months." "Excuse me," sail Vaudeleur coldly. I thought they had. However, it is of no consequence, as I smoke very little now. Tubacco doesn't commend itself to invalids

During the conversation Miss Sinclair after arranging Vandeleur's rug, threw had been surreptionaly observing Vande. himself into a grass chair and lit his pipe Vandeleur closed his eyes restfully. He With a dull pain at her heart she noted looked pale and thin and his left arm was the unmistakable ovidence of suffering in

> A strong desire to tind and nurse this man, whom she loved as a woman only loves once, overmastered her, and she experienced a mad impulse to cast all conventionality aside and throw herself at his feet and ory, "Ob, my love, my love, I wronged you innocently. It is all a hideons mistake! Won't you forgive-only

> The impulse died away, however, as she glanced at Vandeleur and saw the hard lines of his mouth. He will never forgive, she thought-

> Neither spoke for some minutes, and the panse was becoming awkward, when a puff of wind disarranged Vandeleur's rog. He feebly essayed to reach for it, but Miss Sinclair forestalled him, and with a "Please allow me," arranged it. While doing so her hand slightly touched

> jump madly through his veins, while the olor flowed in her own face. Presently Miss Sinclair said heartatingy: "I have been trying for the last few minutes to-to say something. Will you isten? I want to ask your pardon.

that of Vandeleur, causing the blood to

Some time ago we-I quarrelled with you, apparently without any ostensible cause whatever. Three months ago I discovered the fact that I had done you a grievous "Took you some time, didn't it ?" sar-

acquainted with the fact exactly 18 months The venom of his remark almost scorchched the words on her lips, but she quiet-"Please reserve your sarcasm ontil you

castically interjected Vandelour. "I was

have heard me. Not even the fear of your mlaunderstanding shall detor me from performing what I consider my right and my duty to do. It is right you should know that I had some slight exques for my lawful reason why they should not be that if I knew what became of my apparent wanton capricioneness." She paused a moment, resting her chin upon her hand, and Vandeleur stole a glance at her.

She had changed somewhat, he thought -grown gentler and more sublued, and the passionate desire drew on him to open his arms and say : "I forgive all, I forgive all ! Only love "Please go on," he said.

"Thank you," she replied, "I will. The Story of a Man and a Woman' is an old t'tle and has been used many times, yet purpose using it once again as a heading for my nurrative." She pansed a moment to collect her thought, and gezed at Vandeleur, who con-

tinued to gaze stornly seaward. Then she "The man in this particular case appeared to love the woman very dearly, and she -well, she requited his affection." Vandelour started and shifted his posi

"He was a writer of books," she continued, "and on her twenty-third birthday he presented her with the 'first proof' of the book that had made him famous. It was a unique present and she appreciated it accordingly autil after turning over the

leaves she found between the pages s "It was a love letter, written in the man's handwriting on a large sheet of but not meant for her. The name of the woman for whom it was designed was

"Heavens!" oried Vandeleur hoarsely. "The Hand on the Wheel'-it was the page of manuscript that I could never

"Yes," she said quietly, "it was a page of manuscrips that you had lost. She, however, did not discover this until later, out in her misery at what she imagined to be the man's falseness never answered his demands for an explanation, never spoke to him again." She paused for a moment overcome of history were over thirty when they

with emotion. Vandeleur gazed at her distinguished themselves. "Some time later," she proceeded with retains nothing of the pettiness of youth.

her beart."

Vaudeleur could not speak. The joy i his heart was supreme enough to preclude all utterauce. He merely beld her hand as if he could never let it go. Presently he drew her gently toward him

and rested his cheek against here. "You forgive?" she whispered. "My dear! My darling!" was all said .- Chicago Herald.

HOME BUILDING.

Home is defined as "one's own dwelling place," "the habitual abode of one's family." But something more than a permanent abode is necessary to the real home. The mountain bermit has a dwelling place, but no home. Even a fine house richly furnished, with broad agree surrounding, cultivated and Eden-like. though owned in fee simple, does not make a home. Such a place may be ideal in location and appointments and richly contains a nest of serpents-envy, hatred, all by myself. jealously, discontent, a brawling wife, and disobedient and ungrateful children-there

especially love, are lacking. "He entered in his bouse, his home no more; For without hearts there is no home ." with worldly comforts, may be the abode young bicycle - a colt foaled in

each other are happy. That is home. A family known to the writer lived far | body says it is. back in the interior. Father and mother I held him by the withers right in the and for the world to come.-T. D. Talwere plain and unlettered, very poor, and middle of the road and mounted without compelled to rear their children without assistance. I dismounted in the same the advantages of education save what was | independent manner. supplied by a short term school between the making and the time for gathering the

crops. The word society in its modern sense was not known to them. The thing itself did not exist within twenty miles of their flat-woods farm. The parents feared children; like "olive plants round about my foot. their table," honored father and mother, and loved each other and the Lord. It and fell on my head. was indeed a household of faith-a real home. There are thousands of such homes

to which fame and fortune never come. race in families. The germanent union of Every time I fell I slapped the palms than the selection of life partners.

considerations, one or all, influence men ten feet away from where I started. I the result of her reflections was manifested

argument, we may say in this connection that it is not always advisable for men and women to marry, even though they love each other, but certainly they should never do so unless affection is at the foundation of the engagement. The Church is explicit on the subject. It holds with St. Paul that marriage is "honorable among all men," and that the tie is indissoluble to make confession if they know any the room on tiptoe. But I wouldn't mind joined together, assuring them "that so shoulder-blades the time I can under many as are coupled together otherwise hay-wagon. than God's word doth allow, are not joined together by God, neither is their matrimony lawful." If these scriptural views and requirements were duly observed by men and women, we would have among us fewer unhappy marriages, and a far larger number of home builders and

The experience of religion is not essential to a lawful marriage. One man and one woman may separate themselves from all others and enter into the estate with the purest and best intentions, and the marriage result in happiness. But as marriage signifies to us the mystical union that is between Christ and his Church, the purpose of which is the rearing of a spiritual family, it would be better for all home builders not only to recognize the Church and unite with it, but thoroughly consecrate themselves to the service o God. They thus put themselves in an attitude before God that enables them to claim his blessing and the necessary belo in rearing their children. In the end the effort at home building will fail unless God is honored and obeyed in the household.

THE-MIDDLE-AGED WOMAN.

The woman of thirty and upward is obair.

maid. Most of the well-known women inge.

happiness was reproduced almost word for | who no longer sells these quel ties. She is hateful or lovable, according to her

Says Belzac: "A women of middle age

BURDETTE AND THE WHEEL The editor of the Burlington Hawkeye received enquiries from certain of readers who had heard that Mr. Robert J. Burdetts was dead. A letter of inquiry

following reply: MY DEAR WAITE : Like the true friend and loyal comrads

you ever were, you do right to protest against my burial prior to the autospy. I am indeed very much alive. Not only. so, I haven's been dead even a little bit. Not once. Could have been had I wanted to be. Could be yet. But I don't want to be. Maybe I ought to be, oven now. But as we make weekly confession -"We Be this: "By honest work in modest ways have left undone those things which we | He served his God and us." May some such

ought to have done." Possibly the rumor that I have gone dead grew out of the fact that I have learned to ride a bicycle. I say, "have learned" ondowed with means to sustain it, but if it | -not "am learning" -learned in one lesson

Went out in the moonlight last Friday night to learn, having first looked my can be no home. The essential elements, family in the house and forbade them tolook out of the windows. Led my bicycle out on the turnpike-the Bryn Mawr pikes are broader than the way of destruction, A cottage, small and scantily supplied twice as smooth and much cleaner. It's a of love and contentment. Poverty may | Would give the name but for the fact that sometimes pluch, and the outside world I had to pay for the wheel. Will only away on one side.-William Matthews. may frown, but the occupants living for say therefore in accordance with the othics of our profession, it is not the wheel any- amusements and recreations. I will tell

Got on again and proceeded to break him

to saddle. Did I ride the firet time?

Well say! People had told me-liars of all ages and both sexes-that I couldn't fall if when God and kept his commandments; the felt that I was falling, I would stick out Eltou, made the remark, "It was there I stuck out both feet and both hands-

I fell on one side of that diabolical wheel and then on the other; I fell on top of it and underneath it, and it made "dog faile" Home building must begin with the with it. I fell between the wheels. I fell union of one good man and one good behind the hind wheel and before the front woman. They must have true ideas of wheel at the same time, and yet don't know their relation to God and know the mean- bow I done it. I fell and thrust both legs ing of the marriage tie. In the beginning through the spokes of one wheel. I met a God "made them male and female," terrified man in the boggy and drove him | we find it dimmishes instead of heightevidently intending that marriage should clear off the pike through Wheeler's hedge, ens our interest and delight in the exist and thereby perpetuate the human and I don't think he has come back yet. one man with one woman is the law of the my raw, swollen throbbing hands on the race as well as the law of God and cannot hard, "inelastic" pike-except the time be set aside without sin. The twain thus fell on my head. I fell with greater variety united "are one flesh." Nothing, therefore, of landing than any man could unless he can be more important to men and women dropped out of a balloon and lit in a load of furniture. I lost my confidence, my Home building must begin in love, such patience, my temper, my clamps, my lamp, love as will lead the man to foreake all bell and reputation. I broke one pedal, the others and cleave to his wife; such love as saddle and the ordinance against loud, will lead the woman to choose one man | boisterous and abusive language at night. above all others. Marriage founded on I ran into everything in sight-except passion, or entered into for convenience, or the middle of the road. I set down on for reasons of state, or for the purpose of everything in the township-except the declined to go to a ward, but took one of keeping together the family wealth, is not saddle. I scorched in a circuit not fifteen sure to result in happiness to the contract. | feet in circumference until you could smell ing parties, nor to the building of an ideal brimstone. I made more revolutions than home. A fearful risk is run when these a South-American republic and didn't get

Without entering into details, or an scratched, since I left the army. But I can ride ! I don't eay I "do." But I "can." Do I consider "biking" good for the

health? For the health of some people, I do: don't see how a physician can bring up his family unless his children have something But in my own cass, "I reserve my deexcept for the cause plainly stated by our cision." And do you tell Brother Davis to Lord, and "is not by any to be enterprised, keep his obituary on the standing galley or taken in hand unadvisedly, but reverent- until he hears from "Slug Nine." I don't Miss, I'm not eating anything. So I just ly, discreetly, advisedly, and in the fear of | believe he got "30" yet, although friends God." Not only so, but it requires all who have called to see me, break down who purpose entering into the holy estate | when they say "good-bye" and walk out of

Cheerfully yours,

A YOUNG MAN'S HEALTH.

Colonel Sonn, a surgeon in the Spanish

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war, told a representative of Men why so many applications for admission into the and in an outburst of onthusiasin he prayarmy were rejected. The principal reason was generol debility. "The cause of this ?" Well. say, a lack of natural eleep in most cases. It is not so much how a man is occupied during the daytime, but it is the loss of sleep and rest that makes the difference; voting men spffer little from overwork. They ought to be asleep hours before ye think?" "Ob, yis, sure," said Mike, midnight. If a man can give a good account of himself in the hours between '6 and 12 p. m., he will find improvement in his physicial condition." THE REASON HE CHANGED SIT

UATIONS.

"Did you hear the reason why I left my old employers," said a drummer the other day to a few friends. To this enquiry they all gathered around, fully expecting to hear a good story as "Tom" (familiarly called by his friends), tilted back in his "I answered an advertisement about a

Not a long while ago it was the fashion new book "Light of Life," as the title paper and signed with his Christian name, for novelists to make heroines of misses struck me forcibly, and I found it containwhose years rarely numbered twenty, and ed the story of the New Testament, often stopped at sixteen. There seemed together with explanations of all the something attractive in the beauty and more difficult portions, thus being a com-Imposence of youth. Either the supply | plete Commentary. It also contains the ran out or people began to get tired of complete lives of the Apostles; that this bread and butter flotion maidens, for work was really two volumes in one gradually the age of heroines has moved embellished with some of the best illustraup, and to-day they are frequently almost | tions I ever saw. The statues of the Apoetles were by the renowned conlptor, This is fitting. Because she has out- Thorvaldson, these having been reproduclived the twenties a woman has not out- ed and published in connection with the lived life. She is capable of moving the Sixteen Masterpieces of the world-famous world more effectually as a matron than as Blockhorat, Hofmann and Hahn engrav-

mentary, and that this book would have an a communicant, and I am afraid at times enormous sale, and as my old employers that he is slightly skeptical. He is very difficulty, "a book was published by a man, She is a friend who gives you all the could not hold out sufficient inducement to pronounced in his political views, and as entitled "The Hand on the Wheel." His feminine delicacies, who displays all the equal the offer of the Bradley Garretson conversational matter ran rather short, I heroine was called Gladys, and the love graces, all the possessions which nature Co. Limited, I concluded to give up "drum. sought to interest him by asking, 'How's letter that had destroyed the woman's has given to women to please man, but ming," and took hold of "Light of Life." politics?' How's politics?' he repeated, I assure you friends this change was the without a change of countenance; 'how's wiscet I ever made, and I shall never regret politics? That's a pretty question for you "Then at last one day the news came pretentions of youth, whether they exist it. If you want to make money casy and to ask when you know that I haven't that he had been killed, and it nearly broke | under the epidermis or whether they are | fast, write their Brantford House for a | heard you preach for the last seven position like mine.

THE AIM OF CHRISTIANLIVING.

To do the small deed in a noble way. To do the kind part without hope of pay, To live the Christ-life through a busy day, And, at each new requirement, obserful say: "Thy will be mine"-

addressed to Mr. Burdette brought the Those are not things, 'ils true, that win from The flattering tribute of the tougue or pen, But they are things that come to Heaven's ken. And here and now, not less than there and then They are divine.

> No noisy honors, proud with drum and fife, They need who live the bumble, selfess life Of Christ. With glory unbegot of strife, Or foolish sims with vain ambitions rife, Their virtues shino. So when our friends look back. in future days, Let that remembrance which in them we raise

Be mine and thine. -Rev B. B. Bosworth, in the Ecaminer.

THOUGHTS ABOUT AMUSE-MENTS Let your recreations be manful, not sinful.-George Washington.

Recreation is intended to the mind as

whatting is to the southe, to sharpen, the edge of it, which otherwise would grow dull aud blunt .- Bishop Hall. An old writer says those that seldom take lawful pleasure will take unlawful, and by lacing themselves too, hard grow If you show me the style of a man's

you what are his prospects for this world

I am convigced, both by faith and experichice, that to maintain ones self on this earth is not a hardship, but a pastime, if we will live simply and wisely .-- Henry D. Thoreau.

It is said that the Duke of Wellington, when once looking on at the boys engaged in their sports in the playground at that the battle of Waterloo was won .-Samuel Smiles. Study, meditation, society, and relaxa-

tion should be mixed up with man's

physical toil. He has intellect, heart.

imagination, taste, as well as bones and muscles; and he is grievously wronged when he is compelled to excessive drudgery for bodity subsistence .- Anon. The moment any form of recreation becomes indispensible to us, the moment that regular duties of our daily lives, that instant we should check its encroachment

GETTING HER MONEY'S WORTH Hospital experiences are generally supposed to be sad, but there is an occasional merry one, as the experience of Miss- will prove.

Bridget Rafferty had served the best

years of her life as a cook, and now that

upon our time, and, if need be, out it off

altogether .- William De Witt Hyde, D. D.

she was "wearin' awa' " and an operation had become necessary, she baughtily The operation was successful-but the patient was allowed very little food. She evidently pondered over the situation, and

and women into the holy estate of matri- haven't been so mauled and abraided, so in a most frequent use of the electric bell thumped and beaten, so bruised and at her bed. Miss A-, a novice in her profession, would fly to her to be greated with some triffing question or the remark: "I only wanted to know if you were there."

As such frequent use of her bell suggested

to the matron on that floor that Miss A---

was neglecting berduties, Miss A-remonstrated and received the following unique "Well, you see, Miss, here I am paying thirty collars a week and I'm not seeing anything, I'm not hearing anything, and

anyways, I enjoy hearing it ring." JUST FOR FUN.

intentionally lift thim a little dirthy on the

outside so thim algnorant Jones children

A student at one of the great missionary

colleges was conducting a prayer service,

ring the bell to get my money's worth, and

Mistress-"Why, Bridget, you surely don't consider these windows washed? Bridget-"Sure, I washed 'em nicely on the inside, mum, so ye can look out; but I

nist door couldn't look in."

ed, "Give us all pure hearts, give us all clean hearts, give us all sweethearts," to which the congregation responded "Amen." -The Evangelist. Pat and his friend Mike had killed a spake in the fields. As the tail of the snake continued to oscillate, Pat remarked to his friend: "And is he dead, Mike, div

"he's dead, but he ain't conscious of it

Northern Visitor (in Georgis): "I see you raise hogs almost exclusively about here. Do you find they pay better than corn and potatoes ?" Native (slowly): "Wal, no; but yor see, stranger, hoge don't

need boeing!" BERRY WELL DONE.

The late Charles Matthews now and then failed, like some of the rest of us, in neeting his bills as promptly as the tradespeople concerned could desire. On one occasion a brisk young tailor, named Berry, lately succeeded to his father's business, sent in his account somewhat shead of time. Whereupon Matthews, with virtuous rage, soized his pen and wrote him the following note:

"You must be a goose-Berry, to send

me your bill-Berry, before it is due-

Borry. Your father, the elder-Berry,

would have had more sonse. You may

look very black-Borry, and feel very

blue-Berry, but I don't care a straw-

Berry, for you and your bill-Berry." THE WRONG TRACK.

"There is a rather crosty old gentleman Knowing that not a family in a thous- clergyman, "and his absence for several and had the lives of the Apostles or a Com- weeks led me to call upon him. He is not daye'."-Boston Journal.