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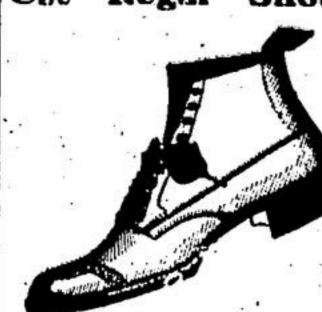
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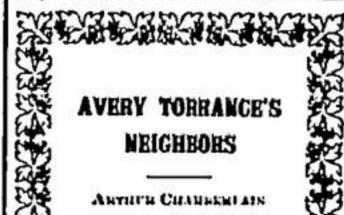
A PRENCHWOMAN'S LETTER WITH

Boetry.

Praying that it strengthen That strong right hand of thine. And drive the foe away.

The nuliance of that scarlet,

Kleses in its meshes



in a thousand years.

morning room was aglow with sonshine and Avery herself, in her trim morning gown, sat staring out of the window at the sunny laws fragrant

with flowers of the early summer. Four yours of college life, a diploma perchoice at a social settlement in some large | 'm." city-then the sudden marriage of her question of his rights in the matter, he had dresser—their namesake saw to that-yet fully. sagged her to take charge of the establish- never a rose on all the bushes that the ment with its little train of servente; little girl at heraids might pluck for herpointing out to her in a kindly, half-depre- self; Avery saw her ouddle the American

unning domesticity. ife, of course, Avery," her father had ad. lodge. mitted, "but-well, in any case your colourself easily to your environment."

ity, yet under present circumstances she was conscious of a cettain restlessment "There closen't seem anything for me do," she murmured. "At least, nothing anything but datales and butteroups when MERCHANTS BANK BLDO. | that counts. Everything about this place has been sandpapered down and polished. I can't seem to get hold of anything. It

a college tradition to be mentioned only "Put Avery Torrence down in the worst I back tenements and she'd slorify it? an ardent Bophomore admirar had declared

that testimony. Avery went slowly downstairs into the drawing room. The mail, who was clusting the plane, hurriadly finished as Avery entered, withdrawing in respectful silence. save for one or two ill-suppressed suffic. "Ross !" Avery called half-wiatfully.

"Have you finished your dusting ?" "Yes, if you please, 'm," answered Rose standing with respectful erectness befor lor young mistress though with downess

almost wished that the whole room remain ed to be dusted and that she and Ross might do it together, but there was a hint broad." in Rose's manner that also not only knew her own place, but Avery's as well. "Very well, Ross," Avery went

ed in upon her awakened thought, bringing with them a sense of power and con file because aware of someone standing

at the open lattload window and turning she saw a small girl, motioniess, but the next moment she saw a hand-Hose's hand, to cleatter as to her brief music lesson. she was sure-reach out and draw the girl . Avery's fingers left the keva "Lat

"Rosa was just taking her away ; I had or send her in," explained Avery.

"Hikla's s great hand for music," volunteered Mrs. Minter. "Hometime, maybe, she-Going, Miss Avory ? Well, I'm sure it's done me good to see you, so young and

Avery walked luck to the house with quickened twos, the listlesaness of the carly morning was gone; in its place was a same of freals lively interest.

touch with your environment when you think more about other people and Turning away from the planele componers ly. "Why there's Hible and Rose andbut delightful opportunities revealed them selves so repully that she had no time to

Mr. Torrence came home to luncheon. Avery was too thoughtfully sensible to mention any of her plans to him either before luncheon or at the table; when

father," she said. Hilds hoked up into her face. "It's as nurse," Mr. Torrance nodded a mild apif the plano was sorry, lan't it?" the whis-

> "I probably wouldn't have gone," went daughter hadn't called on me."

are joking, Avery, how was it ?" atopping every now and then to pluck a "I was playing on the plane ; she stopped at the window; Rose was taking her "Wouldn't you like a rose?" inquired away but I had her come in."

"I wanted company - and she's a dear." went on Avery.

"So I went home with her and-and her grandmother told me something about Ross that I went you to know, father." rance a little coldly.

than yours or mine ?" "I-I'd like to tell you, father," faltered Avery. "Very well, my dear." "Ross has a lot to do for her family. began Avery slowly. "From what Mrs

Harry, daughter, but we can't retain in-

efficient men in our employ. It's a purely business proposition you know." "I-I thought that you might find some place for him, father." Mr. Torrence shook his bead. "Can't be done, my dear; business would go to places if we kept useless men indefinitely

Ross's getting good wages-I might give here raise, I suppose, though that fan's business, either. Of course I don't want to be hard on any one. Avery," he went on, half-apologotically; "but servents and employees are in a class by themselves ; we really can't undertake to consider their "About a fortnight," replied Avery, private affairs in our dealings with them they sell their service and we buy it and-

rood father and a just man-and vetnortant-thing I learned at college ?"

now, so if she dotan't seem as lively as "You see, father," went on Avery, exmay be, it would be a kindness if you'd planatorally and flushed, "when I went to

Rose's shoulders - well, they're youn it myself until Mrs. Minter spoke to me shoulders unyway if they're not overahout Ross." "There are certain proprieties-certain social distinctions." Mr. Torrance suggest-

Mrs.: Minter gazed at the young gir before her. "I wouldn't, deary," she re plied, dropping the servants' "Miss" an beart. "Rose's shy, and maybe a b vice due from every true Canadian ; from you and from me, father, us well as all the rest. Do you think that Mrs. Minter, my old nurse, would count dollars and cents if

upon his daughter. Avery flushed. "I heard the playing and I stopped the window and Rosa, ahe .. " hogan Hilda

"No. I'll see that Rous's father has

klased Avery. "It looks us though your college education was going to pay, even If you are just father's housekeeper." "Well," murmured Avery that night after Rose had left her, grateful and lighthearted, "you thought that you were honny and the lady of the place, my pretty much useless this morning, didn't you, Avery Torrance? Let's see there's music lessons that you can give Hikle, and maybe a plano when she's a little older. and roses for the flower mission-saxybe the gardeser'll let you out them yourself-

> Avery Torrence." She paused a moment. "Adjusting environment gobble you up heart and all." her. 'Vilorify a back tenement, would you, Avery Torrence? Well, it wouldn't he by just sitting down in it. One might have to wish! a scrub brush and broom." Avery laughed softly to herealf. "Yourse when we adjust ourestives to our savironment, it reacts on the culronment, if it's the sort of adjustment that's worth while! And if you're to glorify anything, Avery." she said in a hushed, reverentions, "you've

proval. "Quite proper and thoughtful of leautiful-every day-every bour." There were tears on the girl's face. was thinking of her mother in Gloryland. heart. "I'll be mother here in the home. tive in each county. "Her granddaughter?" Mr. Torrence us far as I can," she murmured, "and looked puzzled. "Oh, the little girl! You meighbor to all!" And then a smile broke from her lips, and a snatch of a college even- salves, when the harvest came and the song passed through them.

> TWENTY YEARS AGO Gleaned From the Free Press Thursday, April 18th, 1898

Joseph Lauby has lessed the 200 acre | Dominion Consus to have been only \$4.27 Waters farm below Crewsons Corners and per sere. will use it for pesture. The trustees of Actou Hohool have just

severely injured yesterday. He was play- boyedid, all farmers could average pretty the hinge of the gate, being badly torn in do better.

brainy game. The club is now disbanded farming that it was proven. How did it for the season. Much credit is due Mr. H. happen?

for all the members. Toronto, on Sunday. He will be rememsome time in the school here. He lived for of the district representative of the Depart. a time in Chicago soon after the great fire, ment of Agriculture for Ontario. but returned to Acton and was for some time in partnership with his brother in the jewellery and fanny goods business. His death is the first break in the family.

Mr. Thos. Jeans, Gloversville, N. Y., gerous illness of their inther. Mr. and Mrs. William Brown went to

A MATTER OF TACY Profit" and "Feeding Hoge for Profit" competitions tell a different story. There Mr. Brown was in a bad tamper, and. is something behind these actual successes Mrs. Brown knew, there was only one way of ouring it-to rouse him thoroughly-for that didn't arise within the successful when miserable he always socused other people of being miserable. He did on this

occasion. "Jane," he grumped at last, "you're as full as an old owl ! Bulking, I suppose, because I refused to buy you that new hat." "No," sighed his wife : "I wasn't thinkng about it. As a matter of fact I've been same department-with a different moliev turning out some old letters and-oh, it's nothing of importance only a fit of the -that's all.

"What letters ?" "Love letters."

"Bome I wrote to you, I suppose?" "No," said his wife calmly, "some control before I'd met you. It's of t consequence-none at all. How is your cold P'-Exchange.

Miller's Worm Powder are not surpassed and believe in getting every possible good by any other preparation as a vermifage or | man into the service. The district repreworm destroyer. Indeed, there are few contatives of the department, like their daughter ?" inquired Mr. Torrance with a preparations that have the marit that it chief, C. F. Hailey, are graduates of our has to recommend it. Mothers, aware of Agricultural College, and, in midition its excellence, seek its aid at the first Indi. | men who push, have faith in agriculture, and and women as our neighbors, father ; people cation of the presence of worms in the while faith in the young farmers. They are who need something more than our cash dren, knowing that it is a perfectly trust. organizing the boys and girls, the young for their service, if it is to be the loyal ser- worthy medicine that will give immediate | men and older outs in the common cause,

Are losing theirs and are blaning it on If you can trust yourself whon all men But make allowance for their doubting,

If you can wait, and not be tired by wait Or, being fied about don't deal in lies ; Or, being hated, don't give way to leating,

If you can dream -and not make dreams your master. If you can think and not make thought's

If you can force your heart and nerve and

Or walk with kings, nor two the common If neither foes nor loving friends can hunt If all men count with you, but not too

And-what is more-you'll be a man, my

turning traditions upside down A young fellow in Middlosox County last year produced 501 bushels of potatoes on one measured acre. His not profit on the profit of \$01.71 per sere. These figures

Do these profits seem high? These young usen were probably surprised themweights were revealed-shough they were expecting something "more than usual" from the first.

Eighteen other young men last year supplied the school with four of the latest \$6.73 per head on a total of fifty-four hoge. All these young fellows did better than most farmers, in all likelihood, would

S. Holmes, who acted as secretary and It didn't happen! It was planned in manager, and made matters comfortable cold blood, by men who know what would follow the opportunity given to those Mr. Chas. Hymls, brother of Mr. George youngsters. These profits were made by Hynds, Acton, died at his parents' home in actual farm operations carried on in the ouen. Each one of these young men was bered by our older citizens. He came here competing with others in his district, with his parents from Guelph, and spent under the encouraging and recording eye

slow in showing themselves. Even succossful example has not done much to lift Georgetown Sunday evening to attend the the actual average of profits on farm crops

> It was the Department of Agriculture, right enough - but a department whose movements look "different"! It is the

Who are these man who have turned departmental traditions upside down? They are med of abrewd vision, practical knowledge of farming, and good training. The Minister, Hon. James Duff, is no sem-chair farmer, but a self-made tiller of the land. who knows how to pick good men for the big agricultural work of the Government The Deputy Minister Roadhouse and Assistant Deputy Halley are young, earnest. of building up Ontario and aquesting the

They have faith in the possibilities of Ontario farming, and in the capability of Turn at once to the help effective -- Dr. J. | Ontario farmers. They believe in the boys D. Kellogg's Asthma Remedy. This won- and girls and the younger men. They derful remedy will give you the aid you have no doubt that the boys will stay on Choking occases, breathing | the farm, if they are made early to realize becomes natural and without effort. what farming really is, and if they are Others, thousands of them, have suffered as | shows how to work out the difficulties and you auther but have wirely turned to this possibilities of farming for both fun and

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risit, came only a week ago, 'm, so most likely you haven't seen her before. ourtaind, departing. Hligly enough the little girl advanced owards Avery's outstratohed hand. "Do you like music?" inquired Avery. 'Yee'm. Pa-he's got a concerting.

Bometimes pa says maybe we can rent

mano and maybe I can learn to play." The little girl gazod almost reverentially t the keyboard. "You haven't told me your name?" "Hikle, 'm." Ble came a little closer "Won't you play a lift-if you please, 'm?"

butteroup or a dalay.

Avery swung off into "Twickenhain Ver-"Oh I" oried Hilds as she ended. "It's like being out in the sun when the wind blowing and the graze is green." Avery's arm crept around Hilds's walst

and drew her close. "Wetch the keye as

I strike them, deer," also said striking C.

struck the three keys at once. "Ob -oh !" breathed Hilds. "YJatan," murmurail Avery. Blie struck the chord souls this time with the minor

> Avery whirled around. "You are dear," she oried hugging Hilds. "Come," she went on, releasing Hible and getting up. "I'm going home with you to make a call on your grandma." Hikle trotted along at Avery's stile.

Brery amiling. "Yes'm," replied Hilds, sleylp. "Grand" difying to her degree of B. A., some day. ps says I may have all the daisles and butdreams of a wide spliore of usefulness - by teroupe I like, but the roses eren't for us. "This one's for you anyway, Hilds." sister, Ruth, who had acted ashousekeeper laughed Avery, plucking a long-stemmed to Mr. Torrance, now for some years a American Beauty. She looked once more widower, and Avery had found herself in- across the great lawn fringed with aplenstelled in Ruth's place. How could she dor and fragrance of its rose bushes: There say, "No" to her father; she, the only un. were rosse in abundance all over the married daughter, when putting aside all house; fresh roses every morning on her

catory fashion, the charm that he hoped | Beauty to her face as she inhaled its frage she might find in its well-ordered, smooth- rance. "It will be a contrast to your oullars pointing to the door of the gardener's lege training should enable you to adjust hurried down the garden path to meet

> tened to speak : it seemed a pity that she shouldn't have

all slips right along and lauves me looking leader in her college class whenever any long home?" new and daring enterprise presented itself. Had she not gethered and directed a group flushing a little-a fortnight and she had of children at the settlement two evenlages not looked up her old nurse. in each week? Were not her forage into order to visit the children in their homes

fervently, and Avery had been proud of

"Vew'm ?" replied Ross reappearing. Avery gazed at her for a moment : al-

after a rather long breath, "You may Seating herself at the plane, Aver played by anatohes as fragments of half forgotten harmonies came to her, and as she played on and on the selections lost speaking out of the fullness of hermotherly their scrappiness; whole movements food-

child come in if she likes, Ross," she call-"Who is also, please?" "The gardener's grandchild, 'm," replied | cagorly but faltered-for after all, had not

"There's grandmu," ventured Hilds,

A brick, smillng woman in her sixtles thans. "Deary me," also oriod, "if it isn't Avery turned from the window with a Miss Avery. Come right in. Hilds, did little pucker between her eyes; she had Miss Avery give you that rose?" always prided herealf upon her adaptabil. Hilds nodded samestly and Avery "Yes, I gave it to her, Mrs. Minters

there are roses to spare." "Minter's that set with the roses, vou't think he owned 'em." remarked lire. Minter with a disarming amile. "Not that ut it. I feel like the fifth wheel to a I hold to letting children run wild all over a place. He you're through college, Miss This was a wholly new sonsation to Avery? Time and again I've rocked you Avery, who had been an acknowledged to sleep in my arms, Miss. You're not

"Does Ross make a good maid for you, the worst quarter of the college town in Miss Avery?' inquired Mrs. Minter, with a touch of concern. "Quite good-yes, I call her efficient." Mrs. Minter Sugared the hem of her erron. "You'll excuse my freedom, bliss Avery, if you please, in speaking of it, but things are going a lit hard with Rose just

> Avery recelled Rose's drooping bead, "What is the trouble-if you don't mind telling me, Mrs. Mintert' she inquired "It's not for me to be troubling you wit the servente' affairs, Miss Avery," apolo gized Mrs. Minter, "but Rosa's fatherbe's a lift old, but willing as the day is long-he's lost his job; there's been shake-up where he works, and he's heer dropped. There's a good many to fend for in the family and the heft of it comes

"I'll see Hose about it atomos, as soon as I am lack in the house," declared Avery impulsively; glad at least that also had not reproved Rose for those sniffs.

proud and you're a stranger to her. May be a word to your father, if you'd be kind, my dear. He-be's kept Ross' father longer than most would I know." Avery nodded comprehendingly, an Hilds taking advantage of the full began "How did you come to be in the parlor Hilds ?" inquired her mandmother, grave

Ross all but derrived her of that dear joy.

"It's worklarful how easy it is to get into about yourself," she whispered, rejoicing. put them into definite words.

K. G. in swift succession. "Now!" She liowever her father was comfortably sected in his favorite lounging-chair on the plaxes Avery aut down beilde him. "I called on Mrs. Minter this afternoon, "Oh, the old gardener's wife, your old

on Avery with a little smile, "if her grand-

"Ah ?" Mr. Torrence's tone was ned-"Yes?" queried Mr. Torrence.

"Does it affect in anyway her suitability as your maid, Avery?" inquired Mr. Tor "N-no," replied Avery, somewhat rue "Then, isn't it horaffelr, my dear, ruther

Minter save there must be a number of small children and the burden comes or Ross now, because her father's lost his Mr. Torrance nodded. "Yes. He has.

Avery gazed at her father; he was "Vather," she begen quietly, "what do you think was the biggest-the most im-Mr. Torrance looked puraled. "Differ ential calculus?" he hazarded, evidently somewhat at a loss.

college I thought that society began and ended with the girls of way own set. Such a time as I had my Freshman year. I kept mosting girls that I couldn't seem to get along with at all. They seemed to be nice girle enough, but and fferent, so unaccountable It wasn't until I was a Junior that I realized that I'd yot to measure them by something bluyer than the social code of my particular set-that I came to see that I couldn't afford not to be neighbor to all sorts and conditions of mon. That was the biggest thing that I learned at college, father. But do you know, I almost forgot

"I'm not proposing anything fantastic." said Avery curnostly. "Well, what is that you do propose,

Mr. Torrance looked with surprised eyes

she could serve me, father dear?"

and a friend in Rose -- ch, yes, she's going to be your friend. I guess you will be able to adjust yourself to your environment. yourself. That doesn't mean letting your The ardent Rophomore's speech recurred to

got to know the One who is altogether

charts for teaching anatomy and physicio-Muster Hilton Jeans, who was so hadly believe possible, unless the proof were put burt by a sleigh last winter, was again before them. Yet by doing what those in the park grandstand, and fall against close to the same profits even if they didn't

died, on Tuesday, aged 70. His sons, things, of course, but the effects of Furm William and Harry, of Acton, left on ere' Institute discussions, bulletins, and receipt of a telegram announcing the dan- other Covernment activities have been very

memorial service of Mrs. H. W. Kennedy, or live stock to respectable levels. Wo can't get away from hard facts. But facts such as quoted from the "Acro

When Asthma Comes do not despair.

If you can keep your head when all about

And yet don't look too good or talk too

your aim, you can most with triumph and disaster

If you can bear to hear the truth you've Twisted by knaves to make a trap for Or watch the thing you gave your life to And stoop and build it up with worn-out

To serve your turn long after they are And so hold on when there is nothing in

Except the will that says to thom, "Hold If you can talk with crowds and keep your

If you can fill the unforgiving minute With sixty seconds' worth of distance Yours is the earth and overything that's in

-Radyerd Kipling.

acre was \$167.18. Eighteen young farmers in eighteen countles-averaging loss than twenty-one years old-made an average are officially recorded, for the Department A slight feeling of lossliness tugged at her of Agriculture, by the district representa-

> Thirteen other boys, in thirteen other countles, made \$21.10 average profit per sere of cuts. The everage profits on cate over all Octario in 1913 are shown by the similarly recorded profits on hog feeding of

Last year was the first in which young During the past winter Acton Checker farmers or older ones in every Ontario Club furnished a comfortable room, away county proved that such profits could be from barroom influences, and many an en- made, in such a way that no one can doubt joyable hour was spent working out this the facts. It is a big thing for Ontario

> "There is an adage : "You can't teach your grandmother to such eggs !". There is a still older one, to the effect that the very young can teach their elders much wisdom. The elders in Ontarioagriculture have been progressing steadily in most

> boys themselves, though they were resulv and alert to respond to the idea. The idea didn't come from parents or neighbors, nor from bullsting, nor from Institute clients

"blue ruin" out of the crockers !

And treat the two hisposters just the