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"CONSIDER THE AUNT"

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THE CODEYS were an amiable family, but they had one peculiarity. For guidance in most of their affairs, whether business or social, they depended on the wisdom of old-fashioned maxims. They were forever quoting maxims; the Codey children were accustomed to family councils in which things were firmly settled by the application of a pertinent proverb. To be sure decisions so reached did not always bring the expected results. "Nothing venture, nothing have" had decided the matter of father's investments in oil, which had proved worthless. But Mrs. Codey had comforted herself with the reflection that a worried child dreads the fire, and Pa would not be likely to feed the flames with more oil. He never did.

is an awful lot of money for a rug, Aunt Lettie!" Aunt Lettie smiled. "But nothing to what you're going to make with scenario," she reminded her niece. "It's enough for me, though, and enough to be as good as a feat. You're right handy with this work, Elvira." Elvira walked to the village for the mail that evening, and found a letter from her mother. Alas, her mother wrote, the scenario had come back! Come back without a single word of apology! Mrs. Codey thought it strange, such a nice story! And Myrtle's had not the same fate. Myrtle said she wasn't going to waste any more time writing for folks who didn't appreciate what she did.

ALL METAL AIRSHIP PLANNED The chief departure from the old style dirigible contained in plans for a new airship in the making at Detroit, Mich., is the "skin," an aluminum alloy which will replace the fabric now covering such ships as the Los Angeles. Dr. William Hovgaard, professor of naval design and construction at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and consulting engineer in the projected construction of the MG-38, a metal-clad airship, believes that the ship will be able to maintain a speed of 100 or 125 miles an hour, compared to a maximum of 80 for other dirigibles. The MG-38 will offer no resistance to the passage of electric current from sky to earth, and so the lightning hazard will be virtually non-existent. Being non-porous, it is virtually gas tight and will not absorb moisture in a rainstorm.

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