

SAVAGE EVOLUTION. ELECTRICITY'S BABYHOOD. POOR OLD BEELZEBUB. A BOOMING NATION.

Other savages have an evolution A particularly important book for Graham that monkeys are descended the Prairie Years." In it Mr.

the apes," say these practical black ing and elusive Lincoln." men, "therefore we eat them."

devil when the lightning flashed,

steam to electric power, and that will a detailed diary of his activities of call for twenty-four billion more each day. It is from these that England of his removal there and the hours of kilowatt energy, says Mr. the story has been written. electric light and power.

Most encouraging is the prediction of Elmer Schlesinger, Louis Levy's intellectual and dashing young law partner. Elmer Schlesinger says electricity, in this century, will do for the world's troubles and debts what steam did for the world in the last century, after Waterloo, Europe and Vance has given us a rattling good the nations were called "hopelessly" story in his new novel "White Fire." bankrupt. In proportion, their debts Not that it rattles the way a Ford were greater than they are today. rattles, rather, technically, it glides Steam came and debts were paid with on the very excellently ballooned the greatest ease. Instead of bank- tires of Mr. Vance's constantly deruptcy, Europe knew prosperity such veloping skill. It rattles only in the as no one dreamed of. It was so great sense that a fusillade of shots rattle, that nations could not resist fighting for the action is fact-seduction, near over it. What steam did for the last suicide, attempted murder. century electricity will do for this. We are chiefly concerned with Ta-

vorces from Paris or Remo made il- store for him.

Divorce and bootlegging, new so easy, simply prove that when you try to regulate human nature, you invite trouble. "The cat will mew and the dog will have his day."

Milwaukee supplies an account miraculous exorcism, believed by many, deeply religious, to have been the actual driving out of a devil from the body of an unfortunate insane

The account of the miracle runs as become unbalanced was carried to the Chapel of St. Joseph's hospital, where the "exorcism ritual" was performed, in Latin, not understood by the pa-

The question, "Who are you?" was answered, apparently from the throat of the woman in a deep masculine voice, "BEELZEBUB." Asked why he had taken possession of the wom-Beelzebub replied, "BECAUSE OF MALEDICTION."

The fiend promised to leave the woman at 2 o'clock that afternoon, but did not acutally leave until halfpast 5, which is about what you would expect of a demon. The woman then GEORGE MOORE'S INIMITArelaxed and is getting better.

This miracle, not as yet vouched for by church authorities, was an everyday occurence in the middle ages, when demons were more active. numerous and efficient than at pres-

It is romantic, refreshing and interesting to have one of them resume business at the old stand in these days of radios, automobiles, and newspapers. It is said, however, that the voice of Milwaukee's Beelzebub indicated irritation and a feeling that times are not what they were in the good old days.

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theory of their own. The Batagni, Chicago was published on February Congo natives, tell the Rev. H. C. 4, Carl Sandburg's "Abraham Lincoln from men that have been disgraced. burg has given us "the folklore Lin-"We are better and prouder than coln, the maker of stories, the stalk-

The most notable spring publishing event will be the long awaited "Colo-Samuel Insult tells the world that nel House's Memoirs," which Houghelectricity is only beginning its work. ton Mifflin has on its list and promis-We are a little way, but not far, ed for March 5. In a position to know from the savage that fell down and more of the momentous events of the worshipped an unknown malignant War than almost any man of his time because of his peculiar position Railroads will soon change from of liaison officer, Colonel House kept

A LIVELY STORY

"WHITE FIRE"

By Louis Joseph Vance E. P. Dutton & Co.

Speaking colloquially Louis Joseph

bor Wynne, an eminently respectable and eminent socially gentleman of "Polygamy is legalized and getting Philadelphia, whose life for forty a divorce is as easy as bootlegging," years has moved with such appalling says Mr. Hackenburg, of New York's dullness that he would not if you told legislature, and he wants easy di- him believe what Mr. Vance has in

But all in twenty four hours the lightning strikes. Tabor finds that his wife is carrying on an tive intrigue with a ne'er do well of great attraction, Lance Fairless, and he is sufficiently disillusioned with life to decide to drown himself. He is detained from this disastrous purpose by Jennifer Challis, an obscure Broadway actress who has in the past also loved Fairless inot wisely but too well. Jennifer nurses Tabor back to health, then disappears to try her for-

Tabor having extricated himself completely from his old life and having forced his wife to divorce him, sets himself to the task of helping Jennifer to succeed in her career. He becomes a familiar in the stage world and we have some enlivening glimpses both of those who produce and are produced in that realm.

The book moves on to a dramatic ending, and the fact that we have foreseen it since the first chapter has not lessened in the least our interest which is held from the first page to the last.

ABLE GRACE

"HAIL AND FAREWELL"

By George Moore D. Appleton & Co.

George Moore has the distinction in the age of bootlegging, of writing so that the reading of his books becomes like the sipping of old Port

wine. There is a suavity, a grace in everything he writes, which, more than with almost any writer of our day, makes "the style the thing." Let him talk of poets, policemen or of kings and we, if we like this particular type of literary Port, will

listen with equal enchantment. Mr. Moore has revised "Hail and Farewell" which was first published in 1912, and written a new preface for it, and his publishers have encased it'in two volumes so beautifully printed that from every page the eye receives as much pleasure as the

"Hail and Farewell" has for a plot the rise of the Irish National Theatre and the literature which it fostered. Of course the plot with Mr. Moore is less than the thread which holds the gems of his discourse together, but it does determine a general direction. So we are regaled with excellent character sketches and anecdotes of Yeats and Synge, Lady Gregory, A. E., and Edward Martin, and other of the figures which hold for us an almost legendary interest.

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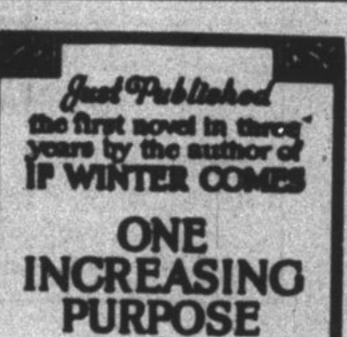
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