took the simple feast of fraternity. cloth, on which were laid out the toast | Pembridge Square directly after breakhad had an opportunity of discussing letter.' his own doctrines with a mind able to follow him. Nothing so valuable to a her. She says that at four o'clock this teacher of new things as a sympathic afternoon all the wrongful and a

woman for listener and disciple. Wit. jurious suspicions will be cleared away. ness the leading example of the Prophet and that if I value the affection of my Mohammed. Also, their leader had son and herself—the affection of herself never before been so cheerful—so hope. -I must be present.—Hilda, what does ful—so full of life and youth and spring. this mean? I am very much troubled He was young again; he talked like a about the letter. On Saturday, she young man, though his hair was gray. came here and informed me that the This was because he loved a woman, wedding would be held on Wednesday for the first time in his life; he called just as if nothing had happened; and it paternal affection; whatever kind of she foretold that we should all be love it was, it worked in him the same present, and that Athelstan would give miracle that love always works in man her away—Athelstau. It is a very dis--young or old-it gave him back the quieting letter, because, my dear. fire of youth. This evening he sat at the head of possibly be wrong, have been wrong

the table dispensing his simple hospit. from the very beginning—in Athelstan's ality with a geniality and a heartmess case? Could Sir Samuel be wrong in unknown before the arrival of this George's case. not above their comprehension; spoke of a higher life attainable by wrong. man at his best, when the victory over nature should be complete, and every mean satiated and desired a change. be beautiful and the men strong; he you see? pronounced-he-the hermit-the anchorite—the celibate who knew not love—a eulogy on the beauty of women and he mourned over those men who miss their share of love.

The hearts of those who heard were smother up things in order to escape a uplifted, for this man had the mesmeric scandal. Well, I hope you will agree faculty of compelling those who heard with us, and accept the invitation.' him to feel what he wanted them to feel. Most of them had been accustomed to regard their Leader as a man of

tea-time, and discoursed on the part in a distant suburb-say Redhill, which should be played by Love in the Chislehurst, or Walthamstow-so that New Humanity. Never before had he there may be a good excuse for never spoken so convincingly. Never had having them to the house. Because with him.

Shortly after the beginning of the wards Elsie as before. Her obstinate address, there arrived two gentlemen, infatuation for that man exasperates young and well dressed, who sat down | me only to think of it. Nor have I the modestly just within the door and least intention of being on intimate relistened. The people turned and looked lations with a forger who has only just at them with interest. They were not escaped being a convict. Sir Samuel quite the kind of young man peculiar to entirely agrees with me.' the street or to the quarter.

audience crowded together to talk be. haps, after all, there may be something fore they separated, Elsie slipped that Elsie has found out, some unex across to the new-comers and led them | pected--to the lecturer. 'Master,' she said, 'this is my brother Athelstan.'

Mr. Edmund Gray shook hands with him. 'Why, Elsie,' he said, 'your afternoon was Elsie herself, carrying a clerk appeared. He stood before them Buffalo, N. Y. \$1.50 a year; singe nitely. Gray's Inn.'

Partner of Mr. Dering.'

'I am glad to meet the man who is something about this wretched forgery 'Lord! Man alive!' cried Sir Samuel,' about to enter into the most sacred of which really seems destined to finish what on earth has come over you? all bonds with one whom I venture to me off. I have heard of nothing else do, though I love her as my daughter, and you love her as your bride. You the first has anything now been die Checkley shoot in think of nothing else—ever since it made no reply.

'I want to ask the first has anything now been die Checkley's said. will be the happiest of men. Take care sir, that you deserve your happiness.

This day, said Elsie, you have wearily. They seem to have found furtively put a parcel—presumably the rendered us all such a service as can the man Edmund Gray; but Checkley stolen notes—into the safe at the very never be acknowledged, or repaid, or has suddenly cooled. Formerly, he moment when you were charging forgotten. Yet we hope and pray that clamoured perpetually that we must with forgery. Now, consider. somehow you will never understand lose no time in getting a warrant for was a very serious thing to say.

CHAPTER XXXIV

LE CONSEIL DE FAMILLE 'Checkley,' said Mr. Dering on Mon-Elsie Arundel. She makes an appoint-Her brother Athelstan is coming with self what I did the day

her. - What's the matter, man ?" 'It's coming, then. I knew it would ness-th caned. 'It's all over Last night, wi

What is a lie? Who is making up a the cost of letting her guardian know lie which cannot be proved?

and muffins, the ham and shrimps, and fast—'I have had a most curious letter bread and butter and watercress; and from Elsie. What does it mean? She on the appearance of the Chief, the tea orders—she does not invite—she posithe Leader's discourses had been much We are ordered to assist, she says, at more confident, his manner had been the demolition of the structure we have clearer, his points more forcibly put. so carefully erected.—What structure? This was because, for the first time, he What does she mean . Here is the 'I too, dear, have had a letter from

you think we could all of us-could we

young lady. He talked, meantime, in 'My dear mother, it is impossible. the lofty vein, above the style and The case, unhappily, is too clear to admanner common to his hearers, but mit of any doubt. Sir Samuel, with he his long experience, could not be

'We have been talking about it a slave to man, and all diseases should through breakfast. The only conclube swept away, and the Perfect man sion we can come to is, that there is should stand upon the earth at last, going to be a smothering up of the Lord and Master of all-Adamus whole business. Mr. Dering, who has Wher, that time should been terribly put out with the case. come, there would be no Property, of must have consented to smother the course; everything was to be in com- matter. We think that the papers mon; but the new life would be full of have been returned with the money re love and joy; there would be long. ceived on dividends and coupons; and continued youth, so that none should that Mr. Dering has agreed to take no be made to rise from the feast unsatis. further proceeding. Now, if he would fied; nay, it seemed to this Dreamer do that, Athelstan of course would that everyone should continue at the come under a kind of Act of Indemnity; feast as long as he pleased, till he was and as the notes were never used by Long. him, but were returned to their owner continued youth; all were to be young it becomes as easy to recognise his inand to heep young; the girls were to nocence as that of the other man.—Do

'Yes. But that will not make them difference in the world. Oh! there are familes everywhere who have had to

'I suppose I must .- But how about

removing all the suspicions?'

'Oh! that is only Elsie's enthusiastic benevolent manners but austere prin. way. She will go on, if she likes, beciples. Now he was tender and human lieving that George had nothing to do full of sympathy even with those weak with it. He will have every inducevessels who fall in love, and for the ment to live honestly for the future. sake of love are content to be all their We can easily pretend to believe that lives slaves—yea, even slaves to Pro. Athelstan was always innocent, and we can persuade him-to go abroad. After tea, the tables being cleared, Samuel kindly says that he will adthe Chief pronounced his weekly ad. vance a hundred pounds in order to get It was generally a rid of him. Then there will be no discourse on the principles, which all scandal, and everybody will be satisfied professed, of equality and the abolition | As for our relations with Elsie and her of Property. To-night, he carried on husband, we can arrange them afterthe theme on which he had spoken at wards. Perhaps they will agree to live

orator an audience more in sympathy -smothering or no smothering-I can no longer have the same feelings to-

The mother sighed. 'I could have When the lecture was over and the wished that we were mistaken. Per-'Say a miracle at once, my dear

mother. It is just as likely to happen.'

'And this is my friend George Austin, brother, Elsie, said Mr. Dering. 'Where His hands hung beside him. Yet not a 'Mr. Austin,' said Mr. Edmund Gray, business with me? I suppose it is against him. is he? And what is your important word of accusation had been brought

covered ?'

'I hardly know,' Mr. Dering replied Sir Samuel—that you saw my brother his arrest; he now wants to put it off was a direct statement of fact. and put if off. He was going on very the charge rested on suspicion strangely this morning. My dear, I but this is fact. Consider sometimes think that my old clerk is You may have been mistakon. off his head.'

'And you yourself-have you had 'It was true-Gospel true day morning, 'here is a note from Miss any return of your forgetfulness?' Worse -- worse -- Every day, worse, ways -- in the cale. The

'What? How can you find out?' possible margin left for malignity

was brought up, and they all sat down.

Now, it had been observed by all that

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Now, it had been observed by all that since the adhesion of this young lady strend at Mr. Dering's office at four. it means to them. Self-respect, dignity, everything: the happiness of their homes: the pride of their children. matters another man's humiliation? What matters the loss of that man's self-respect? What matters his loss of dignity? Their honor, Mr. Dering,

think of that—their honor !' He bowed his head gravely, wonder ing what was to follow. .

the greatest thing in the world to him. scribed lies between Trebizond and belonged to Denmark and had stowed Compared with that, another man's Tabreez, where the first stage of the away on the Anning in Baltimore. self-respect need not, I should say, as a illustrations, from Mr. Weeks's sketches, of bread and a small can of water, which general principle, be considered at all. are unusually attractive. There is he thought would be sufficient until the Self-respect may be regained unless another of Mrs. Pennell's descriptions vessel reached sea, when he intended t

offend me whatever you say.'

on, 'that I have asked my mother and sister and Sir Samuel to meet us here "Our National Game-bird," the quail, at four o'clock, in order that they, too, | "called partridge south of Mason and may hear as well as you. Athelstan is Dixon's line," finds a biographer in with George. They have one or two Charles D. Lanier, who describes quail woman adapts herself to circumstances. persons to introduce to you.'

portant indeed, if one may judge by Nelson Page, entitled "He Knew What paper, stray copy-book leaves, backs of the tone of your letter which was im. Was Due to the Court." 'Certainly not. But it makes all the the tone of your letter, which was im. Was Due to the Court."

> 'Very important indeed, Sir Samuel. The next to arrive were Mrs. Arundel and Hilds. They wore thick veils, and lom Hilda was dressed in a kind of half. mourning. They took chairs at the open window, between the historic safe and the equally historic small table. Lostly, George and Athelstan walked They received no greetings.

said, 'it is eight years since you left ly Register of Current History, a re-' He held out his hand.

Presently, Mr. Dering,' said Athelstan. He looked round the room. mother trembled, dropped her head and put her handkerchief to her eyes. of the window. Sir Samuel took no other and to the movements in which marks of the knife. To do this put notice of him at all. Athelstan took a traced; and in other ways side-lights wire basket and immerse them in boiling chair—the clients' chair—and placed it are thrown upon questions, so that the water. In about two minutes remove so as to have his mother and sister at the side. He was not therefore compelled to look at them across the table He sat down, and remained in silence current number (2d quarter, 1898) the and motionless.

Dering sat in his chair before his table, out the promise of the publishers. Its peel the fruit. When the sugar has thoroughly melted, begin dropping in expectant, judicial. Sir Samuel stood table cyclopedia of the history and the fruit as you peel it. When all the behind him. Mrs. Arundel and Hilda, biography of the day. Each successive peaches are in the syrup, draw the kettle Elsie stood opposite to Mr. Dering, on quality of contents, in convenience of It requires a large, shallow kettle to the other side of the table, her hand- size, and in typographical appearance, prevent the peaches being crowded bag before her. She looked like Coun. is perfection. The work is embellished the cooking. When they are done take sel about to open the case for plaintiff, with a fine half-tone view of the new The pint size is more Athelstan—or plaintiff—naturally oc. parliament buildings in Toronto, and ordinary family use. cupied the clients' chair on Mr. Der. E. J. Phelps, Hon. J. H. Blount, At. reach half way up the height of the jar, the other plaintiff—stood behind him. mont, Admiral Gherardi, Bake of brandy, which can always be procured ng began.

'I shall want your clerk, Checkley, ter, M. Dupuy, M. Zola, King Alex. moving the jar gently about. to be present, if you please.' The first to arrive at the office in the Mr. Dering touched his bell. The Senator Leland Stanford, and others. Purpose. Screw the jars of brandy (Garretson, Cox & Co., Publishers, preserve closet. They will keep indefilike a criminal, pale and trembling. [copies 40 cents). You were going to bring your He looked at his master appealingly.

Checkley shook his head sadly, but 'I want to ask you a question or two, 'First, has anything new been dis- Checkley,' said Elsie, quietly. 'You have told Mr. Dering-you have told

us may make a mistake. him place a parcel-edging

thing at all about Athelstan's life dur-Compared with one man's honor, what ing the eight years that he has been

(To be continued.) Harper's Magazine.

with the first of Edwin Lord Weeks's Persia which he undertook last year

when you hear what I have to say. United States Army, writes of the dark under the most terrible suspense Promise me to remember that. Oh! if Arabian horse at his highest estate in and agony. there were a thousand reasons former. his Syrian home, and the article is Much that he told Capt. Evans of his ly, why I would not pain you by a ing Davis describes "Undergraduate probably fasted the whole time, except single word, there are ten thousand Life at Oxford," showing some of its the first day of his imprisonment. now-although you understand them lighter aspects, and for the text Mr. W. | tried to eat wheat from the cargo, but Hatherell has made five characteristic his mouth produced no saliva and he Janvier, illustrated by W. A. Rogers. in Denmark. Capt Evens thinks if he 'It is so important a thing,' she went Dr. Henry Van Dyke writes about could spend 17 days in the ship's hold he "The Childhood of Jesus" in an article would be equal to the task before him.lustrated from famous paintings. Baltimore American.

'All this seems to promise a meeting A. B. Frost. An article of especial unless he has a hammer. A woman judge from the preamble, of more than tion regarding the Hawaiian Islands, is heel of her shoe or the back of a brush. common importance, Well, Elsie, I States," by Hon. Carl Schurz. Mr. have a corkscrew to draw a cork. Woproduce the forger and give me back Charles Dudley Warner, in the "Edi. the contents of the bottle are what You shall see, Mr. Dering. But as position. The fiction of the October has a higher opinion of its versatility for the gratitude -- Oh! here is Sir Number includes the concluding chap- and uses it to sharpen pencils. This

brother's chair. 'Well, Elsie,' he said, verses, anecdotes, and illustrations, is is allowed to think hard. When a wowe are to hear something very im- introduced by a short story by Thomas man writes she gathers up nondescript

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> > Current History.

more positively helpful publication is issued than the Cyclopedic Review of Mr. Dering rose. 'Athelstan,' he Current History, tormerly the Quarter. space. liable, concise, and readable summary of the important movements transpiring in all countries of the world every three months. It is much more than a mere record of disconnected facts, inasmuch as facts are intelligently arranged desirable to use the fruit whole, and reut said nothing. His sister looked out and presented in their relations to each move the skin entire without leaving the they are factors; causes and results are about a dozen peaches at a time in often the case after reading the daily cloth or a clean kitchen towl. Drop the press, but is furnished with clear ideas. fruit at once into the syrup as they are and an intelligent grasp of affairs. The peeled. The syrup should be prepared and motionless.

Second issued since the advent of the every nine pounds of fruit. Let magazine to Buffalo, more than carries the sugar melt in the water before you he two ladies, sat at the open window. number shows improvement; and the forward and begin cooking them. Let portraits of Sir Charles Russell, Hon. filled pour in boiling syrup ing's left; and George, as naturally—torney General Olney, Col. D.S. La. and complete by filling with white Now. Elsie, if you please, Mr. Der. Veragua, Prince Eulalie, Earl of Aber. at any first-class grocery store dealing deen, Sir R. Cartwright, Duke of in such supplies. The brandy and syrup Abercorn, Earl Spencer, Eugene Rich. | will become sufficiently commingle ! ander of Servia, King George of Greece, peach is seldom or never

Seeing that the cool water of the sea had

'A man's honor, as you say, Elsie, is with Theodore Child. The route de- die before reaching land. He said h of a picturesque town—this time it is come from his hiding place. To his asnor is lost.'

Remember that, then, Mr. Dering, Pennell. Col. T. A. Dodge, of the cut off and he made the voyage in the

Man and Woman. Man is a creature of cust-iron methods: shooting at its best. This article is says a correspondent of The New York ing. It disturbed at night and broken of your embellished by six illustrations by Mr. World, A man refuses to drive a nail by a sick child suffering and crying with pain of of some interest, and so far as one may timeliness, in view of the recent agita. does not hesitate to use a poker or the Teething. It will relieve the poor li the "Manifest Destiny of the United Man thinks it absolutely necessary to mistake about it. It cures Diarahoea, regulates the Milton am quite in your hands. If you and your brother between you will kindly and Superstition in Norfolk," and Superstition in Norfolk, and Superstition in Norfolk and Superstition in Norfolk and Superstition in Norfolk and Superstition in Norfolk and S my property, I shall be truly grateful.' tor's Study," on the less material wanted. A man regards a razor as all druggists throughout the world. Be sure and aspects of the World's Columbian Ex- consecrated to one calling. A woman ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup." ters of Miss Woolson's "Horace Chase" office surreptitiously performed leads The City knight appeared, large and some Humes," which is approaching its about razors and their makers. When a

important. He shook hands with Elsie and his brother, and took up his position on the hearth-rug, behind his brother's chair. 'Well, Elsie,' he said, brother's the scissors, and, placing her material on distractedly adding and subtracting in a higher key, to Mollie beating French verbs into her brain by a succession o audible thumps and much vibrant buz zing: to Sallie running scales; to the

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