But she forsook friends when she had them, and her fatal face sent the well skilled voice of the monk, some face, which resembled that of his many a man to his rain, Louis, I women's follies and coquetries; out mere toy, and wore her colors and her

it easy to die for her, and to be on earth? You remember her, Franmuch more than children-she agirl the wealth at my disposal - the skill and strength, and endurance

all now? You only know how it has it into jewels, as the most portable -- We have heard, among brought any news of her, the sad -we are great friends of the Poles which she courted alterer at atvthe "white queen," who went away to how who does not know what in the north land, to the savage peo- the he is sure of a purchaser for ple who tortured, and betrayed, and his guittering wares. There is not gerous advisers near, and a read. know of her first marriage, and the

"And the crime, they say," interposed Brother Cyprian, emphatitraitors and the cowards they are. Crime! You cannot have fogrotten

could not mention her name and you, my brother-that I am resolved ed to trust you. But no; it is only your device to turn me from a dan-

"I have not forgotten the Queen ef Scots," said Brother Cyprian, and now his long thin hand hid the lower part of his face; "but I have heard the history of her disastrous edness which we have known would ask you to say that you be in high places; and even M lieve she would forgive me, if you a captive by a smile and a word; sense of hope and freedom?" country, where the knowledge of Cyprian, dryly, "is likely to be mer your sworn service and devotion | ciful to any fault which proves her would be your ruin and may be a power over a man's feelings and his deadly and hopeless wrong to her. will What would you do, Louis? Avail "Answered like a monk," said the yourself of your favor at the French younger man. "But no matter, sages to those bears and beggars of tion of my purpose is accomplished. country of Mary of Guise, who for- you, for coming hither?" feited their independence, and made | "No," said Brother Cyprian, "I do the policy of the Scottish kingdom | not see it. You must explain your fursubservient to the personal intrigu- ther design and plan of action."

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"Nothing of the sort you think," | man's time-serving spite, by their queen-that fair, young girl, | that she is meanly entertained, even soft, so sweet, so bright, who for a lady of estate, not to speak of must have known-or what do the and Madame Catherine are well acresources of power mean ?-how ut- quainted with the truth, and remonterly unworthy they were of such a strance has been made to Elizabeth, charge, of so gentle and gracious a | who denies that any force or violence ruler. A dove in the eagle's nest in- have been used towards the Queen of said Brother Cyprian; " but when deed! You remind me that Mary, Scots, and charges her-her helpless the remember him, it is only to see his voice fell and his color rose, as victim, immured in an odious prison that you would be mad to attempt he pronounced the word, is as far with conspiring against her, with to land the Queen of Scots in Spain, from me as ever. Needless zeal, my sending letters to the Scots lords, re- trusting to Philip's generosity. She to me than my sovereign mistress make an inroad to her prison and set more opeless prison, the ill-treated her free Which things, had there been hosts at once of France and Engdestiny, to dispose it at a any among them worthy to be called land. word. She is a wife, not noble, any fit to wear golden spurs, knowing her husband's fate, as and carry their liege lady's colors, ignorant of her own. Men who they would have done." cannot understand her frank, feared MAnd does the Queen of Scots deny Jess nature, say she is heartless and this ?"

Brother Cyprian had seated himself a stone bench placed against the land had not all of the spatier, and he had he had he had been bear and he had he med an attitude of in ent atter school the was trained in -beware table, and hid his face in his hands that There was that in his manner, lest the guilt of blood, innocent A ray of the summer sunlight shone fi

was rather with thoughtful curi- matter what she commands, it shall cut stone wall, touching the shaven to her grave."

'Ah, yes! you may well compas- Ruggieri never dreamed of, in subtle- come to nothing. It is a scheme of am alive; if not, you-" Brother Cyprian started, and ex- I is in the vast rubber forests, how time and both were rapidly becoming to tell you a love story, offending your man was ever a mighty witch. You have none of it. When it is settled, chained the real exhausted. Suddenly the native dug and the envoys have talked their fill his spurs into his charger and drove which you cannot understand I have I cannot exorcise you. Let to about it, he will find a pretext, and the trust, I know-you will receive the Ital by the treasurer something like the point of his weapon into the Spancome to tell you what I am going to harsh words, no upbraidings pass the negotiation will come to an end between you and me. Tell me simply Then there will be no more conciliation will know that she needs the jewels, Each one of these concessions ranges or his head for a moment. more, if I perish in the effort I am how it is now with the Queen of of England—then the liquiries already and the gold, and that its bearer is from 5,000 to 20,000 acres, and each In this moment he slashed fairly at about to make, you may know that scots; what are her commands to made by La Motte will be followed up; a trusty servant of her Grace. are will average 1,000 rubber-production his opponent's chest. Taken by surhave perished in doing my knightly you, and wherein I, a poor monk and if Marie were but safely out of You will never fell the secret, or ing trees. The average grown tree in of St. Dominic, and under obedience the hands of her foes, her interests relinquish the treasure, on any one season is cabable of being milked sudden movement of his horse the "An enterprise on behalf of the in this remote place, far from either would be espoused by France. It is other guarantee. Francois, I have to the extent of forty pounds of pure Queen of Scots!" said Brother Cyprian of the kingdoms which banished her, natural that they should be, for she come over the seas to ask this of rubber. It will be reachly seen, there-Yes, an enterprise for her-for her | so evil-entreated, can serve her cause | claims to the house of Variois." whom fate and fortune have deserted; or yours. It is with the knowledge The young man spoke as ardently, the lasti' for her who languishes in an English and consent, if not by the com- as entreatingly as though he were Brother Cyprian sighed. He had porting to the New Orleans and New prison-a palace, they say, but a mand of the Queen of Scots, that pleading the Queen's cause, the cause no hope in this enterprise, and his York market will not exceed 25 cents prison to her most hateful and intol- you are here, Louis, I am sure of on which he had set his life, before

There was a tremulous tone in thusiasm, courage lighted up his handas he spoke, and his hand once brother's in form, but not in colmore concealed the too-expressive or expression. The younger

"I am here by her command, but the fashion of the time, were of a there or message by word of mouth, "How did the treat me? said Books for messenger, one which cannot be time and habit had deadened the light, interrogated, and therefore cannot and increased the depth. ed, and is therefore implicitly to be beauty and her grace, than by the trusted. It was signified some time ago, when the fatal news reached must be favored of God and blessed me that the Queen had put herself the Church-that it must prosper. into the power of her enemy, the shall have your blessing also on my "Do not fear, I shall have no distributed in reading the dicuty. And now, where is this treat Not on the line of the should hold myself in readiness to take her on board, when we go to England and aid her escape on get her to the coast. I am not could amass without exciting suspi- the rode ever foremost, ever most cion-and, bringing this money with Tearlessly. The fame of her horse not even her haughty uncle himself; should be rescued, and have need of France as the fame of her beauty; it. Thus I have been realizing all and she has had sore need of all her

ther-for some time, and turning her ride to Carbery?" form for an emergency. I have gain- things, that the Queen outrode her ed a reputation for eccentricity at pursuers in some of the worst of her court; ther els not a Venice mer- troubles, and escaped the imprisonchant, not a Florentine, not a Pole ment at the hands of her subjects, before I go. his glittering wares. There is not gerous advisers near, and a ready It was hard enough to a gallant at the court, except it ear for their counsel." be Monseigneur d'Anfou himself, "You are hard and cold in speech

whose dress is so begenned as mine, concerning her. Surely her great sor There is one jewel, however, in my rows might claim, more sympathy, ever seen, since it has been mine, preciation of her faults, if faults you "But they lie! They lie, like the though it was famous enough believe her to have," once-it is supposed to be fost now, "I do not only believe, I know her as its fellow has long been lost in to have terrible faults," said Broreality. Transcore

knew what I was to do. When that reached me I knew she needed me, that her position had become intolerable, that her unnatural kinswoman was holding her in durance, and hope queenly soul; that friends were few, than this, that she had need of me monk, and could judge of such things guilty beyond even the wick- by any indication within yourself, I now? You are no nearer to this wo- not reach me, but through her trouman-a wife, still, remember -than | ble and perplexity, the sight of i in her early days, when she bound made my heart bound with a sudden and she is a prisoher in an enemy's | "The Queen of Scots," said Brother

Court and carry diplomatic mes, have the token, and the first por the north 2 Do you not know, that Can you not now guess my motive, France is abhorrent to them, the beyond that of seeing and consulting

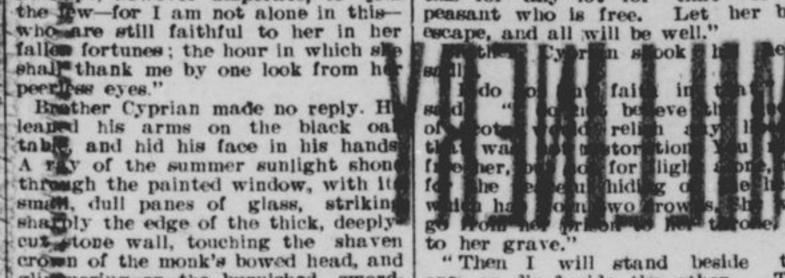
ing ambition of Duke Henri and Car- "Willingly. The Queen of Scots is at | worthful prime? Is she to risk a land- pocket. If you ever saw consternation dinal Francois? What weight do you a place called Tutbury, where she is ing carry, my brother, to counterpoise jealously wat hed and treated with all this? What is it you would do?" every device of a mean wosaid Louis de Valmont, impatiently. | wife of the Earl of Shrews-1 have no acknowledged mission. I bury, one of the creatures of the Engam not going to parley with the ac- | lish Queen. This Countess is jealous of cursed traiters who have betrayed her captive, and I am well advised was intrusted to them by those who her Grace being a Queen. The King brother. She could never be other quiring them to take up arms, to would but find herself in a worse and

faithless and wicked. Even if all 'Yes, she declares that she has not posed to the Queen for her sake. either?"

Then she has summoned you! She do you not see that this is ruin? Do will turn all to his own advantage, welcomed at Quebec.

you not see that only the utter failure and make peace with Elizabeth by of her schemes within a narrower delivering up the Queen of Scots. range can have driven her to the for- Pause and consider, Louis, One pe of your amistance??" | precipitate deed now. and the case "It may be so, it is most like, for of Madame Marie is worse than your cold wisdom sees clearer and far- | ever."

ther than my impetuous faith. But so | "I cannot pause, I cannot be its I shall have one hour in my life | sider. She is wearing out her life, worth ending it for, the hour in which | her beauty is fading, her heart is she shall know that I have come over | breaking, in the degrading bondage | land and sea at her call, ready for any of her prison. She would change attempt, however desperate, to join this for any lot-for that of the Tew-for I am not alone in this- peasant who is free. Let her but



heart was heavy with presentimental per pound. "I will accept the trust?" he said Prior's permission to receive the treas which in all cases runs for twenty his horse to the ground his fortunate sure, and he must be aware of its vears. The cost of a concession de antagonist walked over to where he from him; he is a good man, and the national finances, If the treasury saddle under the Spaniard's head and when you came up to the court, a I have had no word or writing from golden-brown hue, and his large rest full of sympathy for all who are is depleted-which is the case most strove to stay the flow of blood with

one with power to judge it. Hope, en-

man's hair and beard, trimmed after

less eyes were much lighter than the

brown orbs of the monk, in which

Brancois, he continued pleadingly.

"Tell me that this righteous cause

ther Cyprian; "but I am not think-

I have little more to say, and I say

are sacrificed to the attempt, fore-

accept my trust? Are you so utterly

so completely turied under your

the supineness of King Charles?"

nind of any of my colleagues. You

leave Don Philip out of your cal

is Elizabeth - Don Philip, who

England, and the English, and their

Say you think we must succeed,

while he spoke with you." "I did. There can be no risk by the surveyor general. If a man has tered "Inez-Inez-a cabello, senor; a in putting trust in him, I think discovered a particularly fine lot of cabello," and died -- Santa Barbara but what if he will not permit trees which have not been taken up | Letter to Cincinnati Commercial Triyou to guard the treasure here? he may file his claim to them, but, if bune, and a sound a Tell me that, brother, and that I There is no other resource."

the shore. The Prior told me I should | 000; total, \$94,780,947. find refreshment for my horse and my guide and myself here; they have been fed, doubtless, and I will but break bread and drink a cup of wine

'So be it. While you are taking I am bound to tell it. But, first, what is the Queen's token?"

possession, which no other eyes have and somewhat soften your keen ap WHYHENEVERCARRIEDPISTOR Salutary Lesson a Baltimore Man



will accept your trust, and I will say | upon to face my opponent. I was thorno more in warning. Are you sanguine oughly mad, and I did not care whe- aul wives, no ambitious women pining -Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph of success? When you shall have freed ther I killed my enemy or half a dozen prisoner by stratagem and onlookers. We were placed ten paces brought her to the coast, when you apart, with our backs to each other. shall have embarked her in the ship At the word fire we wheeled and beand set sail, forced to trust some gan to pump lead at each other, adthing to the fidelity of a bired crew, vancing toward each other at each where is she to land? What country | shot I emptied two or three chams to receive her, heedless of Eliza- bers of the revolver which had been beth's challenge for her restoration? given me without wounding my op-

Is she to return to Scotland and adventure the effect of a presence "I then threw it away with disgust on the shore; of France to dare it existed in that back yard for a few the latred of Madame Catherine and minutes. My enemy turned heels and ran into the clubhouse. The spectators "No, no; not either of these things scrambled over each other to get out of range. Before I could fire at my retreating foe my second grabbed me and succeeded in disarming ma. I was shen told that the whole thing was a hoax and that my enemy and myself had been shooting blank cartridges at stincts of a Spaniard, and who nates "I did not relish me I had endured all

never carried a pipul to this."-Baltimor At a Country B. H. Keeper- n so give you strioth "Dow Philip's young wife, Eliza- expecting you. "Can I have a cour hard boiled

a turning point in

beth de Valois, Marie's sister-inlaw, her friend, her companion in eggs?" childhood, her bride-maiden, is but "No, there ain't no eggs." lately dead. He would be well dis- "Weren't the hens expecting me

to Foreign Defaulters.

Mailans, 3,500; Mexicans, 3,500; Span- daily to those who are in destitute 8. 3,200; Fortuguese, 2,000; all other circumstances. 100 purious visits embed ationalities, 3,000. Of this number it fairly estimated that one-half came It was my fortune to witness a duel withe most favorable circumstances are

therhood for many years, perchance this business. The cost of producing, melting, carting to the coast and ex-

Concessions are Costly. but not alone; that our rule would. This sum also represents the pro- plain the duel was at an end. disposition. You have nothing to fear pends altogether on the condition of lay and sympathetically placed his oppressed and suffering, thought of the time-then a concession can be his own shirt. The wounded man he may not know much of the great had for approximately \$50 per acre raised himself, his face giving every affairs of nations. You may have noted and a yearly tax of \$6 per acre. No evidence that a thousand confused his kindly manner and gentle voice, concessions are granted for less than fancies were crowding in his brain 500 acres, and this allotment is made | and throbbing in his heart. He mutgranted, it will be at an exorbitant

Not one of the South or Central American States possesses so many "Not yet disembarked. I did not varied and constant resources as from her hateful durance, somehow. Were it not for its backit easy to die for her, and to be cleave France on the re- the Queen Dauphiness in the hunt hither, Nay, more, I did not know ward state of civilization there would be the process of the whether you, my brother, were stall be a bright outlook for investors from collected all the money which I ever seen her. You remember how alive, or whether they would bring all over the world. The following are me to a grave side and tell me you the industries reported for taxation the gold to morrow. I will not linger \$4,802,453; lead, \$817,223; stock and much more than children—she agirl dueen. What are we specifie and the strength of it once yours, my since them Heart and the strength of the wealth and strength one. agriculture, \$41,900,000; rubber and "Rat catcher to His Majesty." and it will be dark perore I reach humber \$16.811.271; fruit \$2,450. In the little Lincolnshire villa lumber, \$16,811,271 fruit, \$2,450,

In a country like this, where flow worth, famous for miles around as a ers have no fragrance, and women | rat catcher. He is 80 years old and wear no petticoats, everything goes, has seven sons and seven daughters by contraries. Civil rights are vapor living. He is still keen after his ous and life decidedly uncertain. As quarry and is rever so happy as when to the men, their eyes plainly read, adding an honest penny to his store "I am dying, Egypt, dying." They by ridding some neighbor of the romake me feel like the ruthless hunter | dents that eat his corn, spoil his gar-I am-a hunter of mere sensations and den and do an infinite lot of damage. mere literary material, whom the He is helped in his work by his terquest of sport has swept to this coun- rier Proovh and his ferrets, the latter try to be in at the death.

Women of the Republicant With the women it is different. Whilesthe men are very much dormant, the women are correspondingly alive, the married women, or senoras, par-

they wear flowers in their hair, the side, and the senorstas on the left. There is no country on the face of the globe where men hold women in greater respect than in Honduras. Not only do they guard them with an earnest solicitude, but they accord them the distinction of outward deference. They protect them from every care and bear every burden that man can carry for woman. The chivalry of olden times survives among these people, and this "is doubtless one reason why the wo- the Chinese Emperor ! men are so contented with their

There are no married flirts in Honduras, no scandals caused by unfaith-

in their secluded homes, so far as known. There are no women's rights conventions, no women's temperance societies, no mothers' meetings. There is not even a woman's and club in the whole country. The wife Honduras Offers Inducements knows nothing of the family finances; she is not consulted in serious business affairs. If I were asked, "What do they do with their time?" should say their days are quite as THOUSANDS PROSPERING THERE. full of activity, both mental and physical, as those of their sisters in the of he census of last year taken in the United States. Honduras women do different states which go to make up not crave the freedom and publicity the Republic of Honduras shows a for- of life that are enjoyed in the Un eign population of 31,400 in the coun- | ited States. They are very charitable This is divided as follows: Eng- and are kindness itself to the poor The and Americans, 8,000; Germans people of their neighborhood, sendand Austrians, 4,500; French, 3,700; ing portions of brend and meat

Here to engage in legitimate business between a native Hondaranian and Bursults, while the renainder are a spanish trader, who had recently daw breakers who are safe here from woman's love, and both men decided t help me in so much of it as
The treasure I have amasted

The treasure I have amasted not to be expended for the escape strain force, backed by a goodly am and round each other. Both were Count of money which they brought able swordsmen. As they thrust, parwith them, are growing wealthy. The pied and cut they made a fascinating gold mines of Honduras, which under sight. Now one would dash at his opponent, causing him to rein his but half developed and not half workmagic such as Nostradamus and Monseigneur d'Anjou; but they will she needs it I will come for her, if I Led, turned out over \$8,000,000 in yell flerce assaut; then he in turn would low metal. charge. The struggle lasted a long ever, that the greatest wealth is ac- exhausted. Suddenly the native dug

Spaniard bare'y managed to raise his and from that wherein she has been has bequeathed all her rights and you, the first recognition of our brown force of the blow and parted and wheel his horse the native dashed by, thrusting to the rear as he did so and wounding his antagonist between the shoulder blades. The blood spurted out in a stream and it was not suffer me to do. I must have the portionate cost of the concession. As the wounded Spaniard sank from

FAMOUS RAT CATCHER. managed Surveys soom and An amount Old Man Who Makes a Living by Exterminating the Rodents.

At the present time there is no royal rat catcher at the British court, says the Chicago News, though not so long were resting beneath. I must return for the year 1899, and it is fair to the sign manual, and in old pictures page to be slighted by any one, should be reserved and have need of France of her beauty. mail which contains the jewels and these figures: Gold. \$8,000,000; silver, | post, gorgeous in their green and gold In the little Lincolnshire village of

Friskney there is living Bolland Skip-

being kept in a picturesque building near his own pretty that hed cottage. In the course of his long life he has caught many thousands of rats, but unfortunately has kept no record. If he had he undoubtedly would hold the championship. Rats are arch robbers. eating any and everything. One man found all the fresh-laid eggs were Removing a big bundle of sticks in the woodbonse, he came on a hundred eggs, most of them unbroken.

There was once killed in England a rat which holds the record for size. He was grey as a badger, weighed two and three-quarters pounds and measured twenty inches from the tip of his nose to the tip of his tail

The Long Distance Telephone. Hello, Central !"

"Connect me with Pekin, please, and let me have the Emperor's palace." "All right." "Have I the honor of speaking to

"Allee sames. Whatee wantee?" "There is a report affoat that you have been killed. Is it true?"

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The torture which is caused by After trying every available remedy the intense itching and burning without success, and almost hopeless sensations of eczema makes it one of of relief, she began using Dr. Chase's the most distressing of ailments, while Ointment. She has altogether used the presence of the raw flesh, which eight or nine boxes, with the happy refuses to heal under ordinary treat- result that she is now completely ment, adds to the misery of the suf- cured. Anyone wishing further par The following case is reported as Wright, Norval, Ont. After such a one which illustrates the extraordi- grand success, is it any wonder that nary control which Dr. Chase's Oint- we recommend Dr. Chase's Oint-

ing and as an antiseptic healer, which that have convinced physicians of the speedily and certainly brings about truly wonderful power of Dr. Chase's In value were all sorts of medicines with any itching skin disease, or have and ointments used and doctors ap- a sore that will not heal, make a test peared to be helpless before the dread- for yourself. You will certainly beful rayages which the flaming fires come an enthusiastic admirer of Dr. of eczema were making. Here is the Chase's Ointment, just as is everyone way Mrs. Knight describes this in- who knows its merits. Besides curing they say were true, I do not care. written any such letter, or representthey say were true. I do not care.

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