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# Won at Last

absence at once more beautiful and more intolerable than it used to be. He to hear her exclamations of delight at its beauty, and to display so distinguished-looking a creature as his niece and

desire for Mona's company, as to write as they were alone. "Mary knows that it would be well to have you near me. I Street, Milwaukee, Wis., writes: the letter above quoted. Once done, he was feverishly eager to reap the fruits of his surrender, and reckoned the days

till Mona made her appearance. After a fatiguing journey, for night was warm, Mona found herself at Glasgow in the gray of the morning. Early as it was, Kenneth, "in the garb of old Gaul," awaited her on the platform. He looked so martial and magni- vour eves must have been all wrong!" cient that Mona did not recognize him | among the hills, and that the only differ- congratulated Kenneth on his choice. ence he had made was to put on his best

"Not altogether in my honor, Ken- station, neth," she said, when, having collected her luggage, they had time to exchange

a few words. get to Craigdarroch by six o'clock. My himself, awaited them. uncle agreed not to expect you before son's, where you can rest and have tened at so grand a young lady as you ]

"Grand. Why, Kenneth, you are chaff-

He only laughed, and calling a cab, "I am very glad to see you, uncle. they drove away through dull streets | What delightful air! It is like new life as yet scarcely astir, to the modest mansion of a Free Kirk minister, who was toilet; and lastly, Mary, blushing, with | for them?" downcast eyes and a sweet smile flickering on her lips. The first thing Mona noticed was the golden red tinge in her

hand and said kindly-"I am very pleased to meet you." ed when his eyes fell upon her.

hours in the train; here, Mary, take Miss | flood of golden light. Craig to tthe spare room. You'll maybe like to wash your hands and brush your and patient toil dragged the vehicle up

Mona, when she and Mary had entered a slow, heavy trot-his great feet beatthe sacred precincts of the spare room. | ing the road like sledge-hammers; then told me what a good friends you have liberately checked his pace to a steady been to him; but you are not a like what | walk, from which nothing could move

what is expected.

ister's younger barrns; a big-boned lad ered face, gave her profound pleasure. of fourteen, a slight, thoughtful boy of ishing their morning meal, to be off in good time to school-and a chubby girl of six, evidently the pet of the family. The mother told with pride that their eldest boy was away doing weel in Japan, and another daughter nad married in the spring, and was living in Liverpool, The long, devout grace, the bowls of

porridge and cups of milk, the voices, the dialect, all seemed to Mona like a chapter out of a Scotch novel; yet it took her fancy. The kindness and frank hospitality had about them a self-respecting restraint-a thoughtful tone-that gave and built of melancholy, half-mourning the impression of sincerity. She was graystone. Within, a short wide hall struck with the superior softness and lighted from above led to the public sweetness of Kenneth's and Mary's voices | rooms, and from it a passage branched and recognized in them types of a very off to the sleeping chambers, and a nar-

with Mr. Craig, and spoke of him with a had a bay window, from the centre of like immensely to ask her to spend a few and cold. touch of dry humor here and there which which steps led down to a pleasure days here on her way home, if you will showed he was fully alive to the pecu- ground, consisting only of grass and permit me. She is a nice girl. I am sure little. liarities of his character. Mr. Robertson groups of trees which grew abundantly in you would like her." -a pleasant, well-read man, quite the shelter of the hill-but the view abreast of the modern thought movement atoned for any deficient ornamentation. you like. Can she sing a Scotch sang?" How much pain the evils have cost us -seemed pleased to converse with his From this opened a pleasant room, to "I have no doubt she can. That re- that have never happened. young English guest. Both his wife and which the Glasgow occupier had added Mary Black evidently looked upon him a square projecting window-also open- tuned." Mary Black evidently looked upon him as square projecting window—also open as something quite too immensely clever to be addressed save with due considerto be addre ation, and Kenneth, to, regarded him as fied by the title of the library. A good since."

a superior being. As soon as he had be-dining room with ordinary windows—for stowed the final blessing, the minister the ground sloped steeply away from has reduced it to a sad condition."

The place seemed to him after his long | bade Mona farewell as he was going

Then Mary assisted Mrs. Robertson to longed to show it to Mona. He longed clear away the breakfast things, and the

"You three young folk will have a good fine, I am thinking." Uncle Sandy deal to say to one another, so you can stumped down the passage and intro-

struggle to yield so much to his strong say to each other," said Kenneth, as soon if I would be well to be wel the only bit of comfort I ever had in you have had a bell put there, ye see, just Dear Mrs. Pinkham: big dreary town was when I could walk and talk with you, Mona, and that kind soul Madame Debrisay. Isn't it curious, when I used to be with you in London, I thought I saw such a likeness betogether, it has just vanished away?"

"Like Miss Craig?" cried Mary, blushing and laughing. "Eh, Kenneth, but Then a very confidential conversation at first. When she did, she was disposed ensued, and Mona promised to help the to laugh at what she considered his lovers in all ways. Indeed, her heart "fancy dress." He assured her, however, went out very warmly to the gentle. was his habitual costume when simple Highland lassie, and she privately

Having been taken to see the cathego-to-meeting kilt and plaid in her hon- dral and some public buildings, she was given luncheon and hurried away to the

A splendid sunset was glorifying moor and mountain, the loch, and a distant "Well, may be not," he returned, with glimpse of blue sea, when the travellers a happy smile, "Now, if we leave by reached Kirktoun, where a very rusty old the one-twenty train for Kirktoun, we'll one-horse phaeton driven by Uncle Sandy emnly handing her the keys, and in-

"Well, my dearie, the sight of you is so you can come away to Mrs. Robert- good for sair een!" he cried, with unusual warmth, reaching down a hand to breakfast, though she will be half frigh- assist his niece to the seat beside him; adding in the same breath, "and I am right glad you have seen the error of | meat meals every day.' give when I see ony one in their right every day—no one would serve without had come unstitched from her uncle's try roads are the grounds of the misyour ways. I am always ready to for-

"Av. it is just that! You'll grow already in his study, and came forth to strong and weel. Hoo's a' wi' ye, Ken- not economical, I warn you. I know and well appointed in her cotton morning big boxes. Can ye do without them till guide. May I look at your books?"

manteau, which is quite enough."

tent," she thought as she offered her tive little town-which is a convenient tleman. stopping and starting place for tourists "Eh, but that's weel said!" cried Line! look up, and then the smile shone out in | the head of the water, and then ascended | but you mauna ruin me." her honest, light blue eyes; these, and a between pictuersque rocks crowned with "I will not try, uncle." plainness. Her complexion, though clear which grew in sheltered hollows, or led difficulties vanished at the touch of a away over mountain, lake, and moorland, where the keen breath of the winter and good was much freekled and the round some projecting angle of the bill and good, was much freekled, and the round some projecting angle of the hill, bold hand. cheek bones were somewhat high; still from which could be seen a wide stretch Mary Black was undoubtedly a "bonnie of moorland and mountain, all rich and lassie," and pleasant to look at, as Ken- | varied with autumnal green, brown, purneth evidently thought, as his face beam- ple, and gold, a dozen different tints melting into each other, while away west "You'll be awful tired after so many over the sea the sun was sinking in

The old cart-horse that with bent head task too well to heed Uncle Sandy's "gee-"Thank you; I feel I need ablution ups' and occasional applications of the whip. When they came to a gentle de-"I am so very pleased to see you," said cline or a few level yards, he broke into "And so am I to meet you; Kenneth at the very first upward tendency he de "I suppose not; people never are like mensely. The beautiful wild scenery; the soft, delicious, honey-sweet breeze, "I will leave you now, ring when you that from time to time touched her cheek are ready, and I will show you the way like a caress; the restful silence, and

At the table were gathered the min- happy expression of Uncle Sandy's puck-At length, after following a low moss nine or ten-both silently intent on fin- and grass-grown wall for some way, they gence of which a wooden gate, with one

broken hinge, lay helplessly open. "Noo," said Mr. Craig, with all the pride of proprietorship, "you are in the parks of Craigdarroch.

"What a delightful country! What "Wait till you are up at the hoose. think you'll say it is better than West-

The "hoose" was turned in a contradictory manner with its face to the hill. different race from that of the minister | row crooked stair led to various apart-The host appeared to be acquainted only one-storey high. The drawing room and way-worn, in Glasgow, that I should Pride costs mare than hunger, thirst

that side of the house—and a long narrow apartment containing some glass cases of birds and butterflies, some fossils, a rusty claymore or two, and the EXPERIENCE OF MISS MERKLEY skeleton of a deer's head and antlers, which was termed "the Museum"-these

constituted the reception room. At the door stood a respectable grayhaired "dour" looking woman-the cook and general servant-and behind, the "bit

lassie" who helped her. "Whaur's the boy?" asked Mr. Craig, descending with the help of his stick and Kenneth's arm.

meer cast a shoe as she was drawing ben for just such operations. the gravel for you new walk." "Ah, and the gardener?"

"Oh, he's awa' till his tea." "Then, Kenneth, ye must put up Brownie; and giev him a good rub down, e's just steaming." Mona thought that a woman, a girl, and a boy were a scanty staff for so arge a house, and foresaw housekeep-

"This is my niece, Miss Craig," said Incle Sandy to the "dour" looking woman; "ye'll just do a' she tells ye." "She'll likely not know our ways, and she frae the south," she returned, sulk-

"Then you must teach me," said Mona, smiling so pleasantly on her that her face

relaxed "Folk learn so quick if they are so minded," she said, less harshly. Then Uncle Sandy led Mona through the Museum, the dining room, the drawing room, and the library.

"You see it's no a poor hoose," he said, with satisfaction. "Noo, come awa" to your ain bed chamber. You'll like it have it out here, while I am busy above duced his niece to a pretty airy chamruling passion in the heart of Sandy and below, as soon as I have sent Jamie ber, the windows of which looked over it cost him a severe mental "I should think we had a good deal to loch. "My room is next you. I thought Lynn, Mass., for advice, which is free. over the head of your bed. I can reach the rope frae mine, and wake ye ony time I want ve."

"A delightful arrangement," said Mona, laughing. "It is a charming room, after making an examination said I had and when I unpack I shall make it look a female trouble and ulceration and advised quite pretty. The house has evidently been arranged by men, uncle; it seems

"Aweel, women have their uses. If I and I am once more strong, vigorous and had been able to marry the lassie I loved, I would be a different mon this day." Mona soon found that life at Craigdarroch in spite of the beauty that surrounded her, was not a bed of roses.

Mr. Craig viewed housekeeping expenses through the small end of his mental telescope, and tried to keep them down to impossible limits, while at the bottom of his manly heart he feared Phemie the cook far too much to do more than grumble indefinitely.

'She is a wasteful deil," he whispered to his niece, the second day of her so journ at Craigdarroch, when he was solstructing her in the duties of her new position. "You can look after her better than I can. She just drinks pounds o' girlie for a week; and then the flesher's of them, and one has only just come tea; twa ounces ought to do her and the bill is just fearfu'. They two want good down.

"Well, its' just a bad new fashion

Scotchmen grew to be what they are on good oatmeal.' "I shall do my best, uncle, but I am

welcome the stranger lassie with kindly neth? Did you see Mr. Macray, and get | what it cost Madame Debrisay and mywarmth; then his wife appeared, as neat the papers? Eh, we canna carry the two self to exist, and it will be a sort of dress as if she had made an afternoon to-morrow, Mona, and I'll send the cart "Books. I never keepit ony. I just know the siller slips away ower fast."

"Yes, uncle. I have my hand port- "No wonder you think so, if you keep no accounts. I will not undertake im-Kenneth scrambled in behind, and after possibilities, but if I do not give satisone or two stoppages at shops of the faction, you must turn me away. Craig "If mine is half as pretty, I am con- "general" order, they quitted the primi- of Craigdarroch ought to live like a gen-

and sportsmen-and proceeded toward Sandy, with sudden enthusiasm, which in Craigdarroch, by a road which skirted the showed Mona she had hit the right nail which they were said -- made Mary loch, traversed a pine wod, wound round on the head. "Weel, do your best, dearie;

very white teeth, redeemed her face from through clumps of fir and oak trees age, and found, as is often the case, that

A week of this new life passed rapidly. work unpleasant. Her nature was essentially feminine. She loved order and delicate nicety in her home, and thought tunately, she succeeded in winning the allegiance of the cook, who, having anhair a bit before you eat your break- the long ascent, evidently understood his ticipated that the stinginess of her master would be inetnsified by the minute inspection of a mistress, was relieved to find a greatly increased degree of justice and liberality in the domestic govern-

muslin curtains, a few cheap Orientas rugs, and some small etceteras, the choice of which Mona confided to Mary perhaps, more than all, the unusually Black. These, with sundry baskets and pots of flowers disposed about the drawing room, so transformed it that Uncle Sandy scarcely recognized the once stiff

and dreary chamber.

ask mair siller for a long time." from experience that the less Uncle house. I Sandy was asked for, the less he was inclined to give. "But I will tell you about them in good time. Now that you are going to reside here, you must have your house nice. I think you ought to be obliged to Miss Black for the trouble she

"Weel, and who says I am not? She and her people are Kenneth's friends,

hospitable to me when I arrived, weary cause it is cheap. "Oh! ay, you may ask her as much as | willingly.

minds me, we must have the piano Take things always by the smooth

She Was Told That an Operation Was Inevitable. How She Escaped It.

When a physician tells a woman suf-fering with serious feminine trouble that an operation is necessary, the very thought of the knife and the operating table strikes terror to her heart, and "He's gane awa' to the forge; the gray our hospitals are full of women coming



There are cases where an operation is the only resource, but when one considers the great number of cases of menacing female troubles cured Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound after physicians have advised one without first trying the Vegetable Compound and writing Mrs. Pinkham,

shooting pains through the pelvic organs, bearing-down pains and cramps compelled me to seek medical advice. The doctor, roofed log buildings straw that shod and an operation. To this I strongly objected getable Compound. The ulceration quickly healed, all the bad symptoms disappeared

Female troubles are steadily on the increase among women. If the monthly periods are very painful, or too frequent bearing-down pains, don't neglect yourself: try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable

"And whaur-whaur is the tuner te

"Cannot Kenneth find out?" "Aweel, we'll ask a bit at Mr. McIntyre's" (the grocer and general dealer) We are going into the toun after din ner. I have to see the gentleman that has taken the moor about the fishing, or one of the gentlemen. There's a pair

"Who are they ?" asked Mona, care lessly, as she sewed on the band while

"Oh! a Colonel Langton, and anither fresh from India, a grand mon, a Sir

Phemie wants one or two things from MacIntyre's; I will give Keneth a list." "Eh, it's just want-want-want from ae week's end to anither." "Of course, it is, uncle; are we not al-

be replaced. Then I may write to Miss "Ay, she'll tell a' the folk in Glen-

corrie what a grand place Kenneth is "Yes, of course she will."

a muttered complaint that his "puir back people. It is no easy job, for it often was awfu' bad the day," hobbled off with the accompanying knock-knock of his ments, but jaunty excursions over log supports on the floor, worry the garden. and stump strewn trails and through Finely Pulverized Surfave Enables Soil

shine of a brilliant autumnal noon, a part. light, slow-sailing cloud now and then Through the mission Dr. Hunter and casting a shadow upon the varied sur-Mona found her hands full, nor was the face beneath it, a light breeze occasion- pathy of the Europeans in behalf from the sea, against her cheek, and the members of the church would be still through the meshes of her red-gold hair. more liberal. (To be continued.)

### SAFETY FOR CHILDREN.

Liquid medicine advertised to cure stomach and bowel disorders and sum-The furniture, too, vexed her soul. It mer complaints contain opiates and are was excellent as regarded quality, but dangerous. When a mother gives Baby's frightful in form and color. With much Own Tablets to her little ones she has him. Yet Mona enjoyed the drive impermit of her ordering pretty colored that this medicine does not contain one particle of opiate or harmful drug. The prudent mother will appreciate that in Baby's Own Tablets there is absolute safety. An occasional dose to the well child will keep it well,-and they promptly cure the minor ailments of childhood when they come unexpectedly. Mrs. G. "You're a clever lassie," he cried. "You Hamlin, St. Adolphe, Que., says: "I have in Teulon. Dr. Hunter is unobstrusive. have made the place look grand at no used Baby's Own Tablets for colic and and would not publish all he should, but great outlay. Noo, I'm hoping you'll no bowel troubles, and find them safe and as a visitor, the writer found out a few speedy in their cure." Sold by medicine facts that he wishes the church should "We shall want some additions to our dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from know, and his observations made him furniture and decorations, uncle, before the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brock- feel that there are present needs that winter," returned Mona, who had learned ville, Ont., Keep the Tablets in the are pressing if effective work is to

### Jefferson's Ten Rules.

Never put off until to-morrow what you can do to-day. Never trouble another for what you

Never spend money before you have "They are. They were so kind and Never buy what you don't want be-

> We seldom repent of having eaten too Nothing is troublesome that we do

The average automobile is almost as stubborn as a mule.

# A Flying Trip to Teulon

By E. A. Henry, Regina, Sask.; Formerly of Knox Church, Hamilton.

Forty miles north of Winnipeg you boks; an isolation ward and an operatcome to the stamping ground of 5,000 dalicians or more. No one knows exact-

came, but they marry young, disappear in the woods, and even the census man has a job in locating them all. The chief ways of access are via the Teulon branch of the C. P. R., soon to be extended still further north into the woods, or via Lake Winnipeg to Gimli

and other small Icelandic hamlets, thence overland by pathways which by courtsy | brought under direct Christian influence we may call roads. There are a number of good graded angelizing, Canadianizing factors. There roads over which the tourist is usually are children now in the village school, conducted. There are others that defy boarding at the mission, who are a credescription and require the appreciation dit to any community. If fully trained

Nor is the whole land Galician and | would be among their own people! bush. Some of it is open with as beau- The writer who saw the conditions tiful a landscape as can be found in would heartily commend this work to month providing the agent sold 160 acres Ontario. There, are found the farms of all interested in what is both Foreign English-speaking settlers, with splendid and Home work.

buildings, rich land and all the elements If it is to be a real aggressive enterof agricultural prosperity. The day the writer was there he had dowed, and made capable of reaching out for it in that arrangement. But there the opportunity of dining at a wayside in larger and more aggressive lines of Church of England picnic, in a church work. And it is of vast importance that grove, where the whole situation re- some such agency should be there, for ment was thus stated: called old days in the east with the com- we in the West feel very keenly the forts and pastimes of rural districts. Then within a short distance you if these people are not Christainized and with us, until you carefully read over strike the timber, which is chiefly pop- nationalized the surrounding districts our course of instruction, and learn our lar, with some scrub oak. Here the Gali- will be paganized and denationalized and methods. These instructions are in 12 cians are encamped, scattered for miles

plastered, they live, some clean, some dirty, some filled with not only foreign | Scientists From Washington Make a decided to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Ve- human population, but with what Dr. Robertson used the call "the pestilence that walketh in darkness." The recent movement of the pendent Greek Church" has produced a

few local priests, who are really presbyters, and who hold services which are and excessive—if you have pain or well attended in the frame, cross-mount-swelling low down in the left side, ed church by the roadside. The present policy is for the English

> idea of life. teach the swarming hordes of Galicians, ter readily. The scientific gentlemen re-Swedes, Germans and Jews is our own quested the superintendent to throw medical missionary at Teulon, Rev. Dr. some logs into the river separate from

hospital. P. R. track, and is for the present the nortern terminue of the road, and the scientific gentlemen returned and folhalf mile around the corner of the coun-

Considerable has already been done in church donations, and partly through the the unlettered superingendent about the "There's your umbrella, uncle. I think personal offerings of Dr. Hunter and his mother, who superintends his house. A hospital has been crected capable of comfortably accommodating twelve

patients, and, in a pinch, twenty-three uncomfortably. With its wide verandahs ways consuming things? and they must it presents a very pretty site from the road. Near by Dr. Hunter and his mother have erected at their own expense a commodious house as a mission From this centre the doctor is the medical adviser and friend of 10,000

means long drives with no asphalt paveswamp and bush where mosquitoes and Mona took a book and sat down on the the innumerable varieties of summer flies which lay steeped in the golden sun- north wind finds out every unprotected tensively it can be made to hold water

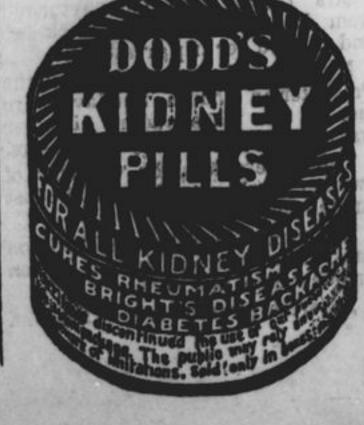
the nurses are seeking to gain the symally rippling the face of the loch and this work. The church has been moder- makes it capable of retaining the greatsending up its gentle current to breathe ately generous, but the writer feels that est possible percentage of the moisture the soft, briny freshness it had brought if the field and the facts were known, I that falls, just as a fine sponge of a cer-The cost of the hospital to

amount of about \$6,000 has been met the church, but almost all the other ex penditure equally necessary has come out of the private funds of Dr. Hunter and his mother. Our church should know as much possible about this work and lend it all

the practical sympathy it can at the

strategic period in its history. Some time ago the doctor contracted blood poisoning in the performance of duty. It cost him three months in Winwas despaired of. Although the Winnipeg doctors were very kind it meant a large outlay for hospital fees and forty

Among them are the following: \$1,000 cash for immediate use; assistance procuring more land for the hospital and mission; larger grants for the supply of drugs, instruments and medical



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y how many there are. Five thousand A nurses' home would be a conven-

ence only to be appreciated by those on the ground. There is much need of a room where the dying could be placed apart from other patients, and a mortuary chamber is a real and pressing ne-

In the near future enormous good would be accomplished by a school where promising boys and girls could and sent back among their people as exin a mission home what a force they

prise it must be more adequately enforce of the oft-repeated statement that properties, which owners have listed

### WHY CYPRESS WOOD SINKS.

Most Singular Discovery.

Southern lumbermen take great delight in a story of certain scientific gentlemen who were sent by the government at Washington to study the growth and uses of the bald cypress at a time when cypress lumber was comparatively new to the market. They went direct to a doctor and missionary to keep in touch | large camp, presented credentials to the with these foreign leaders and through superintendent and watched with minute advice to help keep before these people care the processes of cutting the timber which positively assures us that you the religious and also the Anglo-Saxon and floating it down stream.

Cypress is a light, spongy wood that Among those who are thus seeking to grows in swamps and absorbs wa-A. J. Hunter, and his assistants in the the main rafts and followed their progress down stream in a boat. After Teulon is a hamlet strewn along the floating south for some distance the logs with one accord sank. Much surprised, lowed another consignment. The phenomenon was repeated; at a certain dis-

tance from the camp all the logs sank. The gentlemen from Washington, being the way of equipment, partly through very scientific, did not think to question power of cypress to become waterlogged but after numerous observations and much comparing of notes reported to the department the startling discovery that cypress floated north of a certain parallel of latitude and south of it invagiably sank. Of the cause they were not yet certain, but hazarded the suggestion that it might lie in the rotary motion of the earth, increasing in speed as the logs approached the equator until it was powerful enough to draw them under.-American Magazine.

## FARMING WITH LESS RAIN.

We are just beginning to learn that if the soil is cultivated carefully and invoir underneath the growing crop. Finely of pulverizing and packing the seed bed tain size will hold many times as much water as a coarse sponge of the same size or as a tumbler full of birdshot will retain many times the amount of water that a tumbler full of buckshot will. It is a well-known fact that water moves in the soil as it does in a lamp wick, by

capillary attraction. The more deeply and the more densely the soil is saturated with moisture the present time, which is the critical and more easily the water moves upward in the soil, just as the oil "climbs up" a wet wick faster than it does a dry

The problem of evaporation is the the semi-arid west. Even if the seme amount of rain fell in Eastern Colorado as falls in Iowa, it does not follow that plant life in the former as in the latter state. Eastern Colorado is a mile above the sea, and has a clear atmosphere and intense sunshine. Its atmosphere is, therefore, very dry and quickly drinks of the earth. up the moisture from the soil unless we take measures to prevent it. This we do by means of a soil "blanket" called

This nicely pulverized surface survey a two-fold purpose-it prevents the moisture from below, in large measure, from evaporating and at the same time keeps the surface in such condition that it readily absorbs whatever sudien slaw-

ers may fall, One can illustrate the effect of this tistics quoted by this journal it apfine soil "mulch," so far as preventing pears that out of 125 cases of "protectevaporation is concerned, by p'az'ng some powdered sugar on the suctage of a lump of loaf sugar and holding the three years there were only 24 cases latter in a tumbler of water. He will the failure of the lightning conduct. observe that the powdered sugar will remain dry even when the lump has become so thoroughly saturated that it crumbles to pieces in his hands .- World | teet were owing to the buildings not be-

To-day. Really an Awful Affair,

She-He married her for her money. Wasn't

The United States Postal Department has just rounded up a gang of thrifty swindlers in Minneapolis, who have been doing a "land office business" in the At preesnt, as the doctor put it, they United States and Canada. It was a \$10 game, and a great many Canadians have been taken in by it. The scheme was a very plausible one. The concern calling itself the North American Land Co. reached people all over the country. either through newspaper advertisements or by direct correspondence. It represented itself as dealing largely in farm land, business properties, and money lending. It wrote a very alluring letter to its prospective victim, pointing out that a representative was required in his district to show intending purchasers various properties and to close transactions. All expenses were to be paid, there was to be a salary of \$40 per per month, and a commission of 50 cents per acre on the sale. There appeared to be no chance of loss to the man acting is more to tell. The point of the arrange-

Of course, we cannot trust you to sell the Canadian tone be correspondingly lessons. They teach you how to sell properties and give you a thorough knowledge of the real estate business,

The applicant had to be taught, and the swindlers would teach him, the charge to be \$20 for twelve lessons, or if the \$20 could not be conveniently spared, the company would accept \$10 down and the remaining \$10 could be sent out of the agent's first month's salary etc. But it all looked to be on the square to the man seeking work, because didn't

the company say: We only send our instructions to men who enter our employ and who are willing to pay us the small price we ask. actually mean business, as no man would pay out his money for this knowledge. unless he intended to devote his time to our business. You cannot buy this course of instructions of us for any sum without entering our employ.

And so the \$10 remittances came in. They came from all quarters and in such quantities that the postal authorities began to have suspicions. From suspicion they proceeded to investigation, and arrests followed. Then it was speedily discovered that the company did no land business, or any other kind of business except set traps for victims. The Presographers engaged in sending out letters, and the replies received ran far into the thousands. He is now held for trial for

The moral of this tale is that people should be very wary about sending their cash to secure employment of any kind, Thee are always plenty of human wolves who seek to prey upon the public, and they do not hesitate to wear honest sheeps' clothing. When you are offered something for nothing, or an alluring chance to play sharp on the public, think of the chap who offers the confiding fish a fat, juicy worm-and of

the hook which it conceals.

The mutiny at Helsingfors, an important garrison city on the north side of the Gulf of Finland, is probably more danger that threatens the Russian Govary stroke. The exact condition is not at the moment clear, but it is probable that local tyranny over the soldiers, a part of the general "iron hand" policy of the Government, led to the uprising, which appears to have been entirely a military one, the inhabitants of the city taking no part in it. The fighting appears to have been bloody, and but for the assistance of warships the loval troops would have had no chance of victory. As it is, the fortress of Sveaborg is said to be in the hands of the mutineers. The St. Petersburg authorities are reported to be greatly alarmed, and well they may be; if they cannot implieitly rely on the troops, they can hardly look on the prospect with much confidence. A greater outbreak may come at and time and sweep them from the face

summer has been prolific of lightning storms. It is stated in Symons' Meteorological Magazine that in the United Kingdom nearly four hundred "unprotected" buildings are damaged annually by lightning. From the British staed" buildings struck by lightning with an average of less than eight failures a year. Possibly those failures to pro ing properly protected, the wires perhaps not being properly grounded. The figures, however, are sufficient to show that the lightning rod is capable of protecting property from electric storms, when it is properly put up. It would be interesting to know how many of the 1.21.31 1 the barns "struck" this season were protected and how many were unprotected.

We hear little of the lightning rod

agent these days, even if the present

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