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N AN OPEN BOAT AT SEA.

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Rose then saw before her a fine-look- | down all I love, to this horrible pit

face smiling sweetly down upon hers, her livered from my honest custody by the heartrending tales of distress. I really toward which she had been drawing him make application to compete. The first division of the Dominion Department of own countenance went through many hands of the Duke of Bersleigh. And must interdict it! Come, tell me what all the time. He sought an interview ten societies making satisfactory appli- Agriculture. rapid changes; first a vague surprise, the next news I heard of you was the it is, my dearest love, and let me know with her; told her that he loved me, and cations as below will be accepted and All field crops will be judged from then a fearful suspicion, lastly a horri- of your betrothal to his grace." fied recognition, as, with that cry of arguish we all utter in our extremity:

"Oh, my God!" She threw her hands up t oher face, reeled back and sank upon the sofa. The visitor deliberately crossed the room. and standing before her, said:

scarcely expected to see me here-'

kill the weak, and stun the strong into of me. You see I durst not discover my- do you mean?" he exclaimed, appalled me with tears, entreaties and a state resembling calmness. This was self to one even so dear as you." such a one to the young duchess. It did not crush-it calmed her. Though you appear to blast me with your prespale as death, she quietly motioned her ence now?" cried Rose, in horror. strange visitor to a seat, and when he had taken it, said:

"In the name of heaven, have you returned from the grave to ruin me?" "No, mine own; I have returned only from the Continent. I am no ghost, but solid flesh and blood, as I can soon conand holding out his arms, as if to em-

"Stop! No nearer on your life and soult" said Rose, speaking in a deep, stern voice, that sounded strangely and iearfully from those bloodless lips, and extending her hand in a forbidding ges-

He sank back in his chair, regarding her with wonder and curiosity. "In the name of heaven, I adjure you to tell me-why did you give out a report of your own death? Why have you absented yourself so many years? and why have you returned now?"

"Ha! ha! ha!" laughed the stranger, throwing himself back in his chair, "this is a pretty reception to give me, if you will consent to be mine-" after a four years' absence."

"Once more I adjure you, by the righteous Judge of quick and dead, tell me why you have practised this long and fatal deception.

"Sweet partner of all my joys and sorrows I do not know that I have any right to keep the secret from you. will tell you then. I fled as you know, from a criminal charge of a monstrous nature, and of which it would have been very difficult to prove my innocence. I ingeniously spread the report of my own death to stop pursuit and obtainoblivion. After four years' absence, when I supposed myself to be forgotten, I returned to England-can you guess why-to see my beloved Rose. And where do you suppose I first saw her?' 'asked the stranger, pausing and above hades so high above you that he looking fixedly in the pallid face of the young duchess.

"Go on," were the only words that escaped her blodless lips. "I found her at midnight on Hounslow Heath, in the hands of footpads."

calling himself Colonel McCarthy in your

"Then, if you recognized me there, why did you not make yourself known to me? It would have prevented all this sir: you, at least, I will never see augin.

"Because it did not suit my circumstances to do so. My return to England has made you loathsome to me." cognized in our intended victim my own ferent purpose to-morrow before noon, Rose, I wished to deliver you from the you, Rosamond Wardour and Etheridge, power of my colleague, McCarthy, a purpose that I could only effect by the eridge of Swinburne-shall stand before utmost secrecy and caution."

"Explain yourself." "You must have already surmised that the whole affair of the attack on you carriage, your rescue by Colonel Mc-Carthy and myself, and your refuge at Howlet's Close, was all a preconcerted arrangement, planned by McCarthy, alias McSomebodyelse, to throw you into the power of a certain illustrious personage in the affair; and who, I suppose, really ger, crimson with rage, as he followed

never authorized it." "Oh, Heaven, what a pandemonium is this town. What demons are in it!" mut-

"Very true, my love; but you are unwise to disturb yourself about them. To house miscalled Howlet's Close. were shown to your chamber, but fortunately did not retire to bed. A man in a mask came out from his concealment in a dark closet; his purpose was honest, and though he unwillingly gave you a desperate fright, he bore away from a house of danger and he would have borne you to one of safety. timely arrival of the Duke of Beresleigh speedy retreat. You have already recognized in your deliverer from that house of danger -myself!"

ing man, with a tall and graceful figure, perdition," exclaimed Rose, in despair. that suddenly arrested his steps. He a stately head, well covered with glossy, "Because, my love, as I repeat, my stood still, gazing at her in astonishment hight yellow hair, that waved around a circumstances did not permit me to do for a moment, and then said: forehead broad, white and open as that so. I dared not alienate my friend at of boyhood; delicately-arched eyebrows, court by letting him know that I had who I am led to suppose comes from followed! Rutherford loved me, sought at least, to limit the number of socieclear, gentle, blue eyes, straight nose, freed the bird I had engaged to help Miss Elmer or Cassinove, brings some every opportunity to tell me so, but my ties who may compete to ten. It will 6. Judging.—All judging must be done full, finely-curved lips, all blended into him to entrap. And I dared not let the distressing news of your young friend foster mother, discreet, as she was am- | be necessary, therefore, for the secre- by judges approved by the superintenda charming expression of kindliness and authorities know of my return to Eng- or the unhappy prisoner! My sweet Rose, bitious, took care that he was never for taries to bring the matter before their ent of agricultural societies. Arrange-

the consummation of such a horrible to her.

self-sacrifice was never a considerable low that he never could have recognized folded his arms across his broad chest, element in my character. The necessity it as her own, she said: of secrecy and caution had increased ten-"My sudden appearance has startled fold. It was while laying perdu after A gulf has opened between us deeper you, madam, the duchess! Your grace that night's adventure, I ascertained be- and broader than that which divides hea. hands of my foster-mother. She yond all doubt that I had been recog- ven and hades!" There are shocks so great that they nized and that the police were in search "Then, in the name of heaven, why do

no longer exists. Because my enemy- whose brow you were to place the ducal my persecutor-no longer lives; he is coronet of your ancient house-did I a demoniac glare flashed like lurid light-

dead-dead and d-d!" exclaimed the stranger, in a tone of intense hatred, as ning athwart the calanness of his counvince you," said the visitor, gayly, rising tenance. "And because," he added emphatically, "I want you for myself." The young duchess, shuddering, hid her face in both her hands without reply.

"Come, Rose," he continued, with his me fidelity and affection, you do owe me | desired effect. She breathed freely, and at least some gratitude for my deliverance of you from a house that you could scarcely have left without my aid. Even his grace the duke could not have disfrom that well-chosen hiding place. Come, Rose, you have given me a very cold re- curred ception; but when I assure you that I am willing to forgive this escapade of yours with the duke, and provide for your flight with me to the continent -

"Wretch! Cease your insults! I will "Come, Rose, this is carrying matters with rather too high a hand. You know

that you are in my power-soul and "No, by the blue heavens above us!

"What! Do you forget the little transaction at the village church at Swinburne four years ago? By that I claim you as my own. "I forget nothing; least of all a later

fact that I should ever remember, namey, that I am the most unworthy wife of one as high above you as heaven is should not even be named in your presence. To him, my noble husband, will I go-to him will I confess all, as I should have done before our marriage would he have consented to hear me-he only, my husband, shall be my judge. I will com-"You were -.. " Rose gasped and mit my cause to him, and receive my fate from his own just hands. And whatever that fate may be, I shall know it to be righteous, coming from him: and, whatever it may be, though the Duke of Beresleigh may banish this poor Rose forever from his sight-look you. has made you hateful to all mankind

this one warning I would give your grace: Unless I hear from you to a dif-Duchess of Beresleigh and aBroness Eth-

the world a committed felon!" For all answer the young duchess rang The footman in waiting on the outside

of the door immediately entered. "Miller, show this person to the street door, and if he does not go promptly and quietly, summon a policeman," said

the young duchess. "Your grace shall hear from me before twelve to-morrow!" exclaimed the stranhe footman from the room.

"Oh, merciful Saviour of the world, that I could die this moment! But one short hour ago, so exalted, so confident and so happy! and now, so wretched, so fallen, and so lost! And oh, Heaven! how shall I tell the duke? What shall I say to my husband?"

The re-entrance of the footman who had attended the stranger to the street

"Well, Miller?" she asked, looking up. "Please, your grace. the man has gone away quite peaceably," said the footman. "Very well. Then go to the duke and say, with my respects, that I request the favor of his presence here in the library," said the duchess. The footman bowed and withdrew to

And the young duchess, pale, breathless, trembling, almost dying, awaited the entrance of the duke.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

The Duke of Beresleigh entered the **Φ**ΦΦΦΦΦΦΦΦΦΦΦΦΦΦΦΦΦΦΦΦΦΦΦΦΦ Rickets. Simply the visible sign that baby's tiny bones are not forming rapidly enough. Lack of nourishment is the cause. Scott's Emulsion nourishes baby's A.A. entire system. Stimulates and makes bone.

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his heart overflowing in his manner.

what are your grace's commands? You morning with his dog and gun, and rehave absented yourself long from our friends; there are many inquiries for show for his day's sport. He often conyou. Your untimely visitor has departed, descended to pass his evenings in chatpresume," he said, gayly, approaching ting with my mother and myself.

She turned toward him with a face white and still as death.

cried, springing toward her. She held several weeks in total seclusion." out her hand with an adjuring gesture

"Oh, I see how it is! This messenger,

But again she waved her white hand "Because, my dear, the principle of to wave him back, as, in a voice so hol-

"Don't touch me, Duke of Beresleigh!

at her manner. "That man-oh, Heaven! how dare I

not? Did I not?" "Yes, Rose, yes; but what mean you,

But so great was her anguish that she

was incapable of speaking or breathing There was a waiter with decanters of port and sherry and glasses sitting on the table. The duke poured out and brought a glass of wine, which he forced usual composure, "if you did not owe her to drink. The stimulant had the

commenced her narrative: "It was when I was but seventeen years old, and while I still believed myself to be the daughter of Magdalene covered your retreat, or rescued you Elmer, the village laundress, that the event I am about to relate to you oc-

"My poor foster-mother, doubtless to assuage the pangs of remorse, always She worked hard to keep me from work, and to pay for my education. She was as careful of my poor beauty as though hear no more!" cried Rose, shivering I had been some little princess entrusted to her charge. That I should be brought fortune, seemed her one great purpose in life. Doubtless she wished to compensate me in this way for the birthright of which her treachery had deprived me. Not so fallen as that; I am not yours, She threw me as much as possible in

the way of gentlemen, but always privately cautioned me never to permit the slightest freedom from one of them. She used to tell me that if I was discreet my beauty would make my fortune; but if I were otherwise, it would prove my destruction. And thus forewarned, if not forearmed, she would send me, as it were, to seek my fortune amid scenes of social danger. I mean that she was in the habit of getting up all the fine linen for the transient visitors at the Etheridge Arms, and of sending me to

"Oh, Rose! poor, poor girl! how cruelly you were exposed!" said the duke. "It was the only service that my poor foster-mother requested of me; and, indeed, I always remembered her caution and deported myself in such a manner as to repel impertinence."

"I was scarcely seventeen years old, and was living in an obscure old house in an moment caused me such pain as unfrequented wood a mile out of the those who have been tortured ed at it, retraced his steps and entered the gate. Mother and myself were both in the yard. I returned into the house, but my mother-"Your foster mother, Rose," said the

duke, with a fastidious shudder. "My foster mother, then went forward to meet the stranger. From the open parlor widow I heard all that passed. "His name, he said, was Captain Rutherford; he was an officer of the Tenth Hussars; he was on leave, and had come down to the neighborhood for a few weeks' shooting; he did not like the village, and was in search of country odgings. Passing by, he had seen and had been pleased with the house, and would pay liberally for the accommo-

dation if she could lodge him for a few "Now, there were several suspicious circumstances connected with the appearance and story of this person which did not strike me at the time, but which I had bitter cause to remember afterward. In the first place, Swinburne, with the exception of the chase was not a risitors at the castle ever came down

self, noticed this discrepancy. "Her one absorbing desire to finl a blinded her to every danger and all conlieve to receive this gentleman as a lodger. The bargain was soon struck. The stranger returned to the village for ma portmanteau, and Mrs. Elmer cane into the house to prepare the upper rooms

for his reception. "After her preparations were complete | the Thaw trial, was criticising at a physhe took me in hand dressed me care. | sician's dinner the browbeating method fully, but very plainly, and cautioned of cross-examination that the courts perme to be very discreet. But this sort of mit setting me up for sale was so repugnant | "But my criticism," Dr. Evans ended, to my feelings that, indeed, I could have "has been feeble, and what good is feeble found it in my heart to have kidden my- eriticism? The critic, to score, must be "I can well believe it, my poor Rose,"

"Captain Rutherford came the same speech afternoon. I suppose he would have been "'Waal, I dunno,' said the old man, considered by any landlady as a model soberly, 'but I think six hours' rain lodger. He was a handsome and prepos- would 'a' done us a lot more good." sessing man, tall, fair skinned, fairhaired, with eyes as blue, clear and gen- The great trouble of practicing what tle as those of childbood, and a smile you preach is that it is so easy to get full of frankness and benevolence. He out of practice.

library with a brisk step, humming a fascinated my poor foster mother; she lively opera tune the exuberant joy of believed in him, honored him, indeed loved him. His life with us was very "Well, fairest and rosiest - of Roses, | quiet and regular. He went out in the turned in the afternoon with nothing to

"He often invited me to go for a walk but I never would accept the invitation, nor, indeed, would my mother ever have "Rose! Good Heaven, Rose, what is permitted it. We never had any visitors the matter? What has happened?" he and so our lodger remainde with us for Rose paused, a sudden flush suffused

"Oh how I have to speak of what soon

duke, with the most painful interest. Ities throughout the Province, and for Freedom from weeds other varie-"I hated the man. I say it now, and each class of crops. self for the instinctive hatred that did not absolutely force me to reproaches, and won her cause and Rutherford's through my love for her."

ou appear to blast me with your presnce now?" cried Rose, in horror.

"Because the necessity of concealment months ago that you knew not upon the concealment months ago the concealment months ago that you knew not upon the concealment months ago that you knew not upon the concealment months ago that you knew not upon the concealment months ago that you knew not upon the concealment months ago that you knew not upon the concealment months ago that you knew not upon the concealment months ago that you knew not upon the concealment months ago that you knew not upon the concealment months ago t

Elmer had intended it should-the fixing of an early day for the wedding. The brought us documents which he declarcount of his family, who, he said, wished any society shall be sufficient for entry him to marry an heiress, that the wed- in this competition. ding should be a strictly private one, 3. Prizes.—Where societies limit their witnessed only by my mother. To this competition to one kind of crop the Mrs. Elmer consented, and the captain prizes shall not be less than the followundertook all the necessary prepara- ing: First, \$25; second, \$20; third, \$15; tions. The curate and the parish clerk fourth, \$10. In the event of there being

"It was arranged that the captain, my mother and myself should repair to prizes. Swinburne church at dawn, where the ness to perform the ceremony, after case shall not be less than the following: which we were to take a post chaise to First, \$20; second, \$15; third, \$10; Bristol, where we were to embark for fourth, \$5. In the event of there not

been previously arranged. At dawn the sum of \$100 to pay above prizes. village and entered the church before important that the board of directors to 7. Estimated yield of grain 20 points any of the vilagers were astir. We found whom this circular is sent shall conthe curate and the clerk awaiting us. sider the matter at once. The grants "The ceremony proceeded.

(To be continued.)

Made Well and Strong by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills After Doctors Had Failed.

Mr. H. W. Awalt is one of the lead ing merchants of Hemford, N. S. few years ago he was a great sufferer from the most excruciating trouble, sciatica. He says: "At the time was aiflicted I was living at Baker Settlement. The attack was so severe that I had been off work for some time. The cords of my leg were all drawn op and I could only limp pain I suffered was terrible. in misery both day and night. help me a bit. In fact, I almost gan to feel that my condition was helpless, when Dr. Williams' Pink Pills were brought to my attention. I got a half dozen boxes. I had used about the same quantity before found any benefit. But I was en couraged and got a second dozen boxes and before these were all gone every vestige of the trouble had disappeared. Not only this, but was improved in health in every

way, as it will be readily understoo that the long siege of pain I had suf fered had left me badly run down. I can't speak too highly of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I can't recommend them too strongly to other suffer-

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cure sciatica simply because they make the rich, red blood that soothes and strengthens the jangled, aching nerves. That is why they cure such nerve trouble as neuralgia, St. Vitus dance and partial paralysis. That why they cure all ailments due sporting neighborhood. No one but the poor, watery blood. That is why they make weary, despondent, brokto shoot or fish. In the second place, en-down men and women bright, ac this was not the sporting season. But my tive and strong. But only the genu poor foster mother, no more than my. ine pills can do this, and they have the full name, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People on the wrapper wealthy husband for her poor Rose dealers everywhere or by mail at 50 around every box. Sold by medicine sequences and decided her, I firmly becents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 cine Co., Brockville, Ont.

ARural Critic. Dr. B. D. Evans ,the medical expert of

epigrammatic, unexpected, humorous. "Thus, in my native Bridetown, a cansaid the duke, with a tone and look as didate for Congress spoke at a massthough he were mourning over her, dead. meeting, and afterward a politician asked an old farmer what he thought of the

Field Crop Competition in Agricultural Societies

societies in the holding of competitions and agreeing to the terms of this comher pale cheeks, she drew a deep breath, in standing field crops during 1907, recovered herself, and proceeded in a under the regulations noted below.

land. I was forced to use caution and you are much too sensitive to be exposed a moment alone with me. This course societies at the earliest possible moment ments have been made whereby expert As the young duchess looked up at this secrecy in all that I did. You were de- to the necessity of listening to these of conduct brought the man to the point and to decide whether or not they will judges will be furnished by the seed how I can alleviate the sorrows that wished to make me his wife. My poor given notice of the same immediately. the standpoint of utility for seed pur-"Oh, man! man! why did you not touch your gentle heart as if they were mother! with ill-concealed triumph, she In addition to the above contest a poses. The following scale of points will then, at least come forward nd prevent your own," he said, again drawing near approved his suit, and sanctioned his adheld among the winners of the first Larley: "And you, Rose, you?" exclaimed the prizes in each of the agricultural socie- Freedom from weeds 25 points

said it then! But then I blamed my- 1. Nature of Competition.—Competi- Freedom from weeds, other kinds tions shall be limited to two crops, to of grain 10 points seemed so unjust. I was a child in the desired that the society shall decide upon be decided upon by the society. It is Freedom from weeds, attack of "In the name of heaven, Rose, what accept Rutherford, but she urged of the district. Every field entered for one or two crops for competition that Character of plant 20 points competition must consist of not less than

five acres.

gagement, my poor nurse insisted upon limited to members of the society, and the same reserve as before. We were the fields entered for competition must as follows: "This course effected that which Mrs. headquarters of the society. Competibe not more than fifteen miles from the 1. Per cent stand 15 points tors shall be allowed to enter into the competition of only one society. Comcaptain made liberal settlements, or be petitors shall be allowed to make only (Well cultivated and free from weeds). one entry in each class of crop competied to be such. But he desired, upon ac- tion. The annual membership fee in 3. Charter of plant:

of Swinburne were heavily fed, and not less than ten entries in any society 4. Freeedom from disase 05 points in this competition the department will 5. Type of ear: grant the sum of \$70 to cover the above

Where societies have competitions in curate and the clerk would be in readi- two kinds of crops the prizes in each being less than ten entries in each com-"Everything was conducted as had petition the department will grant the up like a lady, and marry a gentleman of captain had a post chaise before our 4. As these special grants will be limdoor. We entered and drove to the ited to ten agricultural societies it is 6. Estimated yield of fodder .. 10 points

Some Rules for Social Affairs.

(Buffalo Exchange.)

reply. If written in the first person

Telephone invitations are permissible

and you can give your answer by tele-

Never say, "I hope to come." Always

For a formal dinner decollete bodice,

elbow steeves, long glooves, plain skirt,

For informal dinner light summery

frock, with neck cut slightly low, elbow

For dinners at restaurants and other

to that worn to theatres with a trans-

Never earlier than fifteen minutes be-

fore the hour named in the invitation.

eass at once on to the dressing room

and there introduce the man to you.

Remain standing behind the chair un-

Step aside while your partner draws

After you are seated a maid or butler

will tuck in your skirts so that they will

not be stepped on or be stained by care-

The hostess will give the signal to re-

Some form of entertainment is univer-

tire to the drawing room, where coffee

is now served to both men and women.

not, you are expected to remain at least

sally provided to follow the dinner.

an hour in the drawing-room,

them for a formal dinner.

In the dining-room-

il the hostess seats herself.

After the dessert-

respective places.

At the table-

less serving.

Your hostess-

write a personal informal answer.

Wear-

hair dressed elaborately.

sleeves and no gloves.

The Ontario Department of Agricul- will be limited to the ten societies first ture proposes to assist ten agricultural filing application with the department,

5. All entries must be forwarded by secretaries of societies to J. Lockie Wil-It has been thought best, for this year son, superintendent of agricultural societies, Parliament buildings, Toronto,

smut, rust and insects ., , 10 points

(A strong stemmed, healthy plant desirable. Excessive growth objectionable). Uniformity of crop, type of plant, size of head and appar-

Total 100 points The scale of points to be used in judging the standing crop of corn shall be

(3 good plants per hill considered a perfect stand).

Vigor and uniformity of growth (A strong, erect, leafy plant producing in the Dent varieties one well developed, well matured ear most desirable; in the Flint varieties two good ears per plant may be

(a) Trueness to type...05 (a) shape of ear (cylindrical preferred).....05 (c) Length and circumfer-

ference of ear (merium preferred)05 (d) Purity (freedom from admixture with other varieties)05 (e) Uniformity and shape

of kernels

Leaving-Bid your hostess good-by before leaving the drawing-room and after donning When you have an invitation for a din- your wraps pass out directly. If you the third person use the third person in | are a single woman have a carriage or a servant call to escort you home.

CHILDHOOD AILMENTS.

The mother who keeps Baby's Own Tablets in the home has a feeling of security that her child's health safe. These Tablets cure such ailments as colic, indigestion, constipation, diarrhoea and simple fevers. They break up colds, destroy worms, make teething painless and give the child healthy natural sleep. And the mother has the guarantee of a government analyst that the Tablets are public places dark or black gown similar absolutely safe. Mrs. Robert Watson, Combermere, Ont., says: parent yoke, gloves and the new leather find Baby's Own Tablets just the on the average higher in favor than any village, when one morning a traveler, in those who have been tortured with sciatica can know. I was treated by sportsman, passed by our place. He look-sportsman, passed by our place. He look-sportsman, passed by our place. He look-sportsman, passed by our place. He look-sportsman between tortured with hat, which is merely a coiffure finished in feathers, osprey aigrettes, spangled flowers or velvet ribbon. Scarfs over the flowers or velvet ribbon. Scarfs over the ers or by mail at 25 cents a box from shoulders are introduced this year for diner wear in exquisite laces and gauzes. The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brock-

GERMANY'S ISOLATION

Ring the bell and on being admitted | Hamburg Paper Complains Bitterly

British Diplomacy. where you remove wraps. Remove your gloves for an informal dinner, retaining The Hamburger Nachrichten, formerly the organ of Prince Bismarck, and still representing the views of a large sec-Will either leave in the dressing room | tion of Junkers and the military party, a small card bearing the name of the has a bitter article complaining of the tions." He explains this by saying that man who will take you out to dinner or persistent efforts of British diplomacy, she will meet you in the drawing-room assisted or inspired by King Edward, to isolate Germany from the rest of Eur-Do not offer to take your partner's ope and to draw a ring of hostile powers

Two powers, it says, must be consid-At an informal dinner the hostess ered as having been in a special degree seats her guests with simple words or influenced by England against Germany. gestures. At a formal dinner plate cards | namely, Italy and Russia. With Italy, are used and your partner will find your | Britain has been thoroughly successful and reliance can no longer be placed on her by Germany in any conflict where British interests are involved ,but with Russia it is different, and there is still time to prevent efforts being made in London to come to an understanding example at public functions.

with the Czar's Government. It is asolutely necessary, says the Bismarckian organ, that German diplomacy does all in its power to hinder an understanding between Britain and Russia, and it expresses the hope that error of his former belief that an understanding between these powers is in the

interests of the German Empire. At one time, says the paper, Germany was able to rely on a rising in the British Mohammedan Empire should England get into trouble, but since the Algeciras fiasco the Oriental nations would seem to have lost confidence in Germany and would probably remain quiet should war at any time break out between Great Britain and Germany. If, therefore, danger of a serious character is to avoided, an understanding between Britain and Russia must be prevented at all costs. There is no other way.

Hardy Shamed Them.

dents. While speaking he was disgracefully hazed, but retained his good nature and in effect of Cambridge education seems to be it is often a wonder why the theolog hearing to one of the most con-

CURRENT COMMENT

A 24-knot Canadian line is expected to be an institution of the near future.

Dr. Alex. Graham Bell thinks we may breakfast next morning in England, travelling 150 to 200 miles an hour by airship. A collision at that speed would be

-well, interesting. Those people who contend that great armaments tend to peace, will probably argue that we should be a more peaceful people if everybody "toted" revolvers and bowie-knives.

The Bureau of Labor at Washington has issued some statistics relating to the increased cost of living. At wholesale prices the increase in cost of 258 commodities in 1906 over 1905 was more than 51/2 per cent., and compared with 1887 the rise amounts to 301/2 per cent. -considerably more than one-third. The commodities include food, clothing, implements and utensils and building material. No doubt a similar comparison of prices in this country would show a similar result.

The strike of the plumbers in Toronto is said to be likely to lead to a general ent yield of grain 25 points | sympathy strike of the unions in the building trades. The determination of the unions not to allow men without union cards to obtain employment if they can prevent it was made evident by the secretary of the building trades' federated council last night. If the unions adhere to that idea, and the employers insist on dealing with men individually without regard to the union membership, but solely on their merits, the chances for a wasteful and foolish labor war are bright

> The danger of recognition of the "unwritten law," of which we have heard so much since Thaw's cowardly crime, has received an excellent illustration in the case of the deliberate murder by a Virginia judge of a young man whom he suspected of wronging his daughter. The father sought him out at his work and shot him down without giving him a chance to deny or explain. Now it transpires that the victim of summary vengeance was innocent of the offence imputed to him. What must be the remorse of the murderer? This "unwritten law" is merely another way of expressing resort to barbarism and unrestrained private vengeance. The rope is the remedy for the "unwritten law" obsession.

In Wisconsin the other day, we are told, the legislature resorted to the "Marry Ann" system of voting to break a deadlock on an appointment. A good many may be puzzled to know what is meant by the "Mary Ann" system of voting. It provides that eac's member of the legislature shall vote his first and his second choice at the same time. The second-choice votes are to be added to the first-choice votes in case the first choice does not result in a nomination. It is intended to take into consideration the average of popularity. The successful candidate under the system may possibly not have the greatest number of votes as first choice, but he must be

Sir William Trelvar, Lord Mayor of London, made a remarkable confession when he said that since he became Lord Mayor and ceased attending to his businesc it had become more prosperous. Another remarkable utterance of his is that he has eaten a hundred and fifty public dinners in six months and has found them "enjoyable healthy funche eschews heavy dishes and confines himself to vegetables when the former are brought on, and that he speaks extemporaneously. He says: "I do not begin to prepare my speech until I am on my legs. Some men ruin their digestion and deny themselves all the legitimate pleasure which should be derived from a good dinner because they are thinking over jokes and elaborating epigrams." The Lord Mayor seems to be a bit of a philosopher, and after-dinner speakers might do worse than follow his

The Philomathean Society of the Peterboro Collegiate Institute did good thing when it took up the question of reading and held a competitive test. There are few good readers, that is to say, there are few people who can read aloud so as to be distinctly understood. or in a way to convey the meaning of what they are reading. Few are able to pronounce the words correctly or to give the proper emphasis and inflection to the matter they read. Now, this should not be. A person should be able to do all that, and were proper attention paid to reading aloud in our schools and other seats of learning reading would not be the lost art it is to-day. How many of our preachers can read a chapter of Scripture as it should be read? As a rule the reading is a dreary performance. But once in a while we meet with one who transforms the cold printed words into words of living fire, and those who listen hang upon his every word while they drink in the full posed to be a school of manners, but the | meaning of the writer. Among the laity colleges turn out so many poor, uninteresting readers.

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