

partied wire, in which Mr. F. had the "shure and matther is it? It's a 1 can't stand nor sit down, nor -nor neatly-attired of 1 man of seventy. previous summer invested for the pur- snake or some other murtherin' baste anything." pose of sura oanting his orchard fence. has hurted me fut that had' musha' "Now isn't it lucky that Josiah dieln't musha," and Brilget sat on the hall did ..." use this? If he had, I couldn't have floor rolling from side to side and hold-

shown him what a smart wife he has-and he wouldn't be able to refute, with "Oh, no, Bridget, it's only the bur-while I have been away.

"Climb onto the bannister, Josiab, I a member of the C agress, writes as though he was writing for a deaf man, "Climb onto the bannister, woman! with characters very large and high And so you've been playin' circus and broad. His name stretches clear

burglar-alarm. What in creation's band, straight as though written upon

name is it anyway? It's killing me, hues characteristic of this tall, slouder,

close to us, a woman. The people who are too poor to cremate their dead throw them into the sacred waters of the Ganges. Come down here in the proshe will draw down the blinds and Asseen as it is clear to the wiseacros-morning and you will see plenty of betake herseli to simuler. Arrive i that it will be necessary to send off a them. It is against the law, of course, at her destination, she will walk up a swarm, the bees go to work to make a

ceptional power of sleeping, whenever and they are going to found a colony, sheehouses. She always travels in a 'or "swarm," as it is called; in which sleeping cur, and, once ever need there is case each family will need a sovereign but they do it in the night. It really a stage on which she has never set queen. A worker inaggot, or if there her life. All her triends adore her so that three erainary cells are turned Change of feed, a larger room, and a different position the queen's cell hangs down insteal of being horizon Mr. J. B. Martin, while candding in tal these three changes of treatment "Ah, there comes a stranger one of the mountains of telerade resentive turn the bee that is developing from a eat crouching for a spring. The and single instinct. There is nothing els, In striking contrast with this offen- mal made a leap, and, Mr. Martin in in all nature that seems to me more day

ancress, the assertion that woman has glar alarm. I forged to tell you about when I married you I had found a his post office address, reaches down a knowledge of mechanism. I'll show it. See, my hands are all etd up by it, woman of discretion; but it seems I and coversomethical of its length. Car-'hem! Ouch! to handle! Burglar. Now, where'll I put it first?" who put it there, if yez plaze?" By Now tell me what all this confounded more like as O than a J, and the aver-

she brought to view a large coil of

What mean stuff it is too; but it'll keep burglars away."

"Why, what is the matter. Bridget?"

and at last decided that as the hired geance in her eyes. zirl had gone to bed, and there was no "Why, I did!' You see Mr. Fillisy is one but herself about, she would build | gone away and I wanted to feel safe -- ' such a wall of barbed wire at the foot of the stairs as no burgiar could possing night on. 1'll be lavin' yer in the was afraid, and so-1--I invented a occupying nearly a half page with the sty surmount. But when she had mornin'. I never worked afore where burglar alarm, and-and-1 never signature and address. Murray, of wound it around the newel-post, with a dacent gurral couldn't go down the dreamed of your coming home but I Ohio, writes "Respectfully," and many "Ah's" and "Oh's," she found stairs for a bit of clove ile to put in her thought if a burglar should get in, it follow a lot of marks which look as that the wire wouldn't fasten itself to achin' tooth widout steppin' on a bur-he wall, and as for this brave inven, glar alarm and havin' her feet hurted and -anit-1 guess it would." And pen. It may spellout "B. M. Murray," tor's making a long and lonesome that bad! Shure an' I'll be afther she smilled ruefully upon the barbed, but no living man would ever suspect journey into the woodshed for hammer javin' in the mornin', ma'am," and points at her feet. and nails-no, indeed, she wouldn't Bridget limped toward her room in a

she'd show des in that a woman's state of unappeasable indignation. mind could triumph over matter,

problems are slow of solution, and Mrs. explanations. you mustn't be too smart an inhaven't got stair-rods? Get some, I Bridget, whose culinary powers Mr. suppose: or may be, now, when Josiah Fillisy had especially praised that very comes home he can think of something day. How angry Josiah would be to hold the wire down, any way, when he came home and found Ouch! Just see my finger bleed! Hor- Bridget gone. Dear! dear! and all because of that burglar alarm! rid stuff! I wonder how Mr. Burglar will like that."

And Mrs. Fillisy surveyed with began to wane. She wasn't quite so honest pride the work of her fertile sure now that Josiah would be prebrain, and nimble, but wounded fingers parel to admit that woman had a much genius as her so-called lord and

She had contrived, by dint of twisting and turning the barbed wire in master. every shape and direction, to create a lower step.

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"No man would think of this, and to herself, as she proceeded to fas-inid to herself, as she proceeded to fas-"Shure an' ye'll think in the mornin", enforced position.

"Dear me, it's slow work; but then all with a force that shut off all further stairs? My stockings are already it with lightning-like rapidity, as is plastered with blood to my poor feet." Mrs. Fillisy retired to bed to weep;

> turned spatefully to his wife with the wonls:

Somehow her pride in her invention

Orvern. The Russian barbers practice the old Roundhead fashion, and really clip

She was crying silently over her trials hair by putting a bowl over the heads every shape and direction, to create a perfect battery of needle points on the when suddenly she heard a sound that of their customers, and clipping what hand, the "Wm." swelling out at the bottom like double Jersey onions. caused every individual hair on her ever hair protrudes.

I thought across the page of the album and, with was mistaken. You'relike all the rest fisle, the Speaker, signs in a schoolboy But all the better for Mr "Burglar alarm, is it, thin? An' sliding down the bannister, indeed hand, "J. G. Carlisle, Ky." The J is Mrs. Fillisy pondered deeply, with all this time Bridget was standing erect nonsense means," said Josiah, perching age reader would probably make "Carthe gravity worthy of a great inventore and glaring at her mistress with ven- himself astride the bannister, and eye dine" out of the Cariisle. Hilt, of Illiing his wife malignantly. "Oh, Josiah, indeed 1 haven't been gentleman of large experience, makes it of being that. There are some curi-

Barksdale, of Mississippi, who was also

"Stars and gartets! Prophets and one contradictions among these signaconjurers! When will women cease to tures. For the man in the whole "I'm so sorry, Bridget: I didn't be fools?" and the representative of the House from whom you would have ex-"No man would think of this," she think," began Mrs. Fillisy, deprecating- world's wisdom shifted uneasily in his pected the worst signature writes the best. This is Kleiner, of Indiana, Ilis

"Will you kindly tell me, ob, great signature is, as the boys put it, like feet that held the stair-rods in position: ma'am," and Bridget banged her door inventor, how and 1 to get up these copy-book writing, and yet he writes the case in all of his writing. ' Belford, "Climb up the railing on the outside, of Colorado, who would not be expectventor. I wonder what folk'll do who she had been at such pains to procure like this," and she showed him, by ex- ed to write a decipherable signature, ample, how easily he could gain the Signs with a good, clear, round hand, apper landing! When once there, he A name quite indecipherable turns out on consultation of the Congressional directory to be "Frank H. Hurd," for "Martha Ann Filliay, you are the Hurd is the only man from Toledo, biggest fool I ever saw! If you ever Ohio, Beach, of New York, who invent another thing, I'll shut you up chanced to sign on April 1, preceded in a lunatic asylum?"-Chicago Inter-bis signature with the quotation "What fools we mortals be," and then after his signature he writes, ·· All-

Fool's Day," Ochiltree signs "Tom Ochiltree Galveston, Texas," in a very bad hand. Thelps, W. W., signs "Wm. ties

can't be helped. Many of the people her foot before, and the exits and en bappens to be are too poor for any other method of granees of which are totally unknown or egg is selected noar the edge of the disposing of their dead, however mex- to her and will go through her part comb. Two cells next door to the one pensive. There are always quite a with as much spirit and brilliancy at in which this magnet is are cleared out, number of bodies lodged under this though she had acted there for ball and the dividing walls are cut down. bridge."

I looked about me in some bewilder and she is the idel of very cat or dog into one. The food which the worker ment. There came a black careass, belonging to the theatnes of France, worm has be a feeding on is removed fearfully bloated. On top of it sit a In many respects "a most sweet and the lathe creature is supplied with crow, which as the drifting mass ap woman," and for the rest, "O the pity a new kind of food a royal jelly proached me, paused in his gorging of it the pity of it, lago?"

process, whetted his boak on the bone of a forearm and then eved me in a reflective way, as much as to say:

him."

the green foreigners. I can tell him mer with an exciting adventure. He worker into a queen. She is different by his inexperienced air. Let him stay was climbing a mountain, and happens in her outer shape, different in almost here a little while and we'll initiate ing to look up not the eyes of a wild all her organs, and different in ever,

An Exciting Adventure.

sive spectacle was my test view of the stinctively dodging his head, the least wonderful than this river front of Benares, the sacred city fell upon his right shoulder, fastening . For fear that one queen may not of the Hindoos as seen from this same his sharp claws in his overcoat. Mr come out all right, the provident little bridge at the same moment. The city Martin shook it off suddenly, when creatures usually start two or three of Benares is built along the bank of it colled down the steep sole of the que needls at once. It is curions to the Ganges, with an average depth of mountain for some ten feet. Gather | watch the first queen as she comes out one mile and a height above the river ing itself up, turious with rage, it pro- She mayes up and down the comb of from eighty to 100 feet. From the pared for another leap. Mr. Martin, looking for other queen-cells, and o water's surface to the summit of the in the meantime, started on a run up, shounds one she falls upon it in the eliff are splendid ghats, built of the the mountain, but was soon obliged to greatest excitement, and stings her inest Chunar stone. Owing to the stop for want of breath, when he dis- rival to death. Sometimes, by acciinscentity of the foundation, some of covered the wildeat close to his horis, dent, two new queens come out at the these terraces are now in a somewhat. For the first time he thought of a re- same time, then it is wonderful to see ruinous condition. At the summit of velver in his pocket, and belged a bull the bes. They clear a space and bring the cliff rises an amphitheatre of mag- let in one or its forelegs, but the amin the two rivals together, and stand nificent buildings from four to six mal continued to approach. The next back to watch the fight. And it is a stories in height, all constructed of shot lodged in one of the creature's royal light indeed; a light to the death stone. Many of these are the palaces oyes, and he continued living till the for they never give up till one or the of native princes and opulent citizens, pistol was empty, when he had the other is fatally stung. The victor is who are wont to journey hither at cer- satisfaction of seeing the beat drop then accepted as sovereign .-- St. Nich tain seasons of the year to renew their dead at his feet. sprituality by dipping themselves in

noses,

the holy water of the Ganges, a pana- Alcohol was first invented and used In twenty years the sales of single cea for all the vilest sins which a Hin- to stain the checks of the ladies in packages of patent medicines in Great doo may contract in less sacred locali- Arabia 968 years ago. It now stains Britain have increased from 6,661,667 to 18,457,990.