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"I replied that it was a contingency which we sorely thought it worth while to consider. I expressed my firm belief that England would observe all the conventions written and understood of international law."

"And he?"
"He was not satisfied, of course. He declared that he had certain information that England was making definite plans with a view to insure the delay of the fleet. He went on to say that Germany was determined not to tolerate any such thing, and he concludes that we, as Russia's ally, would at any rate remain neutral should Germany think it her duty to interfere."

"I answered that in the event of untoward happenings France would act as her honor dictated, remaining always mindful of the obligations of her alliance. He was quite satisfied."

"He had no suspicion of this?" the young man asked, touching the treaty with his forefinger.

"No," he believed in Germany that the young Englishman was really fond of the Seine after a short career of dissipation. Our friends served us well here. Now, gentlemen, the English ambassador will be here in twenty minutes. What am I to say to him? Do we sign this draft agreement or do we not?"

There was a silence which lasted nearly a minute. Then the younger of the two men spoke.

"Sir," he said respectfully, "without some proof of Russia's falsity I cannot see how in honor we can depart from our treaty obligations with her to the extent of signing an agreement with her putative enemy. England must fight her own battle, and God help her!"

"And you?" M. Grisson asked, turning to the third man.

"I agree," was the regretful answer. "If this treacherous scheme is carried out, I believe that France will be face to face with the greatest crisis she has known in history. Even then I dare not suggest that we court dishonor by breaking an alliance with a friend in distress."

"You are right, gentlemen," M. Grisson said, with a sigh. "We must tell Lord Fothergill that our relations with his country must remain unfettered."

Again the telephone bell rang. M. Grisson listened and replied with a sudden return to his old briskness of manner.

"It is young De Bergillac," he announced. "He has been in England in search of that missing page of the treaty. I have told them to show him in."

The vicomte entered, paler than ever from recent travel and deeply humiliated from the fact that there was a smut upon his collar which he had no time to remove. He presented a paper to M. Grisson and bowed. The premier spread it out upon the table, and the faces of the three men as they read became a study. M. Grisson rang the bell.

"M. le Duc de Bergillac and a young English gentleman," he told the attendant, "are in my private retiring room. Desire their presence."

The servant withdrew. The three men looked at one another.

"If this is genuine?" the younger murmured.

"It is the Russian official paper," his vis-a-vis declared, holding it up to the light.

Then the Duc de Bergillac and Guy Poynton were ushered in. M. Grisson rose to his feet.

"M. Poynton," he said, "we have all three heard your story as to what you witnessed in the forests of Posen. It is part of your allegation that a page of writing from the private car which you were watching was blown to your feet and that you picked it up and brought it to Paris with you. Look at this sheet of paper carefully. Tell me if it is the one."

Guy glanced at it for a moment and handed it back.

"It is certainly the one," he answered. "If you look at the back you will see my initials there and the date."

M. Grisson turned it over quickly. The two other men looked over his shoulder, and one of them gave a little exclamation. The initials and date were there.

Then M. Grisson turned once more to Guy. He was not a tall man, but he had dignity, and his presence was impressive. He spoke very slowly.

"M. Guy-Foynton," he said, "it is not often that so great an issue—the very destinies of two great countries must rest upon the simple and uncorroborated story of one man. Yet that is the position in which we stand today. Do not think that you are being treated with distrust. I speak to you not on behalf of human beings whose will is my care and for those other wills of your own countrymen whose interests must be yours. I ask you solemnly, is this story of yours word for word a true one?"

Guy looked him in the face resolutely and answered without hesitation.

"On my honor as an Englishman," he declared, "it is true!"

M. Grisson held out his hand.

said. "I am going to take a carriage to my hotel!"

"It is on the way to leave me at my rooms, if you will be so kind," she suggested, laying her hand upon his arm.

"Mademoiselle will excuse me," he answered, turning away. "Good afternoon."

Mademoiselle also took a carriage and drove to a large house at the top

third row from c to e stake of line 2 at b is moved to d. When arriving at c, stake at b is moved to d, which puts line 2 in position for the fourth row, etc.

For long rows we use one measuring stick at each end of the rows and one in the middle. The middle stick is pushed in the ground against the line to prevent the wind from displacing

the line. When we plant day after day, we do not take up the lines at night, but simply loosen one end to prevent their breaking from shrinkage. The time to wind up the lines would cost far more than they are worth. We can better afford to buy new lines, say every two years.

Value of Sediments. Irrigating sediments may be beneficial or harmful to crops, according to their composition and physical character and their disposition in or upon the soil. Whether beneficial or harmful in composition, if they accumulate upon the surface of the soil in the form of silt blankets more or less impervious to water and air, their influence, by limiting the supply of these essential substances to plant roots, is notably harmful. In certain localities where these irrigating sediments are very plastic in character and excessive in amount the damage, particularly to alfalfa, is particularly serious. It is not constant and through cultivation, is of an increasingly serious character.

Cultivation, where practicable, as deep and thorough as possible, is the best available means of handling these accumulations. Beneficial sediments are thus incorporated with the soil and their fertilizing properties made available to plant roots, while sediments of barren character are dispersed to the depth of cultivation through the soil. When, however, sediments of undesirable character predominate cultivation can only modify and not remedy resulting conditions.

In such cases it is desirable to lessen the sediments in irrigation waters by means of settling basins and similar devices.—S. Fortler.

Testing Bordeaux Mixture. There are three simple tests for bordeaux mixture which may be used: First, hold a clean, bright knife blade in the bordeaux for at least one minute. It becomes copper plated, more lime should be used. Second, pour some of the bordeaux into a shallow dish and, holding it up to the light, observe the color of the surface. If properly made, a thin pellicle will form on the surface of the liquid. If this does not form, more lime should be added. Third, dissolve one ounce of ferrocyanide of potassium in five or six ounces of water, pour some of the bordeaux into a white dish and add to it a few drops of the ferrocyanide solution. If sufficient lime has been used, no change will be noticed. If a brownish red discoloration takes place, more lime should be added.—A. B. Cordley.

The Back Yard. A fruit tree in the back yard is worth two family trees in a glass case.—Gentry Sentinel.

The Back Yard. The back yard has high civic and national duties to perform. Much of a city's claim to beautification must rest within its small inclosure, and if ever America is to know something of England's and Germany's formal city beautification, the back yard must be the prime factor in securing this honor.—Chicago Tribune.

An Estate Obtained Through a Pun. Land transfer has lost a great deal of the simplicity which characterized the operation in the olden time. The pleasant land of Bohemia, in the present case, belonged to the archbishop of Canterbury, but was much coveted by Earl Godwin, supporter of the last of the Saxon kings, whose treasury was unfortunately too empty to purchase it. He obtained the place by a novel system of land transfer. His lordship attended a great ceremony in the archbishop's cathedral, followed by his retainers, and, according to time-honored custom, said to his grace, "Da mihi basium," meaning, "Give me the kiss of peace," only instead of saying the provincial pronunciation of Bohemia, "Do mihi basium," which, being interpreted, is, "I give thee the kiss," which he did. "But Godwin cried, 'Thou hast given me Bohemia' to which all once belonged to the archbishop. And the whole crew at once rode off to take possession of the pleasant Sussex territory. The archbishop could not help himself and allowed the transfer to go. The law has greatly complicated matters since then.

Made It Homelike. Recently a district visitor in the east end of London asked the wife of a notorious drinker why she did not keep her husband from the public house.

"Well," she answered, "I 'ave done my best, ma'am, but he will go there."

"Why don't you make your home look more attractive?"

"I'm sure I've tried 'ard to make it homelike, ma'am," was the reply. "I've took up the parlor carpet and sprinkled sawdust on the floor and put a beer barrel in the corner. But, lor, ma'am, it ain't made a bit of difference!"—London Mail.

"Johnny, do you know where those pills are that were on my chest shelf?"

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Fowling and factory were sports practiced by the ancient Greeks, but were carried to greater perfection in medieval England.

luk and wrote a number of notes and letters. He then quietly took out a small revolver and shot himself in the breast. One of the letters found in his pocket runs:

To the Curious Public.—In this century it is impossible voluntarily to leave this world without great efforts being made on the part of newspapers and curious people to discover the cause of the deed. In my case, without study and investigation at close quarters. Is not a fine idea? So much has been written on the subject, and I please me to discover instead of talking. So I determined to die and see whether I shall be reborn in the form of some animal. It would be delightful to return to this world as a lion or a rat. This is why I wanted to die. ADDIO.

Let No One Boast. Just as every man, though he be the greatest genius, has very definite limitations in some one sphere of knowledge, and thus attests his common origin with the essentially perverse and stupid mass of mankind, so also has every man something in his nature which is positively evil. Even the best—nay, the noblest—character will sometimes surprise us by isolated traits of depravity, as though it were to acknowledge his kinship with the human race, in which villainy—nay, cruelty—is to be found in that degree.—Schopenhauer.

The Whole Show. When Bubinstein was traveling through the United States upon a concert tour it chanced that Barnum's circus followed exactly the same route chosen by the great Russian. On one occasion when the train was filled with snake charmers, acrobats, clowns and the like the guard, noticing perhaps Bubinstein's remarkable appearance, asked him, "Do you belong to the show?" Turning his lionine head with a savage shake, Bubinstein fiercely growled out, "Sir, I am the show!"

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E. W. Screven, of Columbia, S. C., has been appointed internal revenue agent for the Carolinas with headquarters at Greensboro. He is at present deputy collector of internal revenue at Charleston. Mr. Screven is a well-known South Carolina Republican. He was the personal selection of Internal Revenue Commissioner Capers.

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