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## HER EXILE

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She came among them in strange reticence; tactfully aimed questions met with no success. There was a kind of haughtiness about the new resident which forbade intimacy. Later it was the exacting townfolk who encouraged the coldness. Mrs. Gay was not desirable, they decided. True, her frocks in their modish good taste were superior, and the language she had taken the finest in town.

There was craning of necks on Sunday when the remote neighbor attended service at the beautiful stone church, whose ancient date was registered on the doorpost. The organ was the pride of all. It was the gift of a now great musician who had come from Plainsville in his boyhood.

Rupert Rolf had repeatedly promised to return to his old home town to give an exhibition of his skill. The promise had been unrealized.

One day printed placards announced that the musician was to arrive that week in Plainsville; the following Sabbath he would play upon the gift organ in the beautiful church.

The placard in the store window seemed to scream at her with its red letters—Rupert Rolf! Rupert Rolf! And next Sabbath he was to play at the church she attended. Well, might she not still attend?

"Good-by," said the little girl; "my mamma would not want me to stop. Oh, Mrs. Gay, your eyes are wet."

Mrs. Gay laughed shakily. "Why, so they are," she said.

She wore a dark dress the day of Rupert Rolf's church recital. She went early to take her seat in the gallery, and sat palpitating throughout the preliminary opening of the service.

The minister explained that he was waiting, with little hope, the appearance of Rupert Rolf. The musician had not arrived in the town as expected, defeated by engagements, but he had sent a letter, assuring his presence if possible, at the morning service.

The allotted time of waiting passed. The minister looked, smiling, over his people. "Our usual organist is out of town," he said. "I wonder if some one will not volunteer to play for us this morning? Please," he begged—and paused. There was no response; again the request was given.

"This is an unusual circumstance," the minister explained, troubled. "Will not some one kindly help in this manner?"

Again no response.

Some one arose in the gallery—signified her willingness.

The audience could not see the volunteer organist who went swiftly to take her place before the keys. They saw a dark-clothed back, an enveloping small hat.

cretely, and my most absorbing effort to find her was unavailing. In order to place me first in the musical world which she thought my all—she had effaced herself completely. And— the musician's eyes, filled with remorseful tears, met those of his wife— "and broke my heart," he finished.

She met the townspeople gracefully, the gifted wife of the famous musician.

"Such a charming pair!" the residents said. "No doubt it was Mr. Rolf's wish that his wife remain unknown among us until he himself might present her."

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## HOW OLD AGE CAN BE EVADED

Keep Insisting That You Are Young, and Resist the Suggestions of Others.

Doc Henneberry has just proven the excellence of a long-life theory. For as long as I can remember Doc has insisted that age can be evaded, within limits. Nothing, he says, will grow hair on a bald head. But if the owner of the hairless caput will say to himself:

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Her mistress regarded her in astonishment. "Why, Ellen, I thought you didn't believe in banks?"

## DIVORCE EASY FOR INDIANS

Separation of Married Couple Constituted a Legal Divorce—Upheld by Commissioner.

In the period that the Indians lived as tribal peoples, following their own marriage customs, a separation of a married couple constituted a legal divorce. This is the decision just handed down by Charles H. Burke, Indian commissioner, and is considered as one of great importance that will be followed many times, no doubt, in determining heirship cases among the Ponca, Otoe and other tribes.

The decision came in determining heirs of Chief Little Soldier, who for a long time was prominent in the Ponca tribe. In Nebraska, prior to the tribe coming to their present Oklahoma homes, Little Soldier had taken two sisters as wives, Ella Little Soldier and Henrietta First Moon. The latter retained her maiden name in order to distinguish herself from her sister. Indian custom permitted Little Soldier to have plural wives.

When a congressional act of March 12, 1897, directed each Ponca possessing more than one wife to pick out his favorite and thus divorce the other, Little Soldier failed to do so. Evidently he liked both sisters too well to choose between them.

The investigation to determine the heirs of Little Soldier started last December before George Hoyt, the superintendent for the Ponca and affiliated tribes, and the findings were sent by him to Commissioner Burke. All the principal figures in the marital mixup now are dead excepting Henrietta First Moon. She claimed the estate as having been his Indian custom wife, whereas Starling White Tail contested her as the son of Alice Eagle White Tail.—Kansas City Star.

Hard on the Dog.

As an example of household economy the following should serve as a model to all wives tending to be extravagant: Provided the family got enough to eat at each meal, there should have been no complaint from anyone, with the possible exception of the butcher and the dog.

"Marry!"

"What about that ham bone I brought home the other day? Can't you cut a few scraps of meat from it for dinner this evening?"

"I cut off all the meat I could night before last for dinner."

"Well, then, you might boil it this evening. We'll have soup."

"Yes, ma'am, and what do you want me to do with it, then?"

"Tomorrow morning you might see if you can't get enough marrow out of it to grease the griddle for pancakes."

"Yes, ma'am."

"And, Mary, after that you might give it to the dog."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Augustus the Persistent.

"A good story used to be told of Augustus Harris' persistence in securing his engagement at the Royalty. Calling on Bruce one day:

"Do you want a stage manager?" asked Harris.

## TURK WOMEN FORGING AHEAD

Restrictions on Their Freedom Are Disappearing One After Another, Says a Writer.

The contrast between the status of these Moslem women and the position of women in Turkey proper grows steadily. In fact, the restrictions surrounding Turkish women disappear more and more almost daily. Four years ago the Turkish woman shopper in Pera used to throw her veil back while in the European quarter, but would draw it over her face immediately on crossing the bridge to Istanbul. Today the haunton of the upper class hardly wears the veil at all. It hangs down from the side of the charshaf in a knot, and figures merely as an ornament.

A number of Moslem girls of the Turkish capital have become pupils of Robert college, the American school picturesquely situated on the hills of Bebek, by the Bosphorus. The number of Turkish women active in professions has greatly increased. During my recent visit to Constantinople I found that a young lady whom I had first met six years before had but two terms left to attain the degree of doctor of philosophy, with the ultimate aim of entering government service. The rare abilities of Halide Edib Hanoum, the well-known Turkish woman author, have been rewarded by her nomination as minister of public instruction in the Turkish cabinet at Angora.

The last remnants of polygamy virtually disappeared with the ascent to the caliphate of his majesty Abd El Medjid. He is the first ruler of the Osman dynasty who adheres to the western form of matrimony.—Edward J. Bing, in Current History Magazine.

Landlord of the Long Head

French House Owner Devises Scheme to Enlist Tenant's Interest in the Property.

The constant increase in the price of material and the wage of labor tends to make the upkeep of any building an onerous affair for the owner. The repairs called for by exacting tenants go to increase the already heavy overhead. This is further augmented by the carelessness which many of them show in allowing children and servants to deteriorate the apartments they rent.

A Paris house owner has just invented an ingenious method of making his tenants his allies in the care and upkeep of the apartment house he owns, says the Washington Star. He has offered a prize of two months' rent for the best-kept apartment and has made the tenants the judges of a committee of inspection and award. As a consequence his house is now cleaned and polished from basement to garret, children are carefully watched when at play to prevent their doing any damage, while the necessity of care of the premises is impressed on servants and tradespeople.

Each of the tenants, in the hope of gaining the prize, competes with his neighbors in care and cleanliness. Paint and paper are kept sparkling clean, while floors and staircases shine with varnish. As any application for repairs would be a confession of want and care, the bill for the upkeep of the establishment has fallen to zero. The amount awarded as a prize to the best-kept tenant is therefore more than covered by the diminution of the overhead.

Obedient to a Fault.

"New John" said his mother, "if any one asked you what part of the chicken you want, what would you say?"

"I don't know."

"You must say you want the piece that no one else wants."

So John always remembered that, and one night John was asked out to dinner, and as the host had fried chicken he asked John which part of the chicken would he take.

"I will take some of the feathers,"—John.

Too Great a Risk.

Life Insurance Agent—One moment, sir, before I fill in your application. What make of car do you drive?

Client—I don't drive any—I have them!

## ODD SEA MONSTER IS FOUND

It is Eight Feet Long and Resembles an Elephant Without a Trunk and a Whale.

There has been exhibited in Buenos Aires a hitherto unknown sea monster, captured some twenty-five miles from the coast of Mar del Plata. It was at first supposed to be a shell-less sea turtle, but expert examination shows this is not the case.

It resembles rather an elephant without a trunk, or more properly, an enormous elephant's head with ears absent. It has two vertical fins behind, one above and one below, remindingly suggesting the jaws of a whale. Its color is brown, the mouth is large and spherical.

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HORSE PASSING IN MARYLAND

Retiring From Transportation Field at the Rate of One and One-Half Per Cent a Year.

Old Dobbin is retiring from the transportation field at the state roads at rate of 1 1/2 per cent a year.

Traffic tests taken on the main arteries of the state roads system show that he is exactly 1.5 per cent weaker as a competitor to the motor driven vehicles that he was last year. Tests on 14 of 48 hours were taken recently. In the old days when horse-drawn traffic was his big day, the recent Sunday tests show that on 24 roads the horse-drawn vehicular traffic was only 82.00 per cent of the entire traffic, Dobbin's big day is Tuesday. Then he can claim only 4.38 per cent of the entire traffic.—Baltimore News.

Record Mountain Climbing.

A record of climbing 36 mountains at the rate of one every day has been made by a California schoolmaster. On a complete trip in Glacier National park, Norman Clyde of Weaver, Calif., set out to reach the tops of as many peaks as possible in the shortest space of time, and, according to the bureau of national parks, his total of 36 is unique.

His last peak climbed by Clyde was Mount Willbur the summit of which is about 10,000 feet. Clyde who is thirty-eight, has had long experience in mountain climbing—a member of the Sierra club of San Francisco. He claims that earlier a shows him to have been the first to attain the summit of 17 mountains.

Peace-Time Use for Airplanes.

Immense icebergs drifting down from the high North like castles of glistening silver are blocking the harbor of Old Port Bay, an ancient French cove, a fishing place on the coast of Labrador. In some ways the city's inhabitants have outwitted the government of Canada that they are starting to use "BIBB" Blimp, V. C. the machine brought down by German planes during the war is going to take food to the people of there. There you have a good peace-time use for an airplane and an able aviator.

Kept Cool in Eye.

A shower of coal which has been heeded in the eye of Jesse A. Wright of Sanford, Md., for 25 years, was finally worked its way out. Mr. Wright was operating a running house at Choptank, Md., in 1888, when a terrific explosion occurred, wrecking the place and seriously injuring him. A short time ago his eye began troubling him. A physician treated him and removed a fragment of coal from his eye. Atlanta Constitution.

Called for.

"Willie?"

"Yes, mamma."

## GUARD AGAINST TIDAL WAVE

U. S. Weather Bureau Sends Out Warning to Certain Regions When Earthquake Occur.

"Little seismic or earthquake records cannot be used directly in predicting quakes, they have other practical uses. When the records are collected and studied they throw a great deal of light on the nature of earthquakes generally, and it is conceivable that at some future time this information may lead to successful methods of prediction."

In one way, however, which is illustrated in the practice of the Hawaiian volcanic observatory, conducted by the weather bureau of the United States department of agriculture, seismological records are of immediate practical utility. Severe earthquakes, with oceanic areas frequently are a tendency to so-called tidal waves. There may be an interval of many hours between the occurrence of the quake and the arrival of a destructive wave, but any delay may mean a silent earthquake applying to the Pacific in the Hawaiian observatory, the officials send out warnings by radio, or otherwise to the regions likely to be affected by the accompanying tidal waves, so that the people may not be caught unprepared. This service is said to have resulted in a great saving of life and property.

Not Enough Forest Protection.

Thirty-nine states vital, important areas of forest land, but only 27 have organized state forest protection on a more or less adequate scale. Systematic fire protection of private owned forest lands is sadly lacking. At least 100,000,000 acres of such land now receive no protection and on many other areas the protection furnished is incomplete and inadequate. An average expenditure of between two and one-half and three cents an acre, or a total of 7,000,000, would fairly protect all of the privately owned forest land in the United States. The task at present weighs inwards.

For Value Received.

A Boston woman related that during her trip to England she visited a certain place and employed a guide to show her around. After he had explained the principal streets of the neighborhood she remarked: "I have had him for my guide. I don't think you have told me his name absolutely true. I never feel I should pay for untruths."

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