Strictly in Advance.

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Don't Stand in the Way. The world is too crowded. The grumbler declares. "I don't like its labor If you care not to work, sir, And much rather play.

The sowers are coming To put in the seed, This army is sea-cely Enough for our need;

You can lend us a band For an hour, or a day, Or stand like a post, But don't stand in the way. Life's summer and autumn

And then the glad reapers Will fall into place. But if you have not labored, You can't expect pay: And the harvest is theirs' So don't stand in their way

Keep moving keep moving There's good work for all; Put a hand to the plough, Or go back to the wall. The young men are coming. And old men grown gray The world needs them al

# THE NEW MIRROR.

BY RATE M. CLEARY.

"Say yes, love!"

"But, my dear girl-" 'N .w. Charley, don't be cross?'

He was only a few months murie! He was held over cars in love with hi wife. And just now, when he felt the touch of the soft, slim fingers on his hair, and looked up into the pretty, petulant, coaxing face above, he found it hard to refuse any request of hers, no

of m not the least bit cross day bing," he said, leaning back in bis chair, and publicg both her army down around his neck, "but don't you think two hundred dollars is rather high for com thing we do not really need?"

"Oh, but we do, Charley!" she insisted, eagerly. "A person must have a cheval glass nowadays. And this is a beauty. B velot Freuch plate, of course, and all framed in mahogany, the real rose makeging, you know, and finished with publical brain. Why, Charley, it is a bargin at two hu dred dollar !

He smile L

The furnishing of their pretty home had already cost a god dod. It was a the most fachionable residence block of the city.

"Mrs. Cyrus Cannon has one, purred on the entreating voice, "not ahands me as this, though I am sure it e at mare."

She passed, waiting for the effect of that last shot. In her schoming conreleasness the was well aware no more effective argument could be presented. For had she not refused Cyrus Camen to marry Charley Moston?

He rose, with a lenisot laugh, from the richly appointed breakfast table. "I suppose you must have your way,

you little despot! " Oh, you darling!" she cried, rapt-

And she promptly paid him for his

permission by g ving h in half a degin delighted k suce then and there. He went into the hall for his overcont and came back frieze envelopel,

and hat in hand. 'I'm pretty pastire, Elna," he said,

that not a looking glass in Chicago will have as aweet a face to reflect a will yours. It coulsing ought to feel Joyce, and Lasked her to come a soflattered. All the others would be jealous if they knew."

He was too lately married to have ceased the hon ymoon habit of making pretty speeches.

Mrs. Merton blushed in the prettiest manner imaginable. 'You deserve another kiss for that?" she declared. She stood on t plue to give it to him. Then he folded up the morning paper, thrust it in his pocket, put on his hat, an I went out to catch his car. He was glad he had not refused to gravity, his wife's request. Indeed, the genial glow which follows a g merous act kept from all day long more coolin' with himself and the rest of the world.

Hardly had Charley Marton left home when his victor our bride rushed up stairs to dress, previous to making her ed to her coupe, quite a vision of fashion and bevolves in her leaf brown plush and cortly burs, the way a vers proud woman i ideal-proud of her mirror she was going to but. And Charley met him and said; when she had ordered it sent to her residence, she thought with satisfact on Miss Joyce I believe you know." of the pleasure she would take in showing her acquisition to Mrs. Cyrus Can-

As she left a restaurant, after a dainty again. limch, whom should she meet but Charley's particular friend, David Roseo. At least he had been the pardays. Now young Mrs. Merton was interruption:

very wise in her way. She had hear d and read that a bride usually estranges the friends of her hu-band, and thuindirectly arcuses the rescotment of the latter. To this rule she had re solved to prove herself an agreeable exception. So she gave Mr. Roseo be hand and a gracious smile, and invited him up to dinner the following even

He had feared that his comradeship with Charley Merton must end with the marriage of the latter. Solt was with repressed surprise and expressed gratitude that he accepted the invitation.

"It's a pity," she said, with a compassionate sigh, as she was whirled along to the matinee, "that poor Mr. Rosee hasn't a nice wife and home like Which reference evidenced the fact that Mrs. Merton possessed a proper appreciation of her charming

The curtain had just risen, when a lady entered the theatre, and was ushered to the seat adjoining that of Mrs.

"Why, Edna!" "My dear Millig!"

Though several years older than Edna, Millie Joyce had been her favorite friend. But it was a long time since they had met. A few weeks before Elmi's wedding Millia Joyce had received a summons to the belifie of a ick brother in Dakota, and had only lately returned. So very pleasant, in-

heed, both indies found the meeting. "I was just speaking to an old friend of Charley's," maid M s. Merton be tween the acts. "I'm not sure that you know him. His princip Riper." Millie's rather faled face flished

loightly. David Resear!

"I met him at Wankeshaw five years go," she said, a tride nervously, Mis-Merten imagined.

"A count acquaintance?" "Well, no?? Then in a burst of con-

dience: "We were engaged for three months." "You were!" interestedly. "What

"Oh, he grow jealens, and-there's

the curtain ! Very little indeed did Mrs. Morton hear of the last act-diplomatically huvy

was that bright brain of here. "Can't you? ' she asked Millie, as together they passed out of the theatre, come over to dinner tomorrow even-

Tomorrow! Let me see! Y-a, Til

When Mrs. Merton reached home she ound her practions in rear there before was still admiring it when her, She therey reached bome. She called to ham ever the bunisters to come up and ee her trea ure.

"len't it lovely, Charley!"

"Shovely!" he assented. H: was gravely regarding the cuthua tie face in the class.

"But I mean the mirror." "I don't?" staunchly and adoringly. He put his arms around her, and they went down to dinner together.

When they were along in their parfor which, by the way, process? the retrashingly bright, if una thetic, look imparted by brand new furniture and draper es, she broached her little plot.

"I met Mr. Rusco to-lug, ' she sail. "Y' u did!"

'Yes; and I asked him to come up to

"That was nice of you, love." "And at the matines I met Millio

"But, darling-

"They were engaged, once."

She nodded. Ol know it. That was why I asked

"But the embarrasment! Nother

"On, you stunid boy!" she have hed The fellowing evening, when Mr

Merton came home, he found has wife's fread sested by the log fire, which it was fashionable that winter to affect, She booked uncommonly well in her lowartistic gown of aboutha sile, out to show the full and white threat which beautiful they which I see before was her chief beauty.

He had just spoken a courte our well come, when the door bell rang. A most putted the color-hearer, immediately after Mr. Roseo was ushere I in.

He was a tall, soldierly, wellpreserved man, gray haired und hand-He started at night of the figure by the fireside. Then he went forward.

"Awfully glad to see you. Dave With quickened heart-throbs Days

Reces faced the masic. He was tremendously glad to meet Millie Joyce

Dinner was announced. To bently the restraint each decaded, the conversation was kept up with persisten: ticular friend of Charley's bachelor gayety. Suidenly occurred a startling

Fiercely, sharply outrang the report of a revolver. All sprang to their feet. Blanky, with blanch I faces, they looked are u.d. Charley Merton startel for the door.

1900, don't? wildly entreated his wife. You will be killed, dearf Don't ro."

At that very moment a second shot was heard.

Merton dashed out and up the stairs, es wife following him; and down dropped Millie Jayce in a dead faint-When she revived, she found herself seated in the hours chair, and David Resco bending solicitously over her. He was gently bathing her forehead with water from the carife,

"Are you better, Milliel?" "Yes, thank you, Davet;" her coles ming back with a rush.

"I was all wrong a few years ago, Millio." "I was too be ty, David,"

But I've loved you ever since, Mil-"And I've refused two offers for your

sake, Dav. 1." "You-angel!"

When they finally decided to go uptairs and discover the cause of the ammotion, they found Mr. and Mrs. Merten rusfully regarding the rains of their mirror, which was fractured from

"An attempted burglary," explained Morton, industing a helf-open satchelcar the window. The fellow had not his bag filed with jewelry, silver, thet articles, and whatever he could sk up, when he observed his effection in the mirror, and thinking probably, that he was detected, fire hat this supposed cooper the abota we heard."

"Sell cited Kins, half hysterically, there are the marks of his feet on the window lodge. He must have got out that way - 1 d down the perch pillar and carage l. My pour, dear, ovely chevil glass!"

"Well," crief Merton, with a laugh, det us be glad he del not get away. withthis principal!

Late they not discussing the affair, and when they findly broke up it was Divid fi o who saw Mor Joyca

"Caurley," constically confided oung Med Merton to her husband, the following night, "Malle has been here, and she and David Roco are going to be murried! And it's all on account of my mirror I'

"How's that, dear?" "Why, if I hadn't bought it the bugglar wouldn't have shot at it. And if he haln't shot at it we wouldn't have tur up stairs. And if we hadn't run up stars they wenden't have had an opportunity to make up.

Charley laughed out in hearty amuse-

"I teally believe I was inspired to buy it," avowed Elico, solumnly,

"Yes, darling," meekly assented But he ground, remembering the

check he had drawn in favor of Tobey. "Bonder," she cried, convincingly, of the mirror had not been there you'd have been killed, for that awful man

To this remar calds argument Charley returned the only raply a woman's logic should ever receive - a kiss - The

# The Acme of Valor,

The presentation of an American flag to the grammer schools of Banger reminds me of a similar occu rence which took place in a Maine village in the summer of 1863. A company of volunters, being about to depart for the state capital, was drawn up on the green to receive a flag that had been made by the patriotic members of the local sewing circle. The village paytor made a sensible presentation speech, as I the banner was received by the capturn of the commune, who handed it to the color-be rer, a witty Irishman, Then, facing the weith; paster and his far flock, the embarrassel captain procuted to acknowledge the gift as fol-

Reveren d sir and ladies: This

"It's behind yez, captain," inter-

"Which I see behind me," amended the blushing officer, "stands for something more than thremblem of a powerful nation. It is b auty's impute to valor, and as such it is doubly dear to thanking you for your gift, ladies, wa ple les our cives faithfully to defend it. At the close of the campaign, those of us who are spare I, will bring this flag atoms by shot from the enemy, in which cv. nt we'll we'll

"We'd bring thim beer the pole!" shouled the enthusiastic Irishman, to the delight of the crowd and the rebef of the superior officer. - L. wist a (Ms)

#### CHILDREN'S COLUMN.

a queer little chap is the honest old tool, A funny little fellow is he.

Neath the shode of the old willow tree Eave his yest that is obvery white

He take a long map in the heat of the da And walks in the cool, deny night. "Roup, youp" says the freg.

For the told besay never a word tree to be good, the the clothen who should: Be seen, but never to beart,

When winter grows now Mr. Toud poes to And he steeps at sometas a top. But when May blossom: I digw toft April

slamers However, He comes out with a skip, jump and hop by change, his dress only  $\sigma$  on I confes-Every spring, and his old worm out cost, With troops is and woodenat, he rolls in

Fatt. stuffs the whole those down to

tirroat.

K truk k rroat: says the frig.
From his home in the log.
But the teat he says never a word.
He true to be good like the children who To seem, but mever be beand

A contributor to Nature recounts the following in tance of animal sympathy

and instructive example: Some years ago we had two cats, a tably and a powerful tem, perfectly white all over. Our day I happened to by in the attre, and noticed them g out on the same, when Tim party appeared to me a splendid leap, considering the width of the yard and, the beight of the roof.

When Tabley came to the edge of the states her courage failed, and she uttered a cry of destroy, wheren, on Tom turned court and Imped back, and, giving a cheerful mew, as much on to say, "I, ok how early it con by jumped a reseagain, this times followed by Tabby, to my great du-

Demember regling in my boylend, sys a writer in Process Bloom, about a merchant travelling on burschack, accompanied by his dog. He domested some purpose, and accidentally dropped his package of money. The dog saw it; the merchant did not. The dog larked to stop him, and as he rode further, bounded in front of the horse, and backed load r and loader. The mirchant thought he had gone mad, the fa-hionable hotels and restaurants. drew a pistol from his holster and shot to the package, and what the merchant discovered his los and rode back, he found his dying dog lying there, taith-

fully granding the treasure. Tar following fittle story, told by a friend of mine, is not as painful, but adds force to the thought, "Taink before you strike any creature that cannot water waiting for the r meal. They

farmer, and was given a spin of horses. On the end of the string a pince of liver to plough with, one of which was a is fastened, which is daugled before four year old colt. The colt, after the eyes of a hungry froggs, who so walking a few steps, would lie down in cures it by jumping. It is said that the furrow. The farmer was provoked, one feeding artifics a freg for about and told me to sit on the cold's head, to two weeks. They are very fond of keep him from rising, while he whipped | but is, and often success it is capturing a him to break him of that notion, as sparrew that may chance to wight on he said. But just then a neighbor the ground near where a big free hap-He said, "There's compthing pens to be sitting. wrong here; let him get up, and let us. The male frogs are swage fighters, examine.' He patted the colt, looked and when two of them meet there is at his harness, and then said. Look at sure to be a conflict. There are several this collect it is so long and narrow, frogs in these points that are builty and carries the lacuses so high, that crippied by fighting. One has lost a when he begins to pull it slips back and chokes him so he can't treathe. Looken and mutilated hind leg. The And so it was; and but for that neigh- largest built in the pend is called Sullibor, we should have whipped as kind a he lay down when he could not

breathe." a valuable St. Bernaul, dog being shut, becaule, having a wound, on his head, concealed by the lear, he bit a person who hazelized him roughly.

Bors, young and old, please rememher that these crestures are slumb. They may be hungry, or thirsty, or cold, or faint, or sick, or bruise I, or wounded, and cannot tell you.

"Think before you strike any creaturs that cannot speak. The Home of the Jersey Cow.

Jersey Island, the place from which we obtain the favorite Jeney con, is a

small spot of had. If rquared, it is 61 miles each way. Yet this little island has a population of 60,000 human be ings, and has over 12,000 cartle, and has had that number for the last twenty years, for the census of 1861 gives 12,037. And yet they expert on average annually 2000 head. Roughly speaking, on this miand they manage to apport one head of kine to every two acres, while in England there is only one head to every ten acres. Popular Science News.

# A FROG FARM.

Raising a Big Family of Croakers for Western Epicures.

The Frogs Kent in Three Large Ponds and Fed Dally.

The subject of freg culture is attractog conditionable attention of late years and a good many frog farms have been stablished at different places through on the Enited States and the Coundabut failure has been the rule rather than the exception, and many a sanguine proprietor of coatly ponds and pistures has drapped a soug little fortune in his attempt to imitate our French from Icross the Atlantic who full in the busy a of frog-taining something of pleasre and no little profit. It is, therefore, oteworthy that Means. George E Stevens and Charles J. Ewan of the Homedale pet stock farm, at Et Joseph, Mich., have succeeded in this industry to a degree highly sails factory to themselves and putrous, al though their knowledge of fregulating has cost them many hard-earned dollarand several years of faithful study and Ince observation.

visitors about the ponds and explaining the habits and characteristics of his big family of grankers, M. Steven was reveral acres of Lord adjourn; Through the farm rum a large, ravine, at the head of which are never failure springs of pure water. At some distauce below the springs are Lo ded the frog ponds-there in number. Wider is supplied to the pands through a papefrom a turne, deep lake formed by a days. dam placed across the raying near the springs. The largest of the ponds is well filled with hily poels, Canada bogmercural effort carolies of water plants and to be or extra to the life of the frog. The smaller ponds are fringed with these plants, while the centres we kept comparatively alear. Mr. Stevens estimates that there are now no less than 200,000 tarpolis, pallywags and statement is undoubtedly correct, wthe bottoms of the pouds are literally covered with these peculiar-looking little fellows. These will be really for the market early next summer and will bring anywhere from \$1.25 to \$2 a dozen. Most of them will be shipped to Chicago and will find their way into Frogs for breeding purposes, which are The wounded dog crawled back taked on this farm in great numbers,

bring \$5 a dezen. There are in the pends about 600 full-grown frogs kept for breeders, and these are ted by hand at regular in ervals to prevent them from devouring the matter forgs. Every day a certain number of them are found out of the are fed on beef live. by myour of "When I was a bay, I worked for a long pole with a short string attached.

wan, and he is said to be able to whip on the premisor. The fregs live in families of generally one male and not It was only the other day I heard of Jess than five females, each heavehold

the shore of the possi. The proofs are profected from the enfrogs from escaping. Mr. Stevens from the finest imported breeds. The from are captured for market after night by the light of a torch of lastern, as after dark they are always found sitproached and preked up. In the day thus they are quite shy and can only be

A Cabinet Officer's Life.

A Calcinet officer, terring a Washing ton correspondent what his daily routine is, say : "I got up at 7.30 o'clock this three-quarters of an hour at the task. In the meantime, five people, old time. - Lenden Times.

the department. I gave each of them Over thy cradle wakes the cootwo or three minutes and then asked one, whose business was really important, to walk along with mr. I Sleep, little dow!
got to my office about 9 40 o'clock. Silvers deep holds the day-throbbed world,

friends from my state, and gathered in

There were thirty or more people in my The bris in their teim nests are curled, room waiting, and the crowl was as Their carols humed. room waiting, and the crowl was as numerous until noon, when it was time to start for the capitol, and I was bliged to disminsthe rest of my callers. It came of birds and flowers and trees. I then attended a bearing given to some attorneys on a case of importance. This

\*My daughter was going away ou

the afternoon train, and I thought

Insted until 1.30 o'clock.

would go home to luncheou o as to bid her good by. While sitting at luncheon I got the carls of five people who had either seen me go hame or had bearined my whereshouts at the aud the whale. department. One of them we transcr y the head of the department over which I presided and was of course, intitled to respect. Two others were a unmittee who had come to myste me requisite information, run for office. to make a speech at a banquet. I des. First Small Boy - Wo had a fire at mi and them as soon as I could, but by our house fast night. Becoud Small that time it was 3 h ) o'clock. I have Boy-That sot F. S. B -Yes. Pa

ried to the depurement, where my dock fired sister's beauwas severed with letters, which re | Amy-What an abound higher that is quired my significe. I had to read of young Delly's, always sucking his Mr. Stevens takes great profe in his well one carefully, of course, and fine case. Succe-I think it is a good plant ished the last one at 5-30 o'clock. Then It teeps him from talking, you know, I walked home tired out, with the in- There is a demand by James Owen sation of taking a little nap before I OC more for oprotection for Amerisout to a dinner engagement. But no consectors." How would as egg-interamp for me. When I got to my house coping seven at the front of the stage there were three Security and two mains dof bees of the House waiting to us me, through with them. Then my wife my child, the little birds in their nests assisted me to dress and hursed me off agreet. Johnny-But every once in a to disser from which I have intere-

This is a sample of all my one. What You See in the Shooting Star. A small body, perhaps as bugs as a paying stone or larger, more often perhope not so large as a marble, is mixing sect will move round, and round in an eclipse, with the sun in the focus, good that they were not mainly respon-There are at the present moment incomog in this mantier. They are too small and too distant for our telescopes and we can never see them axcept under exwe see the meteor it is usually making with enormous velocity, so that it often traveres a distance of more than twenty miles in a second of time. Sah a velocity is almost impossible near the

arth's surface; the resistance of the nir would prevent it. Aloft, in the emptiness of space, there is no air to sealed the meteor. It may have been moving round and mund he can for them-ands, perhaps, for milone of grace, without let or hindrance; but the supreme moment arrives and the meteor perishes in a streak of splendor. In the course of its wandering within a few hundred miles of its surface, of course, begins to encounter the upper surface of the atmosphere with which the earth is inclosed. To any busy moving with the appalling velocity of a meteor a plunge into the arm aphere is usual fatal. As the meteor ru has through the atmosphere the frictora of the air warma its surface; it becomes red but, then white but, and is inally driven off into vapor with . brilliant light while we on cartle 100 or 200 miles below, exclaim, "O, look, there is a shooting star."- Altrey (X.

#### The Dwarfs of Central Africa. The fact now seems clearly demon

trated that at various spots acress the great Air can continent, within a few creature as we had on the farm. because any of the other green heated pugifists extending from the Atlantic coast to with other trees, they form extensive are scattered communities of these occupying some shell will most along small negrees, all most termbling three cast of Ain Zahalteh, in the croscionests of the public by a high their larger neighbors, by whom they groves were also discovered at this time, heard fence, which also prevents the are everywhere retrounded. Our infor mation about them is still very scanty, claims this to be the largest frog farm and to obtain more would be a worthy in this country and that the stock is all object of ambition for the scientific traveler. In many parts, especially at the West, they are obviously holding their own with difficulty, if not actually in 1273 by Kublai Khan, the first Emdisappearing, and there is much about peror of the Mogul dynasty. There their condition of civilization and the are still in it three of the first instru situations in which they are found to induces us to look upon them, like the for the observation of Halloy's comet enight with difficulty. Chicago Acce. Bushmen of South Africa and the equal- in 1738, and may also be used when, ly diminurive Negelios of the Inda- twenty-two years hence, this comet Malayan region, as the remains of a sgain appears. The oldest observatory population which occupied the land by- in Europe is that founded by King fore the incoming of the present domi. Frederick III, of Denmark, on the islnast race. If the account of the and of liveen, in the Sound, and where Nasamonians be accepted as historical, the famous astronomer Tycho Brahe carabout 8 o'clock. Before I had finished the river they came to, flowing from ried out his colebrated observationsmy private secretary case with a bundle west to east, must have been the Niger, of letters. At fact as I reed them I and the northward range of the dwarfish dictated answers and was, perhaps, people for more extensive twenty-three was established in 1671, and that of centuries ago than it is at the present

# For larger advertesements liberal con-tracts will be made.

The Chatham Record.

RATES

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One square, one insertion-One square, two insertions -One square, one month -

A Lullaby. the parlor to see me before I went to Bleep, my child, soft night-winds woo, Of mother love. Stars in the blue peep one by one, Toil is over, and day is done,

By sleep waves rushed. Then when the East with rest is flushed,

And nature's face with gold is brushed Wake in my arms.
-Non Frien, in Betreit Free Free.

#### HUMOROUS.

A swallow tail-The story of Joach

The green apple is deadly, but not so

Know thyself. If you can't get the

For t Mother - You should remember,

whole one of 'eng falls out. I'm that Tom Binkstaxer (in bookstore) -- How do you like "Looking Bickward?"

Miss McF. msey- (flushing slightly)-1

only just glanced around to see what A good many people publicly trank the Lord for their prosperity who would be very mot if somebody should rugs

# The Cedars of Lebanon,

The celers of Mount Lebauon are, perhaps, the best known monuments. in the world. Datinguished men have visited them, and their story is told over and over again. There are grave doubts, however, whether the coder so often mentioned in the Bible was the tree now called the Colar of Lebanon, There is no doubt that the cedars of Letianon in more modern times bave heen the objects of veneration. The most experienced observer who has seen the colars on Mount Lebanon is Bir Joseph Hooker, who visited Spria in 1860 for the purpose of examining the grove, in regard to which little was known scientifically up to that time. An account of this visit was published in the Natural History Review in January, 1862, with the author's views upon the specific rank and the origin of the different species or forms of the genus. The number of trees is about 400, and these are dispoved in nine groups, corresponding with as many hammocks of the range of mornines. They are of various sizes, from about 18 inches to upward of 40 feet in girth, but the most remarkable and stenificant fact connected with tree of less than 18 inches girth, and no young trees, bushes or even sendlings of a second year's growth. It was supposed, until comparatively recent times, that all the cedars left upon the earth were in this famous grove, but now they are known to occur upon degrees north and south of the equator, different chains of the Taurus, where, near the sheres of the Albert Nyanza, forcets; while as late as 1865 Mr. Jasup, and perhaps even further to the cast, an American missionacy, discovered five large groves in the Lebanon itself, each other in size, appearance and southern L binon, one of which was habits, and dwelling mostly spart from said to centain 10,000 trees. Other so that upon the Lebanon alone the coder is known in 10 distinct localities.

# The Oldest Observatory.

The observatory at Pekin is the oldest in the world, having been founded ments of observation. Those were used among others that of the "bright" star in Ca-stopeia. Tae Paris Observatory Greenwich three years later. - English