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A Little Young of Hope. No tears, dear, if the black skies frown -Hope for the t set!

No storm the rainbow's smile can drown-Hope for the best, There is a light somewhere. Some day,

From east to west Will shine a deathless morning's ray :

Hope for the best, Old proverb\* Yes, but cheering-sweet -

Even with the sharp thorns round your feet,

What hope in sighing? Time still flies

Tears blur the blue in God's sweet skies ; Hope for the less.

And, old or new, still sing the seng That life loves best; One melody a whole life long — Home for the best - FRANK L STANTON in Atlanta Constitutio

## The Diamond Necklace.

STORY OF A NOVEL WASER.

This is not precisely a great market for precious stones, writes a Vienna correspondent of the Chiengo Times, but the jewelers in question have none the less acquired a European celebrity for diamond necklaces, which are said to surpa-- anything of the kind to be found in London or Paris. But they certainly are expensive, and the hus bands and lovers are few and far be tween who can afford to invest in one of Mes rs. X.'s necklaces to adorn the fair necks of the women of their hearts. Hence the hum of satisfaction that was heard among the shopmen a few days ago when a well-dress ed young gentleman entered the shop introduc distinsell as Count O., and then expressed his wish to see the head of the firm for the purpose, he said, of ordering a diamond neeklage Mr. X. very soon evene down, his facone vast, substantial smile, and signified his reachness to do the will of his distinguished vistory

"I want a dismond necklace," was the reply, "but the very best you have."

"We have none but the best, Countbut as tastes differ, you shall see all we have here now, and can choose the one that pleases you most."

And in a few minutes the young nobleman's eyes were literally dissiled with trings of precious stones, which looked like surpents of fire and light as they were couled and ancoiled, eatehing in their movements the rays of the setting our, as they came through the plate-glass windows of the

The Count evently relatived the display, exrefully examined the neekbee stone after stone, then stepped back a few paces, and viewed each one spart, and, after a long hour's inspection,

"These three strike my funcy with espeal force, but I only require one. I cannot choose between them. I will certainly take one of them, but I think I must leave the choice to the lady herself. Her name is no doubt famil iar to your ears Mos W," and he mentioned the name of one of the best singers in Austria and centra

"Pamiliar!" replied the head of the firm, "I should think it was. She is one of our best customers."

Count, "Well, now, I want you to send these three neeklaces to the hely and I will look in here tomorrow may pay the bill. She will have made her oice by that time,"

"With pleasure, Count, with pleasure. I trust you will honor us with your custom in the future."

"C. riainly I will. Good afternoon,

And the Count was gone.

Herr X. pond red a few moments over the whole transaction before carrying out the instructions. Everything, however, senmed in perfect The young man belonged to one of the best and richest families in the mountehy-provided, of course that the frame he had given really be learned to him. Nobaly knew the members of the family by sight, but their palace was not far off, and but, no, there was no need of senting eve to make inquiries, and there might be some inconveniences, and the young man might possibly like to keep the transaction to himself. Besides, there could be no danger in taking the things to the lalv, for she was wel known to the firm one of the best customers, in tact- and test diamond neckbees would be alsolutely safe in her hands. Anythow, I will go mystel and take them there," said the jewel er, Cand see the three through."

And he drove at once to the address given by the Count. It was no the address at which the days herealt had lived when she had best been at his shop, but then she might have changed it lately, and in my case to would see, and this question of her address would prove a touchet die ethe Count's identity.

inquired of the doorkeeper as the hausem pulled up at the house.

ago."
"Is she at home now?"

"Don't know, I'm sure, but I fancy

she is out. She generally is out at this time of day." Herr X., however, went up stairs

and rung the bell. "Is Fraulein W. at home?"

"Yes, sir."

"Announce me, please," And a moment later he was reked to step into the drawing room.

"Praulein W., I have come on a very pleasant errand-to ask you to choice one of three diamond neckfaces, which is destined to vie, and vie in vam, with the charms bestowed upon you by nature. 6

What do you mean?" asked the lady, whose countenance had assumed the form of a note of interrogation.

"I mean that Count O. has been choosing a necklace for you; that he has carefully scrutinized all we have in stock, and, having selected these three, asks you to say which of them you prefer."

"Count O', did you say?" "Yes, Count Feedmand O. You now him, of conrac!"

"Not 1; never saw or spoke to him n my life."

"Strange-very strange! Here is his card. I dare say he is an admirer of your delightful singing and intends to give a tangible shape to his conferention; and, if I may say so, he as made proof of admirable judgent in selecting a diamond necklace. expected to see him here, but this , perhaps, the herlanger of his visit,

"Yes, that may be," answered the ndy, looking admiringly at the glitering diamonds, "I have often oard of him. He is always in the pera, and does, I know, take a great sterest in music of all kinds."

The jeweler then invited a careful spection of the three necklaces, sinted out the beauties of each, and aid special stress on the best of the three, which, of course, was the most spensive of the lot. Helf an hour passed in this way, but the young ount failed to just in an appearance. "What do you intend to do?" asked Frankein W. at length.

"Well, I suppose it is usaless to wait my longer. I confide the three pecklines to your safe keeping. Propcin; I know they will be us well buckd after here as at our shop. And hen Count O, does call and you have elected one of them, he will come to is and settle up. It will not last longer than tomorrow, for he has promised to come in the morning in

And Herr X, took his leave, rejote ne. It moves once occurred to him that he had left any loophole in the arrangement through which a mouse, of to say a swindler, could squeeze imself,

Herr X, had not left the solon a marter of an hour when the young our who called at the store rushed in creat excitement into the room, and vehemently demanded the three dianond neckbrees.

they were left here by mistake-e mistake which he deeply regrets and pologizes for."

In reply to the buly's questions be arther explained that the Count's indructions had been misunderstood. He wanted the neckines for Mass B., who lived in the same house as Miss W. only one story higher, and a mistake had been made in the names. The haly was not in the least surprised.

"So this is the solution of the mys tery? Yes; I was thinking myself that there must be some mistake, else the Count would have called here lone ago," And she handed him the procious purcel. He expressed his profound thanks and hurried away, and the buly thought no more of her disappointment that evening.

Next morning the jeweler was annonneed, and she ordered the servant to show him. He had come, n doubt, tempologize for the mistake and she received him with a smile that told him very plainty how she appre easted the tun of it. But he looked more serious and businesslike than the exeming before, and opened the e movemention with the powers

eWell, Francein, I hope you have followed my advice and chosen the most lines I recommended. It is by for the best of the three, and as for the stones, I can assure you that Frincess P., when she saw them a few

But you seem to be in a very joen and this morning. Herr X. I don't quite see, though, where the joke comes in. I thought from the begining that the neckiness were not meant for me, and it was you who York Times.

"Does Fraulein W. live here?" be suggested that they should remain in my keeping. But the matter has gone far enough. I don't wish to hear any "Yes, sir; moved in a few weeks more about it,"

"What do you mean, Francier? Has the Count not yet called?"

"Oh, please stop that! You know is well as I the necklass was for Franlein B, up stairs, and your shopman took it to her last nigt,"

"What in heaven's name do you mean? Where are my diamond necklaces?, And Herr X, was as pale as a ghost as he asked the question, Fraulein W., equally astonished at his countenance, told form all that had taken place after his departure the evening before.

"My God! Have I been victimized by a clever swindler?" he exclaimed when it was embed, and paced the room like an infariated tiger in his eage. And after a time he stopped suddenly, and turning to the diva-

"Fraulein, will you kindly necom pany me at once to the shop? I want you to tell the story that you have just narrated to the police, and to put them on the track of the scoundrel at mee. It may get be possible to recover the property, but we must be very quick."

Miss W. ungraciously signified her sent, and the pair hurried oft to the deep with feelings too storing for words. Herr X. opened the door, which set a number of electric bells a-ringing, and to his after stopefaction beheld the "swindler" standing at the counter with some neckhare displayed before him. The jeweler sourced upon him as a tiger upon its crey, but the young man smilingly pointed to the previous stones and

There are your meklaces. Now,

"Now, do be calia, please, and let me finish what I have to say; then you may talk as long as you like. I have come to compensate you for the little joke I perpetrated. The fact is I made a bet with Count S. that I would go to the best firm of jewelers in Victim and doprive them of the ession of a lot of jewelery for at least one night -of course solely for the purpose of winning the wager. I have now scored a brilliant success and won the stakes. It only remains for me to express my protound thank to Francein W., who so aldy if inaluntarily, seconded my efforts."

The Count selected, not indeed a diamond teckiner, but a magnificent bracelet, and requested Prantein W. to homor trim by wearing it as a noncentrof the envious meid at in which the had played such a prominent part,

## Turkey's Industrious Sultan,

A correspondent who has just returned from Constantinople writes that, according to enricht conversation in that city, the present sultan of Turkey is one of the most hardworked men in all the Ottoman dominons. Rising at 6 o'clock every mornng, his days in the seclusion of the Yildiz Palace and gardens are devoted to personal attention to all the afficirs of state laid before him by his ministers. He has been the means of estab-"The jeweler. Herr X.," he said, lishing 50,000 schools throughout his empire, not only for boxs, but for girls also, which is a strong departure from the traditional assets of his race and people. Once a week only does he present himself to the view of the scople, to assure them of his continued

xistence and health. On one of these state visits to the masque two or three weeks ago his majesty was accompanied in his carringe by Ginzi Osman Pashs, The dif ference in appearance between them is remarkable. The sultan is of shots figure. A plain brown overcoat conceals any decorations he might be wearing, leaving all the attention of spectators to be directed to his pule, wan and careworn face, half covered by a thin brown beard, tinged with gray, and surmounted by a plain red fez. Osmam Pasha has a long, silver gray board, a robust physique, manly searing and clear, bright eyes the accnowledges any remark made to him ex the sultan with a nulinary salute.-

## A Curious Coincidence in Names,

Here is a little story of a coincid-nee writes B. A. Dix, that is true; Mr. K. H. Stone was in our office when a somple of callers from Cleveland, Ohio, same one a Mr. Killwarne of The this Merchant, the other his rather u-law, Mr. Hoyt. Mr. Kilbourne was ntraduced to Mr. Stone, and he then stroduced Mr. Stone to Mr. Hoyf. "Well," said Mr. Stone, "this is strange. Here I have been introduced by Mr. Killsourne to Mr. Hoyt, while my own mame is Kilburn Hoyl Stone, When you best of saything to match this let you conders hear of it. - New

## CHILDREN'S COLUMN.

TARK LOTING I'm In love with you Baby Louise!

With your officen bair and your side by we And the dreamy wisdom that in them bee,

And the faint, sweet spile you are well from the skies. God's smokine, Raby Louise.

When you fold your hands. Bide Louis? Four hands like a fairy's, so tiny and fair, With a protty, ignorest, saint-like air. Are you trying to think of some one detaught

prayer You learned above, Baby Lemissi

I'm in love with you, Baby 1 - a-Why? you never raise your beneathful hereI. But some day, little one, your close will strow red

With a fluid of delight to hear the words ichlit. "Hove you," haby Louise.

Do you hear me, Baly Louise? Two summer praises for nearly an hour, Yet your durk-fringed eyelids droop lower

And you've gone to been like a weary flower, Ungrateful Brog Louise!

Massanar Excisor, in Detroit Free Press.

BIDLIS OF THE ARGONAUS.

Probably the prettiest and most delest of the shell creation is the argonant or "paper sation." The shall in like a tiny bost and is set upon a losd of beautiful workman-hip. It is colled many times upon itself. The little craft would expense but for they arms that stretch out from the side and keep it steady. These are not used for propelling it. In the stern there erroundlyiphon, through which the animal drives in water while en voygo and pumps it out again with great force. This sends the delicate shell swiftly over the suction of the water. They sail in troops in all the warm waters of the world. In the Indian nd Pacific occans they are very com-

These shells might be taken as an example of the superiority of the female sex, for only the females, says Lr. Simpson, have been necommodated by nature with shells. The male is an insignificant ereature and revolves chant the course of his spouse as a atellite. A strange thing, too, is that the animal can separate itself from its boat home without injury and attach itself again with pleasure. Table 18 true of no other kind of shell life with which scientists are Insoling. The deficure very thin, and we white no bleached times. They are so franche that a breath will almost crosh them. Sternge as it may seem, they are taken up by the occur and carried handreds of miles, to be laid tenderly down upon the beself without many. It is from the night of those beautiful grafts that the saying "ar wice of sails" originated. - Atlanta Constitu-

In a house where there are children eys are an important part of the family outfit. They are of many kinds, and are to be found any shere between parret and cellar, for wherever a child may go, some of his believed pos-

estima are sure to follow. In their headquarters, the nar-ery, the assortment is quite bewildering, Blocks, dolls, hobby harses, shamvillages, ministure articles of formiture, wooden does and -h their companions from Noul's ark, music-boxes, balls, rattles, fastle against engle other in won I coal con-

How the young owners thread their vay among them it is difficult to anderstand. How the tors are to be kept in any sort of order is a punche for older hombs. It is well to have a barge, neatly covered box which may serve as a receptuele for most of them at night and for unused ones ibring shapes and sizes demand for them at all times assparate existence.

Children should be taught to handle them all properly, and not to be needlessly destructive. It is very remarkable to observe how long a well-made toy may last umber excepted treatment. It may turn homesement for a whole family of children and look quite respectable when they are through with its. On the other hand, it is mute as touishing to notice now rapidly some toyago to pieces. Their existence is more ephemeral than that of the praverioul butterfly,

Some who mothers preserve various m inhers of broken dells, afterward fitting the several parts according to their skill, and thus making new photoxikle eventures from the remains statue old ones. These, dressed in treshuttire, min mided value in the eyes of little manning, and lend grace by their presence to a dolla' reception or holiday party. Harper's Bacar.

It is classed that the dress worn to the Remons under the summe was the most rational ever worm by enviling-

## A DUCK RANCH.

Ducks Raised Where They Cannot Take to Water.

How the Flesh Acquires a Dis tinct Taste of Celery.

Did you ever ent a rapidly-grown, colory-fed duck? No.2 Well, then, there is a new sensation for the appetite in store for you. But I am antici pating my story. During my vaccation days last summer I found in a valley under the shadow of the Blue Mountains of Pennsylvania, what the proprietors called a "duck ranch." The name struck are as being odd. If it means broad nerse, "ranch" is a misnomer; if it signifies a place where large numbers of animals or fowls are reared, this place was well mamed, since during the past year 12,000 ducks were reared on the few neres of the ranch.

This story told by the propriets: was confirmed by their New York buyer; at the time of my visit, early in September, there were about 4,000 nearly ready for market, and such a multitude of pure white birds was a pretty sucht. The variety grown is the Pekin, that at metarity will weigh former to twenty pounds to the part. They have rich, yellow skin and orange colored bills and legs. They bear continuous well, and it is claimed they may be reared somesessfully with water sufficient only for drink. However, it is found that without unter inwhich to wish themselves their plumage is soiled by the mud, and the feathers worth forty to fifty cents a

pound are injured in market value. The Pekins are prolific in eggs, bying from 125 to 150 each in the year, but many of the estas are infertile. In fact, the proprietors of this rauch thought they did not get to exceed fifty ducks from 100 eggs. The duck unturally, or as ordinarily kept on the farm, rarely lave before spring time. Ducks reared in the approved modern lay about the bolidays, and continue laying all winter, and this weakens their vitality. But why is it not the to making rapid and great growth of frame? The barnyard fowl has undergone the same revolution of habit, and I have found their eggs as fertile in winter soult any other time. The eggs are hatched in incubators,

which are at in operation as soon as machine. On a well managed duck farm the ducklings should begin to 2,300 spheres, each with the diameter peop about the first of February, and of 3,000,000 totles, to the group, and, the incubators are kept running until associated equal distribution of the about the first of July. The dueles their houses and in small yards, and mics across, and, therefore, a light not allowed access to water for bath, journey of 187 days from its nearest ing until a month old. I presume in neighborwinter they never go out of their yards until killed. From the time they are hatched until ready for market, the ducatings are fed all the wholesome food they can digest, and at ten weeks old the Pekins should dress ten pour i-

to the pair. Of course such weights are obtained decimal the business. The men 1 visited had been in the business sevsand years, and find learned by practical experience how to achieve success. For any one to try it relying on book knowledge alone would simply invit ing failure. In competent lim is posttry farming may be conducted success fully on a large scale, hence it was a great dissat sfaction to see this notion illustrated at this ranch. I did not inquire how well it was paying. but that it was a paying business was evident. It is proposed to year 20,000 at this runch next senson. It is estimated that Pokin duelie may be round to the great ten weeks for five contaround and the price received will averane probably tweaty cents a pound. The earliest shipmouts will realize are for them of any sensor.

There is one priestian mature in the need not constant his stock for sale and take the changes of the markets A place of New York dealers are atquality, and will buy it contricht at xeellent prices. These dealers and rdy the large reshionable hotels and re-tuurants, that will have only the best, and it is eften more of a question of ability to get wind they want The house handing these ducks in New York was petting chickens when what I regard as very Globe-Democrat, good poultry was selling at fifteen. Their customers don't go shopping, but buy where they know what they get is superior, and they line, in thick glass tumblers,

are willing to pay a good round price for it. Easer buyers seek for a good crticle, while a poor zrticle hasto hunt for a market,

These ducks rapidly grown are like spidly grown lettuce or radishessey tender. Their market was origiadly made on this tendor, fat coulibition, without the me of celery to

old to the flavore The wholesome food of course danged the quality of the flesh, and now the supply is not equal to the demand. They are fed celery finely cut and mixed with their food for probably a month previous to killing. There is no distinct taste of colory on the flesh, but its union with the entural qualities of the flesh imparts theyer that is simply delicious-little, if any, inferior to that of the celebrated canvas-backs, which feed on wild celery. Country Gentleman.

## The Vast Solar System.

If our our were removed to the Pleinles it would be hardly visible in an opera place with which nearly 100 stars can be seen in the cluster. Sixty ir seventy Pheiodes surpression sur sun in brillinger, Alexane being 1,000 times nore terribony, Electra 500 times, and Mala marry 100, says Longman's Magazine. Sirms itself takes a suburdraste rank when compared with the the most furlliant members of the group the real magnificance of which ve can thus in some degree appre-If we seek to know the dimensions,

not of the individual stars but of the duster itself, we are met with many lifficulties, but, on the assumption hat it is approximately spherical in hape, we can calculate its diameter to se over 40,000,000,000 miles. If we think of the dimensions of our solar system by themselves or in relation to terrestrial matter, they appear stupenloudy enormous. Neptune, the most distant known member, has an orbit aver 5,000,000,000 miles meross, but the solar system is to the Pleinles but a Lairputian to Brobalignsgrint is but microbe to a mountain. For a sphere style, hatched in May, will begin to the size of the solar system would, if it were spherical and its diameter that of the oriet of Neptune, by relatively o minute that it would be contained or than 100,000,000,000 times in a place the sam of the Pleinles; in ther words, the timits of the Pleindes could contain 150 solar systems as miny times over as there are miles beween Neptune and the sun.

It must not beforgotten that though there are 2 300 stars in the cluster, et, vast distances must separate the stars from one another. In fact, stars in the group, each would be at are reared under artificial brooders in the centre of a sphere 3,000,000,000

## Important Naval Instrument.

An instrument that will smalle a writer to tell in an instant upon sasa lighthouse or any will-known ork meen the sea coast just how for as ship is distant from shore; that will inform the empton of a man-ofvar how rar away his ship may be and be of assistance in many other respects when the relements of distance or height are factors, has been submuted to the rowy deputtment for trial. The instrument is known as the stalimeter and is the invention of Lontemut Fishe, who devised the range finder. The stolimeter is much mader in construction than the range finder, to which, indeed, it may serve s an adjanct, but cannot entirely replace, us at least one element, either height or distance, must be known to operate it so as to determine the other-- New Otherns Pieavane.

## Fatal Scratch of a Rose Toorn.

Mrs. Mary Bannon shed recently at the house of her son, John Bannon, about fourteen miles north of Nevada, thirty conts a pound, or more sunt from a scratchest a rose thorn. She are anotherway years and vix months sid, and me to the time of her death was in mond health. Sho was norking market for choice poulity - the breeder | mr her rose bad and scratched the on a briar. The hand soon became swellen, which spread to the shoulder, ways in search of poultry of superior and the hand and arm became discolored. She suffered great ageny for a day or two preceding her death, Mrs. Bannon lived out of any church up to with the Christian Church. This fact created such a sensation that the near above for miles around turned out to witness the immersion in Tucker twenty cents a pound for choice spring take, near her home. - St. Louis

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- Who beautifles and tills the soil, Whose erown by right divine is won.
- A toller, not a useless drone
- In the world's busy hive of ment
- His acepter is a tool, his throne A symbol, and his sword a pen He wears a laurel wreath for crown,
- And throughout all the land men sing His good deeds, praises and renown—
- The twentieth century king: -Henry Court, in The Youth's Companions

## HUMOROUS.

The folding bed has some bad hab-

its, but it never stays up late at night. He-I want to tell you all I know if you have time, She-All right, I've got five minutes to spure.

There sin't no satisfaction in tellin' people year ailmants nowadays, ez they allus feel was, 'n yeon dew.

There wouldn't be so much kickin' done in this worl' of there was more chance by people burtin' their toes. Jane-Are you going to have a

sood time this, winter. Kittie-I'm not. Fred insists on aunouncing our engagement. "Some women remired me of hens." said Crimsonbeak to a friend, "They

never find anything today where they land it vesterday." "You cannot crush me," he hissed to the girl who had just squrmed him-"You just wait till I get out on the street with my bicycle," she muttered

Miss Toune says she is so glad she went to a farm this summer rotherwise she might never have known that Leghorn fowls were so named from the horns growing from their ankles.

malignoutly.

"So you refuse my !" said. Charley Collow, bitterly, "Of course," said the charming widow, "Won't you even be a sister to me?" "No. I'm engaged to your father. Till be a

Our way- and sisters form to cook,

Apparently because
A weeming four of needship of

Associated than at was, Editor I notice you never give us any jokes about young wives cooking now. Humorous Contributor - Well, no sir. You see the fact of it is Two

discovered that there's no joke about if. Um married myself new, Governess. Name the wisest man that ever lived. Little Dick - Solomona Governess "Correct: name the wisest woman. Little Dick (after meditation) - Well, if I say you, ma will get angry, and if I say ms, you

Don't you think there is something wonderfully satisfying in Herr Ausgeopichls playing protessor?" "Indeed I do! I had enough before he had been at the piane fixe minutes, but he went on for half an hour just the

"Yes," said the girl who makes colgraphs I have in my collection," "But are you sure it is genuine?" "Posttive. I cut if from a telegram that his wife received from him with my own

Applicant-No, ma'am; I couldn't work where there was children. Mrs. Keephouse But we advertised for a girl who understood childred. Applicent-"I do understand 'em, ma'am, That's why I wouldn't work where they are.

At a meeting of a certain town council an alderman complained of the absence of one of one of the corncillors "Sir," exclaimed a conneilor undermutiv, "you ought to have made that complaint when he was present to answer for himself.

Parst Doctor - How did you diagnew this case? Second Doctor I think time is a case of contirmed no lanches im. First Doctor-What particular symptom has led you to this conclussion? Second Doctor - The patient

## has lately taken to writing jokes. Tidal-Wave Electricity.

Until Tesla practically developes his idea-and he doubtles will of deriving our electric energy direct from the elements surrounding us without the wasteful intervention of steam, ordinary mortals must be content with the powers at hand for generating the magic current. The latest we know of is that of a const resident near Chelsen, England, who has harnessed the see in a tidal mill to the extent of about four horse-power, which runs a dynamo supplying electric current for highting his house and for other pur-