The Better Man

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Copyright, 1921, by The McClure Newspaper Syndicate. III.—FASCINATING DOLLY MORTIMER.

inald pursued his suit. He had the gift of words-and plausibility. Friendship was the great thing in married define. "Getting on" together. Why, they'd 'get on' like a house on fire. Hadn't they always done so?

Compatibility of temperament? They had it. To a marked degree. And Camilla always had enjoyed herself with him. She couldn't possibly artfully.

He would supply the loving. All of She needn't worry over that. nature listened rather eagerly to Roggie's wooing. The worldly side. But a still, small voice 'cot asking her if this was all that life was going to

'grande passion'-real romance. Vague longings had obsessed her latelongings that she couldn't quite

And Reggie loved the social while London Town so much! While she-Camilla-had begun to gauge its shal-

"Anyhow, you'll wear my ring-for ust a week, say?" queried the tempter, 'We'll have a trial engagement, and no one need know a thing about it? The supphire looks so ripping on your finger, darling. Do consent and The pleasure-loving side of Camilla's have a little secret between ourselves!" Camilla weakened. The ring was lovely, matched her frock, and fascinat-

Besides, Reggie was a dear. Unstable. hold for her? Were the Reggies of this maybe. And very likely not disinterestworld capable of rousing and sustanting led. (Camilla had a charming little in-

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MELLON'S

come that operated much as fly-paper does to flies.) But then she seldom or never met disinterested men, these

When they reached the smart, up-tothe minute dance club that was their estination, the ring was still upon her

"Doily Mortimer is meeting us here for dinner, and bringing with her a chap who's just come home from Africa-a pal of her husband's, I beli ve" said Reggie blithely, helping Camilla to descend, and paying the driver. "Come en inside. We're late.'

With a proprietary air, he marshalled the young girl through heavily-portalled glass doors into a garishly illumirated lounge that was gay with flowers and pretty frocks and laughter.

The music of a band came throbbing ly across the heated air. Reggie expanded as a sunflower does

towards the sun. This was the life he loved-his metier. His glance, questioning for Mrs. Mortimer and cavalier, went rapidly a-roving. It would linger now and then, appreciatively, on some unknown but retty face.

'They aren't here," he said at last They've probably gone on downstairs to book a lable. Let's vamoose Camilla.

He led her down a thickly carpeted staircase into a glittering Bedlam that was all gyrating couples, melody, per-

ume and color. "Mon Homme"-the latest song-hit to intrigue a fickle public—was being ham-mered out on cymbals, drums and saxaphones, and on a variety of instruments. And on a wide, highly-polished surace that occupied the central portion of the hall, couples with a rapt look upon their faces glided, pirouetted,

A small, blonde woman, exquisitely dressed, rose from a table on the edge of the dance door and waved to them. "There's Dolly. All alone, too. Camilla's escort steered the girl through a maze of little tables till they reached their goal.

Where's your cavalier?' The small, blonde woman made a "moue." Then she favored dainty Camilla with a brilliant smile, held out two fingers to Reggie, and said, in a high, plaintive voice:

"The wretch has gone to telephone As a matter of fact, I do believe it was just an excuse to get away from me. He disapproves of all this sort of

"And who is the mysterious 'he'? Camilla asked. "Oh. Elliot Glyn. He's a pal of Jim my's fresh off the veldt." She giggled naughtily. "Brought me a message all the way from Durban from my better half. Says it's my plain duty to go out and join him. Don't forget you're coming too, Camilla.'

Tapping the floor restively with her high-heeled slipper, she added: "Take pity on me, Reggie, and let's have a little whirl before old sobersides

Next-The "Chap From Africa."

PROPOSED FREIGHT TARIFF IS OPPOSED

Richmond Va., Dec. 29 .- Voicing opof freight rates to Virginia and Carolina cities, which the Interstate Comfect January 15, 1922, shippers and and just as quick receivers of freight from various cities of Virginia, at a meeting here yesterdva, declared the proposed rates were not justified by any traffic or commercial condition and unjustly discrimina-

The new rates were proposed by the arriers and presented to the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Resolutions were adopted asking the Interstate Commerce Commission to rescind the order putting the new rates into effect pending an investigation as to its reasonableness. A letter which will go to each member of the Commission, was drafted and reads in

"In our opinion, the present freight ates are economically too high and. late. antil they are lower, we cannot hope for business to return to conditions that are normal or near normal."

CANNOT AGREE WITH THEORIES OF DARWIN

Toronto, Dec. 29.-Professor William Eateson, world famous English biologist, last night threw a bombshell into at night, some need this advice. the convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science by declaring that it was impossible for scientists any longer to agree with Charles Darwin's theory of the origin

igo, the Darwin theory was accepted without question, today scientists had come to a point where they were unable to offer any explanation of the enesis of species.

Professor Bateson admitted that his words marked him down as an agnostic, but maintained there was nothing agnosticism, or as he called it, "obscur-

BODY OF AMERICAN

Mexico City, Dec. 29 .- (By the Asso ated Press)-President Obregon has ordered official honors for the late Dr. Howard B. Cross, of the Rockefeller Institute, who died at Vera Cruz from yellow fever, and theb ody will be brought to the capital today. In his orders to the Sanitary Department, the President referred to Dr. Cross as a martyr to science.

From the time of its arrival here until the afternoon, when the ceremony will be held, the casket will be held under a guard of honor headed by Dr. Gabriel Malda and Dr. Alfonso Pruneda, president and secretary of the Sanitary Department.

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An interesting study of Miss Gertrude Eggert.

Miss Gertrude Eggert of Fresno, Cal., has been adjudged America's most perfectly formed woman in a contest conducted by a well-known magazine. Her daily program, to which she attributes her perfect health and figure, consists of a cold bath, breakfast, aesthetic dancing. rest, a brief walk, lunch, ju jitsu or other exercise, shopping or visiting, dinner and then a quiet evening at home.



It is so important for a woman always to look well-groomed, that I feel cannot talk too much about it. It is not a question of money or time, it is only a matter of knowing what sort of clothes to wear and how to wear them. It she is careful and has the little knack of wearing her clothes well, the poorest girl will look better dressed Perhaps it will help if I gave a list of the things to be careful about. First,

merce Commission has ordered in et. there is the hair. It is just as easy neatly as it is to do it up in a slipshod fashion. If you have the sort of hair that runs to straggly ends, wear a hair net and learn to adjust it properly. your hair, take up the hand-mirror Ends that hang down the neck and hairpins that show will keep you from looking well groomed.

Second in importance are the hands and gloves. Stained or soiled nails are never seen on the woman. It takes less than two minutes every day to keep the nails nice looking. As for gloves-a fresh, clean pair of fabric gloves are better than an old shabby pair of kid ones. Gloves and shoes should always be immacu-

Third in importance is the way that waist must be tucked in neatly, the collar must always be immaculately fresh and dainty, the skirt must hang with an even hem and the petticoat should never show. These are tiny matters and one might think them too obvious to mention. Yet in every crowd of girls in a homebound trolley

Black-eved Susan:-If your complexthat the digestion is upset or else that the system is constipated. The yeast is laxative and should clear the skin. However, if it does not seem to have this effect upon you, take a tablespoon of white mineral oil every day and be careful of your diet. Try not to eat foods that are badly cooked, or too rich or too sweet. Drink plenty water every day and get outdoors for, at least, two hours daily. If you follow these directions you

will have a clear and healthy complexleft for the scientists of today but ion. The freckles are not a disfigure ment, but if you do not like them you lt is Mercury, Quicksilver,

DOCTOR IS HONORED HIS WISH GRATIFIED AND MULTIPLIED TOO

Parry Sound, Ont., Dec. 29 .- Forty rears in the penitentiary was the sentence imposed by Police Magistrate Moore vesterday on Stephan Sowisluk. who pleaded guilty to smashing twenty-one windows "in order to earn a erm in a nice warm jail for the

He was convicted of ten charges and sentenced to serve a term of four years on each, the sentences to run onsecutively.

WILL INVESTIGATE.

Toronto, Dec. 29.-W. E. Raney, ttorney General of Ontario, announclast night that he would conduct investigation into the case of tephan Sowisluk, sentenced at Parry ound to serve forty years for window srnashing. He described the penalty as "extraordinary for such an offense."

CAUSEY FAMILY NOW SHOWS IMPROVEMENT

Mrs. G. L. Causey, whose leg was broken Monday night when + J. D. Paxton, game warden, ran into her with a motorcycle, was reported as resting satisfactorily 'Thursday morn-

and members of their family were walking along the highway near Irwin's Creek bridge on the Dowd road when Mr. Paxton dodged around from behind a Ford car they were following and ran into them.

In addition to Mrs. Causey's injury, their four-year-old daughter had her collarbone broken and the little twoyear-old son was badly bruised and scratched. Everyone in the party was struck except Mr. Causey, though none seriously injured.

"IN THE COURSE OF DUTY."

San Francisco, Dec. 29.-Four United States prohibition enforcement agents have been poisoned in the last three wekes from illicit brandy, which they consumed in the course of duty, but none was made seriously ill, it was announced yesterday from the office of E. Forrest Mitchell, district prohibition enforcement officer.



cumber juice or peroxide of hydro-

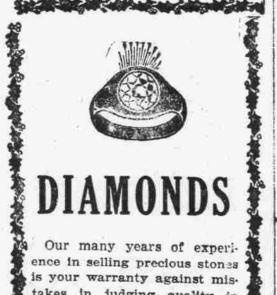
All inquiries addressed to Miss Forbes in care of the "Beauty Chats" department will be answered in these columns in their turn. This requires considerable time, however, owing to the great number received. So if a personal or quicker reply is desired, a stamped and self-addressed envelope must be enclosed with the question .-The Editor.

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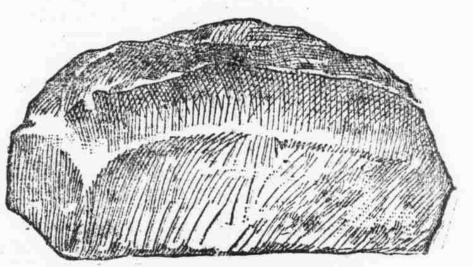
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