

VOLUME XVII. THE SONG OF THE MYSTIC.

I walk down the Valley of Silence— Down the dim, shadowy vale—alone And I hear the fall of a footstep...

PHILIP DIXON'S GAME LEG.

Mabel Vining was a bright, pretty girl with a complexion like wild roses, eyes like sapphires, and a smile like a sunset...

A SERMON FOR SUNDAY.

Some time ago I went to call at a home where there were several young men...

AN ELOQUENT DISCOURSE ENTITLED "PLEASURE AND GOD."

The Rev. A. B. Kinsolving Shows That When the Soul Has Found Its True Home the Simplest Things Will Serve as a Man's Heart's Desire.

BARNUM IN EUROPE.

The Armies of the Continent Take Lessons in Organizations. Throughout the military camps of Europe, where military organization is a matter of national pride...

QUAINT AND CURIOUS.

An Ohio man has one of the most unique collections of autographs in the world. It contains the names of over twelve thousand actors and actresses...

BILL ARP'S LETTER.

Talks Frantically of Booker's Tooth Brush Proposition.

THE RACE PROBLEM AGAIN.

The Bantam Hen Hatches Out Her Tiny Brood and Bill's Little Grandchildren are Greatly Elated, and Muchly Rejoiced Over the Event.

A UNIQUE HEN CONTEST.

American Layers Seek Laurels in Australia. Fowls from California, Nebraska and New York in a Match—Expected to Establish Records and Wreat Supremacy from British Egg Layers.

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Profits of Irrigation in the Eastern Part of the United States. The rise in price of agricultural lands in the last few years has made it necessary that farmers should get the largest possible return from their lands...

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