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vanced position, and then-she had no

friend to give her a helping hand o interceds for her. In spite of prid

women who could push on in the face of obstacles.

One gool summer evening she sa

in the library, rehearsing some scenes

from Shakespeare. Mrs. Anthon and the children had been out all day, and

she was not aware that shy had an

ereath startled her and made her turn

"Excellently well done, Mrs. Vaugh

an," he said, glancing at her, while the

scarlet blood mounted to cheek and

"I was simply reading for my ow

musement," she said, angry at his

'You offer yourself a very high or

der of entertainment, Will you go on

"Excuse me." she returned, haught

"I believe I shall complain of you

treatment. You are not as indulgent

"And you are able to choose your

"Not always, it seems," he said.

pointedly, "Are you practicing for the

A spirit of recklessness came over

her, and, rising to her full height, she

"I have thought of it occasionally.

"I wish you would think of some

She was quict enough now, though

"And why folly? It may be daring

"How long since, Major Couryn?

Yesterday you were Ellen Weir's

An exultant smile crossed his lips

She was not as insensible then as he

had feared. Jealousy was the best ally

"Was I? Are you so versed in the

minute shades of regard that you can

"Major Couryn," she said, "you are

man of the world, used to the many

caprices of society that mean nothing

Women in my position are often con-

sidered fair amusement, but I am not

to be trifled with. Miss Weir is your

equal and the admired friend of your

"And you would advise me to marry

Mrs. Vaughan was exasperated by

"As you like," she returned, hau, ht-

lly. "It is quite useless to repeat these

"Quite useless?" he repeated slowly

There was an almost imperceptible

lowering of the eyes and a faint quiv-

cr of the Hps. How much was at

stake? Should she make any conces-

meaningless words to me."

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"That would be folly for me."

her breath came in gasps.

to say this, but I love you!"

her eyes toward the door. There

stood Major Couryn!

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THE STIRRUP-CUP

His whinny shrill, his pawing hoof, Sound dreadful as a gathering storm; And I must have this sheltering roof And joys of life so soft and warm. —John Hay's Verses Written Many Years Ago in Visw of Leath.

and warm the joys of life---i friends, the faithful and the true-ty children and my wife, weet to kiss, so fair to view.

reet to kiss, so fair to view : light comes down, the lights but it my door the pale horse stam ar me forth to unknown lands.

"I wish you'd get that volume of

read some of the songs out of the

'Princess' I haven't outgrown my

boyish love for his mellow sweetness

though I'm old enough to leave it fai

She turned her eves sharply upon

"You question the soundness and

maturity of my taste," he said, with

"I didn't question anything, Major

Her voice was as cool as the sound

"It isn't always necessary to ex

press what one thinks in words. Facos

"I was not aware that mine did,"

Then she opened the book and read

He wanted to talk, so he cast about

for some pretext. He could be quite

irresistible when he chose, and the

languor left by a long illness was very

In spite of herself Mrs. Vaughan

was drawn into conversation. At first

it was very wary skirmishing on both

sides, but his effort was not made for

"What do you know about Mrs

"Very little. She taught two years

in a school before she was married

After she lost her husband she was

thrown upon her own exertions again.

have a fancy that he wasn't very

uccessful in business, for she gave

Major Couryn decided that there

vas a good deal to her, and some way

he meant to make her display the

richness of her soul for his repast.

He was improving very rapidly, and

that afternoon sat on the lawn with

the children, taking an active share in

their amusements. Mrs. Vaughan watched him curiously. By a subtle

intuition she knew that she was the

cause of his being there. She was not

a vain woman, yet, in spite of her

outward placidity, her pulse started up in tumult now and then.

"Suppose we drive over to the

Weirs?" Mrs. Anthon said, rejoining

them. "You have not had you usual

"Very well;" and Major Couryn

exercise today."

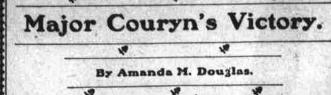
music lessons while he was alive."

Vaughan?" he asked of his sister the

much in his favor.

nothing.

next morning.



behind."

Couryn."

him at this.

Now that Major Couryn was recovering, he had time to look about and Tennyson," he said, presently, "and take some interest in his sister's household. It consisted of a widow, two little girls and a governess, besides the servants. He was not extravagantly fond of children, and Mrs Anthon was one of those domestic, motherly women who seem especially designed by Providence for the care o children.

After people reached maturity they a curious smile. were as much beyond her comprehension as a Greek tragedy in the original. Not that she was cold or blindly obtuse, but it was a subject quite of dropping rain. above her comprehension, so she never vorried herself. For all that, she and the major had been the best of friends, speak as well." unlike as they were. And he had felt that if he could once come home to she returned, haughtily. Emmie's kind care, he should get well. So here he was when the doctors had in her coldest, calmest manner. agreed, one and all, that he hadn't three month's lease of life.

"You will not go back to the army?" Emily said, pleadingly, one day, "You've tramped around forts and frontiers, and done you duty by your country, I'm sure. Then you're old enough to-There Mrs. Anthon made a long

pause. president, commander, "Be

and Couryn laughed. His what?" natural gayety was coming back to him. "Oh, I never think of those things

You ought to be married, Horace." He gave a prolonged whistle. "You want me steadled down-but

dened with the cares of life!" "You certainly can afford to marry and you're old enough-thirty five; and you've been in the army litteen

years. "I learned both to obey and command. Well, whom shall I marry?"

Mrs. Anthon colored a little, "The first day you feel equal to the exertion I want to take you for a call on the Weirs. There are two young ladies, pretty, well educated, sensible anfi ladylike; not pour by any means, like them both. I'm not much riages, but you

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EDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1905. GLOBE'S CABLE NE ORK connect the Orient by a series of in-

dependent cables, extending from France down the west coast of Africa, LIKE around to Madagascar, and then to Cochin China. There is no commercial siness that would warrant an in-

vestment of such magnitude, covering Are these tromendous stretches of sea. The first section of the cable, which is already under way, extends from Brest and to Dakar, a French naval stronghold Last on the west coast of Africa, but with-

out intermediate connection. Its proin in jectors were not looking for commercial business, or they would have War selected some other point. The intermediate stations below Da-

kar are all on French soil; in f ct the cable will round the Cape of Good Hope without touching the land. The next main station will be on the French island of Madagascar. This cable will cost at the rate of a thousand dollars a mile. From Paris to the Cape of Good Hope represents about 75 degrees of longitude, besides latitude, and from there across the Indian Ocean to Salof the y little gon, in the Northern Hemisphere again, will make a tremendous journal all as a part of the price which the ls, but ne the world in peace pays to maintain its readiness for war.

Aside from this huge French underice of taking Germany is now manufacturing grea her own cables, and is probably the put most energetic cable layer in the world today. She is laying cables in y will the East, connecting the German stronghold at Kiauchau Bay, on the dil be China coast, with her insular possesort of sions. France is also manufacturing ng the her own cables. The great expenditures in maintaining them have been much due in the past to defective manufactto the ure but the frequent need of repairs trans resulting, but this has been correct-Guam ed. The sub-marine cable industry es of has been started in the United States also, and those used in connecting the ake i telegraph system of Alaska with the hough United States, from Sitka to Puget 8850 Sound, are altogether of American manufacture, turned out at Bayonne, N. J. This company is now under conwith tract with the Mexican government to rshall manufacture a cable to be laid in the

at and Gulf of Mexico from Vera Cruz to Prom. It perica i preso, an important point on the ot far coast of Yucatan. So the industry has fortunately found a foothold here! with Improved Methods ny at rthern Cable laying is less expensive today because better understood, than for-8. It

merly. The condition of the ocean bed Britover which it is proposed to go is now p that ascertained accurately, and there is no direct nore festooning from elevation to cabl elevation in the ocean, such as wreckworld. ed some of the earlier cables. Our erman trans-Pacific cable lies on the average at a greater depth than any other imwill portant line in the world. Although the wireless telegraphy seems destined to Heling supplant ocean cables to an extent, our route to the Philippines by way of any influence in that direction has not Honolulu and Guam for over a thousand miles, by a cable connecting a yet been perceptible. No one can point to submarine connection that would chain of islands under the German flag. Many of these are indented by splendid barbors. The laying of the have been made but for the wireless. Cables are becoming steadily a more important channel for the transmiscable through the Caroline and Mur-

sion of intelligence, with the growth shall groups from Yap will be of imof commerce and of press reports. It portance commercially, certainly to is only within a short time the the Germany, but chiefly valuable in off-Pacific has been crossed at all, and setting any advantage which we might contrary to general belief, that was get in naval warfare from the connot done first by our line, but by the THE PULPIT.

A BRILLIANT SUNDAY SERMON B THE REV. W. H. BURGWIN.

Subject: Sowing and Reaping

oppose it by precept and example,

is the truth as taught us.

If God cannot receive him into heav-eily realms, He will put him out of his misery, aunfhilate him, the ten-dency will be for him to throw himself into the flood of activity, whatever its character, which promises him the full-est and most satisfactory return to his present selfash ambition. Such atti-tudes of mind, with their baneful re-suits, are all too common. The thought of the judgment of God in absolute could in the sciencel existence of the Brooklyn, N. Y.-For the last ser-mon in his series on "The Substance of Christian Doctrine" the Rev. W. H. Burgwin, pastor of the Eighteenth Street M. E. Church, preached Sun-

equity in the eternal existence of the soul is a most admirable and effective check upon all such human presump-tion. Well may we pray with the Psaimist, "Keep back thy servant also day morning on "Sowing and Reap-ing." His text was chosen from Gal-latians x1:7-S: "Be not deceived; God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall be also reap. For from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me."

duct, his belief will affect his conduct.

If a man argues himself to feeling that if God cannot receive him into heav-

he that soweth to the nesh shall of The baneful results referred to bave illustrations in every field of endeavor the flesh reap corruption; but he that In no other way can I account for the asionishing attitude of people whom soweth to the spirit shall of the spirit reap life everlasting." Mr. Burgwin I am meeting often-not bad, vicious people, either-but folks who are utter-ly careless and indifferent in relation Our statement of the substance of Christian doctrine in the four preced-ing discourses has presented the Creato this duty or that; the moral and religious instruction of their children, tor of all things as a merciful and bountiful Provider for His creatures. Sabbath obcervance, the payment of bills due, the speaking of the unblem-ished truth, the holding of malice Man, because of unique relationship to God, is the object of His particu against fellow Christians; in perfect lar and peculiar favor. Insisting that 'All have sinned and come short of the glory of God," the divine love almness men will argue in extenuation of any sin in the catalogue. Then, there is a popular feeling that a man to get along must have a "pull." Charfluds a way to satisfy infinite justice and to redeem for eternity every sin-ner who will be saved. The nature of acter, ability, the whole moral and practical capacity of the individual, are discounted. This feeling is so current the sinner, as created, precludes the idea or the possibility of compulsion. that you may hear it expressed any-where. It has come to me recently There is, however, a too general ten dency to discount Scriptural teachings -to feel that God, having done so from different sources, in one case ex-pressed by a man, in the other by a much for man, will do more, that, in some way, a comfortable and blissful woman. In both instances, children are being reared, reared and trained future is assured us, even though un bellef and disobedlence mark our conby professed Christians in that atmosphere. Most emphatically, I resent and condemn such an attitude on the duct here. The apostle combats such

a conception. Jesus Himseif contra-dicts it: "Ye cannot serve God and Mammon." The Scriptures uniformly part of any, especially Christians. It is specious, vicious, disastrous. "Pull" may secure place among men, but character and ability only bring ho It is my task this morning to en Some men may be tardy in recognizing force this thought: All men are re-deemed by Christ; but we are not worth. God is not. His judgments saved from our gullt and its fixed penalty until we are in accord with are based on character. Again, in business it has come to pass that too often any legal means is considered justifia-Christ and the divine plan. What the sowing is the harvest will be. This

ble. "According as you put comething in, the greater will be your dividentia of salvation," one man of enormous Our text is a warning-an unmistak-able danger signal. This warning is wealth and extensive busin ests is reported to have said. That "something" which you put in is not given in view of real dangers apparent to all observers of human nature money, or words, or deeds. Thuze, one It assures us that God does not make spiritual or moral paupers of or all, may be a symbol of that "some-The thing put in must be thing." Men cannot be redeemed without God; but, in the divine economy, God does not save the man without the man self-surrender to God, an acceptance of the Divine will as our standard of conduct. If Mr. Rockefeller is destihimself. The man, in addition to tute of this disposition of moral self-surrender, all his great gifts are not God's work, must work out his own salvation. For man there is a sowing and there is a reaping. There is good sufficient to win Divine approval. None can buy the gift of God. God 1 seed for sowing in moral and spirit ual soil; there is other seed which de too rich to sell, and man is too poor to Any man's gifts may indeed bevelops degraded human character buy. come an obstacle to favor with God Man selects his own seed and sows it. The seed proceeds to follow the law of nature. It brings forth after its in that they may promote a conceit of self-righteousness such as certain ankind-noisome weeds or golden grain. It is an eternal harvest of "corrupcient Pharlaces had. It is worse than seless for a man to make the church tion" or of "everiasting life." Ever his hobby if he gouges his fellow-men in business every chance he gets. "Be not deceived." Remember the harvest If man be deceived, God is not mocked

This Scripture warns us that every mortal has freedom to direct his and and be heedful of the sowing. career within well known and a solution men active in political life, career within well known and a sent and be needful of the sowing. good or erit Above the at sentium, pauditor same active in political life, is the Divine Governor, compel human loyalty, bur

ing in more extensive fields that ciplents of peculiar favors popularly merely finite and human, invariably known as "graft." It's custom, Oth-directs the mortal to the future his own freedom has chosen, to the reap-legal, dishonest; it's perjary, too. Secing of the harvest his own life has retary Bonaparte does well to insist sown. Thus it is clear the destiny is in his own control. Thus it is clear that man's that this species of dishonesty is a grave menace to the nation. The book rent that this uni "Rd not deceived " I speak to young men. Some of you may hold versal governor in administering his government is not anarchic. He is the political position, as you now hold business places of responsibility. I speak forcefully, for I know your possible supreme exponent of order and law; He, the arch-opponent of confusion. All disorder tends to confusion, in temptations. Abbor any moral com-promise in politics, in business or in cross physically, northwest of Honoluparticular as in universal dominion! The human sinner is a begettor of confusion in that he interferes with cial life. The man who leads a double life is a doomed man. He may law and order. He thus challenges the divine wisdom, power and will, not be condemned to prison by a jury of his peers; his integrity may He is a rebel against the Creator and question because of prevailing laxity or personal shrewdness. But, "Be not deceived; God is not mocked." "Be er of all things. Were all nature to follow him, the original chaos and sure your sin will find you out." anarchy would prevail in ail realms. Perfect order in human life would souls reap, gathering as they have sown. Thank God, there are men, bring man to the perfect destination many of them here and everywhere, which he was originally designed who are above reproach. May their That perfect order becomes a real fact for man through Jesus Christ, who is the exemplar of that order, "Who His own self bare our sins in His own tribe increase. So we deceive ourselves. In our selfdecely of state, we may find a sort of comfort; we are with the crowd; our body on the tree, that we, being dead chances are as good as another's; we'll to sin, should live unto righteousness turn over a new leaf, now or hereafter. "God is not mocked." We cannot treat by whose stripes ye were healed." I we encourage sin in our lives, if we do not persistently resist the devil, we are sowing accursed seed: we are not God contemptuously, as we may our fellows. As truly as seed brings a like harvest, so truly our devision of God dead to sins, we do not live unto rightresolves itself into despair. The insult eousness; consequently, that perfect to Deity always reverts to the insufter order is not an actuality for us, though Men must not find comfort in the it remains a possibility, because of the thought that such willful disorder divine mercy and our ability to sow the seed of repentance, by God's help, their part can produce order hereafter. If the sowing be sin, disorder, the reapif we will, ing must be confusion. Evidently, then, the glorious destin-Christianity offers humanity its ation of man as described in Scripture ation of man as described in Scripture, bringing the creature back to his lost estate, where he is conformed to the image of Him who is the express image of God's substance, is not an arbitrary goal to which every creature move whether or no. The attainment of that destination is a matter of the destination of the part of the greatest conceivable opportunity, but humanity must embrace the opportun-Ity. Victory. The joy of resisting temptation is the highest joy men can feel. It is a mo-ment when our little life here grows choice and decision on the part of the creature-that decision and choice in dicating his accord with the will and larger, and we feel ourselves into a wide sphere; we have a sens of fellowship with higher beings, and are somehow conscious of their sympaplan of the Creator. Man has a goal, a great purpose for living, set before him. the "life everlasting" of our text. thy. All God's creation smiles toward which it is his personal sponsibility and duty intelligently to direct his way. He is not like the crick et. If you have ever noticed this in A Prayer. sect in an open space, bound for some where, you will remember that he spring a foot or so into the sir, turns O God, who art the truth, make me one with Thee in everlasting love I am often weavy of rending, and weary of hearing; in Thee alone is the sum of my desire! Let all teachers be silent, let the whole creation be dumb a somersault or two at each jump, his course being signag and uncertain, as likely to terminate in one place as mother, so far as you can determine. silent, let the whole creation be dumb before Thee, and do Thou only speak unto my soull-Thomas a Kempis. Many mortals do resemble the insect, with this exception, that the unintel-ligent, signag course cannot possibly bring them to the right destination. That this signag course exists indi-cates that the truth has been perverted. sintment. Not long ago he over-Stumbled Into Rich Mine. Nannie Brown, eighteen years old. Men have been deceived. In their con fident intellerinal self-conceit they have proclaimed various modification of the Christian plan as we possess it egro servant, while searching for a stray cow near the Homestake mine half a mile east of Butte, atumbi of the Christian plan as we possess it. In their reasonings and speculations they have argued that a loving God would not do this, that He would not do that; that a just God would act thus and so, and would not act in cer-tain other ways. So they have an-nounced their conclusions that all will eventually be saved, whatever their lives' sowing may have been; or that intermediative is conflicted what the 'so to a gopher hole out of which had been thrown several small particles of quarts in which gold glittered. The girl carried the sparkling rock home and assays in Butte show that the rock carries more than \$1,000 in gold to the ton. The girl led her employers to the gopher hole and the whole country was staked off, the locaters being amortality is conditional, that the in-"Con" Conklin, S. W. Brown, Stevens and Miss Brown, each taking an equal share. Two shafts have been then, but that finally they will be nulfilited, atterly destroyed; that here will be a future probation, an op-ortunity beyond the grave to accept he divine mercy. All of this is at-ractive as apeculation. The truth is runk thirty feet, revealing two in gold leads in which the free gold he easily seen. About \$6.00 worth of eculation. The tri dequate warrant es for any such a not deceived." G in no ade rock is in sight and exc tement runs igh over the discovery. scripture aya, "Be that the nal life is a has lous Dog Wanted Sahe.

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THE COLLEGE ATHLETE.

Oh, at the baseball he's a wonder and at golf he's just the thing : He can burl the clausic discus lise a Her-conies by fing! He can hold two dozen people on a plat form on his chest. And at lifting and dumb bells he's the equal of the best.

He can row or jomp or wrestle in the smartest kind of sivie; He can swim beneath the water for at least a half a mile. At all useless sports and pastimes he's admitted to be good, But he has no startling record when it comes to sawing wood. —Louisville (Ky.) Courier-Jourant.



"How did old Pscadds over break into society?" By lending money to some of its impoverished leaders."-Chicago Tribune.

"I wonder how it is that men succeed who mind only their own bush ness?" "Because there is so little competition."-New Yorker.

Mrs. Muggins-Mrs. Newrich's little girl has a decided Irish brogue. Mrs. Buggins-That's what comes of having French malds.-Philadelphia Rec

Mrs. Foogle-My son is a veterinary urgeon. Mrs. Malaprop-Land sakes! He's a purty young-lookin' feller to call himself a veteran .- Philadelphia Record.

First Suburbanite-Is he lucky? Second Suburbanite-I should say so. Why, even his neighbors' hens come and lay their eggs in his yard .- Pittsburg Dispatch

She-And did you ever propose to girl in a canoe? He-Yes, and I'll never do it again! The girl jumped ac my proposal, and upset the boat --fonkers Statesman.

Madge-They say she is very clever, but I have never noticed IT. Marjorle-Of course not. She says all the clever things about you after you have gone .- Harper's Bazar.

Customer-I want a book that will do for hot-weather reading. Bookseller-All right, sir. Here is a ghost story that is warranted to make your blood run cold.-Chicago News,

Mother-Has Charles proven himself to be a thoroughly abstemious man? June Bride-Yes, Indeed! He particularly abstains from giving me any money!-Detroit Free Press.

Mr. De Rich-What? Another new street dress? Where is the last one you got? Mrs. De Rich-I have worn t out. It isn't a week since you got it. I wore it out last Thursday.-New York Weekly.

"Mr. Dustin Stax is inclined make an ostentatious display of his "You wouldn't wink so," wealth." said the government employe, "if you worked in the assessor's office." Washington Star.

"That girl has an unfortunate idea of repartee." "Yes," answered Miss Cayenne. "She has an idea that she is saying smart things merely saying things that smart."--Washington Star. "Haven't you ever thought of going to work?" asked the farmer's wife of Sauntering Sam. "Yes'm," replied the eteran tramp; "I thought of it once -but I was deeloeryus at de time."-Cleveland Plain Dealer. "Being from the West, Mrs. Briese you have never before heard the booming of the breakers, I suppose?" "No; but being from the West, I have A11 heard the breaking of the boomersmany a time and oft!"-Cleveland Leader.

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forever away. Why not begin to er joy life?" Major Couryn thought it over, lying there on the lounge by the open window, that cool, fragrant, June afternoon. The breath of roses and honey suckle was everywhere, and the smooth-shaven lawn, with its clusters of evergreens, formed a pleasant plc. ture. Hadn't he rambled around long enough, toiled and borne hardships, and nearly wrecked his health? What more could his country ask of him in time of comparative peace. Home and indolence were rather enjoyable, after all. And most men married some time He had flirted desperately several times, and been a general admirer of the sex. If a girl was pretty, interest within his brain. refined, accomplished and all that would it he so very hard to love her Emily was a very straightforward, prosaic body, but her judgment was they had been singing. excellent, and her taste unusually good.

A shadow crossed the lawn and his vision at the same time. This was just past twenty, which is a very in Mrs. Vaughan, his sister's governessa rather haughty, reticent woman, who filled her position admirably, and took no liberties with any one. Up to y, "you're not a bit interested. this time he could have told but two facts concerning her-that she was rying." tall, and wore black. The mourning was for her husband doubtless. He looked at her figure, a certain elasticity even in those sauntering steps. She turned her face to check Isabel in some rather noisy romp, and then lost earnest. herself in thought, Rich, dark, abundant hair, deep, shadowy eyes and a clear, coloriess complexion. At that moment he thought her a very handsome woman, but, as he said to himself, proud as Lucifer. And, some how, the very pride appeared tempting to him. He had been in such a miser able, weakly way for so long that he was quite anxious to try his strength and face an enemy once more

"It's too bad to be compelled to said, just at dusk; "but I really must go to the rectory tonight. I've deyou'll feel the more lonesome." "Never mind about me.'

Vaughau to come in and read to you Mrs. Anthon went on, rather doubtfully, to be sure, but anxious for his comfort. "She used to read to me Mrs. Anthon's plans. Miss Weir was noarly every evening last winter. I in constant demand, and Major Couryn think you'd enjoy it."

"Well, if Mrs. Vaughan doesn't ob ject," was his slow reply, but his brain was not as tranquil as his voice. Mrs. Vaughan assented immediately

to Mrs. Anthon's requests, because at lady was never unreasonable

She was ushered into Major Cour-yn's sliting room in the most dignified manner, and replied to his remark with a haughty graciousness that

would not have shamed a queen. Major Couryn smiled under his mus-inche, stretched himself into a position fortable laziness, and liste was an effective reader, had her voice under perfect control-her face, too, for that matter. Thoug and and path due, her features wore their grav

"I shall append a 'to be continued to that conversation," he said, in pass ing her: then their eyes met for an instant.

During the next half hour Grace and isabel indulged in some unwarranted freaks, unchecked by the governess Then she suddenly came back to her self. What a fool she had been! Major Couryn was used to such pastime doubtless, Major Couryn, in the meanwhile,

was taken to a rather imposing mansion and introduced to the daughters of the house. They certainly merited his sister's praise, but their calm, fair faces stirred no feeling of emotion or "Ellen is the handsomer, but Carrie has such a lovely sweet voice. Didn't you think so?" his sister asked, for

"Yes, it is very fine." he said, ab een of him. "I think Ellen is my favorite, She's

teresting age." He assented again.

"Horace," Mrs. Anthen said, present

ently.

"Am I not? I was thinking of mar-

"Do you really mean it?" "If I can find any one to have me. "We will invite Ellen over here." she said, pleased to find what she had considered indifference was grave

But his thoughts were upon another woman. He found many opportunities to see Mrs. Vaughan, and, the ice once broken, it was a hard matter for her well again." to intrench herself again. From cour tesy they went to skirmisling, from commonplaces they proceeded to odd. piquant talks. And, though Major Couryn never seemed on the watch, yet he always appeared when she was alone.

What did it mean? she asked her eave you this evening," Mrs. Anthon self. When she decided that it was mere triffing, and held herself haughtily aloof, he always found the royal clined several invitations lately, and path to her heart, and subdued her to now you're so much better; but, then, his will, For a few moments she dared to be happy, but was it at all likely he intended to marry her? And Borace, if you would like Mrs. why not? Was she not as estimable

> as more fortunate women on whom fate had smiled? She was not long in understanding rather stay and marry you."

was fully as polito as society required She was very fond of riding, and, as soon as he could take to his saddle the two rode nearly every day. She used to watch them, generally in the morning. He certainly was growing

handsome with returning health. faint color was stenling into his cheeks, and the deathly paleness was giving place to a more becoming hus, and in place of the languor of a kind of jaunty energy that said there was

If jaunty energy that said there was much strength in reserve. Maud Vaughan looked over her bar-ren past life. One brief love dream rudely dispelled, hardship, toll, secret disattaraction, and a dreary future

on she had been tempted to try the dage. The life always appeared dis- ors himself a happy and asterul to ber until one gained an ad- man -- New York Wechly,

It was not Maud Vaughan's naturto do that. Once she had been miser For similar reasons our naval authorities have been working out a ably deceived, and she would not be willfully blind now. naval base in the Aleutian chain of Isl-"Major Couryn, this is child's play," lands. Their studies have long been conducted secretly, but the Evening she said, sweeping slowly, but loftily

and for

paused, uncertain how to

from the room. Post's correspondent may now an-He made no motion to detain her sounce that the department has set-When alone she buried her proud face tled upon Kiska harbor, in the island in the future. The first object of those in her hands and wept a few bitter tears. Could she have had this man's who were charged with the problem love? Why, it would have been a new was the avoidance of fogs. To be of greatest use in time of war, a naval life to her! What did all that lay be tween matter? If fortune had been station must be approached with reasonable certainty. A vessel should alhers, she would gladly have shared if with him. If power had been hers, so be able to come or go almost any she would give her very life to mak time it pleases. All parts of the Aler him happy. And yet she had consid tian chain were examined with this ered his words triffing and meaningconsideration in view, as well as the

obvious necessity of a good harbor. The island which has been selected She was pale the next morning neets the requirements to a surprisand a dark tint under her eyes showed ing degree, and congress will be urged that her slumbers had not been very to appropriate for it. profound. He watched her narrowly

quite satisfied that her thoughts had This chain is on the shortest route from our Pacific coast to the Orient Left to herself, Mrs. Vaughan se by the great-circle navigation. The route followed by our cable is sevabout making new resolves. Major eral hundred miles longer. Kiska har-Couryn had determined to repair the bor needs little improvement, old homestead and take possession most of the expenditures would be in and Mrs. Anthon was all interest. Of the erection of docks and storehouses, course he would marry. And then for which the department has no Maud Vaughan knew that she could completed plans. Great misapprehennot endure to remain. It would be no sion prevails as "to the climate. Peoplace for her, to look upon their happl ple think that on the Aleutian islands ness. Did Ellen Weir plume herself it is dark all winter and stormy most upon her anticipated good fortune? of the year, when, in fact, its latitude "Mrs. Vaughan is going away," Mrs

is not higher than Edinburgh, and Anthon announced in great distress. the effect upon its climate of the She wanted to leave immediately, but culatory system of the North Pacific persuaded her to stay until the first ocean is the same as that experienced September. I den't know what by the British Islands. It is no coldshall do. I shall never like anyone so er in summer, nor hotter in winter than Scotland, and it has no more Major Couryn knew what he must rain, certainly, at Kiska, whose climo, regardless of his sister. Mrs atic conditions have been carefully Vaughan had fallen into the habit of

tabulated. Who can say that the Aleutaking solitary rambles just after sur tion Islands will not some day send a et, and one evening he waylaid her representative to congress? Still, the There were some tense lines about her navy does not expect this port to obmouth, and a cold, strained look in he tain commercial importance, in the eyes. She was suffering from some near future, if ever. It will be connected by cable with the mainland as But she thrust her secret far out o a military necessity. sight. She was proud and reserved to

England was the first power, appar ently, to realize the importance of the "Maud," he said at length, "for control of commercial cables in the nonth you have clung resolutely to event of war. Her pre-eminence in your own bellef, and it has failed to this adjunct to her navies is marked. France comes second as a cable owner. make you happy. I am not blind, so say again that I love you. What is In both countries the general practice my answer? You alone can make me is for private companies to own and operate the cable, but under governhappy. When you leave this place, shall return to army life. I would ment subsidies. England reaches every corner of the globe with her cables. She has been at home the great cable Her face was crimson. There was

manly ring in the voice that sh builder of the world, manufacturing ould not doubt. most of those that other nations have laid, although this monopoly she is "I am poor and proud. Most peo rapidly losing. Our own trans-Pacific would think you had demeaned your self by marrying a governess, was built and put down by Eng-"Don't give me advice. In it yes of ish manufacturers, but the next one will not be

A strange, aweot an is still a so face. He bent over to kiss her and caught the answer in an underbreath. "My darling," he said, "you have hidden nothing from me; I know you secret weeks ago."

She hid her blushing face, and was Mrs. Anthon was surprised and r inted at first, but she And Major Courys ec

ton how valuable the cable w in a great naval war. It is really the eyes and ears of the navy. In the tusso-Japanese straggle it has not tred greatly, but in more comprel two operations over the sea, betw two powers of Hu

bly play a large part. The best metration of what the powers cables are worth in war is a by the new line which the d covernment is subsidiers to

trol of a trans-Pacific line, British cable from Vancouver to Fanning Island, and then to the Fiji Islands and on to Australia. This line was open for work a few months be fore the American cable. The two

> lu, but as yet no link has been constructed by which messages can be transferred, as it was supposed would be done. The Hawalian merchant who desires to communicate with Fiji Islands must do so by way of the Amer-Ican mainland. Honolulu has become a more important centre by the completion of the cable, as well as a bet, ter place of residence. It will be still further improved by the cable connections with the terminus of the 1sth. mian canal, when that work is finish-

> > The canal will come into existence well couloped with cable communica. tion. On the Panama side the Central and South American cable companies

connect with the western coast Central America by a line which crosses the isthmus at Tehuantepec, attaching to cables from New Orleans, which touch at Vera Cruz. This line and also connects with the terminus on the Gulf of Mexico of the new Tehuantepec railroad, which follows the route proposed for the old Eads ship railroad cheme. The Pacific terminus of the railroad and the cable is Salina Cruz; from there it proceeds along the wes coast to Panama, touching at important points. This line was laid thirty years ago. It is assumed that the completion of the canal will lead to still better cable connections with the rest of the world. The cable from Panama also con

nects with important points on the vestern coast of South America, by a series of loops extending as far sout as Valpariso.

Absont-Minded,

A certain merchant in Boston oted for being a stickler in the ter of promptness, to the extent that he has been known to walk out of church because the services did not begin promptly, and to leave his sister alone in a strange city because she was four minutes late in keeping an

eard a forceful exposition of his peculiarity. He had walked out to his stable and vas about to go in when he heard the new groom within say to the coachman, "Is it true, Dolan, that the hoss is cracked about doing things on time, and goes into a fit when anybody is

Inta? "Shrue? Thrue?" cried Dolan. me tell you, Ryan, how thrue it is. If the boss had promised to mate himself at iliven o'clock and was late, he'd find himself gone when he got there. That's how three it is!"-The Independent

Had Papa Dazed.

"What are you doing out here in the park?" asked the solicitous neighbor. thinking ibings over," an-the sincere man. "Some one that children ought to be en-"I'm ald me ed to ank gu youngest, and inside of thir-ds he wanted to know who president will be and how ed my your he part pro og it will take to sig the Panama

Weary Husband-Doctor, I don't see why you can't cure my wife of her tches and pains? Doctor-Sir, I have great regard for the opinion of your wife, and if I should cure her of her aches and pains, she'd never forgive me!-Detroit Free Press.

"But you will admit that my jokes have the real flavor?" ventured the jokesmith with the rejected batch of manuscript. "What do I know about their flavor?" growled the editor of the comic weekly. "I am no gont. I don't eat them."-Chicago Daily News, First Artist-Well, old man, how is business? Second Artist-Oh, splendid! Got a commission this morning for a millionaire. Wants his children painted very badly. First Artist

(pleasantly)-Well, my boy, you're the very man for the job .- Gla Evening Times.

lifted

"Why don't you try to win the con fidence of the people?" "Not now," answered Senator Sorghum, Tho people have been gold-bricked much of late years that every time they see man trying to make himself agreeable, they get suspicious. Washington Star.

abington Star. "Did you succeed in breaking your "No; but we grandfather's will?" "No; anaged to bend it so that a more thousand dollars oozed out the family tree."-Detroit Free Pre "Do you believe there is anything in mind-reading?" "If there isn't, my wife's an awful good guesser. never has to wait for me to do any confessing."-Chicago Record-Her

His View of Bernhard

Of all the stories told of the eme elenderness of Mme, Sa Bernhardt, the following pro caps the climax: Two were talking about the fam during her last visit to this cou-when one of them asked the oth-he would like to see her. "Yes," was his friend's

Well, walk past that coupe an ook in and you'll see her."

The other did as directed, and ne back looking disapp "Didn't you see her?" inquired.

"I looked in and naw nothing Well, that's she!"-The Christian Register.

Worry. She-I believe the chef has be g money on the stock exchange

I found a arm