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THE SIGN OF THE FOUR.

By CONAN DOYLE.

THIS STORY WILL BE CONCLUDED NEXT WEEK.

rujah shall be divided among us. What

" 'Listen to me, sahib,' said the taller and florcer of the pair, the one whom they called Abdultah Khan. You must either be with us now or you must be allenced forever. The thing is too great a one for us to hesitate. Either you are heart and soul with us



I USED TO STAND OUTSIDE THE GATEWAY.

on your oath on the cross of the Christians, or your body this night shall be thrown into the ditch and we shall thrown into the ditch and we and pass over to our brothers in the rebel army. There is no middle way. Which is it to be, death or life? We army. There is no middle way. Which is it to be, death or life? We can only give you three minutes to decide, for the time is passing, and all must be done before the rounds come again.'

"How can I decide?' said I. 'You have not told me what you want of me. But I tell you now that if it is anything against the safety of the fort 1 will have no truck with it, so you can drive home your knife and welcome.

"'It is nothing against the fort,' said We only ask you to do that which your countrymen come to this land for. We ask you to be rich. If you will be one of us this night, we will swear to you upon the maked knife, and by the threefold oath which no Silch was ever known to break that you shall have your fair share of the loot. A quarter of the treasure shall be yours. We can

my no fairer.' "'But what is the treasure, then?" I asked. 'I am as ready to be rich as you can be, if you will but show me how is can be done.'

"'You swear, then.' said ho, 'by the bones of your father, by the honor of your mother, by the cross of your faith, to raise no hand and speak no word against us, either now or afterwards?' "'I will swear it,' I answered, 'pro-vided that the fort is not endangered.'

"Then my comrade and I will swear that you shall have a quarter of the treasure, which shall be equally divided among the four of us.' "There are but three,' said I.

"'No; Dost Akbar must have his share. We can tell the tale to you while we await thom. Do you stand

"In Worcestershire the life of a man seems a great and a sucred thing; but it is very different when there is fire

and blood all round you and you have been used to meeting death at overy turn. Whether Animet the morelant lived or died was a thing as light as air to me. but at the talk about the treas ure my heart turned to it and i thought of what I might do in the old country with it, and how my folks would stars when they saw their ne'er-do-woll coming back with his pockets full of gold moldores. I had, therefore, already made up my mind. Abdullah Khau, however, thinking that I braitated,

however, thunking that I distributed, pressed the matter more closely. "Consider, sahib," said he, 'that if this man is taken by the commandant he will be hung or shot, and his jewels taken by the government, so that no man will be a rupee the better for them. Now, since we do the taking of him, why should we not do the rest as as well? The jewels will be as well with us as in the company's coffers. There will be enough to make every one of us rich men and great chiefs. No one can know about the matter. for hore we are cut off from all men. What could be better for the purpose? Say again, then, salib, whether you are with us, or if we must look upon you as an enemy." "'I am with you heart and soul,"

said L. "'It is well,' he answured, handing

me back my firelock. 'You see that we trust you, for your word, like ours, is not to be broken. We have now only to wait for my brother and the mer-

chant' "Does your brother know, then, of

what you will do?' I asked. "The plan is his. He has deviaed it. We will go to the gate and share the watch with Mahomet Singh.' "The rain was still falling steadily,

for it was just the beginning of the wet season. Brown, heavy clouds were drifting across the sky, and it was hard to see more than a stope-oast. A deep most lay in front of our door, but the water was in places pearly dided up. and it could easily be crossed. It was strange to me to be standing there with those two wild l'unjaubees waiting for the man who was coming to his death

"Suddenly my eye canght the glint of a shaded interest the other side of the most. It vanished among the mound-heaps, and then appeared again coming slowly in our direction.

"'Here they are?' I exclaimed. "You will challenge him, sahib, as "You will challenge him, sahib, as usual, whispered Abdullah. 'Give him no cause for fear. Send us in with him, and we shall do the rest while you stay here on guard. Have tho lantern ready to uncover, that we may be sure that it is indeed the man.' "The light had filekered onwards,

now stopping and now advancing, nn-til I could see two dark figures upon the other side of the most. I let them scramble down the slo ng hank splash through the mire, and elimb half-way up to the gate, before I challenged them. "Who goes there? said I in a sub-

"I could not trust myself to speak I confid not trust myself to speak longer with the man. The more I looked at his fat, frightened face, the harder did it seem that we should slay him in cold blood. It was best to get it over. "Take him to the main guard,' said I. The two Sikhs closed in upon him on each side, and the giant walked be-hind, while they marched in through

"'An iron box,' he answered, 'which

contains one or two little family mat-ters which are of no value to others, but which i should be sorry to lose.

Yet I am not a beggar; and I shall re-ward you, young sabib, and your gov-ernor also, if he will give me the shel-

ter I ask."

the dark gateway. Never was a man so compassed round with doubh. I remained at the gateway with the lantern. "I could hear the measured tramp of

their footsteps sounding through the lonely corridors. Suddenly it ceased, and I heard voices, and a souffie, with the sound of blows. A moment later the sound of blows. A moment inter there came, to my horror. a rush of footsteps coming in my direction, with the load breathing of a rus-ing man. I turned my instern down the long, straight passage, and there was the fat man, running like the wind, with a smear of blood across h's face, and close at his heels, boundin 'ke a tiger. the great black-bearded .dkh, with a knife firshing in his hand. I have never seen a man run so fast as have nover seen a man run so fast as that little merchant. He was gaining on the Nikh, and I could see that if he on the with, and I could see that if he once passed me and got to the open air he would save himself yot. My heart suffered to him, but again the thought of his treasure turned me hard and bitter. I cant my firelook between his logs as he raced past, and he rolled twice over like a shot rabbit. Ere he could starger to his feet the fith mere could stagger to his feet the Sikh was could stagger to his feet the Nikh was open him, and buried his knife twice in his side. The man never uttered mean nor moved muscle, but may where he had fallen. I think myself that he may have woken his neck with the fall. You see, gentlemen, that I am keeping

my promise. I an telling you every word of the business just exactly as it happened, whether it is in my favor or He stopped and held out his manacled hands for the whisky and water which Holmes had brewed for him. For myself. I confess that I had now

For myself, I contess that I had now conceived the utmost horror of the man, not only for this cold-blooded business in which he had been con-corned, but even more for the some-what flippant and careloss way in which he carrated it. What are nonwhich he narrated it. Whatever punishment was in store for him, I felt isliment was in store for him. I felt that he might expect no sympathy from me. Sherlook Holmes and Jones are with their hands upon their knees, deeply interested in the story, but with the same disgust written upon their faces. He may have observed it, for there was a touch of defines in his with and many as he proceeded.

voice and manner as he proceeded. "It was all very bad, no doubt," said o. "I should like to know how many he. "I should like to know now many follows in my shoes would have re-fuscil a share of this loos when they knew that they would have their throots cut for their pains. Resides, it was my life or his when once he was in the fort. If he had got out, the whole business would have come to light, and I should have been court-martialed

and shot as likely as not; for people wore not very loniont at a time like that.' "Go on with your story," said Holmes, shortly.

"Well, we carried him in, Abdullah,

Akbar and I. A fine weight he was, too, for all that he was so short. Ma-Singh was door. We took him to a pinet time the Nikhs had already prepared. It was some distance off, where a winding pasbrick walls of which were all crumbling to pieces. The earth floor had such in at one place, making a natural grave, to we left Achmet the merchant there. having first covored hum over with cose bricks. This done, we all went oack to the treasure. "It lay whore he had dropped it whom he was first attacked. The box was the same which now lies open upon your table. A key was hang by a silken cord to that carved handle upon the top. We opposed it, and the light of the lantern gleamed upop a collec-tion of gems such as I have read of and tion of gens such as I have read of and thought about when I was a little lad at Pershore. It was blinding to look upon them. When we had feasted our yes we took them all out and made a list of them. There were one hundred and forty-three diamonds of the first water, including one which has been called, I believe, 'the Great Mogul,' and is said to be the second largest tone in existence. Then there were ainety-seven very fine ameraida, and ne hundred and seventy rubles, some of which, however, were small. There vere forty corbuncies, two hundred and tan apphires, sixty-ono agates and a great quantity of buryls, onyxes, cata-sycs, turquoises and other stones, the very names of which I did not know at the time, though I have become more familiar with thom smoo. Besides this, there were nearly three hundred very fine pearls, twalve of which were set in a gold coronet. By the way, these last had been taken out of the obest and were not there when I reovered it. "After we had counted our treasures we put them back into the ebest and carried them to the gatuway to show them to Muhomet Singh. Then we solernly renewed our oath to stand by each other and be trao to our secret. We agreed to conceal our loot in a anto place until the country should be at poace again, and then to divide it oqually among ourselves. There was no as dividing it at present, for if grows of such value were found upon at the such as a such as a such a such as a such a greas of such vatue were tound more not would cause sumpleton, and there was no privacy in the fort nor any was no privacy in the fort nor any place where we could keep them. We carried the box, therefore, into the same hall where we had buried the poor possessions.' Unly, and there, under certain briefen for him. ballow and put our treasure. We made

estraful note of this place, find next day I drew four plane, one for each of us, and put the sign of the four of us at the bottom, for we had sware that we should each always set for all, so that none might take advantage. That is an oath that I can put my hand to my heart and swear that I have never broken. then usual. I was sitting is my hut when he and Capt. Morstan came stumbling along on the way to their quarters. They were bosom friends, these two, and never far apart. The major was raving about his lonses. "It's all up, Morstan,' he was say-ing, as they passed my hut. 'I shall have to send in my papers. I am a ruined man." "Nonsense, old chap!' anid the other, slapping him upon the shoulder. "Ive had a masty facer myself, but--That was all I could hear, but is was enough to set ms thinking.

"Well, there's no use my telling yos, "Well, there's no use my telling yos, gentlemen, what came of the Indian mutiny. After Wilson took Dalhi and Sir Colvin relieved Lucknew the back of the business was brokes. Fresh troops came pouring in, and Nama Sahib made himself senres over the frontise. A Sying column under Col. Greathend came round to Agra and eleared the Pandles sway from it. Peace seemed to be sotilize ypon the country, and we four ware beginning to hope that the time was at hand when we might safely go of with our shares of the pinades. In a moment, however, our hopes were shuttered by our being arranted as the sauderway of Achmet.

'who is the proper person to whom hid-fen treasure should be handed over. J "It came about in this way: When

and treasure should be handed over. I know where half a million worth lies, and, as I cannot use it myself, I thought perhaps the best thing that I could do would be to hand it over to the proper authorities, and then perhaps they would get my sentence shortened for sur being arranded as the inurderway of Achanet. "It cannot have been in this way: When the raish put his jewels into the hands of Achanet he did it because however; an what does this raish do but take a ner-ound even more trusty servent and ast him to play the say lapse the first? This meond man was befored never to let Achanet out of his adjets, and he fol-lowed him likes his shadow. He went after him that might, and now him pass through the Achanet out of adjets of the fort, and applied for admission there himself next day, but could find no trace of Achanet. This seamed to him so strange that he spoke about it to a surgeast of guides, who brought its to the case of the commandant. A thorough search was quickly made, and the body was discovered. Thus at the very moment that we thought the fourth because he was known to have been in company of the murdered man. Not a word about the raish had been depend and tree indicates on a strange of marder—three of us because we had held the gute that infint, and the fourth because he was known to have been in company of the murdered man. Not a word about the raish had been depend and itwas certain that we izrust all have been murdered man. Not a word about the raish had been depend and itwas certain that we izrust all have been concerned in it. The three filths got penal aervitude for lift, and it was certain that we izrust all have been concerned in it. The three filths got penal aerviter a queue guidth to the ama es the others. "'Half a million, Small? he guaped, looking hard at me to see if I was in convent. ""Quite that, skr - in jewels and pearls. It lies there ready for anyone. And the queer thing about it is that the real owner is outlawed and cannot hold property, so that it belongs to the first comer." first compr.' "To government, Small,' he stam-mered—'to government.' But he said it in a halting faahion, and I know in my heart that I had got him. "You think then, sir, that J should give the information to the governor general? said I, quietly. "'Well, well, you must not do any-thing rash, or that you might repeat. Let me hear all about it, Nmall. Give me the facts.'

water to drink, when that gorgeous fortune was ready for him outside, just waiting to be picked up. It might have driven me mad; but I was always a pretty stubborn one, so I just held on and bided my time. "At last it seemed to me to have come. I was changed from Agra to Madras, and from there to Hink island in the Andaman. There are very few

him. "This is a very important matter, Small,' he said, at last. 'You must not say a word to anyone about it, and I shall see you again soon.' in the Andamana. There are very faw white convicts at this settlement, and, as I had behaved well from the first, I

\$100,000,000 a Year From Fruit and Truck.

Man stacturers' Booord.

BRULABATION POR PRUS COLVAGE. The Domocratic State Executive Com mittee Bo-Affrans the Platform of Last Year, Calls on the Party to tiet

Togethor for Free Colsingo, and Discourages the Momphis Sound Money Convention. Charlotte Observer.

At a conference of the executive

sommittee of the Democratio purity of Morth Carolina, held in Raleigit. May 20th, 1805, the following resolutions were adopted and ordered to be pub-lished: "A souple of days hater Maj. Sholto was strolling on the beach; so I took the chance of speaking to him. "I wish to have your advise, major," enid I. ""Well, Small, what is it?" he said, in the sherbot from his lips. "I wanted to ask you, sir.' said I.

were adopted and ordered to be pub-lished: Lat. That the executive committee of the Democratic party of the State of North Carolina, acting and speak-ing for and in behalf of the party, re-publish, reiterate and explasiz: the declaration of the party made in the State convention, August 8, 1893, in favor of the free and unlimited coin-age of aliver at the ratio of 16 to 1. 3d. That time and pressing events have proven the wisdom of this Intest declaration of the party on thus all-ab-norbing question, and we appeal to the Democratic press and people of the State to give it their loyal, open and aggressive support. Std. That in advocating the free and unlimited coinage of sliver by the government of the Cuited States, we are not asking any favors or conces-sions from any one, but are simply de-manding that the great wrong done the mames of the American people by the Hepublican party in 1873 be undone and that sliver be restored to the presi-tion of that great Hepublican crime. Alt, That in our judgment the im-mediate resumption of the free and unlimited coinage of sliver by the government of the United States, we are not asking any favors or conces-sions from any one, but are simply de-manding that the great wrong done the mames of the American people by the Hepublican party in 1873 be undonne and that sliver be restored to the presi-tion of that great Hepublican crime. Alt, That in our judgment the im-mediate resumption of the free and unimited coinage of sliver by the government of the United States, as it axisted prior to 1873 without waiting one moment for the cooperation, and without reference to the conduct or existed prior to 1873 without waiting one moment for the cooperation, and without reference to the conduct or policy of any nation on cards, is the great daty that now confronts the American people, and we appeal to all men of every shade of political opinion in North Carolina who believe us we do that the restoration of the free and unlumited coinage of silver means the restoration of prosperity to our homes

aniustical consecutive of the free him multical consecutive of the free him restoration of presperity to our homes to join with us in the great battle of 1865, which we intend to wage to wipe out the Republican cruss of 1873, and to secure for our beloved old State good have and government. 501. That we send greethogs to our Democratic brethren of Himois, thank-ing them for the bold, open and ag-greasive stand they have taken in favor of the immediate resumption of the coinage of silver, and we send them our assurances of our hearty wrightly and co-operation in State (the resumption of the free aud unitra-ited coinage of silver as the overstadited coinage of silver as the overshadthe college of silver as the overstand-owing one in American politics, we orge that such action be taken by the varients bi-metallic leagues as will open the way to a noise of the friends of nilver college in their support of a candidate for the presidency and candidate for the presidency and candidate for the presidency and

A The Barrer in Polities.

one of the weak points in the woman suffrage movement. A man and a

woman were appealing candidates for an office. The man won, but the wo-man has had her revenge. She has

any of the labor or responsibility and

married her victorious rival and

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Bushand in the Command of Col. S B. Vanne. D. T. Correver in Mowhen

B. T. Correspond to Morehaving Journal. I read the letter of Capt. Tuttle on the 20th N. C. Begimeits in the Jour-nal and was glad he brought to light a long stambering piece of roumand in the matter of the woman soldier. The woman soldier was discharged just about thirty-three years ago at Eins-ton, after the cupture of New Berne by Gen'l. Burnalds and just before the array was conceptrated around High-n oud for the great seym days anguge-ment. engos

ment. I was informed of it at the time by an officer of the Begiment and bave wondered that it had never appeared in prist before.

The circumstances were patriotic as

As related to me then, and as I remember them now, they were thus: Volusteering was rife throughout the State and the mountains were ablance

Volnoteering was rife throughout the State and the mountains were shinns with enthusiance. A couple, oot long married, lived by themselves in nome mountain cover mear Grand Father Mountain. The humand west to town one day and tound everybudy was going off too war. He took the martial spirit and enlisted at once. On going future to prepare for his departance for the tended field, a difficulty presented itself when he informed his wife of his beligerent intention. "What is to become af me?" and the womat. Stay here smile do the best you can, was his answer. "But I won't stay here by a spelf widile you are gone," she replied. "If you go to the war, I am going tan." Then the place was made between them, that she should cut her insis short, put can Suits of her humbend's cluties, go with him to the reoraiting station and estist under an accumed name. Her ourse in camp was Jos, but what else I never haard. In the Begiment Joe and the instand ware hoked upon as a couple of mountain unys well acquainted and fond of each other. On the 15th of April, 18d2, a wumber

On the 15th of April, 1802, a unn of twelve months volunteers had com-

of twelve mouths volunteers had com-pleted their term of service and some wanted to go home and some were ready to enlist for the war, hence there was a kind of reorganization of some of the regiments going on. By some ments the husband had to undergo a medical examination and was found to be physically unlit for military service and was discharged. Have was a dilemus: Joe in the army and the busband out. What would he do at home by himself and his wife of the further appeared to be to the regiment of do, and that was to confers the deception and obtain her discharge which would necessary fai-low. Accordingly the next morning the weat to the Culonel's quarters-upd the Colonel was Z. B. Vance of the wood the mory.



WINE TO RAVE YOUR ADVICE, MAJOR

could see by the twitch of his lip that

there was a struggle going on within

"I told him the whole story. with small

ne the facts.'

at the gate, Mabomet Singh, and give notice of their coming. The thing stands thus, Sahib, and I tell it to you The thing because I know that an cath is binding upon a Feringhee, and that we may trust you. Had you been a lying lin doo, though you had sworn by all the gods in their false temples, you: blood would have been upon the kaife, and your body in the water. But the Silch nows the Englishman, and the Eavlishman knows the Sikh. ilearkon, then, to what I have to say.

There is a raigh in the northern provinces who has much would, though his lands are small. Much has some to him from his father, and more still he has sot by himself, for he is of a low nature and hoards his gold rather than spend it. When the irouble, broke out would be friends both with the lion and the tiger-with the Sapay and with the company's raj. Suon, harvever, it seemed to him that the white men's day was some, for through all the hand be could hear of pothing but their death and their overthrow. Tet. being a careful man, ho made such planaties, come what might, half at least of his treasures would be left to him. That which was in gold and silver he kept by him in the raults of his pulace, but the most precious stores and the choicest pearls that he had he put in an iron box and sont it by a traity servant who, under the guise of a mershant, should take it to the fort at Agra, there to lie until the hand is at e. Thus if the robels won he would pence. Thus if the robels won he would have his money, but if the company conquer his jewels would be saved to him. Having thus divided his hoard he threw himself late the cause of the Sepoys, since they were strong upon his borders. By doing this, mark you, sahib, his property becomes the due of those who have been true to their salt.

"This pretended morellant who travels under the name of Achmat, is now in the city of Agra, and dehas with him as traveling companion my foster-brother Dart.Akler, who knows his secret Dost-Alther has promised this uight to lead him to a ide-postern of the fort, and has chosen this one for his propose. Here he will come presently and here he will and Mahomet Singh and rayself swaiting him. The place 's I dealy, and none aball know of his owning. The world shall know of the morehand Arb let no more, but the gruat treasure of the asked.

dued voice " 'Priends,' came the apower. I mpcovored my lantern and threw a flood of light upon them. The first was an cnormons Sikh, with a black beard which ewept nearly down to his cum-

merband. Outside of a show I have nover seen so tall a man. The other was a little fat, round fellow, with a great vellow turban, and a bundle in his hand, done up in a shawl. He accused to be all in a quiver with fear.



WHAT HAVE YOU IN THE BUNDLE?" AAXRD.

for his hands twitched as if he had the ague, and his head kept tarning to left and right with two bright little twinkling eyes, like a mouse when he ventures out from his hold. It gave me the chills to think of killing him. but I thought of the treasure, and my heart set as hard as a flint within me.

When he saw my while face he gave a little chirrop of joy and came running np towneds me 'Your protection, sahib,' he pauted

-'your protection for the unitappy merchant Aubmet. I have traveled across Rajponaum that I might scale the shelter of the fort at Agrn. I have bound boa not beat how housed beenuse I have been the friend of the company. It is a blezed pight this when I am once more in safety -I and

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soon found myself a sort of privileged person. I was given a hut in Hope town, which is a small place on the alopen of Mount Harriet, and I was left pretty much to myself. It is a dreasy, forermuch to myself. It is a dreary, faver-striction place, and all beyond our little clearings was infested with wild campi-bal matives, who were ready enough to blow a poisoned dart at us if they maw a chance. There was digging, and ditching, and yam-pleating, and a dozen other things to be done, so we were buny enough all day; though in the evening we had a little time to our-selves. Among other things, I learned to dispense draws for the surgers, and selves. Among other things, I learned to dispense drugs for the surgeon, and picked up a smattering of his knowi-edge. All the time I was on the look-out for a chance of seeape; but it is hundreds of miles from any other land, and there is little or no wind in those seea; so it was a terribly difficult job to ret away. get away.

"The surgeon, Dr. Somerton, was a The surgeon, in bourson, was no fast, sporting young ohap, and the other young officers would meet in his rooms of an evening and play cards. The surgery, where I used to make up my drugs, was nax't to his sitting-room, with a small window between un Often, if I falt losseome, I used to turn Often, if I fait losseome, I used to turn out the hamp in the surgery, and then, standing there, I could hear their talk and watch their play. I am foud of a head at cards myself, and it was al-most as good as having one to watch the others. There was Maj. Sholto, Capt. Morstan and Liout. Bromley here the surger of the statement of the

Capt. Morstan and Livet. Bromley Brown, who were in command of the native troops, and there was the sur-geon himself, and two or three prison-officials, crafty old hands who played a mice aly asks game. A very mug lithle party they used to make. "Wall, there was one thing which very soon struck me, and that was that soldiers used always to how and the civilians to win. Mind, I don't my that there was anything unfair, but so it was. These prison chaps had done lithle else them play eards ever since they had been at the Ardamans, and they knew each other's game to a point, while the others just played to pass the time und therew their eards down anyhow. Night after algost the soldiers gos up poorer men, and the down anyhow. Night after night the soldiers ges up poorsy men, and the poorer they get the more here they were to play. Msj. Sholto was the hardest hit. He used to pay in notes and gold at first, but soon it came to notes of hand and give big sume. He some-times would win for a few deals, just to give him heart, and then the fuelt would set in against him worse than over. All day he would wander about as black as thunder, and he took to drinking a deal more than was good for him.

Man sincturers Record. Mr. Lee McLeuden, of the Plant system, Montgomery, Ala, has fur-nished the Monufacturers' Record with a detailed statement of the probable shipments of watermelons over that road and its branches this season, showing that the present ontlock in-dicates a total of over 10,000 carloads. There are \$1,000 acres along that line in watermelous this season, the largest acresses ever reported. These 10,000 carloads will represent about 19,000,000 melous. These fasts give some idea of the development of the trucking business in the South and its relation to railroad traffic. In hauling catton 10,000 earloads would represent about 100 being with report about 10,000 10,000 carloads would represent about 500,000 bales, or the product of 1,000. 500,000 bales, or the product or 1,000,000 bolls,000 acres on the general average of about one-third to one-balf a bale per sore; or, is other words, 22,000 seres is watermeions yield as many ears of resight as 1,004,000 to 1,800,000 scrus is otton, Add to the 10,000 cars along this one scruther addition to the set of the set of

have the new complications of the rivalries, jealousies, resentments, coqueting, firting, jilling and general rystem the productions of watermelous at other points, the thousands of cars insacities and weakbesses of "the disease called lova," We would never be able to calculate on anything. Two women on the democratic ticket might fall in love with the same candidate on f peaches which will go North from day after day of strawberries and other fruits and vegetables from usany parts of the South, and the magnitude of of the South, and the megnitude of this industry—a growth of recent years—can be spreciated. This busi-ness means that within the next few years the fruit and mathet-garden insiness of the South, new bringing into this sections at least \$60,000,000 a year, will amount to \$100,000,000 or more, with a steady insumant way after year norman year after year.

Political Complexion of the Buprow Court.

Charlotte Nows.

Politically speaking, the United States Saprence Courts stands three Republicans—Gray, Brower and Shiras representation of the income the second two Democrats-Faller and Field-egalost the constitutionality of the income tax, and two kepubli-cane-Harian and Brown-and two Democrats-Jeckson and White-in fames of the avor of it.

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Mr. J. H. Cobb, publisher of the Mr. J. H. Cobb, publisher of the Mirror, at Brookton, N. Y., mys: "For nearly two years the Mirror has been oublishing the advertisements of Chamberhein's Remedies. A few days ago the writer was suffering from a bowel trouble and resorted to an old remedy which did not prove effections finally be tried Chamberhein's Colle, Cholera and Diarrhoes Remedy and two desm did the business chemister the alerht he lost even more heavily Restrict, Druggists.

A New Danger in Folliten Greenville News.

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bition night burn in that basem, yet it was none other than the basem of a wuman, and Joe was honorably dis-

An incident in Montana, narrated in the dispatches of today. illustrates Joe bad a good reputation for southerly conduct and was thought to be a little bit the best cook in the regibe a fille of the best cook in the regi-ment. His make of biscuits was as fine that he was often onlied upon to cook when it was not legitimately his turp; but no sumption over arose as to ins lack of manhood. The two returned to their mountain hereafter absorb the saluries, fees and perquisites of the office without having

This kind of thing will be happening and politicians. Polities is compli-cated and bewitdering enough now. It will be a thousand times worse if we

The two returned to their mountain home with the distinction of not only protably having been the only woman enlisted in the stray, but also likely the sale taker family that ever volum-terred for military services. I suppose the exciting events of the following mouths was the reason this intile remance was never made public through the newspapers. And I am gue that Capt. Tuttle alluded to its but for that this mocount of the effert would probably never have been given and ignet as was given to use by Capt. Phin Horton, of Wilkes county.

Ruderers Consterfelting.

the republican ticket and go to knifing each other savagely in his interest, or Clustette Olderver.

Charlotte Onserver, The Progressive Farmer and, in a recont issue, speaking of constantielt moner, "If they use aliver and put the proper amount in a dollar, het is circulate. If we were to Bud a man colning silver we would not tall 18 on him." Sever.1 of our contemporaries have conversal surprise at this hold some five morning just before election day voters might be electrified to know that the randidates on the free silver and gold standard tickets had eloped and married. Political considerations would have no bearing at all if the men and women of opposing justies or factions saw fit to fall in lovo with bin." Sever. of our containporaries have expressed surprise at this hold codormenent of a thing stamped by the laws of God and mus as a crists. We are surprised at their surprise. If the Progressiva Farmer should advise mus who want maney to crack ander and so to to go on the highway and hold up men who have it, such advise would bring with it no astonishesses to us and should not to any other regular reader of that paper. It is the best again the devis over and in North Carolina. meh other. It would be a pretty kettlo of fish if the young can carrying the standard of the old line democracy hould be found desporately enanoured of the young woman representing the populists and trying to supereza her hand when he should be plotting her festruction and making her an object of scorn and ridicule. Love laughs at C'arolina.

A Remarkable Cars of Rhema

From the Grotom Connecticut Review.

David Lewis, who has been afflicted all winter by rhommatism. is out again and all due to one of the modifiers advertised in our columns. After sr-Afterised in dor columns. After irr-ing everything position, he used Cham-bridit's Pain Bain, which has re-leved him of all pain, from which he was a constant sufferer and pression we to make him the for duty soon. We know Devid has been a great sufferer and are gled to see him around again. For sale by CURRY & Emstances, Druggists.

ackaniths and parental interference, possible ouditions and social of il patiens. It would langh yet more merrily at conventions and party plat and names and organizations and would delight in playing all pkinds of pranks and throwing into confusion all the plans of wire patters and

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