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THOUGHT CONCENTRATION.

BAB DISCOURSES INTERESTINGLY ON PRESENTIMENTS.

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The woman who is drinking her tea at home, at a fashionable restaurant, or in one of the new tea-rooms, is indulging just now in the discussion of thought centers. She grows enthusiatic about waves of thought; she dilates upon the mysterious "something" that produces thought, and she is gill about its reflex action. that produces thought, and she is gill about its reflex action. Honestly, I confess that I don't understand that. With equal honesty, I am tempted to believe that ahe don't understand it all herself; but it sounds very nice and it convinces people at the next table of her lack of interest in goesip. One thing I do understand about this thought concentration. You, who are a great thinker, can, if you try very hard, so entirely bring your thought power to bear upon me, who happen to be a bit weaker, that I am impelled either to come to you as quickly as I can, or to communicate with you in some manner, preferably by letter. This is the way the woman who knows all about

THE WAVES OF THOUGHT

explains it. You and I who are less highly cultured beings simply say, "Oh, it's the old story; speak of angels and you hear the rustling of their wings!" It is all true—this last—bow many times have you chatted all afternoon about a friend and the next morning a letter would come from her, in which she would say, "Somehow I felt impelled this afternoon to write to you." What impelled her? How many times have you and I, busy at our needlework, wished to see somebody we loved, talked a good bit about her, and lo I and behold I when the bell rang, the sepulchral sounding voice. explains it. You and I who are less her, and lo I and behold I when the bell rang, the sepulchral sounding voice, questioning through the tube discovers that the friend talked of is at the street end of the wire. Then when she appears we all say how funny it was that she came just when we were wishing for her. The average woman thinks so many things are funny simply because she cannot explain them. Then the lady who knows all about concentration of thought says, that, if concentration of thought says, that, if we manage our "think tank" properly we need never be unbappy. As if we had not been taught that when we were children! As if that were a new destring."

As if the mother, the wise mother, As if the mother, the wise mother, did not say to her daughter, "When everything is at its worst have faith and hope for the best." All the new doctrines in the world cannot claim that as a something evolved to-day. But, whether it is just being made much of to-day, or whether, as is the truth, it has been taught for conturies, it is still a beautiful faith. It must it is still a beautiful faith. It must

THE FAITH OF MAKING BELIEVE.

Really and trely, when we are par-ticularly unhappy, or particularly poor or particularly ill, there is a certain happiness sure to come if we can draw on the bank of imagination and cash checks that buy us for the time being the belief that we are not unhappy at that we are wonderfully rich. A good imagination is a great blessing. Of course, like all great blessings, it must be properly used, but, when it is only utilized to make one better satisfied and more hopeful, to find beauty in what seems merely ordinary, then a vivid imagination is a source of great and never ending happiness. With it, you can make the people around you seem better than they are; with it, you can make your environments seem less shabby than they are; and with it you can make all your life really richer than it is. Without it how poor life would be without an imagination!
Hope would be dropped, and there
would be nothing worth living for, for
your faith, even in the fairles would
be killed.

KINDERSS AND OURL PAPERS.

By the by, speaking of the fairies. I picked up that most delightful of imaginative books, "Alice in Wonderland," the other day and read this:
"A little kindness and putting her hair in ourl papers would do wonders for her." And I kughed over the funny quotation, until it dawned on me how much kindness and curl papers really would do for some people. Not really would do for some people. Not the veritable curi papers such as Lydia Languish and her friends used, curl papers made of love letters, for nowadays anything that suggests frizzing is counted excessively bad form. It is wouderful what an artistle hairdresses. can do this season for the woman who can do this season for the woman winds is wise enough to submit her bead to him. She who has a low brow may wear her heir in the aoft, high roll that nest pleased Marie Antoinette; and with this confure she can assume and with this confure she can assume and with this comurs she can assume a hodios that, in design and style of make, suggests those ladies who milked the cows and made the butter, and played with

THE LAMBS AT PRIST THIANON.

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then has it laid in rows of close glossy, waves drawn back and knotted, as another card was with it—her moth-looped or twisted in the manner best suited to her general style. She who can—and her number is few—has her hair parted in the center, a tiny burch of carls on each side of her face, while in the back the hair is loosely curied and pinned to the head. If you don't know just what this style of hair dressing is, looked at that picture of Ds Maurier's in the first part of "The Martain," where the lady is saying. "Quelamour d'enfant!"

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Then I realized how, giving a fool a few dollars, an undestrable result may be achieved. The door of the Carther the corrections of the Carther the card was with it—her mothers another card was with it—her mothers another card was with it—her mothers—the explanation was given—I suppose really that's the reason she takes her mother out with her, to explain the card with the card was been mother out with her, to explain the card with the card was been mother out with her, to explain the card was with it—her mothers—the explanation was given—I suppose really that's the reason she takes her mother out with her, to explain the card with the explanation was given—I was another card was with it—her mothers—the explanation was given—I suppose really that's the reason she takes her mother out with her, to explain the card was with it—her mothers—the explanation was given—I suppose really that's the reason she takes her mother out with her, to explain the card was with it—her mother card was with it—her mothers—the explanation was given—I suppose really that's the reason she takes her mother out with her, to explain the card was with it—her another—the card was with it—her suppose is supposed.

SMART ENGLISH GIRLS.

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are adopting the Botticelli coffure, which forces them to part their locks in the center, wave them, draw them down well over the ears, and loop them in a soft knot in the back. Trying? Of course, it is trying, but it has a cestain picturesque air that forces you at least to lock at it and, in a way, approve of it. Then it bides ugly ears. The doctors are writing articles every now and then telling how hard thinking and baldness are synonymous. The average woman would rather. I am sure, he absolutely thoughtless and keep her hair than be entirely informed as to thought waves and have to hide her head under a wig. How charitable are these dainty little caps of lace and ribbon that elderly American women have long given up, but which still hold their own in England and France! The tiny bit of lace, with its decorative howe of ribbon, hid many a semi-bald place, and then they gave to the wearers a very dainty and feminine air that was decidedly attractive. And that is, after all, the duty of woman in life—to be ettractive. There are a good many other things that come in, but the being pleasant and the being found agreeable is really a part of her duty to her neighbor.

LADIES AND WOMEN.

That's where you find the difference between a lady and she who is merely a woman. The first finds herself being pleasant, and that is the beginning of attractiveness, to everybody; the last only pleasant where she thinks it worth while. She put away her good manners as she does her fine frocks and only away mere them for company. only assumes them for con

apologize to the women of the rest of the country. The Southern woman when she is a cad is the most offensive possible. Probably it is because when she reaches this state of affairs she is a rera avis. At least, I like to think that is the reason. This is what has made me after my opioniou. A woman I know dropped in for a cup of tea the other day and said to me:

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If you want to have your eyes opened very wide visit the home of your child-hood after an absence of about 10 years. Your eyes will fill with tears when you discover that many friends have gone never to return. There will be a lump in your throat when you see the changes that time has raade here, there and everywhere. People who were rich are poor. Those who were young are old. Somebody will be glad to greet you, but you may be pretty sure that you will have your angry passions in a turmoil before your visit is finished. When I reached the home of my ancestors—most of my ancestors are dead, and the house thay used to live in belongs to somebody else—but still I speak of it as the home of my ancestors, because I own three lots in the cemetery here—I naturally sent out eards to the friends of my girlbood whose names were cited as being still among the living. One of them, a girl who, as I remember her, had been an insight wax doil, noty them, a girl who, as I remember her, had been an insipid wax doll, only cured for by the other girls became

SHE HAD A CLEVER MOTHER.

who made us enjoy ourselves, was on the list. In the decades that lad passed she had married a man who had passed she as a married a man wao nad made a fortune as a beker-why is it that bakers in history from the Pha-rabbs down have never been particular-

raous down nave never been particularly noble?

The baker the doll married was a
decent enough fellow, whose baking
had consisted not in making the world
better with home-made bread and
good, healthy rolls, but in salling to a among American women than is supposed—may part her hair, draw it down softly and smoothly, and simply twist it in a knot at the back. There need he ne wave and no suggestion of a carl, for the classic head requires only that kindness he shown to it, for it would be ruined by curl papers.

The woman who cannot roll her hair from off her face, whose features are not classical, dresses her hair after the manner of the piquant French woman; she parts it slightly at one side and "Mrs. J. Bread Jelly." I should never

Then I realized how, giving a fool a few dollars, an undestrable result may be achieved. The door of the Castle Jelly was opened by a man servant who, like his mistress, kept his best clothes for times when company was expected. Then I was shown into a drawing room that, as far as tasts was concerned, might as well have been furnished with gold dollars and papered with certified checks. Handsome furniture? Yes, I suppose it was, but the whole place had that vulgar air of being furuished for appearance, and not for use. In the next room a child was taking music leason. Mrs. Bread Jelly had not learned that in houses where good manners are understood, children are not given

LESSONS IN THE DRAWING-ROOM LESSONS IN THE DRAWING-ROOM during the visiting bours. In a few minutes the bake lady hurself appeared. The face that had been that of a wax doll, bad, with the years, grown fat and flabby. The rose was hooked, and the manner and voice were as entirely changed as if the woman berself had not grown from childhood to girlhod, and from girlhood to womanbood, but as if she had been remade even physically through the sudden accumulation of dollars.

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During that time Mrs. Bread Jelly dilated on the number of her charities and the great trouble forced upon her by the popularity of her daughter, who during the eight minutes of my etay, was brought into the reom, and suggested, in her nitra-stiff white frack and her long hair, nobody so much as Morkeona Kenwigs.

Now, remember, my dear, this woman had been born of good people, had the average education, although abe was always a fool. But how can you explain, even in a fool, the mere pos-

I have always maintained that the women of the South were less apt to be affected by the power of the dollar than any other women; but I want to be affected by the power of the dollar than any other women; but I want to be solved many and once it is not worked. explain, even in a fool, the mere pos-session of wealth, resulting in an ab-active change, not only in her ap-pearance, but in her voice? Some elever man said once, "Heredity may lie, but voices do not. Low people make money, drive in state, throng to palaces; but their antecedents always croak out in their voices. They either screech or purr; they have no clear

croak out in their voices. They either screech or purry they have no clear modulation. Was there a course streak somewhere in her ancestry?

I was sufficiently curious to ask among the people who knew whether the Bread Jellys, through their dollars, were in society. Also and also I There are always some people whom money cannot buy. And those people are invariably the ones that the nouveau riche longs to be seen with. The poor little rich woman could go wherever money would buy a ticket, but her acquaintances were those unbut her acquaintances were those unshown to that which calls itself so-clety, and which affiliates by friend-ship or kinship with the hundred and fifty in Bichmond, the two hundred in Baltimore, the three hundred in Pew York. But you see I had a lesson. I learned that the weak brain cannot be given a heavy upper with impurity. learned that the weak brain cannot be given a heavy purse with impunity."

Then we both laughed. And I said "Do you intend to forget her and ber name?" And my friend answered: "No, indeed; I intend to hold her up as an awful example; as an example of the vulgarity which results from the combination of folly and dollars."

Then I thought how dreadful it must be to be an awful example. I was perfectly ortain that I would never have money enough to dit that requires

was perfectly ortain that I would never have money enough to fill that peculiar position, but how about the folly? I pondered over that for a long while, and then I concluded that, as far as folly was concerned, the bells which ancounce one as a fool rang quite as lond on your cap, or on your neighbor's sa on the cap worn by HAB.

President Cleveland has strictly ad-President Cleveland has strictly adhered to international usuage in declining to recommend the recognition of the belligerency of the Cuban insurgents on the ground that they have not established and maintained a de facto Government capable of exercising government dapable of exercising governmental functions over any part of the island.

This is the requirement recognized in international law as the essential basis of belligerent rights, and a Government which ignores this rule does so at considerable risk in the outcome.

basis of belitærent rights, and a Government which ignores this rule does so at considerable risk in the outcome. But, on the other hand, it is incumbent upon Spain to demonstrate within a reasonable time her ability to suffere her authority and to maintain an effective Government over the territory in which she claims sovereign rights. The President intimates in his message that, so far from asserting her authority in the part of the island and maintaining law and order among the Unban people, the Spanish authority has retrograded in both power and jurisdiction and the Government is not only yielding to the eneroachments of revolution, but is showing a disposition to foment a condition of unarchy which is hostile to all government and destructive of the interests of the Caban people and of all we have any relations with them.

The question, therefore, presented by the President's message is how long our obligations as a friendly nation of an and control or an archite control or an archite control or an archite control or an architecture or an architecture or an architecture or an architecture are a friendly nations.

the President's message is how long our obligations as a friendly nation are to keep us in a position of forbearinee towards Syain's manifest weakness and towards Spain's manifest weakness and the anarchical and destructive condi-tions in a neighboring territory. It is purely a question of judgment, in which the United States must deter-mine the limit of friendly forbearance to Spain, modified by our duty to our-selves and to the cause of humanity,

justice and to the cause of humanity, justice and civilization.
It is easy to read between the lines of the message that the President has been drawn to the side of fortestance been drawn to the side of fortearance by a creditable ambition to serve as peacemaker. The offer of mediation and guarantee of good faith are not only in accord with the high standard of international conduct in promotion of peace and good government which has been the aim of the best American statesmanship, but it gives Spain an opportunity to come to an honorable settlement of the trouble, the neglect of which can only be ascribed to fatous at the company to the past of the tuous adherence on the part of the Spanish Government to false pride and

Spanish Government to faise pride and suicidal policy.

Even with the acceptance of the offer of mediation, the possibility of securing terms from Spain that will be satisfactory to the Cubans is rather remote. But the President clearly intimates that Spain must come to satisfactory terms of counter the

Intimates that Spain must come to astisfactory terms of conquer the Cabans in a brief time. He shows plainly that be regards the situation as close to the intolerable point.

The message will strengthen spinou in and out of Congress in favor of conservative but decided action in behalf of the Cubans and of putting a stop to the atrocious warfare being waged on the island. It is highly probable that important, if not decisive, events will follow before the winter is far spent.

Let every man put on his thinking cap, and let us all put our heads togother for the formation of some plan to bring all children out of factories and workshops and place them in school. Remember that the children of today are to be the men of tomorrow. Typographical .Tour-

A brick that has been scaled in water absorbe about one-fifteenth of its own weight.

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A valuable Preservence.

Editor "Morrison of Worthington Ind., "Sun," writes: "You have a valuable p escription in Electric Bitters, and roan cheerfully recommend it for Constipution and Sick Headacite, and as a general system tonic it has no equal." Mrs. Annie Stehle, 2635 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago, was all run down, could not eat nor digest food, and a backache which never left her and felt tired and wear), but six bottles of stage Grove Ave., Chicago, was all run down, could not eat nor digest food, and a backache which never left her and felt tired and wear), but six bottles of stage Grove Ave., Chicago, was all run down, could not eat nor digest food, and a backache which never left her and felt tired and wear), but six bottles of stage Grove Ave., Chicago, was all run down, could not eat nor digest food, and a backache which never left her and felt tired and wear), but six bottles of surrantee perfect antisfaction or return money. Free trial bottle at J. E. Cumuy & Cu

posted the artist, keeping his eyes rivoted on the view, "Harrow." "Is that so?" questioned the practical American. "Well, now, do you know, I took it for a lawn mower. And it was said in all seriousness too. - Westminster Gauette.

ARP HELPS A WIDOW.

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pher's Mail Is Meavy-Lotter Comes Auking the Burtow Man to Ambit in Finding Long-Land Relatives

staff, and scipio means a staff. I have great the gave two silver dollars, then 90 cents—all in dimes—and then the balance in quarters. He seemed in an exceedingly great hurry as he handed the quarters to his passenger. The other passengers noticed it too.

Now, it so happened that in the change made a very bard quarters was given. The military gentleman was on the point of calling the surly conductor hack when he discovered the latter had handed him nine instead of eight quarters. That decided him to hold his peace. He wasn't out in any event. They had ridden quite a distance when the conductor came back again.

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"Didn't I give you to much changel" he inquired frowingly and in a tone that plainly insimulated, "Well, you're a nice fellow't to the fallow of try to beat a poor conductor."

"You did," the man said. "You gave me a very bad quarter which you were very san'tous to showe on me, but an I could not possibly use it. If light it back to you. Here it is."

"The other passengers who had witnessed the whole performance laughed outright, their trantailing sneers following the surly conductor to the door, which he opponed and them slammed with a bung.—Chicage Chronicle.

"ms visues of Masses."

One of Du Maurier's favorite views was from his study window at Hampstead, scross his own lawn, to the Landscape surrounding Harrow. On one occasion an American valied the artist, and the latter was showing his greet shout the place. "There," he exclaimed, on a marving at the study window, "that is the prettiest thing of all. That is Harrow." The visitor looked out of the window for a fow seconds, but his gases screted, not on the view, was showing his greet about the place. "There," he exclaimed, on a marving at the study window, "that is the prettiest thing of all. That is Harrow." The visitor looked out of the window for a fow seconds, but his gases rested, not on the history second particular than the proper, and as all the soldiers not of the window for a fow seconds, but his gases rested, not on the history second particular the surgest of the common is now in the pretties thing of all. That is Harrow. The visitor looked out of the window for a fow seconds, but his gases serted, not on the view, we have a subject to the Smith second of the surface of the window for a fow seconds, but his gases are the nature were sittle second to the time of the window for a fow seconds, but Jone, and the S was added for a plural.

But names were still sourcer than people, and as they had to resort to accountions to distinguish them; hence came the honest names of Farmer, Carpenter, Masson, Baker, Gardener, Tamer, Wesver, Taylor, Draper, Cooper, Milier, Forcer, Joiner, Sadier, Brewer, Berber, Turner, Plumber, Graner, Barber, Carter, Currier, Granger, Cook, Bridgeman, Howman, etc., Scores of others could be added that indicate trades and occupations.

Not long after, as the people multi-

of I. Ketchum & U. Chestham as have never existed, but before the writers was a tim in Rome of Wise as Goodman, and close by was a Wit as a Wisdom. There is a Foute and Fite in Carteraville, and some year ago there was a Fitten. The post as what's in a name? There is a go deal, and if I was a pretty girl, as had a pretty mass, I wouldn't chan it for a Hogg or a Sheepshanks.

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The Democrat says the Hank of Li colliton is to put in a new fire a burgtur proof time look ands. It is first asie guaranteed to be absolute integrar proof purchased in this Strand unity one other of the kind in as