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schoolroom.

"I thank your ladyship," Laura said. "There is nothing I require for my com-fort; and, for my happiness, I fear it would be unjust to compel poor Jones to provide for that," she added, men-tally. Then, bidding her ladyship good morn-ing, she retired from her presence. In the outer hall, she found herself waylaid by another footman, with Sir Vincent's respects to her, and a request that she would favor him with a few mo-

Vincent's respects to her, and a request that she would favor him with a few mo-ments' conversation in the library. Again Laura smiled to herself, think-

ing: "If the baronet is no more alive to his

paternal duties than her ladyship, this interview will be a mere form." She was shown into the richly-furnish-ed library, filled with the treasures of

literature, science and art of two centu-ries of accumulation, and lighted by one tall, Gothic window of stained glass, that diffused "a dim, religious light" throughout the vast room. In a rich, antique chair, beside a writing-table, in the centre of the room, sa a stall, stout handsome man, aged about forty-Regular and well-chiselled features, dark grey eyes, heavy black eyebrows, a large, well-formed nose, and a full, handsome mouth, were all framed in by a luxuriant growth of shining black hair

and whisken On seeing Miss Elmer, he arose with

a stately curtsey, and placed a chair for her, saying, as he handed her to her

"I requested the favor of your company here, Miss Elmer, that I might con-sult with you upon the subject of your new pupils.

Laura bowed and waited his further

You have, I presume, just left Lady Lester ?" "Yes, Sir Vincent."

"The delicate constitution, and the

numerous social responsibilities of her ladyship, prevent her from giving that attention to her children that she would otherwise.

The baronet paused. . He seemed anxious to defend his wife's indifference to her children, yet unable to do so with truth. At length he said:

trian figures. Laura Elmer enjoyed her drive through the park even more than 'You have seen your future pupils?" I have seen them.

"I have seen them." "I hope that, notwithstanding their very neglected condition, you find them not unpromising subjects." "Decidedly not. They seem to me to be unusually gifted, though somewhat undisciphined," said Laura, with a smile, adding: "However, I should have inform-ed you, sir, that I have had little experi-or in children naver having filled the enco in children naver having filled the

ed you, sr, that I have had little experi-ence in children, never having filled the situation of governess before." The baronet looked up in surprise, then, drawing toward him an open let-Lester. The young gentleman, smiling at this very informal presentation, bowed, and hoped Miss Elmer was well, and not too much incommoded by his unmanageable ter that lay upon the table, and refer-ring to it, he said: "Ah, yes, Dr. Seymour has written

that unforeseen reverses have placed Miss Elmer under the necessity of seeking a situation in life for which she was that point, and in doing so ,for the first time looked at him. that point, and in doing so for the line and intellectual qualifications eminently fit her.' I must condole with your mis-fortunes, and at the same time I con-gratulate myself and my children, Miss

ratulate myscil and my children, Miss though much less stout than that or DElmer." Laura bowed and remained silent. The baronet them went over the list tures, surrounded by jet black hair and also whiskers, though

of studies that he whend his children to pursue, and in conclusion, said: "I hope you will allow me to look into your school-room, some-times, Miss Elmer, to aid you by such counsels as my somewhat longer and more intimate acquainthis face was less full, and his counter-

ance with your pupils might suggest," said the baronet, smiling. "My inexperience will thank you, sir." And seeing that the interview was closed, she was about to rise, when the "I am sure I don't know. I have not seen mamma for a week," replied Miss Lester.

"And poor Helen ?" inquired the young

"Is her ladyship out to-day ?"

THE ATHENS REPORTER, JAN. 30, 1907. call upon me here, because I judge that a quicker and more satisfactory arrange-ment might be concluded in a personal in-terview than through an epistolary cor-

Ferdinand bowed in assent, and took hand. Ferdinand bowed in assent, and took the offered seat. "Should we come to terms, Mr. Cassin-ove, your principal charge will be the education of my son, Percy, a youth of some twelve years of age. You will also be required to give lessons in Greek, and Latin to my two younger daughters. Can you undertake so much?" inquired the baronet. "Certainly, Sir Vincent. "The whole task is by no means a heavy one," said

ask is by no means a heavy one," said Ferdinand I trust you will find it as light as you anticipate," answered the baronet, with

smile. Cassinove bowed.

Cassinove bowed. num. I hope it meets your views." "Abundantly, Sir Vincent," replied Fer-dinand, to whom the salary offered seem-

his seat, and trembling, dropped his face upon his hands. Laura Elmer felt painfully the awk-wardness of her position. It was im-possible to speak to him, and nearly equally impossible to withdraw without doing so, while it seemed indelicata to remain and witness the strong emotions that he so evidently tried to conceal. At length, seeing him deeply absorbed in his own feelings, she solty arose, with the intention of gliding from the room, when the baronet, somehow perdinand, to whom the salary offered seem-ed to be a very liberal one. "I have now, therefore, only to intro-duce you to your pupils, if you will be kind enough to accompany me to the schoolroom. James, go before and an-nounce us," said the baronet, rising, and be list the merit ounce us," salu the backhard of a school or and salu and the school or and the school or and the school or and the school or and the school of the school of

e its only occupants. "Where is your governess, my dears?" iquired their father. room, when the baronet, somehow per-ceiving her purpose, abruptly started forward, saving, "I beg your pardon, Miss Elmer," opened the door, and cour-teously held it open until she passed out "In the music-room, giving Lucy her lessons," replied Miss Lester, and at the same time a sweet voice was heard re-hearsing some simple melody."

The baroness presented their tutor to

Daura Elmer retraced her steps to the the young people. Cassinove had scarcely greeted his pu-As she entered she was warmly greet pils when, raising his eyes, he stood face to face with the goddess of his worship ed by the smiles of her young charges who assured her that they had conscien tiously occupied the time of her absence n devotion to their studies.

disinterested attention, I assur you, Miss Elmer, as we remember the old condition of no lessons in the school-room, no drive out in the park," said Miss.Lester. Laura lookely up inquiringly and learned from the explanation that encontrol. "Miss Elmer, Mr. Cassinove, my son's

new tutor," said the baronet. "I have met Mr. Cassinove before," replied Laura, with a smile, as she offered her hand.

sued that the governess was always ex-pected to take her pupils for a daily af-ternoon drive in the park and that they Ferdinand barely touched that white were now quite ready to recite their lessins and prepare for theirairing. Laura Elmer felt no sort of objection Laura Elmer feit no sort of objection to this arrangement, and as soon there-fore, as the lessons were faithfully des-patched, the young ladies' carriage was ordered, and they drove out.

The park was, as usual at this hour of the day, filled with a brilliant crowd in open carriages of every description, intermingled with gay and noble eques-

Then, recovering his usual air of calm "But we will not further trespass upon

from the schoolroom back to the library. It was arranged the new tutor should Lester, as a yourg gentleman, mounted on a spirited horse, rode up to the side of the carriage, and, lifting his hat said: come the next day and enter upon his duties, and Ferdinand Cassinove re-"Well, young ladies, I hope you are njoying your drive?" "Excellently well. Miss Elmer, this turned to his humble lodgings to prepare for his change of residence. As he entered the small shop, he found "Excellently well. Miss Elmer, this is our elder brother, Ruthven," said Miss

Mrs. Russel wringing her hands in dis-tress, and the two little children crying around her. The shelves were disman-tled and the drawers open and rifled. "Why, what is the matter?" hastily "Oh, Mr. Cassinove! Oh, sir!" was all

"What has occurred?" again inquired he young man. "Oh, Mr. Cassinove! Oh, sir! and the

ent due to-day!" cried the widow. "Oh, it's an execution!" said the young "An execution? Lord, no, indeed, sir; if it were only that I might have met

he costs! "Then you have been robbed!" ex-"Yes, sir. While I was out ,and the

children left alone, a man came and said e was sent by the orphan asylum to buy all the stock. The children did not suspect him, and he helped himself to

everything, and drove away in a cart." "Do you know the man?" inquired ove.

"God bless and prosper you, sir!" burst impulsively from the lips of the youn man, as he read this release. "God bless and prosper us all!" said the baronet, smiling and holding out his head.

money, and forced one-half of it upon her as a los The same afternoon Mrs. Russel found another little house in an obscure part of the city, to which, upon the next duy,

she removed.

Cassinove, who had remained helping her to the last, finally bade her adieu, as he handed her into the cab that was to convey her and her children to their new home. Then he entered the fly that he home. Then he entered the Hy that he had kept in waiting ,and was driven to Grosvenor Square, to commence his new career as a private tutor.

He was received by the baronet, who courteously installed him in a spacious closet adjoining the library, that had been fitted up as a study for himself and his puol

his pupil. He was informed that he should dime at two o'clock with Master Percy, the little ladies and their governess, and that the party were expected always to take their meals together in the sitting-room adjoining the little ladies, schoolroom. adjoining the little ladies' schoolroom. Oh, joy! he would then be sure of meeting Laura Elmer at least three times a day. How much toil would he not be willing to undergo for the delight

pils when, raising his eyes, he stood face to face with the goddess of his worship -Laura Elmer. The blool rushed to his brow, his strong frame trembled; he bowed low, to conceal the agitation he could not control. his cloth could have been more circum-spect in manner, looks and conversation than Ferdinand Cassinove.

And, as Laura Elmer observed him, bis face appeared to her to be strangely m-timate. She wondered where and under

single ray of that halo with which her noble womanhood was surrounded. Thus he bowed lowly over her hand as though it had been the hand of a queen. "Ah, you have met before!" observed the baronet, glancing from the smiling face of Laura to the agitated counter-ance of Cassinove, in a tone and with a look of slight vexation as strange as it was cartain. through scenes of transcendent beauty. brightness and joy, and whose hand had at last replaced upon her brow the lost

had mixed up the personality of her guardian's amanuensis with the wild vis-ion of a restless night, and she drew no auguries from it. She looked up again at the face and read there what it was that had caused it so to haunt her dreams; and, as she raised her eyes, she chanced to meet those of Cassinove fixed full upon her face. Both dropped their eyes, blushing deeply as with a sudden consciousness, and soon after Miss El-mer gave the signal for rising from the

Cassinove and his pupil retired, and then the young ladies passed into the adjoining schoolroom. Laura had scarcely seated herself am-

ong her pupils before a servant appear-ed with a request from St. Vincent that Miss Elmer would grant him a few min-

Miss Elmer would grant him a few min-utes' conversation in the drawing-room. Laura immediately arose and went thi-ther. She found St. Vincent pacing up and down the floor, with signs of serious disturbance upon his face and manner. He came immediately to meet her, and took her hand, and led her to a chair, and seating himself near her, said, with and, seating himself near her, said, with much embarrassment.

n did not imself to a cart," inquired "My dear Miss Elmer, I have taken the liberty of requesting your presence here to day, for the purpose, with your kind permission, of making you a confidante, and asking you a favor" A cruel, wicked blow; An' curses her until out in An' curses ner until out in The cold she has to go. An' yet, with all she's good to him, An' always burns a light To guide him up the winding path When he comes home at night. and asking you a favor. Laura bowed and awaited his further vords. "In your first interview with me, in , there are troubles in this world his room, you must have observed guess some day I'll be a man An' have a wife like Pa. young lady of singular appearance who came in for a moment and whom I met and led out again." only hope she'll be as good An' faithful as poor ma. You bet your life, I'll not be bad came in and found my house made deso-"Yes, sir, 1 observed her."

aged for there is a cure-a sure cure in of the hand. As the Manus Panthes, it Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. These pills is covered on the outside with mystical make new blood, this new blood feeds signs.—Clevelasd Plain Dealer. and strengthens the nerves and

and strengthens the nerves and Irees them from pain. The pain is banished to stay banished—the cure is complete. Mr. Chas. B. Maclean, a prosperous farmer near Brockville, Ont., has been cured of France Have Peculiar Existence.

near Brockville, Ont., has been cured of a severe case of sciatica and wishes other sufferers to hear of his cure that they may benefit by his experience. He says: "For upwards of five years I was a per-iodical sufferer from sciatica. In the morning while getting up I would be seized with agonizing pain in my hips. Sometimes these pains extended down one leg, sometimes down the other.

one leg, sometimes down the other; often

one leg, sometimes down the other; often down both. The pain was terrible. Im-agine the agony caused by a red hot spike being driven through the flesh. That was just my feeling when the sciatica was at its worst. Often while cerrying water to the horses the pain became so acute I had to drop the pail in the middle of the yard. I followed doctor's treatment, but with slight re-lief. I then tried rhcumatic plasters and liniments, but these did not help me at all. Then I decided to give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a trial. At first they did not all. Then I accurate At first they use a prince of the pri change in my condition. The pain be-came less severe; I felt stronger and my appetite improved. I think I used the ountry, oo pills about four or five months before I each stride, was completely cured, but though that was two years ago I have not since had the little the slightest return of sciatica. I think Dr. Williams' Pikk Pills are a marvellous It is for medicine, and so does my wife, who used the as a blood builder. She says they have no equal. and never wearies of slimbed a 1

timate. She wondered where and under have no equal, and never wearies what circumstances of extreme interest praising them to her friends." Ferdinand barely touched that white had, bowed lowly over it as though it had been the hand of a queen. To him, indeed, she was ever a queen. To him, all her worldly glory, she had lost no single ray of that halo with which her noble womanhood was surrounded. Thus, that continued so vaguely, yet so per-

wish my Pa was nice and good, Like Willie Williams' Pa; And would not carry on so high An' talk so rough to ma. For she just does the best she can at last replaced upon her brow the 1955 For she just does the best she coronet of Swinburne. Laura Elmer, as To make our home seem bright, she recollected this fantastic dream, smil. An' always meets him at the gate that the gate the comes home at night. When he comes home at night.

She bends above the kitchen stove An' cooks his evening meal, And lights the lamp when shado Our home begin to steal. She smooths her hair, an' then An' apron clean an' white; An 'on her face there is a smile When Pa comes home at night.

But when he comes, it seems as though The light turns into gloom; The light turns into gloom; He starts to growling just as soon As he gets in the room. An' if I do the leastest thing, Or try to make things right, I always get a lickin', sure, When Pa comes home at night.

Sometimes he comes home staggering, The smell of whiskey in his breath.

"Get out o' my way!" he calls to me, An' I just shake with fright;

'An' oftentimes he strikes poor ma

 TORTURING SCIATICA.

 A Severe Case Cured by Dr-Williams' Pink Pills.

 Fierce darting pains—pains like red hot needles being driven through the flesh—in the thigh; perhaps down the legs to the ankles—that's sciatica. None but the victim can realize the torture. But the sufferer need not grow discouranged for there is a cure—a sure cure in of the hand. Instead of being smooth on the outer surface, as is the evil eye hand, it is covered with many mystical symbols—a tooth, a serpent, and so on. Each of these little signs has its peculiar charm and is well understood and heeded among the Italians to-day as formerly among old Egyptian magicians. The third small hand which the Italians wear for their supposed good is the so-called Manus Pontficus, or the hand of the Holy Father. It shows the four fingers held out closely together, and the thumh alone is curved under the palm aread for there is a cure—a sure cure in ot the hand. As the Manus Panthea, it

People live on sixteen-foot stilts in the remarkable turpentine-growing country of France. They don these stilts after breakfast and do not remove them again until it is time for bed.

There are two reasons for the wearing

a tiny oucket, into which the tirpen-tine drips. The tapping process is like that used on the American sugar maple. Young pine trees are tapped low, but with each year's passage the incision is made higher, so that it is not long be-fore most of the trees are tapped twen-tr or thirty fact from the around

ty or thirty feet from the ground. Hence the buge stilts of the workmen. On these stilts they traverse the flat

country, covering five or six yards with each stride, and quickly and easily they collect the turpentine that or the little buckets hanging high up in

It is for herding also that the stillte are useful. The country is very flat and the herdsman unless he continually elimbed a tree would be unable to keep all the members of his huge flock in sight. But, striding about on his stilts, he commands a wide prospect He is always, as it were, upon a hil.

The stilt wearers carry a fifteen-foot staff with a round, flat top like a dinn plate. When it is lunch time or when they are tired they plant upright under them the staff and sit on its round, flat Then in comfort, seated so diz-high, they eat and rest and chattop. zily strange sight to behold.

CHILDHOOD AILMENTS.

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As a rule boys are not disposed to be overproud of their clothes, but a lad whose Sunday suit costs some \$200 and is of so striking a character that it is considered unsafe for him to walk considered unsafe for him to walk abroad in it alone might be excused for being a trifle "stuck up" in this con-

Yet in London every Sunday there are ten boys who are thus expensively and brilliantly habited. They are the ten chorists belonging to His Majestry chapel in St. James' Palace, and truly gorgeous are they when arrayed in their "State suits." chapel in St. Jam

wly open, and a figure glided in that immediately arrested her

Attention, It was that of a young woman of about twenty years of age, who would have been beautiful but for the deathly pallor of her thin face, that looked still more ghastly white in contrast with the raven blackness of her hair, eye-brows and large wild eyes and her dress of deep mourning. The baronet started, changed counten-ance, and arose in haste and agitation, and advanced to meet her.

and advanced to meet her. But she glided toward him, extending

her thin, white arms, clasping her trans-parent hands, and fixing her wild, black hin, white arms, clasping her trans-it hands, and fixing her wild, black in an agony of supplication upon ace. Eerdinand Cassinove took his way to Grosvenor Square, where he arrived at about midday. After sending in his

his face. "Helen, why are you here. What is ered voice as he took her hand, and led her, unreaisting from the room. Feeling it to be impossible to follow them, Danya Elmer refains? her seat for a few moments at the end of while Times Mr. Cassing or the seat for a few moments at the end of while the seat and the seat the seat the seat and the seat the seat and the seat the sea

them, Dawra Elmer refains? her seat . "I answered your advertisement in the for a few moments at the end of whihe Times, Mr. Cassinove, inviting you to

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man, lowering his voice. "Hush! far mercy's sake! You fright-en me," replied his sister, in the same low voice, and with changing cheek, and "Yes." "Who is he?" "I dare not tell you Oh Mr Cas

which one must never speak, upon which no eye but that of God must ever look. Mine is such a one as that. You

her pupils did, since to her the scene

Presently: "There is Ruthven," exclaimed Miss

Miss Elmer reassured Mr. Lster upor

ance less mature, than that of the elder

man. He rode beside the carriage, con-versing gayly with his sisters for some time, and then suddenly inquired:

was as new as it was interesting.

sisters.

ate and myself and children weeping in the midst of our ruin. It is not the first time that such a disaster has visited me, and it may not be the last; but if you thus ended the first day of her new phase of life. had not come in and discovered our alamity, you never should have known

"But your business is for the present

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rent.

roken up. What can you do? An ow, can I help you?" "I think you, Mr. Cassinove. But or hing I beg of you-to see the agent of my landlord and get a little time," said he widow, gratefully.

"And who is he, Mrs. Russel?" "Mr. Noakes, the city agent of Sir incent Lester, who owns this block of

What can you do? And,

uildings." "Sir Vincent Lester! Oh, I shall b able to manage the affair easily!" ex-claimed Cassinove, brightening up, for he immediately resolved to pledge his salary and services in securing for th vidow's rent. "So you may begin t pack up as soon as you please, while go and seek an interview with Sir Vir ent Lester," he concluded, seizing hi nat, and hurrying away to escape the vidow's fervent gratitude.

He halled a fly, and drove immediately o Grosvenor Square, where he asked to e admitted to Sir Vincent upon particuar business. The baronet smiled dubiously when

Cassinove told his story. "Now, what does a generous and ro mantic young man like yourself expec me to do in this case of the distressor widow? Doubtless you expect me to play the cold and cruel proprietor, wh refuses to interfere, and refers you t is hard-hearted agent, who has priva instructions to show no merey to delin quent debtors. I shall do nothing of th quent decloses. I shall do nothing of the sort. Occasionally I give myself the pleasure of disappointing people." he said; and ,drawing towards him writin; materials, he wrote a few lines on a piece of paper and handed it to Cas nove.

It was a receipt in full for the widow's

(To be continued.)

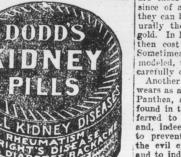
How Hares and Rabbits Run.

Interesting figures on the relative agility of bares and rabbits are given in a recent volume by J. G. Millais, "When running at case," he says, "the ength of the hares' stride is about four feet, but under conditions of fear its leaps extend to ten and twelve feet, while some authors claim that it can jump fen ditches twenty to twenty-five

t in width. Perpendicularly, a hare in jump on to a five-foot wall, but seems to be nonplussed by one of about The stride of the rabbit is

helped by the asperities of a stone wall." Mr. Millais tells how rabbits swim—when compelled to: "They swim with the head held as high as possible, while the hocks of the hind legs appear above the element at each stroke. The shoulders and front part of the body are buried beneath the water, while the

water, while the ump and tail a York Tribune.



An' want to drink an' fight: Yll always have a kiss for her, When I come home at night. -Charles A. Jones.

SAFETY FROM THE EVIL EYE.

Charms Worn by Italians in Order to Secure Immunity.

It is usually when American women are traveling in Italy that they first be-come interested in evil eye charms. In Italy the aristocracy still protects itself from the evil eye, and the multitude is still devoted to the little evil are charms.

still devoted to the little evil eye charms to secure immunity from disaster. The true evil eye charm of the Italsiy feet. The stride of the rabut is about two feet; when necessary it can make leaps of six or seven feet horizon-tally. About three feet is the highest that a rabbit can attain to even when belowd by the asperities of a stone however, is merely a representation of the way the Italian holds his hand. When pointed outward he wishes to cast the evil eye on an enemy, or when turn-ed toward himself he thinks to protect hir

self from its malicious spell. This-little charm can be bougat i uried beneath the water, while the and tail are high and dry."-New Tribune. are those worn by the poorer classes since of a cheap grade of the materia they can be bought for a few sous. Nat urally the aristocracy prefer the mo gold. In Italian money these tiny things then cost the equivalent of about \$8 Sometimes they are seen exquisitively modeled, the fingers and nails being a carefully chiseled as marble tatues. Another small hand that the Italian

wears as a charm is known as the Manu Panthea, a facsimile of which is to b found in the museum of Rome. It is re ferred to in various Egyptian papyri and, indeed, was worn by the anciest to prevent disease and witchcraft and

the evil eye from taking hold of then and to induce love and amiability. This hand has the thumb, the inde-and the middle fingers held out in a straight line, while the other two are turned under toward the palm of the

Scarlet cloth is the foundation of the Scarlet cloth is the foundation of the costume and bands of royal purple be-tween rows of heavy old lace are the adorning of it. Grandest of all, old lace ruffles are worn at the neck and wrists, but these are so valuable and difficult to replace that it must be a special occasion to warrant their being annealt to replace that it must be a special occasion to warrant their being donned, white lawn bands being sub-stituted as a general thing. A boy has to exercise great care over his State suit, for it must last him three

every eight months. The choir of this royal chapel is one of

he historical institutions of England the historical institutions of England and many of its old time customs, in-cluding the dress of the boys, are retain-ed to this day. It has numbered among its singers Sir Arthur Sullivan, Edward Lloyd, Sir John Goss, Dr. E. J. Hop-kins, the veteran organist of the Tem-pla Church and many other famous Briple Church, and many other famous Bri-

tish musicians. tish musicians. Some curious Customs, peculiar to St. James' choristers, may be mentioned. The most interesting of these is the right of the head boy to demand one guinea as "spur money," from any officer en-tering the chapel wearing spurs. It is poled that when Sir Arthur Sullivan lated that when Sir Arthur Sullivan vas head boy the Duke of Wellington vould always come to the shapel in his purs, in order to have the pleasure of aying the forfeit to his favorite choris

Birds the Friends of Farmers.

Interest in the protection of bird life as spread rapidly in the United States. Anumber of States have enacted have aking it unlawful to trim hats with wirds or wings. The wanto killing has nobed a point where American birds were actually in danger of exterminaon. The great majority of women hose love of display had led them to orchase bird-trimmed hats have joined the movement when the wholesah the movement when the wholesale aughter has been brought to their at-ention. Not alone on aesthetic grounds bould the birds be protected. There should the birds be protected. There eith few exceptions useful friends of e farmers. Agriculturists, too prome o note the grain stolen and the fruit eked by lattle bills, give no credit for be myrinds of insect period statoyed y the feathered marauders. They see he small damage but overlook the grant good done by the birds.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.