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Louis' would-be-father had made his appearance only once after his release from his imprisonment in Paris. He had entered his office one day, when Louis happened to be there for a few moments alone, and demanded money of him in a somewhat overbearing manner. Louis took no notice at first of it; he was considering what cluded the sum Mr. Forest ha was best for him to do. Finally he, in settlement of Arthur's debts. handed him \$300.

The man had been falsely accused and imprisoned, and he felt that some recompense was due him.

But the man looked dissatisfied with the amount.

"Well, what is the matter?" Louis questioned, observing it. 'I should think a man would feel

rather mean to send his own father back to American on a paltry three hundred, especially when he is about to pocket a handsome fortune with the girl he marries," returned the man, with a disagreeable but knowing leer. Louis regarded him a moment in silence, marveling within himself at the different natures there were in the

At last he arose, and looking the man straight in the eye, said quietly: 'John Hicks, you can return to America, or you can go to any other would take a moderate price, provided country you choose, but I warn you he could find some reliable purchaser. that it will be wise in you never to show your face to me again. Your history is known to me, and if you ever come to me again demanding anything of me upon that old bogus claim, you will find yourself handed over to the authorities without cere-

The man stood staring blankly at Louis for a full minute; then, without a word, he turned away and slunk out of his sight, and Louis never saw

him again. Six months after our friends' return from abroad, Ada Parker came to Margaret one morning, her fair face covered with blushes, and a new tenderness chining through it.

She tossed a letter bearing a foreign postmark into her lap, saying, with a

"Read that, you blessed little woman, and tell me what you think of

It was a manly, earnest epistle from the young Marquis De Perrine, telling her of the love he had entertained for her ever since he had made her acquaintance in Paris, and making her a formal offer of his heart, hand and fortune. At the same time he made a full confession of his unmanly treatment of Margaret and her maid upon a certain occasion, and his deep re-pentance for his having been guilty of so mean an act. He related all that had occurred, and how humiliated he had been by Margaret's well merit-

ed reproof and scorn. "It was the beginning of a new life to me," he wrote, "and if all women were as true to their sex and their duty as Miss Houghton proved herself to be, there would be fewer bad men in the world."

He closed with an earnest appeal that he might be allowed to come to America to claim the love he sought. 'Are you going to let him come?" Margie asked, regarding her friend earnestly.

Yes, we have been corresponding for some time; but I cannot resist this appeal," Ada responded, with a deeper

"I thought," Margaret began, then stopped.

"You thought that I loved my cousin 'Arthur," Ada said, completing the sentence for her, "and so did I for a time," she went on, "until I came home where I could think quietly by myself. Then I realized what a hollow, pleasureloving nature he had; I knew he hid not care for me, and I gradually found

myself forgetting bim." You are sure that it is not the glitter of a coronet that attracts you now, Ada?' Margaret asked.

She was so happy in her husband's love, and the deep affection she bore him, she could not endure the thought of her friend giving her hand without her heart.

"No, Margle, I feel sure, I should have told August to come if he had still been simply Monsieur Perrine. I admired him when we were in Paris. though I am afraid his suit would have been ruined if I had known of his treatment of you. But his letter's indicate that there is much that is noble and good in him, and I am sure he has truly repented of his errors."
"I am too," Margaret replied, and

then she told her of his sister coming to her the evening before her marriage, of the message he had sent her. together with his beautiful gift.

If you love him, I am glad for you, Ada," she said; "it is a brilliant pros-pect for you, and it will be so much better for him to marry a good, true American girl than some pleasure-lov-ing French lady."

So there was a quiet wedding one morning not long after, in Mrs. Parker's stately mansion, when Ada became the Marquise De Perrine.

When Margaret, who was one of the

gratulations, the young marquis caught her hand, and lifting it to his

ins, said:
"Madam, I thank you for so much, but most of all for my wife; but for you I should never have won her." "How so?" margaret asked, smiling,

yet astonished. "Because I never could have been worthy; an, pardon!" he added, with a fond giance into his bride's flushed "I am not worthy even now, but you taught me to regard life very, differently from what I had ever done before, and saved me from dishonoring the name I bear."

One night five years later, the bell of Margaret Forest's beautiful home rang a resounding peal.

The servant, upon answering it, found a stout, fine-looking man standing outside the door, who inquired for Albert Forest.

He gave no name; he said he had come upon a matter of business, and wished to see the gentleman alone. He was shown into the library, and as he sat there waiting, the sound of happy childish voices came floating down from upstairs, and the man's face kindled with a strange tenderness and love as he heard it. Presently Mr. Forest entered the room, and he did not seem a day older

than when he had returned from abroad several years before, He bowed to his visitor, but regarded him curiously, as if wondering

if he had ever seen him before. The stranger arose and advanced to meet him. "Uncle Albert," he said, in a low,

moved tone, "I do not deserve a welcome from you, but, nevertheless I yearn for it. "Arthur!" eried Mr. Forest, spring-

ing toward him and grasling him warmly by the hand, while something in the open, manly face before him moved him strangely. "Yes, it is Arthur—the prodigal re-turned," the man replied, sadly, yet

with a touch of bitterness in his tone. "You know how the father received the prodigal, Arthur," said Mr. Forest, with a tremble in his voice, "and so I give you the warmest welcome of which I am capable. "Thank you, Uncle Albert-I did not

quite expect that, but I am grateful; and now I will tell you that my chief errand here was to pay you the debt I owe you." He took a paper from his pocket-book as he spoke and handed it to

Mr. Forest. It was a check on a New York bank for fifteen thousand dollars, which in-cluded the sum Mr. Forest had paid "Arthur, you know I did not expect this," said his uncle, regarding it

'No, but it is right, for all that; and I know you will not refuse me the sat-isfaction that I experience in doing it," Arhur replied, earnestly; and then at his uncle's invitation he sat down and told him how he had spent his life dur-

ing the last six years. After leaving Paris, he said, he had come directly to New York, with the intention of making amends, as far as possible, for the mistakes of his early life. Here he had fallen in with a man who had just returned from the South and whose health was such that he could not return to that enervating climate. He was the owner of a fine orange plantation, the fruit of which was nearly ready to be gathered. He was desirous of selling, and would take a moderate price, provided who would pay part down and give

im security for the rest. Arthur at once said he would go and look at the property, and if he found as represented he would purchase. The result was, he became the owner, and the yield of that year alone, with the ten thousand dollars received from his uncle, enabled him to pay for the plantation entire and to make some improvements besides.

"I have attended strictly to business," he said, in conclusion, "and I have reaped my reward. I have become a successful fruit grower, and I am in a fair way to become a rich man myself in a few years; and so you see, Uncle Albert, I could not feel a proper respect for myself until I had paid this lebt, and expressed my appreciation of your kindness to me."
"It was really no debt, Arthur; you

elcome to it," returned Mr. Forest, heartily, yet he was glad he had paid it, for it raised him greatly in his "I know-but of course you car

imagine how I would feel about it," Arthur responded, and there the matter dropped. "Where are you stopping?" his uncle asked him a few moments later.

"We are at Parker's. "We?" repeated Mr. Forest, inquir-

Yes." with a laugh and a tender light illumining his face. "I have married a nice little Southern lady, and we have a fine boy three years old. 'Well, well; that is good news, truly, and I am glad with you, Anthur. I



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guests, went forward to offer her con- shall pay my respects to that same little lady tomorrow, and then you must bring her here," said Mr. Forest, cordially, and looking very much pleased over the news.

"I-don't know about that-Arthur began, but was cut short by the entrance of Louis.

The meeting was somewhat awkward on Arthur's part, but Louis was very cordial; there was nothing in his manner to remind him of the past and he seemed to be heartily glad to learn of his prosperity.

Margaret went with Mr. Forest the next day, to call upon the Aspinwalls at the Parker House, and Arthur voted her the noblest woman in the universe for the act.

She found Mrs. Aspinwall a refined and lady-like little body, devotedly attached to her husband, and possessing an unbounded influence over him.

Their boy was a promising little fellow, the image of his father, who evidently worshiped his son, although it was patent to his visitors that he did not intend to spoil him by indulgence.

"If I can train him to be anything like you, I shall feel that I have not lived in vain," Arthur remarked to Louis, when, after a month of pleas-

ant intercourse between the families the Aspinwalls were about to leave for

their Southern home. "The memory of your kindness and generosity," he added, "has never left me for a moment; they have helped to make me a better man; and at last I began to feel as if I had earned the right to come and ask you to forgive

It was a hard thing for a proud, high-spirited man to say; but it was a noble thing to do-it was the one thing needful to crown his manhood. "Gladly," Lcuis said, grasping his hand warmly. "Let us remember the past no more; let us be friends hence-

Margret Houghton, by her heroism and courage, unlocked the doors of her lover's prison and conquered the enemy that had so nearly destroyed her happiness. But a nobler victory was won when

kindness and nobility unlocked a wellnigh impenetrable heart; while the demons of enmity and jealousy fled, angels of peace and good will entered in their place, and a human soul was saved, a life of usefulness preserved. [THE END.]

IMPORTANT TO EVERY GIRL. Every girl who is planning to be a housekeeper some time, and is busy learning how to be, wants among other things to learn how to prepare and pack a dainty luncheon. It is an important part of her training. She may want to pack a picnic luncheon, a luncheon for a traveler, or for someone whose daily duties take him away from home and where there is no opportunity to obtain a luncheon, so that he is dependent upon the luncheon basket. There are all these to be provided for occasionally, besides the school child. And she wants to know how to cater to this element. You instinctively know the one who prepared the luncheon by the way the basket is arranged and what it contains .- Woman's Companion.

PLAIN TALK TO A KING.

During his short stay in England, about three years ago, the King of Portugal frequently took various little trips by train secretis, and accompanied by only one of his suite. Traveling down to Hatfield once in a second class compartment, the Portuguese king entered into conversation the king speaks English fluentlywith a typical, plain-spoken "John Bull." "They seem to be making a deal of fuss over the King of Portugal, sir, who is now in London. Have you seen him, might I ask?" "Yes," replied the Englishman, "he ain't much of a king to look at. Why, sir, his stomach ain't no fatter and his face ain't no more intelligent than yours." His majesty said afterward that he could understand why the English people were called "plain-spoken."-

MARKING LINEN. How many odd little trades ingenious women find to earn their bread! there is a thing a woman can do bet-ter than her neighbors she needs only to develop it into a specialty to have a sure livelihood. A Chicago girl whose marriage will take place this fall in the east, whence her family came, writes that, like all Boston brides of high degree, she is having her linen marked by Mrs. B. This quaint little old lady entirely supports herself by writing names in indelible ink on the underwear; sheets, tablecloths, etc., of Boston swelldom. She has become a fad. Her narrow quarters look like a white goods warehouse, and smell like a chemist's from a preparation she puts on the linen to give it a smooth, paperlike surface. She is to be found any day with her old fingers cramped about the special pen she uses in marking small, neat initials or elabor-

Argonaut.

FRILLS OF FASHION. White chiffon tucked with gold thread and laid over gold tissue is

ate monograms which no one else can

equal.-Cleveland Plaindealer.

of the latest and prettiest fancies for vests, collars and the like. Red hats grow more and more audacious. Red felts or velvet turbans trimmed in scarlet velvet geraniums or sprawling velvet popples flame in almost all of the millinery windows in

New York. Some of the strapped evening slippers have pleated tace fans set in under the straps and pulled out in fan

fashion over the instep. White corduroy skirts are replacing the white pique skirts now that cool days have come, and are more practical than they seem, for the white cor-duroy can be laundered, as easily as It must, however, be washed carefully and pressed upon the wrong side with an iron not too not.

Heavy, lustrous brocades in one tone are once more in fashion, to the un-mixed delight of dowagers as well as younger women. In fact, Madame La Mode is treating the dowagers particularly well this season, and materials and designs are, in the main, well suited to elderly matrons.

Panne velvets, embroidered or stamped in gold dots or other designs, are the latest developments of the gold craze, and a blue panne with gold dots has admirable possibilities in millinery

and dress trimmings. The Aiglon capes, shown in red, blue and white cloths, are effective for autumn wear at the seashore or in the mountains. They are full length, made of fine, heavy cloth and have the tralitional shoulder capes, revers and light turnover collars braided in gold.

Plumes made of cocks' teathers or gleaming iridescent breast feathers are greatly used on the low, broad hats instead of ostrich plumes and form the rim of many of the soft turbans. The narrow buckle of exaggerated length is a conspicuous feature of autumn

Good trimmings have gone up about 50 per cent in price—a striking com-mentary on the lavishness with which dressmakers and milliners are using

Pure white toilets are to be as popular during the winter season as they have been during the summer, and are being prepared in cloth as often as in lighter materials for house and evening wear. The white cloth gown and white felt hat, in combination heavy furs, will be a favorite fad of the woman to whom expense and durability are of no concern.

ECONOMICAL SOUP.

The following is, perhaps, one of the cheapest soups that can be made. In addition to its cheapness, it has the advantage of being substantial, and of being good feeding. Take six large and mealy potatoes, two leeks, three Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, etc

ounces crushed tapioca, one ounce butter or oil, one-quarter ounce sugar, one pint milk, one quart boiling water. Slice the potatoes and leeks into the boiling water, boil to a pulp, then rub through a sieve, and put back into the stock. Shake in gently the tapioca, boil ten minutes, add the milk and oil.

AMERICAN BREAKFAST OF GRID-DLE CAKES.

Whisk one egg, stir in half pint lukewarm milk, with sufficient Indian maize meal to make a stiff batter. Bake about twenty to thirty minutes in a flat pan, well oiled.

TASTY RISSOLES.

Take the contents of six large floury well baked potatoes, mash them well Then stir in a saucepan a lump of butter and two eggs well beaten, shake in also a little pepper, salt and nutmeg. To this add the mashed potatoes, and stir over the fire, beating it well, until the whole mass leaves the sides of the pan. Take out, and when cold. mold with flour into little flat cakes, and fry in oil a light brown.

### OYSTER RECIPES.

Fricasseed Oysters .- Cut two ounces of lean ham into slices and then put them into a saucepan with two ounces of thyme, a sliced onion, a little lemon rind and a few cloves. Simmer gently for ten minutes. Then pour in half a pint of stock or gravy, thickened with a spoonful of flour, and simmer for twenty minutes. Add two dozen oysters, and when they are quite hot draw the saucepan to the side of the fire for a minute or two to cool, then stir in gradually the yoke of an egg beaten up with a tablespoonful of Simmer again for a minute or two and serve the oysters on a hot ish with the sauce strained and poured round them

Scalloped Oysters .- Place in a shallow baking dish a layer of oysters; over this a layer of cracker crumbs sprinkle with salt and pepper and bits of butter; alternate the layers until the dish is full, having crumbs on top well dottted with bits of butter. Pour over the whole enough oyster juice to moisten it. Bake in a hot oven twenty minutes, and serve in the same dish in which it is baked. Smothered Oysters .- Put one table-

spoonful of butter in a covered saucepan with half a teaspoonful of white pepper, one teaspoonful of salt and a dash of cayenne. When hot add on pint of oysters. Cover closely and shake the pan to keep the oysters from sticking. Cook for three minutes. Serve on toasted crackers. Roast Oysters.—Wash the shells well

with a brush and cold water. Place them in a pan with the deep half of the shell down. Put them into a hot oven and bake until the shells open. Remove the top shell carefully so as not to lose the Hquor. Arrange them on plates and on each oyster place a piece of butter and a little salt and pepper.

### When Houses Are Reopened.

"Now that the schools are open," said a Chicago physician, "people will be getting back to town from the country. Then I suppose we shall have the usual outbreaks of disease-scarlet fever, typhoid and even diphtheria. We rarely escape a more or less vigorous outbreak of this nature with every returning fall, and usually a number of families are put into mourning in consequence.
"The cause of it is the death dissem-

inator-sewer gas. People shut up their houses tight as drums for weeks and months as the case may be. The only seal to the plumbing apparatus at best is the water held in the S coil. This water during the weeks it stands stagnant becomes tainted and then saturated with emanations from its sewer connections. Then it begins to distribute poison on its own account all through the house. Go into a house of this kind and you will often find even the gilt on the picture frames and the bright metal elsewhere about the rooms stained and discolored by the gas. People in hundreds of cases move right into their houses and apartments and go to living in them on that very day. If the children or any of the family, as is often the case, have summer colds and sensitive throats, there is a fine field for the diphtheria germ to take hold. Other diseases likewise lurk all through the house, particularly in the sleeping apartments. I have known an entire family of four children to be stricken

down within ten days or two weeks. "A house should be opened and thoroughly aired from cellar to garret, not one, but three or four days in succession, before it is occupied after having been shut up for a few weeks or months. And that is not all. The water connections, every one of them, should be thrown open and the entire pipe system thoroughly flushed again and again on every day that the house is thus opened. The blinds or inside shutters, or both, should be flung wide open, and the shades raised so that every bit of sunlight possible may penetrate the house for three or four days before the house is occupied. A vast deal of illness, death and sorrow might be saved by these simple precautions. It is astonishing that so many people will neglect them."

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