

FATAL "VENUS" MAY WIN FREEDOM THROUGH NEW LOVER

Countess Tarnowski, Renowned for Beauty, Scandal and Crime, Hopes for Escape From Murderer's Cell and From Cruel Punishment by Aid of Russian Duke.

[Special Correspondence.]

Venice, Italy, Oct. 11.—Countess Tarnowski, the beautiful and wicked "Venus of Venice," may soon be freed from prison by a royal pardon. She has served only two years of her eight-year sentence for the murder of her lover, Count Paul Kamarsky.

A wealthy Russian Duke, who first saw her during the trial, became infatuated with her rare beauty, like so many others, and he has since lived near the prison, praying and working for her pardon. His influence is reported to be responsible for the king's contemplated action.

The duke has been spurred on by knowledge of the brutal treatment of the countess. In her isolated cell there is only a small table, a stool and a wooden couch, or sleeping shelf.

Italian prison rules say that convicts must rise promptly at 6 o'clock in the morning; if they remain on the couch a minute longer they are severely punished. So, no matter how tired she is of standing in that lonesome cell, or how her back aches from sitting on the wooden stool, whether sick or well, the countess cannot lie on the wooden bed during the day.

Several times was the beautiful countess caught resting on her couch during the day. Each time the hands that have

LIFE OF VOLCANIC LOVE AND MURDER.

The countess was the daughter of Count Rurik, described from an Irish O'Rourke. Marie, when young, was forced into a loveless marriage with Count Tarnowski. Two children were born to them. The life of the countess was filled with maternal love for her children, and wild scandals with lovers.

At her divorce trial she threw her arms about a young Adonis who happened to be her lover then, and pressed passionate kisses upon his mouth, in the presence of her husband. The count promptly shot the young man and secured a divorce.

Then followed love adventures such as even the blasé Europeans gasped at. Lovers followed the countess over the continent; at her villa in Venice she held court and there wealthy titled Russians came with gifts of gold and gems.

At her divorce trial the countess captured the heart of her lawyer, Luiz Prilikoff. He deserted his family, his honors, and his friends, even stealing money from his clients to elope with the countess.

Tiring of him, the countess tried to drive him to suicide by giving herself to her own brother-in-law. Dr. Nikolas Naumoff, a brilliant Russian student of an old family, met her and was won. He it was whom the countess chose as her tool to slay another lover, Count Paul Kamarsky, who had insured his life for \$100,000 in her favor. The murder was committed in 1907. The countess, Naumoff and Prilikoff were arrested shortly afterwards, and all three confessed.

charmed nobility of Russia and Italy with charm and which have been caressingly kissed so often by distinguished lovers, were tied to the cell bars, while a whip was brought down again and again upon

the graceful form of the writhing woman. Several mornings she failed to leave her couch at the 6 o'clock signal, and each time she was flogged. Now she will no longer trust herself on the couch—she

COUNTRESS TARNOWSKI AS SHE LOOKED BEFORE HER IMPRISONMENT, AND A SKETCH SHOWING THE PUNISHMENT SHE SUFFERS.

might fail to awaken at 6, and then would come the punishment.

For hours together she lies, half-conscious on the cell floor.

The prison punishment has broken her proud spirit; she passes much of her time praying and reading spiritual books. Her appetite for food has deserted her. That, with her mental suffering, is rapidly taking from her the beauty of which she was once so vain.

The green-black eyes that were once so soft and insinuating are duller; the rosy mouth that Russian noblemen were wild to kiss, is bloodless. The once white, smooth brow, crowned by hair gleaming golden-bronze in sunlight, is now furrowed with sorrow.

While the Countess Marie Nicolevna Tarnowski exists in this living death, her fellow conspirators, Luiz Prilikoff, the once wealthy and respected Moscow lawyer, and Dr. Nikolas Naumoff, the brilliant young Russian, are confined in other cells, each experiencing the same harsh treatment. Prilikoff has eight years yet to serve; Naumoff will be free next year.

When the countess was first convicted she was confined in a prison in Venice, where she lived in a luxuriously furnished cell. Then it was reported that she had captured the keeper of the prison and had even turned the head of the chaplain. An old law which was dug up says that murderers must be imprisoned at least 100 miles from the scene of their crime. The countess was then transferred to the Trazi penitentiary.

quies much confidence. It is noticeable that quite a number of lady players use clubs which are much too heavy for them and then cannot understand why they become so quickly tired. This is because they are content to use the cast-off tools of their male relations instead of getting a set for themselves.

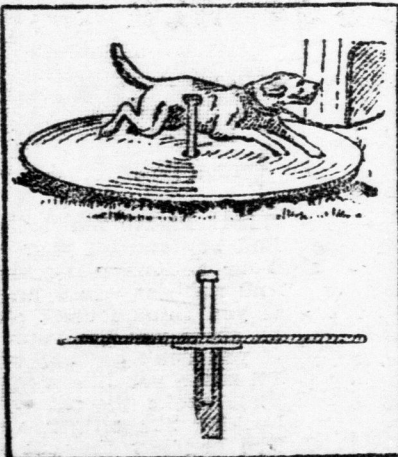
Another fruitful source of discouragement is blistered hands, many players believing that gloves are an insurmountable hindrance to gripping the club evenly, which surely must be only a superstition as so many of the best known lady golfers are never seen without them. Of course there is the danger of the club slipping on a wet pair of gloves. One so often hears of a match going in an unexpected way owing to one of the couple having a badly blistered thumb or palm that it is surprising that so many people continue to play without gloves. The advantage of being able to wear them on cold winter days is inestimable.

An Inexcusable Fault.

The tendency to specialize in one particular stroke, a fault that is by no means confined to lady players, is their all a natural game in which they feel more sure than with any other, and she is apt to develop that shot out of proportion to the rest of her game. Instead of doing this, it would be far wiser to try and bring other shots up to the level of this one, because a player who can do well with one club is capable of doing well with them all. In spite of all the talk of the superiority of the mallet, the disparity between the standard of the two sexes is unlikely, for a variety of reasons, that the fair sex will ever be serious rivals to men. But there is one department of the game in which women ought not to be outclassed, and that is the putting. Even allowing this to be the case, it is the lady player who is the more serious offender in making that most fertile of all mistakes—being short with approach.

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BALDNESS IS A SIGN OF VIRILITY

Most Frequent in the Most Progressive Nations.

Many readers, says the New York Post, will derive consolation from the perusal of the little book by Andrew Simpson on "The Bald-Headed Man" (Broadway Publishing Company), but hope will not be awakened thereby nor the sale of hair restorers increased. While this author evidently recognizes that baldness has many causes, though he lays little stress on the considerable number of varieties very well known to students of the skin, he strives rather to explain the wide prevalence of the "mature" trouble, which he finds in the nations that are most wealthy, most progressive, and best fed. The fact that women generally retain their hair much better than men, and that in certain races the loss of hair is unusual, is held to be a sufficient reason for rejecting the view that any general external cause, such as micro-organisms, can be in play. The bald-headed man is held to have a constitutional endowment of such that his hair is unusually thin, and this enrichment leads through the nervous system to a more vigorous action of the heart, and this in turn leads to a congestion of the scalp by forcing blood to it. In this way the blood vessels become engorged and are weakened, the scalp is overheated, the hairs die and fall out, and the scalp becomes thin and wasted.

Natural alopecia is thus a disease of prosperity, and of cold climates which create appetite; "therefore the lusty, vigorous men of the northern nations of the world become bald, while the thin-blooded dwellers of the tropics do not." Women, having weaker muscles and particularly less active hearts, cannot so readily develop these conditions. When once this baldness clearly shows itself the damage is already done, the original healthy state of the vessels cannot be re-established; the bald must remain bald. These constitutional peculiarities may be inherited, but the author does not even suggest that something might be done early in life to overcome the tendency of this acquired. This explanation of natural baldness is ingenious, but far from convincing. Very much more study is needed to establish even the existence of the fundamental differences on which the theory is based.

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Any person who has attempted to open a sardine can or one of the similar kind with a top that fits down tightly will appreciate the ingenuity of a Wisconsin man who has a home-made can opener for occasions of this kind. The device is a simple affair, made of the tin and filed down the stub end to a sufficient edge to fit under the top of the can. With such an opener he opens cans. This kind with a file, any housewife can make one, a file being the only tool needed.

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