A BECORD OF FULLY How Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins Spent Their Millins.

The records of folly and extravagance contain no story more remarkable than that of Eli Hawkins, the Californian millionaire, whose grotesque ingenuity in dissipating his dollars is certainly without a parallel What was the origin of his fortune n

one knew, and in his most abandoned moments Eli was never betrayed into divulging the secret. It is known, however, that when Eli accompanied by his wife, went to settle in Los Nietos Valley, they brought with them a portmantean, packed with \$220,000 in cash, as an installment of their 'pile.' Eli's first ambition was to "build him a

lordly pleasure-house;" and buying 390 acres of land, he set his magic dollars to work on it. A handsome palace quickly rose, and hundreds of hands soon made his desert acres blossom like a rose. Enormous trees were transported bodily on specially-made waggons, to give him hills and valleys, and grottos appeared as it by witch-craft, and lakes and fountains sprang up in profusion. Within four months Eli had accomplish-

ed as much as most men do in twenty years. He had acres of roses, grottos covered with vines, fig, orange, and magnolia trees, and his spreading lawns were sprinkled on all sides with \$7,000 worth of statuary.

Scarcely, however, were the statues in position, when Eli and his wife conceived the idea of "clothing them in paint." Mercury was endowed with green tights, Venus with blue sandals and red stockings; while Moses blossomed into a! suit of grey, and a red nose.

This scheme of colour so charmed the Lord and Lady of Los Nietos that they proceeded to tint their cattle, sheep, dogs, and cats a rich violet, with disastrous results to many of them, for in slicking their violet flanks many of the valuable cattle were poisoned. Eli's next ambition was to have a private

bar, which was built at a cost of £2,500. The windows were of stained [glass, the floor was a miracle of mosaic work, rich other make, tapestries and rugs were of ivory and silver.

wagon-load of the rarest wines and cigars came from Los Angeles; and here Eli and his wife spent several hours a day with a few chosen friends in liquid enjoyment

Eli had already dissipated \$200,000 in the space of three months; but he was persuaded that a library was necessary to give an air of culture to the mansion, and forthwith the walls burst into a blaze of thousands of volumes clothed in white and gold, red, blue and purple.

A favorite indulgence of Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins was to drive about the country in a gorgeous equipage, preceded by a brass band, and distribute msgnums of champagae to those who paid them homage. On such, and indeed on all occasions the eccentric pair were clothed literally in dirt and rags, and presented a ludicrous contrast to their brilliant environment.

'One of Eli's maddest escapades was undertaken in the interests of sport. He engaged some of the swiftest runners in the country to display their prowess before him. The races were held at night, and the road for a mile on each side of the mansion was illuminated by 7,000 wax candles, placed at proper intervals. From a grand stand erected Hawkins Hrom a grand stand erected in 1 front of the house Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins witnessed the races, to the ac-companiment of a brass band, and the winners were rewarded with gold watches, costly jewellery, and many thousands of dollars.

This life of grotesque extravagance last A first life of grocesque extravagance isst-ed exactly three years. At the end of this time Eli was penniless, and a few months later died in extreme destitution, while the partner of his follies was glad to earn a living as a cook for ranch labourers in Ojai Valley.

Her Efforts not Appreciated A young lady-teacher in a rural school tells an amusing story of the anxiety her conduct unwittingly caused the mother of one of her pupils. The pupil in question was a stupid and overgrown but well behaved boy of ninetine, named Tobias Hodge. He was older by several years and far bigger than older by several years and far bigger than not so well advanced in his studies as some of the youdger ones. He seemed so anx-ious to learn that the teacher often induced him to remain after school for the purpose-of assisting him in his studies. Their homeward way lay over the same road and they would walk home toge ther mather when she left home to go to the school-kouse, the teacher would find the boy wait-ing for her; and she taotfully gave him waveral leasons in rolitances unde cavity. Her Efforts not Apprec ing for her; and she tactfully gave him



really make something out of Tobias, when her efforts on his behalf recieved a sudden check br the receipt of the follow-ing note from his widowed mother—'Mad-dum—I just want to say that I have heerd how you are carryin' on with my son Tobe; and all I've got to say is that de ain't of marryin' age, an' I am his gardeen! A word to the wise ought to be suffishent.' lowever, has long been a subject for jest

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WOMENAS MENINABMY.

Disguised, Many Have Served for Months Without Discovery, Military records contain quite a number

ot instances in which women, disguised as men, have entered the army and distinguished themselves on the battlefield, their

sex not being discovered for many years afterward. In 1872 a soldier who had enlisted

under the name of Paul Daniel attracted the attention of a sergeant while drilling a body of recruits at Portsmouth. At the conclusion of the parade he sent for Daniel and stated his suspicions in regard to the recruit's sex. On seeing that the game was up, Daniel confessed that he was a female and burst into tears when informed that she could no longer continue with the regiment. It appeared that her husband, after getting through a large fortune, had fled to Germany, where he had enlisted, and his wife performed the deception m

the hope that, as a soldier, she might be dispatched for service in that country and thus discover her unfaithful partner. A most remarkable woman was found to

be serving as an ordinary soldier in a certain German corps toward the end of the last century. Her sex was revealed owing to a false charge of theft being made sgainst her, after she had been performing her military duties of the regiment for over six months. Before this she had served in a regiment of the cuirassiers for two years, in one regiment receiving a wound in the arm, and afterward joining the grenadiers. Being captured by the enemy, she managed to escape and promptly enlisted in a regi-

ment of volunteers, and but for the unfor-tunate charge referred to, might have spent her life in military pursuits. In 1769 a woman made a determined

however, has long been a subject for jest by humorist. A party of London jewellers was being shown through one of the great plating factories by the proprietor, a man well known as a wag. As the visitors stood looking into one of the vats where different articles were being plated with gold a gentleman asked— 'Now, Mr. M —, just how much gold do you use here in your business ?' The old gentleman looked up, and ans-wered with a twinkle in his eye— 'Well, gentleman, when I started in business fitteen years ago, I put a couple of sovereigns into the vat, and there's some gold left yet.' phrasis Perseverance is more prevailing than violence, and many things which can not be overcome when they are together, yield themselves up when taken little by little.— Plutarch. **A YOUNG** GIRL'S ESCAPE. Saved from being a Nervous Wreck

MILBURN'S HEART AND NERVE PILLS.



other day in the course of a sermon, 'I teg of you to take hold of your own heart and look it straight in the face.' My daughter strikes B and is reaching for C. Friend — Ob but you can't really complain until she begins to strike you for V's and reach for X's.-Judge. Teacher: 'What do we learn from the Tommy (with unpleasant results still manifest): 'fhat it doesn't pay ter have women folks cut a feller's hair.'

'Pray Mr. Professor, what is al peri-

Madam, it is simply a circumlocutory and plenastic cycle or oratorical sonorosity circumscribing an atom of ideality, lost in verbal protoundity.

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'What did Newrich say when you told him you wanted to marry his daughter ?' 'He didn't absolutely refuee, but he im-posed a very serious condition.' 'What was it ?' 'He said he would see me hanged first.'

She had sent off a telegram, and was waiting for an answer. Suddenly the pe-culiar haling click of the receiving ma-chine sounded in the office, and she said to her companion :- "That's from George I know; I can tell



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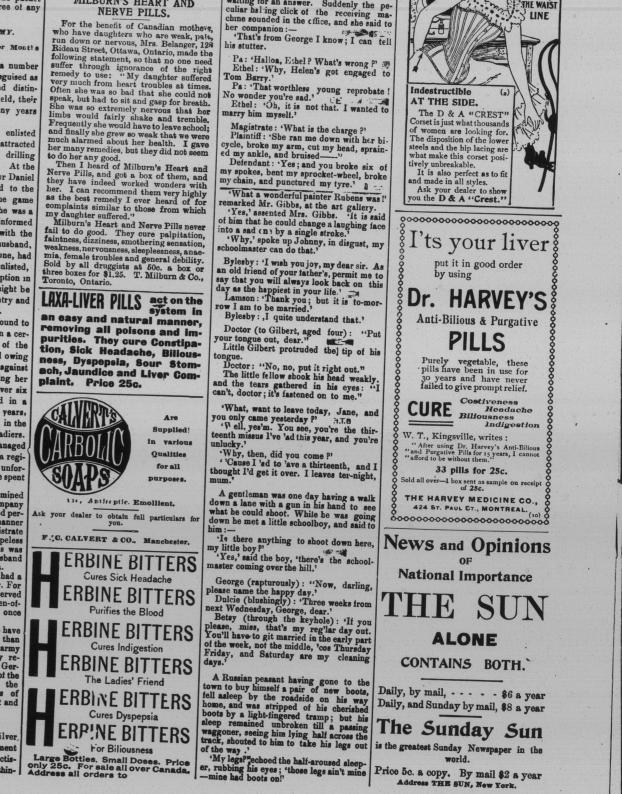
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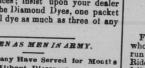
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in pound and two-pound tin cans, it comes into the home with all its natural aroma and strength. Protected by our Seal, the consumer knows that its purity and strength have been untampered with. Your grocer sells this kind, but be sure our seal and name is on the can you buy. Chase & Sanborn







No Waste There. several lessons in politeness, such as rais-The actual amount of gold and silver ing his hat to her and other ladies, and as. that is used in a large plating establishment sisting her over bad places in the road. is very great, and strict economy is practis-She was beginning to feel that she might | ed to prevent waste. The extreme thin-

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