You may try a cheaper Jea, but once use <u>Blue Ribbon</u> and you will remember its <u>quality</u> long after the price is forgotten. *****



The face was dark, but not suffi-ciently so to make it un-English, and, yoang though it was, there were one or two silver threads in the closely cut hair on the temples. A moustache, cut in military fashion, concealed the upper lip, but left the lower free to convey the impression of a strong will indicated by the trast of the face. The eyes were dark also and Elaine had found them pene-trating, but they were capable of expressing a brooding melancholy at that moment, and Elaine, with feminine instinct, knew that they could be gentle. The face has an the face in the subscience in the solution of the stopped suddenly, and the solution of a strong with they have no right to exact a promise from you. I have no right "He stopped suddenly, and the cond darkened his face again. Etaine scized the opportunity, and with a murmured "Good-evening," left him.

feminine instinct, knew that they could be gentle. He was dressed in a by no means new suit of rough tweed. Captain Sherwin probably took him for a gamekeeper. His silence lasted only for a mo-

ment then he looked up and seemed to dispel the cloud which had fallen upon him. "I hope you will not avoid the

Thope you will not avoid the park because I happen to be here." the said, as if no pause had occurred. "It is not likely that I shall re-main many days, and while I om here I will promise not to disturb your solitude. I will give orders that, excepting quite early in the morning, no one, I mean none the woodmeu or gardeners, si come here. It shall be territi sacred to you, Miss Delaine." Elaine looked up earnestly. shall be territory

Elamo looked up earnestly. "Oh, uo, please do not !" she said. "I-I could not accept that." "It isn't much, after all," he said, with the rare smile." "The park is large enough to spare a few yards I shall think you have one choice. I shall think you have quite forgiven me, if you will pro-mise to come here with your book as you have been accustomed to do. As I say, you may rest assured no one shall disturb you. If you like I will have a grate rate rate will have a gate put up at the end hedge, and give you the key." nothing which Elaino could accept without scruple or hesitation; but thout scruple or hesitation; but blushed scarlet as she shook her head.

"Of course I could not do that-"Of course I could not do that-have you do that," she said. "But I am very grateful, and-and I will come sometimes-" She meant "when you have gone," and he understood He inclined his head slightly. "May I ask what you are read-ing?" he said. Flaine held out the book, and he took it and opened it.

"Poems" he said, "Rosetti; I know,; I mean I have heard of hlm. I don't read much, I haven't time -or patience," he added, almost to himself. "Is it good? Do you like It ?" he was running his eye over a page-one of the sweetest in the volume-as he spoke, then be locked eye over that

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Made Sound and Strong by the Use of She walked along the bank to the point at which she began to climb the hill, and felt rather than saw Weak lungs mean weak health, conthat he was standing where she had left him, and looking after her; and left him, and looking after her; and when half way up, she glanced down, she saw that he was still there, there, leaning against the rail, his hands thrust in his pockets, his head sunk upon his breast. Elaino reached the cottage, but in-stead of entering, sank down on a rustic seat half hidden in a bower of roses and honevsackle.

of roses and honeysuckle. Her brain was in a whirl.

To every woman, says the French poet, must come her first proposal; but, strange as it may seem, Cap-tain Sherwin's proposal did not oc-cupy the principal place in her mind. It was of that other character in the strange trio she could not help thinking-of the marquis.

thinking—of the marquis. Her life had been so quiet and un-eventful that the incident of this evening may be said to have been the most stirring and dramatic that had ever occurred to her. She had been almost as removed from ex-citement as a cloistered nun, and now, all at a hop ind bound as it were, she had been plunged into one of those crises, which may alter the course of a whole life.

She sat, with her hands locked to-She sat, with her hands locked to-gether, her eyes downcast, recalling the scene, the faces of the town men, their voices, the one so calm and service in its consciousness of power and mastery, the other shrill, passionate, feminine; then she put Captain Sherwin from her thoughts, and dwelt only upon the other man. Captain Sherwin from her though and dwelt only upon the other m She who had never expected see him, had met the marquis, whom she had heard so much. I not only met him hut nuder drag to g?" he said. Elaine held out the book, and he "Poems" he said, "Rosetti; I row; I mean I have heard of him. of patience," he added, almost to "" ho was machined by the said, "I haven't time or patience," he added, almost to "" he said. "I so you like" whom she had heard so much. Had not only met him, but under circum-stances in which he had played the part of a friend and protector. The color rose to her face as she remem-bered how he stood, his strong arms win. his eyes turned to her with their grim smile. She had heard so much. Had not only met him, but under circum-stances in which he had heard so much. Had how of the had heard so much. Had how of the had heard so much. Had how how she had heard so much. Had had beard so much. Had how how she had heard so much. Had how how she stood, his strong arms win. his eyes turned to her with their grim smile. She had heard their grim smile. She had heard that he was bad and wicked, alto-

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something cliniost terrible in its hope-leases and despair. All womes, the best, the handsom-sweetest hearts, are more prone to pity than to condemu, and here was Elaine, instead of shrinking in her illy-like purity from her recent con tact with the Marquis of Nairne, al-ready pitying him ! She tried to per-suade herself that gratitude had something to do with it, but the lood of melancholy loneliness which had dweit in the dark eyes of the man who had employed his great strength in the service had sunk into her heart and created an impression—a litte next for itself, so to? peak, in which it lay warm and glowing. She rose at last, reminded of the major's voice was heard calling her. She took her place opposite him about codd mutton. The would have to tell him about farting over it, not noticing that she ate scarcely anything, and then took his accustomed seat out-side on the veranda overlooking the the took her secrety anything, and then took his accustomed seat out-side on the veranda overlooking the the took his accustomed seat out-side on the veranda overlooking the the took her secrety anything, and the took his accustomed seat out-side on the veranda overlooking the the took his accustomed seat out-side on the veranda overlooking the the took his accustomed seat out-sulter with the form any the took his accustomed seat out-sole on the veranda overlooking the to the draw withing and the took his accustomed seat out-sole on the veranda overlooking the the took his accustomed seat out-sole on the veranda overlooking the took his accustomed seat out-sole on the veranda overlooking the took his accustomed seat out-sole on the veranda overlooking the took his accustomed seat out-sole on the veranda overlooking the took his accustomed seat out-sole on the veranda overlooking the took his accustomed seat out-sole on the veranda overlooking the took his accustomed seat out-tor allowed the draw to his his the his the his the veranda the the veranda overlooking the took his accustomed seat out-to omething clmost terrible in its hope-HOW TO MAKE BABY SLEEP.

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chatting over it, not noticing that she ate scarcely anything, and then took his accustomed seat out-Co., Brockville, Ont. side on the veranda overlooking the valley, and lit one of his favorite

valley, and lit one of his favorite Indian cheroots. Elaine, as usual, sat herself on the window sill at his feet, and looked at the oppo-site woods wrapped in their even-ing veil of summer mist. How should

win's a chance that doesn't come every day, and—do you like being poor, my girl?" "I do not mind," she said, slowly. The major emitted a groan. "I do, though, begad! And this marriage would have put an end to our miserable poverty. There's no knowing how much money the young fellow will come in for; it's a largo sum, I know, and—and—by George, my dear girl, I think you've thrown away a remarkably good major unconsciously helped "Wonder what became of Captain Sherwin ?"' he said. "I waited for him at the club, but he didn't turn

thrown away a remarkably good offer! I'll be bound there isn't an-other girl in Barefield who'd refuse him !" and he shuffled his neatly-lelad feet irritably.

"I could not marry him," she said, eled feet irritably. The major scarcely seemed to

To be Continued.)

STARCH HAS A HISTORY

"Starch originated," he said, "in

weak ungs mean weak nearth, con-tinual coughs and colds-touches of grip and bronchilis, then deady pneumonia or lingering, hopeless conhear her. "Refused Charlie Sherwin !" sumption. Weak langs are due to weak blood. The one sure way to strengthen weak langs is to build up your blood with Dr. Williams' Pink

WEAK LUNGS.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

strongthen weak langs is to build up s your blood with Dr. Williams' Pink to Pills. Every dose makes rich, red blood, and every drop of rich, red blood adds strength, vigor and dis-d case-resisting power to weak langs. Thousands of weak-langed, narrow-chested men and women have been made sound, healthy and happy by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills-and they will do' the same for you. Mrs. J. D. Naismith, Winnipeg, Man., says: "I contracted a severe cold, which developed into bronchitis and lang trouble. The best of doctors and many different kinds of medicine i thought I was going into rapid con-sumption. I had no appetite, was forced to take to bed, and feit that only death would release me. My brother arged me to try Dr. Wil-liams' Pink Pills, and to please him I began them. A few boxes proved they were helping me, and I began to get real strength. I continued the use of the pills and was soon able to leave my bed and sit up. I grew stronger day by day. The cough that had racked me almost beyond endur-ence disappeared, my appetite re-turned, and I am again strong and

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ence disappeared, my appetite re-turned, and I am again strong and healthy, much to the surprise of all who saw me while I was ill. Williams' Pink Pills cured me other medicines failed, and I shall al-ways praise them."

Bear in mind that substitutes and ordinary medicines will not cure. See that the full name, "Dr. Williams Pink Pills for Pale People," is print-Phik Phis for Fale People," is print-ed on the wrapper around every box. Sold by all medicine dealers or sent post paid at 50c a box or six boxes for \$2.50 by writing direct to the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockhe talked. Flanders. It was introduced into

Dr. Willian ville, Ont. up. Rather unlike him to break an appointment. Has he been here? Perhaps he'll come over this even-

England with the big ruff in the time of Queen Elizabeth. It was like our starch of to-day, except that it was made in colors-red, yellow, green, blue. The effect of this was to that delicately the white linen to which the starch might be an dia- Perhaps he'll come over this even-ing." "Captain Shorwin has been here, papa," she said, in a tone that "Captain Shorwin has been here, papa," she said, in a tone that to would have aroused his attention if he had not been so absorbed-as he generally was-in his own thoughts. "The deuce he has! Why didn't you tell me? What did he say?" "I was not in." she said, "but-but he followed me down to the but he followed me down to the solution and had her face softly against his arm-"and he asked me to be his wife." The major staried and flushed. "By Jove!" he breathed almost-not quite-dropping his eheroot.
"Her tone had scarcely been that of a girl made happy by her chosen lover's avowal." "I send 'No,' "she replied almost inaudibly. The major's youthul face screwed. which the starch might be apto Before Queen Elizabeth's time Herofe Gueen Elizabeth's time rulles and rull's were made of fine Holland, which required no stiffen-ing. Then the rulls of cambric came and these must of necessity be starched." starched."^A The grocer, consulting his memor-andum book, resumed: "It is recorded that 'when the queen bad rulis made of lawn and cambrie for her own princely wear-ing there was none in England could tell how to starch them, but the queen made special means for some women who could starch and Mrs. Gullham, wife of the royal "By Jove !" he breathed almost-not quite-dropping his cheroot. "Asked you to be-proposed! My dear Elaine!" then he stop-ped, smitten by a sudden misgiving. Her tone had estarcely been that of a girl made happy by her chosen lover's avowal. "Er-er-well, what did you say?" "I caid 'No," she replied almost in-audibly. The major's youthful face screwed and surprise. up into a frown of disappointment and surprise. "Er-you sold 'No.' Good Lord! My deer gir, I-forgive me-but I think you were rether-en!-precipitate. What's the matter with Charle Sher-win? He's a deuced good-looking young fellow, and will be very well off; it's-yes, it's an excellent offer, take it any way, it is indeed. I'm indeed! What made you do it?" Elaine, her face pale enough now, iffed her head from his arm, and, both her arms caused round her

BEE DISEASE NOW **UNDER CONTROL**

the past in Ontario. The Province of Ontario had at one time more foul brood apiaries than any other Province or State in the world, and now has less diseased ones than any coun-They having none. Ontario has to-day more sound and yery choice api-aries for the number kept than any other country in the world, and what has brought about such great results as these is a thing that I will here explain.

explain, In 1890 Mr. Gemmill, one of the best all-round bee-keepers that any country ever produced, saw, very plainly that the whole bee industry of our Province was going to be wiped right out by the very rapid way that foul brood was then being spread all over the country, with no law to check it or prohibit the sales of the many dimensional states and the sales of the many diseased colonies that were being shipped into very many localities. Mr. Gemmill, knowing all this to be a fact, took hold and spared noither time nor expense un-til he got the Foul Brood Act passed, which has proved to be the best thing ever done for the bee industry of On-tario. tario.

Just as soon as the Act was passed Just as soon as the Act was passed I was appointed Inspector for the Province by the Directors of the On-tario Bee-keepers' Association, on ac-count of it being widely known that I had been curing diseased aplaries for years before that, and had been a success at the business, and for this reason was considered a suit-able man for the position.

A Heavy Task.

A neavy rass. I knew that, I had a big job before me at that time, and wanted a few thousand pamphlets published with my method of treatment in to be sent "Refused Charlie Sherwin!" he said, rather to himself than to her, "and it would have made things all straight." He sighed heavily, and the hand that held the cheroot trembled. "Pon my word," he went on, "I'm very much upset. I am in-deed. Sometimes I'm afraid you don't quite understand our posi-tion, Elaine." She did not speak, but the beau-tiful lips were tightly compressed, and her brows drawn straight across the dark eyes. "I'm-I'm as poor as Job, and the debts---" He paused for a moment. "If they were to turn nasty and press us all at once, we should be---" He stopped significantly. ---"And then if anything happens to me, and I'm not a young man, Elaine"-it was a tremendous ad-mission for the major to make, and showed how deeply he was moved -- "there's only my pension, you know. You'd be left to the world to every hee-keeper in the Province. This was complied with, and 10,000 of these little books were ordered to be printed at once. A little later to be printed at once. A little later I wrote asking to have 500 of these printed in German. This was also granted, and in a short time after the 10,000 foul brood pamphlets were sent direct from the Minister of Agriculture to the bee-keepers. These were a great help to me in getting the many diseased apiaries cured. The Directors of the Ontario Beekeepens' Association took hold at that time and helped me all they could, and sent me fists of the apiar-ies that they wanted inspected and urged the bee-keepers everywhere to urged the bee-keepers everywhere to go strictly by my treatment, which helped me immensely to get the dis-ease wiped out. The first season that I went out on my rounds through the Province I found the disease in every village form and eity that I "there's only my pension, you know. You'd be left to the world, Province I found the disease in every village, town and city that I went into, and also in every country place where hees were kept, and now I am very much pleased to say that I have succeeded in getting the dis-ease almost driven out of our Pro-vince, and now have it under perfect control and can very easily attend county of Norfolk, that are sus-pected to have a little of the disease in them. I pave a few aplaries in the country of Norfolk that are sus-pected to have the disease, and a few in the County of Simcoe, and a lit--"there's Unity has to the world, and that"s hard and unfeeling at the rest. You didn't think of that, perhaps? How should you? You're young-by gad, a mere child! You ought to have spoken to me first! Perhaps he'll-ch-he'll come again?

poeted to have the disease, and a few in the County of Simcoe, and a lit-the work to do in Western Ontario, Was First Made in Flanders and Invaded England in Elizabeth's fime and some down east, and this is all that I know of, and I know more about the true condition of the aplaries of Ontario than any man in it. "A package of starch?" asked the intelligent and learned grocer, and as he wrapped the package up

in it. Mr. N. E. France, of Platesville, Wis., is and has been the only in-spector of apiaries for Wisconsin. Mr. W. Z. Hutchinson is the only inspector appointed for Michägan. But here in Ontario we have two inspectors to do the work, myself and Mr. Gemmill, and I have only sent him out but twice in the last ten years. Mr. Gemmill and I are ten years. Mr. Gemmill and I are to satisfy

Foul brood will soon be a thing of | this kind every year since I have the past in Ontario. The Province of | been inspector, and some from beethis kind every year since I have been inspector, and some from bee-keepers that I did think would know it, and when I got to their place was very much surprised to find that they were mistaken, and that it was dead brood of another kind, and not foul brood at all. Any beekeeper that has foul brood in his aplary should apply to me to help him and he can depend on it that I will never report to any person but the Minister of Ag-riculture what I found in his apl-ary.

No beekeeper should be foolish en-ough to allow any person to examine his colonies that would report that his aplary had foul brood if he his aplary had foul brood if he found it there, because it hurts the sales in all such cases long after the diseased aplartes have been cured. Cure your Wiseased colonies if you can, and if you can not, apply to me, and if you have good reason to be-lieve that the disease is in other aplartes in your locality send me a list of the aphartes you want in-spected, and I will see that they are cured, but do not ask me to tell cured, but do not ask me to tell if I find the disease in any of them because it would cause trouble and do others no good. I have to see that the diseased area to be that the diseased aptarles are cured that is sufficient.

Wm. McEvoy, Provincial Bee Inspector. Woodburn, March 5th, 1903.

Wanted it Understood.

She was evidently a farmer's daughter, and he was a 'broadbacked, red-handed young man of 23, and as they landed at the Detroit & Milwaukee depot the other day even the newsboys guyed them tor a bridal couple. Perhaps it was this act that determined their

fact that determined their action, for they waked straight up to the police officer standing in the door, and the bridegroom said: "Officer, we was married yester-day."

"Officer, we was married yester-day." "Glad to hear it," was the reply. "We are now on what they call the bridal tower. We are goin' to be in Detroit three or four days." "That's right." "We shall walk up and down and go where we darn please Sarnh may

go where we darn please. Sarah may have hold of my arm or I may have it around her waist."

"I see." "If we want to stop and kiss we are goin' to do it, and we sha'n't care who is lookin' on."

who is lookin' on." "That's your play," smiled the of-ficer. "You can also chew gum and walk hand in hand if you want to. Anything you wanted to ask about ?" "Only jest this," sturdly replied the groom. "There will be fellers who will chuckle and grin and there will be fellers who will call out "Ab

be fellers who will call there !' to us." out, "Ah.

there? to us," "It may be so," "It will be so, and you jest say to the newspapers, and let them say to everybody else, that the under-signed stands ready to chuck all the chucklers, and that the 'Ah theres!" will find themselves so tangled up that the 'you theres' and the 'oh, theres" and all the other theres in town won't be able to separate the pleces. Officer, look at that !" The officer gazed at the big fist and remarked that it was all there, and the groom nodded his head, drew his bride closer to him and continued: "Lord help the man who winks at Sarah or clucks at me?"-Detroit Free Press.

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Bob's Lively Pace.

It was in a country village that the swain had proposed for the hand of the village beauty and had been successful and carried off the palm.

It' he was running his eye over a page-one of the sweetest in the volume-as he spoke, then he looked at her,
"I suppose they are good," said Elaine, "They are very musical, and -" She stopped.
"And you understand them," he said, scarcely in the form of a question. "Yes, you are young, and the world scems as good and beautiful as yourself." He scened to have been unconscious of the significance of his words, but they affected Elaine naturally euough, and for a second her eyees fell and her color came to say, "Keep this, I will lend it you," but she stopped in time, re-



free with each package. Girls, d this beautiful Dolly will be ry ownin a short time Seed Co., Dept. 750 Toronto

indeed! What made you do it ?" Elaine, her face pale enough now, lifted her head from his arm, and, both her arms casped round her knees, looked across the valley. "Because I did not care for him," ehe said.

Saws.

The major tagged at his moustache with a troubled gesture. "Yes-ah, yes; bat look here, my dear, you're very young, you know. Too yoang to understand that kind of thing." "What kind of thing, papa?" she asked in a low voice.

of thing." "What kind of thing, papa?" she asked in a low voice. "Why, love and all that nonsense," he said, hastily. "No, I don't understand it,' she assented, in a still lower voice. And her mind why, she did not know-the words the marquis had spoken, "You deem the world as good and beautiful as yourself," and as they smote her, so to speak, a burning blush rose to her face. The major was not looking at her; but staring in a troubled way at the ground. "Love and all that sort of thing is all very well under-under some circumstances, if you can afford it. Captaln Sher-we can't afford it. Captaln Sher-

or four men, and these men

these 344 men was to send in his bill at the end of the season for \$30, that would only amount to \$16,820. Where would this little sum come from? Would those men make

He had bought the engagement ring and was harrying as fast as his two feet would carry him to the home of his adored one. A friend tried to Want Local Inspectors appointed all over the Province. We have 43 counties in Over the Province. We have 43 counties in Outario and, counting that we have eight town-ships in each county, that would make 344 townships. Now, suppose that we appoint an inspector for each township, and that each of these 314 mon was the reach of stop him to make inquiry concern-"Hello, there Bob! Is there a fire?" "Yes," replied Bob

"Hello, there isob I is there a fire?" "Yes," replied Bob, with what breath he had left, "my heart's on fire and I'm going to ring the vil-lage belle."—Yonkers Statesman.

Accumulation.

come from ? Would these man make no mistakes? They certainly would and very many of them, and when they would find foul brood, black brood, starved brood, chilled brood and brood that had been poisoned through some foolish man spray-ing fruit trees while in full bloom, they would report many cases to be foul brood when it was not. I received more or less reports of

A Trying Time **On Feeble Persons**

All Who Are in Low Vitality Have Reason to Dread the Coming Weeks-Fortify Your System by Using

DR. CHASE'S NERVE FOOD.

Saws. The man who pats up with imposi-tion invites it.—Confuctus Who suffers injustice uncomplain-inally is a saint or a fool.—Swift. If you watch the newspapers for the next few weeks you will find that the death record is a large one, and made up largely of person. Oppression will make a wise man med.—Cleero. Clean your fincer before you point at 'my spots.—Franklin. An uncomplaining burgher is a to success a guardian.—Adapted. History Prof.—Why wasn't Martin Luther adjusted to his environ-ment? Student—Because the Diet of Worms didn't suit his taste, I suppose. If you could but realize the vision didn't suit his taste, I suppose. If you watch the newspapers for the next few weeks you will find that the death record is a large one, and made up largely of person one, and made up largely of person that the death record is a large one, and made up largely of person that the death record is a large one, and made up largely of person that the death record is a large one, and made up largely of person that the death record is a large one, and made up largely of person that this time of year, and the sud-at this time of year, and the sud-dim atmosphere are more than a weakened system can withstand. A usual exposure - a fittle neglect of the dy, and health is undermined, bysical hreak down inevitable. If you could but realize the recon-dusing this proparation at this is down to media cal science. By noting added to the increase of weight while using Dr. Chase's Nerve Food you can prove for an the the holy is thin, weak and watery, Dr. Chase's Reuse & Co., Toronto.