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oot of lilies on the sill, A face behind the pane,
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A pot of lilies on the sill,

000000000000 SIR JASPER'S GENEROSITY

by Resigning Her.

0000000000000 The band was playing "A Summer Night In Munich." Out on the terrace olored lights hung like globes of nre, and seats, cunningly placed in secluded corners, invited repose to the dancers. There in the quivering moonlight stood Rosemary Maitland. Her companion looked at the sweet face half turned away from him Presently he spoke.

"It may be a long, long time," he said softly. And the music died away into a distant echo-it seemed of pain. "Will you spare a thought for me sometimes?"
"I shall often think of you," she an swered simply.

"Will you give me a flower?" he said with quaint, old fashioned plants—laven-der, "boy's love," "balm" and a host of others. "What would you like?" she asked.

And then with a sudden impulse she picked off a piece of an old fashioned plant and offered it to him. "There's rosemary for remembrance,

she said a little unsteadily.

And as Jim Duncan took the little and as Jim Duncan took the little pungent smelling sprig he kept the hand in his. Surely the hour was come.

"Rosemary," he said, "Rosemary, will you remember me? I love you. Darling,

"What do you want me to say?" she whispered, and the light in her sweet blue eyes was quite enough for Jim Dun-can, for he took her in his strong arms and murmured all those sweet things which come with all the force of first

"It may be only a year," he said, "or t may be longer. Can you wait so long, Rosemary?"

Her answer, spoken softly enough, was listinctly, "Yes." "I shall keep this," he said, putting the little green sprig carefully away in his pocket, "and when I am far away, dar-ling, that will tell me of Rosemary, for 'Rosemary, Rosemary! Where are you,

A tall, dark eyed woman stood beside them, her sheeny satin train sweeping over the grass. Diamonds glittered in

"We are going now, dear," she said, looking keenly at Rosemary.
"Ah, is that you, Mr. Duncan? So you are really going abroad?" "Yes, for a year. I hope not more. I

shall hope to come and see you before we sail, Mrs. Maitland." "We should have been delighted to see you," she said, "but I am afraid we leave town tomorrow for the country. Come, Rosemary."

She swept away, followed by her daughter. And as they stood in the brilliantly lighted hall Jim found time to whisper a last goodby in Rosemary's ear. "Goodby, darling," he whispered as he out her soft, furry cloak over her sh ders. "I shall write to the colonel and you too. Tell me you love me, dearest."
"You know I do, Jim."
Mrs. Maitland glanced curiously at her

daughter as she sat still and silent in the corner of the brougham.
"Silly child!" she reflected. "Thank
heaven I was in time to nip the thing in

She said nothing, however, to Rose mary on the subject, and they parted in silence.

It was a week later. Rosemary still watched feverishiy for he postman, happily unconscious of the fact that Mrs. Maitland had had also a leep interest in the post box and its contents, for one morning she had, on care fully examining the post box, selected two letters, one addressed to Colonel Maitland and the other to Rosemary. These she put in her pocket for further examination, after which they found a

last resting place in the fire.
"H'm! Troops sailed yesterday for the Cape," observed the colonel one morning at breakfast. "Hello! Young Duncan went out, I see, Did you know he was going, Grace?" Mrs. Maitland opened The Morning

Post indifferently.
"Young Duncan? "Yes, I knew he was off very soon. Rosemary, you are pour-ing the cream into the sugar basin." Rosemary murmured something vague ly about the heat and escaped into the garden, while Mrs. Maitland proceeded to enlighten her worthy husband on the

subject, wisely omitting, however, the episode of the burned letters.

"Well, my dear, Jim Duncan is a very nice young fellow," he ventured to say, "and if the child likes him"—

"Really, George, you are quite absurd!
Why, the boy has scarcely enough to keep
himself. Besides, you know Sir Jasper
Carew is only waiting for a little encour-Time passed—time which waits for no man-and as each day slipped by and not

a word came from across the sea Rose-mary grew more and more hopeless. She was forgotten, and the sprig of rosemary was doubtless lying unheeded in the fire or had floated away on the rolling waves.
The June sun beat down fiercely on the
green meadows of Padstow Court as
Rosemary walked slowly down the avenue to meet the old postman. He gave her one letter—a thin, foreign letter, with a blurred looking postmark. Had it come at last? With trembling fingers she tore There lay, dry and discolored, it open.

a sprig of rosemary, a mute reproach. Dear Miss Maitland—My dear old chum, Jim Duncan, asks me to write these few lines, which to remind you—though without reproach—that i was given for remembrance. He has never torgot

A little gasping sob escaped her lips He was ill-dying-dead! What did he mean by reminding her the rosemary for remembrance?
He had not remembered—and now?
With vacant, aching eyes she looked again at the little withered sprig and took her way homeward.
In the hall Mrs. Maitland met her,

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and, in horror at the sight of the white agonized face, she exclaimed:
"Rosemary! What is it?"
The girl held out the letter with shak-

ing fingers.
"Don't speak to me!" she said hoarsely. "I can't bear it yet. Mother"—with a wild cry—"mother, my heart is broken."

. . . . . It was a year later. Time, the great healer, had laid a gentle hand on Rosemary's wild sorrow, hushing it to rest, soothing the dull agony. Still, there lay in a little drawer of her bureau that envelope, with its sprig of faded rosemary, and the faint odor never failed to bring back the old, sad

Sir Jasper Carew was very tender in his honest devotion. One day he told her of his love. Very gently, very tenderly, all the devotion, silent and strong, of years' growth he laid at her feet.

"I have always loved you, dear," he said. "Is there no hope for me at all?" Rosemary looked away into the sunshiny garden regretfully.

"Listen to me first before I answer your question," she said softly. "I know your first before I answer your question," she said softly.

I can trust you, and I should like to tell you all. There was—some one else—and he went away. I never heard anything of him till last year, when one day I heard from a friend of his that he was dying—dead. I thought he had forgotten me, but he had not. I loved him, and I can never love in the same way again. She paused, and Jasper took her hands

in his. "Rosemary," he said, and his voice trembled. "I will be content with very little love if you will only let me take care of you. Will you be my wife?"

Rosemary looked at him steadily. "If you can be content," she said soft-

ly, "I will do my best to make you hap-It was a strange, an almost pathetic, wooing, but Jasper Carew felt amply rewarded for his years of faithful devo-

tion and patient waiting. It was September when they were all at Padstow Court again. The wedding was to take place in December, and Mrs. Maitland, quite in her element, was very busy arranging all those hundred and one details which must attend the mar-

riage of an only daughter. Jasper felt that his cup of happiness was full to the brim as he and Rosemary sauntered slowly homeward one glorious

Passing along a green lane, they heard footsteps behind them, and a voice at their side said courteously:

"Could you kindly tell me the nearest

way to Padstow Court?"

They turned and faced the speaker At the sight of him Rosemary staggered back, pale to the very lips, while he started forward with a cry. "Rosemary!"

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of lightning Jasper Carew realized what had happened, and he saw at once that all his dreams of future happiness were at an end. He turned away for a moment, for at first the sight of his talas, his no longer) Rosemary lying sobbing in Jim's arms was too much for him to witness, till at last Rosemary remembered all, and she turned pleaded, "Jasper." she pleaded, "Jasper. forgive me—forgive me—for

he said. "You see, I know who you are. Rosemary, you can do one thing for me make him happy."

make him happy."

"God bless you!" said Jim as he wrung his hand. "I can never repay you for this act of more than generosity."

"Take her in," said Jasper abruptly, glancing at Rosemary. "We shall meet again presently."

He left them abruptly, and the lovers, left sleep found time for mutual ex-

left alone, found time for mutual ex-planations. Jim had almost miraculously ecovered and, having been sent up coun-

try, had been detained abroad for some time longer.

"Rosemary," he said, "you never answered my letters."
"Letters?" she echoed. "I got none,

and I thought-I thought you had forgot-Matters thus arranged, by Sir Jasper's special wish the marriage was not de-layed, and the only alteration was that layed, and the only alteration was that he took the place of the "best man" at his own request. Mrs. Maitland was sorely annoyed at this change, but at the special intervention of Providence, as the colonel called it, she could say nothing, though Jim guessed that she had had a hand in the disappearance or nondelivery of those letters.—Woman's Life.

Europe and the Arab. The conquest of Egypt by the Arabs was not the least important phase of that colossal wave of expansion which fills one of the most wonderful chapters n history. That great and sudden rush of an obscure and numerically insignificant nation to the eastern and western boundaries of the Roman empire and almost to the limits of the orbis veteribus notus is the most amazing event of the

econd millennium of our era. There seemed no adequate reason why the flood of conquest should stop when and where it did. The zeal for God and his prophet was still hot when the Saracens were turned back at Tours, and, though Europe may justly be proud of her Charles Martel, we may be sure that if the Arabs had really been minded to plant a mosque at Paul's Cross, where a shivering muezzin should chant the call to prayer in a London fog, the army of the Franks could not have stopped them.
It was not Tours alone that saved England from becoming a province of the caliphate. We must also thank our enviable climate. The Arab realized that in the lands of the Hyperboreans there was no sun worth basking in.-Pro-fessor Stanley Lane-Poole in Longman's,

#### ROYAL FINGER NAILS.

A nail professor, a Frenchman, of ourse, has taken the trouble to study the finger nails of sovereigns and has given to a yearning world his deductions there

That most prominent of sovereigns, the Emperor William, has a slight hand, a stumpy thumb and flat, colorless nails, indicating a brain wanting in balance.

The emperor of Austria offers a contrast to his energetic contemporary with a pair of sensible and rather hairy fists, but the long thumb denotes his blue blood. The nails have a pearly hue and

anced mind. Victor Emmanuel III has a spoon shaped thumb nail, suggesting a gloomy and relentless character.

The queen of Italy has a fine hand, although the nails are rather conical and incurve much. They show too much

The sultan has a delicate white hand with taper fingers. Such a hand can only come of a line of ancestry reared in cotton wool, Leopold of Belgium was doomed to life of involuntary flirtation, for he has

a plebeian thumb and a squat and square haped nail. Queen Victoria's suniformly irregular nails, according to this Frenchman, de-note perfidy and longevity.

The young queen of Holland has rather a large hand for a woman. The nails are short and of common mold. This inlicates cheery times for the future Mr. Holland when he fails to pronounce "truly rural" at 3 o'clock in the morning aftr a heavy day in the city.-Exchange.

PEN, PENCIL AND BRUSH.

Beatrice Harraden, the novelist, boasts. that she can harness a horse as well as any cowboy.

Hall Caine, the novelist, is at work on a volume of memoirs chiefly devoted to his intimate friendship with the Rossettis. Marshall Monroe Kirkman, the second vice president of the Chicago and Northwestern railway, is the author of a novel just published, entitled "The Romand of Gilbert Holmes."

Benjamin Constant, the artist, is now engaged on two portraits of the Princess of Wales, which he has taken to Paris to finish. He was granted several sit-tings at Mariborough House and treated

as one of the royal family.

Max O'Rell has been ill in Paris and has been forced to cancel many of his has been forced to cancer many of misengagements for lectures and addresses. The distinguished Frenchman (in private life he is known as Paul Blouet) is contemplating retiring from the platform and devoting himself, when his health permits even that much effort, to purely literary work.

### ELECTRIC SPARKS.

Edison's plan to cheapen electric power by abolishing dynamos will oust hun-dreds of mechanics.

In Vienna telephone call boxes, or "booths," are provided with napkins

bearing the request, "Wipe, if you please." The cloths are frequently changed, and the practice of wiping the uthpiece of the transmitter is a sani-

Ice has proved successful as an insula-tor on Mont Blanc. A double line of or-dinary galvanized iron wire was laid on the ground between the Grands Mulets at the top of the mountain and the Petits Mulets at the base. Each line was 5,500 feet long. Messages were sent without trouble, and the loss of electricity, as measured by the instruments, was very

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