CONTRACTOR AFTER CONTRACTOR

The Unknown Bridegroom.

Half an hour later, Jamie having been tucked out of sight behind the big Saratoga in the closet, another maid was admitted to put the rooms in order, and after this was done the girls felt that they were tolerably safe from espionage for the remainder of the day. They both took turns, with Mrs. Seaver, remaining to

he understood the reason, for a pe-culiar smile wreathed his lips once

wpon catching Florence's eye. Meanwhile Mr. Seaver, on reaching London, proceeded directly to interview a detective, who had been in his employ for several weeks, and learned to his great satisfaction that he had at last been successful In locating Dr. Flint, who, having been driven from his sanitarium and nefarious business by the ball which Mr. Sidney had set rolling, was now living in retirement in an obscure suburb of London.

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He attended at once to having a warrant issued for the man's arrest, and also for the apprehension of Carl King, charging the latter with having confined Monica in an inasylum, and afterward circulating false report of her death, in order to appropriate her fortune to his

warrants were to be Mr. Carrol's lodgings.

The young man was not in greatly to his disappointment, and he was forced to walt nearly an hour before he appeared. But he was sincerely glad to meet Mr. Seaver when he did arrive, and greeted him most cordially; and yet, in splte of the momentary lighting up of his face, there was a look of sadness and an air of delection about him that are air of dejection about him that ap-pealed strongly to the sympathies of

"What is the matter, Carrol?— "What is the matter, Carrol?— after they had exchanged greetings and he had resumed his seat. "I have met with a great loss, Mr. Scaver," the young man gravely re-

quiringly, and thinking it best hear his story before revealing his

"You will perhaps remember my telling you about a lad whom I rescued from death by starvation last he observed, when his companion

son to think so; although his body has not been recovered; but I found his hat and fish basket wedged be-tween some rocks, where he had been hunting for starfish. I tell you, my friend. I miss the little fellowe more

Carrol, if you can pull yourself to-gether sufficiently to hear some good news" he observed, bluntly but kiptly.

der of the day. They both took turns, with Mrs. Seaver, remaining to guard and entertain Jamie, and as Florence had refused to go down to breakfast, a tempting repast had been sent up to her, and thus the boy, had plenty to eat.

Both Florence and Monica went down the lunch and spent a little time afterward in the drawing room with the guests, akthough they avoided Sir Walter, and it was evident that he understood the reason, for a peculiar smile wreathed his lips once when the drawing room could be reason on the deard of their death; or that, there being no circet heir, the title and estate have fallen to an own coush to Lady Page—a young man cousin to Lady Page—a young man by the name of Walter C. Leighton—"
"What!" thundered Mr. Carrol, confronting his companion with a stern
white face and suddenly flaming eys. "Walter Leighton has succeeded to the title and estate of Sir Julien

Page! Impossible!"
It was now Mr. Seaver's turn to look perplexed and amazed.
"Do you know Walter Leighton?"

"If you mean the man who calls himself Walter C. Leighton, and who was recently a clerk in New York, I have good reason to know him, for he is my bitterest enemy; he is a vilain and a robber!"
"Well well; the offeir some to 'Well! well! this affair seems to

well! well! this affair seems to be getting more complicated," Mr. Scaver remarked, with a puzzled shake of his head. "I am prepared to agree with you that the young man is a thorough villate, but I These warrants were to be the total the warrants were to be the total the warrants were to be the total the warrants as carly an hour practicable, and, baving the warrants which was a clark in one of the New York banks on a crather meager salary; but last fall he came across an advertitement in one of the prints, and greated him most did arrive, and greated him was something tanglile. I will you something tanglile, I will you what I know about his coming in possession of the Towers. A year ago he was a clark in one of the New York banks on a crather meager year. Page. It seems that he was own cousin to Lady Page, and he started straight for London, presented his claim and the proofs of his kinship. The lawyers, flading everything correct, pronounced him the legal neir, and made over all the Page property to him—of course, the title went with it, and thus he became a baronet. He immediately established himself at the Towers, when he began at once to put the place in first class. once to put the place in first-class

order, and I assure you it is now an inheritance to be proud of."

Mr. Carrol had Haseal to the above expanation with downcast eyes and a face as set as an iron mask.

summer?"

"Yes, I remember."

"Well, my friend, I have jost him," said Mr. Carrol, unsteadily.

"Lost him!" repeated the lawyer.

"He was drowned a few weeks ago on the south coast, where we were spending a holday," Mr. Carrol expending a holday, "Mr. Carrol expending a holday," Mr. Carrol expending a holday, "Mr. Ca from boyhood, and as Leighton had one son and Richardson one daughter, they planned to marry the two when they should arrive at a suitable age. But Richardson died when than I can express."

Alr. Seaver could contain himself no longer.

"I can tell you better than that, Carrol, if you can pull yourself together sufficiently to hear some two or three years ago, and, though I wait! I will explain that in good made his appearance in New York, some two or three years ago, and, though I had blankly.

"This hour!" repeated the lawyer, blankly.

"Yes, you saw those women who came here a while ago—— But Richardson died when the longht I had been to be a with the pound of the longht I wait! I will explain that in good time." Said Carrol, motioning his friend to be seatd again. "You some two or three years ago, and, though I had blankly. good news." he observed, bluntly but knefly.

Mr. Carrol sprang to his feet, white as his collar and quivering with excitement.

"Whit can you mean?" he exclaim. "You seeking me out, told me that his the poor child, all but dead, in you had come to America hoping to better his own fortune. He strong and well, I began to specular that he was dead, and, having died der druggist's shop, and how he was ing to better his own fortune. He strong and well, I began to specular that he was dead, and, having died der druggist's shop, and how he was ing to better his own fortune. He strong and well, I began to specular that he was dead, and, having died der druggist's shop, and how he was ing to better his own fortune. He strong and well, I began to specular that he was dead, and, having died der druggist's shop, and how he was ing to better his own fortune.

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"What can you mean?" he exclaimed, hoarsely.

"Sit down!—sit down, my young friend, and don't lose your grip apon yoursel," said this companion, in a fatherly tone. "The boy is safe, and fatherly tone. "The boy is safe, and the wing ward, and the sacrely audie tone.

"Positive, my boy; my ward, Miss Richardson discovered him last night, a present is Worthing Towers where we have been visiting during the fast two r. three weeks," Mr. Sa ver exceeding and when Leighton finance weeks, "Mr. Sa ver exceeding and the owner alroad."

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"Well, I congratulated myselft that that affair was settled for all time, 'M. Saver resumed; 'but you can perhaps imagine our surprise when we recently met Leighton in Rome, an hear of the wonderful luck that had come to him. He seemed very different, too—more manly and dignified; and when ne confued to me one day that he still loved Floy to distraction, and begged me to use my influence to help him win her, I began to think it might be a fine thing for the girl, after all to marry an English baronet, and step into such an exalted position. I confess, now, that we have found out how he has been playing the

out how he has been playing the hypocrite, I am rather ashamed of the way that he has pulled the wool over my eyes, for I have rather prided myself upon my shrewidges. prided myself upon my shrewdness in reading human nature," the law-yer concluded with a somewhat crestfallen air.

"What is the name of the firm who advertised for the nearest of kin to Sir Julien and Lady Page?" Mr. Car-

Before his companion could reply Mr. Carrol arose and opened it, and found two women standing outside. A low exclamation of surprise escaped him, and he went out, closing the door after him. He remaited so long that Mr.

Seaver beran to grow impatient, for he was alxious to get back to Wor-thing Towers on the afternoon train. But the young man finally returned, and his friend was surprised to see the change that had come over him; for his face was radiant with an expression of mingled joy and triumph.
"You did not tell me the name of

"Wellington & Hayes, Lincoln's Inn, I believe," responded Mr. Seaver.
"Will you come immediately with
me to their office?" questioned the voung man.

'What for ?" "Because I wish to inform then that Sir Walter Leighton, the pres ent master at Worthing Towers, i calm that the lawyer regarded him with amazement.

with amazement.

"Bless my soul! young man, I
don't believe you know what you
are talking about," he exclaimed, with
a shrug of his shoulders. "Why,
Leighton has proved his position beyond question. He had his parents' certificate of marriage, his own bap-tismal certificate, besides numerous letters that had passed between his parents, before their marriage, which plainly show that Mrs. Leighton wa Vincent, and full sister to Lady Lura Vincent Page's father."

"Nevertheless, I shall prove him to be an imposter and usurper,' steadily returned Mr. Carrol; "especially," he went on, with a ring of exultation in his tones, "as I t in my power to also prove that the youngest son of Sir Julien and Lady Laura Page is alive and well at this moment, and so, of course, the so-called Sir Walter Leighton's claim becomes null and void."
"What! Upon my soul, I believe

that you are losing your head, Carrol!" cried Mr. Seaver, regarding him with a frown of perplexity. "You certainly are soaring beyond my comprehension."
"Listen, my good friend," said the
young man, leaning nearer and
speaking impressively, "Jamie—my

Jamie, whom you assure me is at this moment safe with your wife ward, is Sir Julien Page's youngest son and-heir." The lawyer started to his feet

and for a few moments stood a pic-ture of petrified amazement. "Zounds! Carrol, you cannot mean it!" he said at last. "You are crazy!—you don't know what you are talking about! And yet——"

"Yes-and yet you begin to see a lttle daylight, when you remember how this so-called Sir Walter, this spurious baronet, has kidpapped a spurious barones, spurious particles, spurious barones, spurious b

chanced to me the nurse on the street. She recognized her instantly, persuaded her to go home with her, and the result is that both came here to-day to tell me that my Jamie is Arthur Vincent Page, only surviving child of Sir Julien and Lady Laura Page, and—heir to his father's title and estate."

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"Hold on, I say, Carrol, you are literally taking my breath away!" Mr. Seaver here interposed. "This is really the most wonderful story that I ever heard. Jove! and to think that the youngster is at this very moment hiding down there at the Towers, hiding in his own house from his enemy, and at the same time is the lord of all he surveys."

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Mr. Carrol moved restlessly in his chair, and an expression of anx-iety swept over his face.

"I wish I had him here," he said. "I shall not rest easy until I get my hands muon him!"

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"Now, you just have a little faith," returned his companion, "for I assure you that my wife and the girls will keep a sharp eye upon him. Besides, I am sure that I fixed things last night so that that scamp cannot fail to believe that the boy escaped through his own carelessness."

the boy escaped carelessness."

And Mr. Seaver went on to explain how he arranged the panel and unlocked the French window, before he retired the night pre-"Well, I will try to trust and be ratient," Mr. Carrol replied, "but I shall go down to Worthing with you and take immediate possession of the boy,"

(To be continued.)

PAINFUL RHEUMATISM.

How it is Caused by Bad Blood, and How Cured by Dr. Williams

Not many years ago doctors thought heumatism was only a local pain caused by cold or wet in ageing joints and mus-cles. Now they know that rheumatism is caused by the blood becoming taint-ed with uric acid from disordered liver and kidneys. This acid eats into the vital organs. It destroys their vitality, contracts the muscles, stiffens the joints and irritates the nerves. Then cold and wet make every bones groan with aching rheumatism. You blame the weather, but the real cause is acid in the blood. The stiffness spreads and the pains grow The stiffness spreads and the pains grow worse each year until you are a helpless cripple, tortured day and night. Perhaps the disease may spread to the heart—and that means sudden death. You must not neglect rheumatism—but you can't cure it with liniments, plasters or not cloths. They cannot possibly touch the blood. The only sure scientific cure is Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, because they actually make new blood. They sween actually make new blood. They sweep out the painful acid, losen the joints, and muscles, brace up the nerves, and strengthen the liver and kidneys for their strengthen the liver and kidneys for their work in casting out impurities. This is proved by the thousands of suffering rheumatics who have been made well and strong by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Mr. T. H. Smith, of Caledonia, Ont., is one of these many witnesses. He says: For a number of years I was badly troubled with rheumatism, and was so crippled up I could scarcely do any work. I tried a number of medicines but they did not. number of medicines, but they did not elp me. I saw Dr. Williams' Pink Pills advertised as a cure for rheumatism and advertised as a cure for rheumatism and decided to try them. Before the third box was gone I found myself much better. I continued to use the pills throughout the winter and they have completely cured me. I got so I could work on the coldest day without a coat and not feel a twinge of the trouble. I think every rheumatic sufferer should think every rheumatic sufferer should promptly take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills." Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cure men and women who are crippled with lumbago, rheumatism, sciatica, paralysis and eve locomotor ataxia, because they actually make new, rich red blood. This new blood sweeps the painful, poisonous impurities out of the system and puts the whole body into a healthy state. Nothing the blood system and puts the whole body into a healthy state.

nerves feed on the blood. That is the cause of sleeplessness, nervousness, hysteria, St. Vitus dance, neuralgla, and loss of vitality in men and women. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills faithfully used cure these diseases and other blood disorders such as anaemia, biliousness, indigestion, heart troubles, backache, kidney trouble and decline. But you must get the genu-ine pills. The "something else just as good" medicine which some dealers try good" medicine which some dealers try to persuade their customers to take never cured anything nor anyone. See that the full name, "Dr. Williams' Piak Pills for Pale People," is on the wrapper around every box. If in doubt write direct to the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co. Brockville, Ont., and the pills will be mailed at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$250. for \$2.50.

A QUESTION.

Are Three Women Out of Five Disappointed in Their Husbands?

Disappointed? Yes. Because There lives within the very flame

A kind of wick or snuff that will abate it.
At one pole we have the grass widow, who, asked if love cools after marriage, replied:
"Does it! Why, it freezes solid!"

At the other pole we have George Eliot, who wrote: "Some woman, obliged to consider the price of eggs in arranging her dinner, was listening for the music of a footstep that would re-move all risk from the foretaste of joy; some couple, bending cheek by cheek some couple, bending cheek by cheek over a bit of work done by the one and delighted in by the other, were reckoning the earnings that would make

Success in Breeding Sheep.

The Essential Principles.

. Some British Methods.

In his illustrated address on "The Mutton Breeds of Sheep" at the recent Winter Fairs, Mr. F. W. Hodson, Live Stock Commissioner, outlined the principles essential to success in breeding live There are, he said, four features of the live stock business to which our people pay too little attention, viz., en-vironment, continuity, utility and cross-

A man commencing business as a stock A man commencing business as a stock grower should carefully consider als environments. Is his farm best suited to the production of horses, cattle, sheep or swine, and if so, what breeds are likely to give the best results? He can only know this by making a careful study of conditions. In Britain we find that the environments have been carefully studied, and breeds developed that are best suited to the districts. that are best suited to the districts. The British farmer is farming to make money and not to satisfy a whim. He has chosen females bred in the district has chosen females bred in the district that are best suited to the requirements of the soil and markets, and has carefully improved these by selection and the use of the proper sort of males. For this reason we find in Shropshire only Shropshire sheep. In the north of England and the south of Scotland the Leister femilies proved the suite of the south o land and the south of Scotland the Leicester families prevail. Further up in
the hill country we find the Cheviots,
and again in the higher and more barren hill country we find the Highland
or Black Faced sheep. In other parts,
particularly toward the southwest of
England, we find the various classes of
Downs, and so on, each breed having
through successive ages proved best
suited to its district. What has been the practice of the Canadian farmer, generally speaking? Without regard to his environment he has chosen some-

thing that caught his fancy and launch-ed out as a breeder.

The next important principle is con-tinuity. Here again we may learn a lesson from British methods. The Brit-ish farmer, having learned what his en-

of sun and shade at the top, to the end that blossoms may lift aspiring heads towards the stars. Happy the married lovers who prune and cultivate; gently repressing the rank growth of a weedy branch here, patiently nurturing a tender budding excellence there, until the result scenar to learn to earth but result seems to belong not to earth, but

happy marriage there should be similarity of principles or tastes in big things, with differences of tastes in small things. The former incurs mu-tual respect; the latter, mutual interest. All over the union must brood charity broad enough to forgive the very worst, and hope that confidently looks for the

or two now and then—for "sweets grown common lose their dear delight," and "what we have we prize not to its worth until 'tis lost"—then indeed we have all the elements of an earthly paradise.

Remember, love is the union of a want and a sentiment-cultivate the senti-

ment.

Here follows some "don'ts" for the

Don't be too serious.

Don't think you've married an angel, for angels do not marry.

Don't cut out the babies. Most of men are vain enough to want little prints of themselves, so don't forget the stork when you send out your at-home

THE CLOVER SEED

close estimate of the supply of alsike and red clover seed until the season for threshing is well advanced. As a part threshing is well advanced. at Ottawa, collect information and make observations regarding the conditions of this as well as other crops during the growing season.

From the pest available information t this time, it would seem clear that the total output of red clover seed produced in the Province of Ontario will prove to be rather less than two-thirds of an average crop. The severe winter of 1903-4, combined with prolonged drouth in many of the districts where clover seed is most extensively grown, was exceedingly unfavorable to the clover crop of 1994. In consequence, the area left for the purpose of seed production was considerably less than in former years. The clover seed midge was also much in evidence in nearly all

of the districts in Ontario.

The alsike crop fared even worse than the red clover. Not only is the available

the red clover. Not only is the available supply of home-grown seed limited, but the quality of the seed produced this year is, on the whole, inferior.

The growing of high-class clover seed in the Province of Ontario has proved to be amply remunerative in the average of years, and has, to a considerable extent, taken the place of the production for sale of cereal grains. The extent to which clover seed is grown in Ontario can be better appreciated when it is mentioned that the Toronto seedsmen are said to control the world's prices for alsike seed.

and delighted in by the other, were reckoning the earnings that would make them rich enough for a holiday among the furze and heather." Between these extremes lie all married woe and married bliss. It is for each bride to choose whether she will join the three-fifths down in the sloughs of despond, or dwell with the two-fifths far up the summy heights.

Any woman in love with any man finds hit after marriage, not the man that a hour a holiday among the fifth gout for the rear Shawville. In the County of Pontiac, by the use of an ordinarty grain thresher. W. A. CIEMONS, Publication Clerk, Publication Clerk, Wisdem of Little Fritz.

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"It's 7 o'clock, Fritz. We must run home." Who is my shore and from less. To be honest; to be kind; to earn a little, and to sepend a little less; to make upon the world's prices for all growned.

"It's never to late to be what you might have been. Great principles are in small actions. It we fall in our present circumstances to live nobly, we need not imagine we should have done better on a great character in simple duties and in incompletuous trials.

To be of good cheer in case of disappointment with the self-recomplete or being so late. I'm going to stay till 9, and to sepend a little less; to make upon the whole a family happier for his presence; to resource, when that shall be necessary, and not to be embittered; to keep a few for being so late. I'm going to stay till 9, and then with hitself-lere is a task for all that a man has of fortitude and delicacy.

after year, generation after generation, producing the same family of the same breed, being extremely careful about infusing new blood. It is not an infrequent thing to find a farm on which Letters the beautiful beautiful and for many larger than the same of the same of

quent thing to find a farm on which Leicester sheep have been bred for perhaps fifty or a hundred years, nor is this true of Leicesters alone, but applies to all breeds of British live stock.

Utility is another point that should always be foremost in the mind of the breeder. Why do we breed sheep? That they may produce the greatest quantity of the best quality of wool and mutton for feed consumed and care given. We may choose a suitable breed, and continue our efforts along the same line for a considerable period, yet if we do not keep in mind the utility of our animals, our efforts are likely to come to naught. Too much attention has been paid to fads and fancies, and not enough to the utility of the animal.

to the utility of the animal.

Crossing is another feature of breeding very much misunderstood in Canada. In Britain it means the selection ada. In Britain it means the selection of ewes of a certain breed which are crossed with a male of another breed in order to produce market lambs, but the produce of this cross is never used for

produce of this cross is never used for breeding purposes.

For instance, Cheviot ewes are sometimes crossed with Down rams and sometimes with Wensleydales or others of the Leicester family, in order to produce lambs with better feeding qualities and better selling qualities than the purebred Cheviots. But in order to keep up a constant supply of Cheviot ewes a certain number of the best ewes are mated with the best Cheviot rams. These are with the best Cheviot rams. These are kept for breeding purposes, while the half-breeds are sold to the Lowland farmers for feeding purposes. No British breeder thinks of using these cross-bred animals for breeding purposes. Why not? Because hundreds of years of experience have shown that good results Yours very truly,
W. A. CLEMONS,
Publication Clerk. cannot be obtained.

A SMILE IN EVERY DOSE.

If your little ones are cross. ish and fretful, give them Bab Own Tablets, and they will soon cheerful, smiling and happy. Worr mothers who use this medicine we find there's a smile in every do d find there's a smile in every dose, Mrs. H. Nathieu, Nosbonsing, Ont. says: "Before I began using Baby's Own Tablets my little one was always sickly and cried day and night. But the tablets have regulated his stomach and bowels, given him strength, and he is now good-natured and growing finely." Mothers need unot be afraid to use this medicine—it is guaranteed to contain no opiate or and hope that confidency very best.

These be good ingredients, and if you spice them with humor, stir in all the poetry the mixture will take, and break in an enforced separation for a month in an enforced separation for post paid at 25 cents a box by writing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

FEWER EXHIBITIONS DESIRED.

The leading agricultural societies of the Province are evincing considerable interest in the suggestion that has been made by H. B. Cowan, Provincial Supe intendent of Agricultural Societies, that the number of exhibitions held annually in Ontario should be materially reduced and that agricultural societies should receive their grants in proportion to the mounts they expend for agricultural purposes. Such a change would do away with all distinction between the town-

ship and district societies. The Ontario Fruit Growers' Association of these suggestions and express of these suggestions and expressing belief that such a change would ressing larger sums of money being expend for agricultural purposes. The executive of the supply of slatter of their work the instructors in seed growing, who are employed by the seed branch of the Department of Agriculture features now so prevalent at many exhibitions.

Useful Hints.

A delicious warmed-over dish may be made by mincing the cold remnants of the calf's head and heating them in a sauce made with the liquor in which the

meat cooked.

Here is a wrinkle, says a late English ragazine, for cleaning laces at home. You must often have despaired of getting your lace that delightfully dingy, yet clean, color which you see in the shops. Make some very weak tea and add a few drops of India ink (the best) to the tea. Dip in your lace.

An excellent preventive of influence in An excellent preventive of influenza is said to be found in adding a few drops of eucalyptus oil to every pail of hot water used in cleaning the woodwork of a house and to the water in which the broom is frequently dipped when sweeping the carpets. Turpentine may be used if preferred in place of the eucalyptus. The whole house in this way becomes disinfected comes disinfected.

Six Sayings to Remember.

Out of a large number of quotations selected by its readers, the Woman's Home Companion for January prints the following as the six most helpful mottoes for the year. They are worth remembering:

There is something better than making a living; making a life.

Our succes isn life depends upon our will to do.