ENGLAND PLANS

Pensions for Laboring Men Before They Reach the Old Age Limit. LONDON, Oct. 3 .- Although the old age pension system is but a little more than two years old, the Gov-

ernment leaders are already at work planning even greater social reforms ominent among which is a bill that will provide pensions for laboring men who break down before they reach the old age pension limit. Mr. Lloyd-George, Chancellor of the

Exchequer, has announced that he will lay a measure of this kind before Parliament at its next session as well as one providing for the insurance against unemployed in the trades most liable to unemployment. Both measures will provide for contributions by the state:

The scheme providing for insurance of laborers who are compelled to leave work through sickness, infirmity and misfortune before they have reached the old age pension limit, has not yet been fully worked out. At the present time trade unions refuse to allow their members to accept less than the standard wage. The result is that the maximum wage is given to men in the prime of life and no wage at all to those who have passed their prime. Unless, there fore, some system of wage graduation according to age is adopted, it is likely that men who have passed their prime will in the future find it hard to keep themselves in continuous employment. Thus, the years between the withdrawal from wageearning and the pension age of seventy presents a problem of serious difficulty. This situation would be greatly relieved by the passage of measure providing insurance for persons who have not reached the old age pension limit and are unable to work. Mr. Lloyd-George considers that the proportion to be contributed by the state need not be very heavy nor cast any undue strain on the

The scheme providing for insurance against unemployment has already been worked out, and will be presented at the next session of Parliament The main features are: 1st. Both workmen and employers

resources of the nation.

to contribute. 2nd. These contributions to be sur

plemented by a substantial state sub

3rd. The system to be one of in surance by trades. 4th. To be compulsory upon al

within the specified trades, unionists and non-unionists, workmen and employers alike.

The benefits to be paid are some what lower, both in amount and duration, than those paid by the strong trade unions, but it affords a substantial weekly payment over a period covering more than the average period of unemployment in the insured trades. Each man would be assessed about five or six cents per week The trades to which the scheme at plies are: house building and works of construction, engineering, machin and tool making, ship and boat building, vehicles and sawyers.

Off to the Antarctic.

Christiania, Oct. 3.- According to a letter received here from Captain Roald Amundsen, on board the 'Fram' at Maderai, Amundsen has decided to proceed on an Antarctic expedition. He promises to send details when he arrives at Punta Arenas.

This change in plans has occasioned surprise, as it was the original intention of Amundsen to start early next year on a drifting voyage for the North Pole. The 'Fram' was first to go to San Fransisco, where it was to he fitted out, and it was calculated that the drift through the Polar ice would occupy not less than seven

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CHAPTER XIII.

AS BEBE SHALL DECIDE. "Hush!" cried Chapman miserably. Do you think that I would waste second's consideration upon myself, if only it were in my power to make her happy? You and she are the only real friends I have ever known. I have sometimes thought that it was she alone who kept me from a madhouse. But I cannot do as you say, because the power is denied me. You must remember that my both; then let us abide by her dewife lives, and no law even of man nas vet divorced us."

"Need it remain so. Edwin? If she oathes you, would she not release ou from the bondage that you yourself must despise, since it holds you to a woman who loathes you? Edwin. it has been the dearest wish of my neart that Bebe might love you. Are as a curse? I love you. Oh, my boy -my boy, if you were my own son i could not love you more than I do next to her-yes, perhaps even before her. You cannot understand it, can ou? And yet I would give the blood rom my heart drop by drop to secure

your happiness." Lansing's arms rested upon the oung man's shoulders, and as he ceased speaking, he bowed his head and sobbed.

Chapman was deeply affected. He who had known so little of tenderness was touched by it as nothing lse had power to move him. And his man who had expressed such love for him knew all the shame and biterness of his life.

He took his friend's hands in his nd held them earnestly.

"Mr. Lansing," he said, gravely, " nave known so little gentleness and ove, perhaps I have deserved even ess than I have received, but it goes to my heart as nothing else can. From the bottom of my heart I thank you for what you have said. To-morrow will tell your daughter the true story of my life; then, if she will consent to be my wife, I will ask for my freedom. There can be no harm in this, since the woman to whom I was married despises me."

Meredith Lansing's face was like a ummer sky when a storm has pass-

"You will do that, Edwin?"

"I will!" od bless you, my boy! Dearly as love her, it is not so much for her sake as yours that I desire this above all things. But-Edwin-will you not let me tell her the story of your life? You know that you may trust me! Oh, my boy, bury the past, close up the grave in your heart, seal the sarcophagus by determination to forget. You have lived in the past, existing upon dreams that never can know realization. Has it made you happy?

me; on the contrary, I should pre. cried, half wildly. "Perhaps I shoulfer to trust you blindly. Yours has have cared less if she had not loved been the only real love I have ever me. If she had despised me, deceived known. Let it be as you will, sir. me, I might have forgot, but she lov-Tell Bebe the story. After that, if ed me, she loved me, and only the she consents, I hope I shall never hear omniscience of Heaven could ever of that past again. I shall go to the make you understand the years of -woman-who became my wife-and anguish that I have endured. There

ask her for my-release-then-" He had endeavoured to complete his sentence, but the effort was too great. He strangled the groan that arose in his heart, but the second mastered him, and, wheeling suddenly, he left the room. expect sweet when you hold the seeds

With drawn ghastliness of counof the bitter apple between your lips? Put it all out of your life! The path stenance, Mcredith Lansing stood look ing after him, then slowly turned his leading in the direction that you have haggered eyes upon Bebe.

"It is better so! Much better so! others as grand, as glorious, though perhaps in a different way. Will you his lips to smother their moaning he muttered, laying his hand across "I will work night and day forever and forever, praying God to spare my win, let me tell Bebe the story of your life. She is a tender-souled wo wretched life through the endless man—she will know what is best for years to secure their happiness. I planation. He gave it." will persuade him to go away again They shall be happy! God in heaven,

The grey eyes were lifted eagerly, He threw himself upon his knees wistfully, the ashen lips trembled beside the couch whereon his daughtbreathlessly. Chapman noticed how er lay, and, taking the motionless bidden me tell it to you, and after it the hand trembled upon his shoulder. hands in his, clasped them around his is told he wishes me to ask you a "You have never told me the story bowed head.

Lansing gently, "but I can feel its love," he moaned. "You must be we wait for the morning?" you going to make it recoil upon me bitterness. I do not ask you to tell your father's offering, yet if I believed you would not be happy I would continue to suffer rather than do that, exclaimed huskily. "Go on!" But you will, you must, you shall' My little helpless one, my baby, my baby! Surely God will be pitiful after all these seared ages of hideous tor-

them before.

voice so hollow that he almost cried brow. Cured by Lydia E. Pinkout with pain.

ham's Vegetable Compound his desire to sob.

Canifton, Ont.—"I had been a great sufferer for five years. One doctor told me it was ulcers of the uterus, "Papa, papa!" she whispered, draw ing herself closely within the shelter and another told me it was a fibroid of his arms. "Thank God you have tumor. No one come. The night has been so long fered. I would always be worse and so hideous dark. Papa, if God is merciful, why did He not let me at certain periods, and never was regular, and the bearing-down die when He took my sight? Whydia die when He took my sight? Why did there with-"

An inarticulate cry stopped her. The gray face was buried upon her bosom, the trembling fingers found their way blindly to her lips and rest- growth of hair.

have to have an operation, and that I might die during the operation. I wrote to my sister about it and she advised me to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Through personal experience I have found it the best medicine in the world for female troubles, for it has cured me, and I did not have to have the operation after all. The Compound also helpen me while passing through Change of Life."—Mrs. LETITIA BLAIR, Canifton, Ontario.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound also helpen me while passing through Change of Life."—Mrs. "Hush! Hush!" he gasped. "You head of hair, free from Dandruff, use don't understand! The judgements of SALVIA once a day and watch the re-Heaven are just always-always: sults. What do you think I should have done without you? I should have gone mad and taken my own tortured

"You love her-my mother-so?" "Loved her? I- Oh, my God: my God!" "Don't dear, don't! There are griefs

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but open grave of the past. Ther is something that I would say to you Bebe. It is almost morning, but few minutes more signifies little Child, have you nothing to tell you father? An expression of mortal anguish darkened the lovely face. She shrank even from his tenderness. "Not yet!" she whispered weakly "When I am stronger-

there! I did not mean to excite you

by speaking of that which is the dee

"No sweet Now! When I enter ed here I saw you lying upon this couch with Chapman kneeling beside you. The situation required an ex-

The face of the blind girl grew "He told you-

"The history of his life! He has question in his name. Bebe. Are you that darkened your life," he said to "I am giving him you, my love, my ready to listen, my darling, or shall She lifted herself breathlessly

"Day and night are one to me!" she

CHAPTER XIV. ANOTHER HEART DECEIVED.

With an unsteadiness that was appalling in its piteous unrest, Mere-The groan was arrested in his dith Lansing arose from his knees, throat by a movement of the tiny brought himself a chair quite close hands he held. He lifted his head to the couch upon which his daughtquickly and found those great, sight- er reclined, and drew her tenderly less eyes fixed upon him with an ex- half across his lap. With one arm he pression that he had never seen in supported her head, with the other hand he smoothed the little clinging "Who are you?" she asked in a masses of silken curls from the fair

For some moments he sat so in "Don't you know me, Bebe?" he slience, then by a mighty effort he said, controlling by a ghastly effort mastered the tremulous tones of his voice and began: To be continued.

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