One of the many problems of the human body in which vast numbers of persons take a keen, practical interest, and yet upon which science has been able to throw little light, is that concerning the color of the hair. When a person does not like the color of his hair he can dye it, but otherwise he is helpless. When the hair begins to turn gray there is nothing for the person who does not want a whitened poll to do but let it go on turning. And as for the bald men, the less said about their troubles the better.

The other day a British physician reported a case that had come under his treatment in which the use of hypnotism was curiously connected with a change in the color of the hair. A woman patient of his was subject to attacks of mental depression. At these times her hair, which was normally auburn, turned quite black. As she recovered from the depression her hair gradually regained its old color. When this physician took the case he decided to try hypnotism. Immediate good resulls were noted in the patient's condition, and in a very few days her hair was natural again. Here is a new bit of material for the theorists, who may try to find out whether the transformations were due directly to nervous condition, to nutrition or to some other

Theories as to the cause of the color of the hair turn mainly on its chemical constituents, and among these iron has had special attention. Dark hair seems to contain more iron than blonde and red hair has about as much iron as dark hair; but the negroes with their dark hair have no iron at all in the pig ment; so the theorists are set guessing again, with sulphur and silicia and other constituents prominent in their thoughts. The fact that in general dark hair and red show the most iron, taken together with the other fact that iron has two oxides, one black and one red, tempts investigators continually to recur to the iron theory. In the meantime there is only one good piece of advice to be given people who don't like the color of their hair, and that is to forget it.

Two English novelists, Richard Whiteing and H. G. Wells, have been express ing bold, heterodox views on reading, and a lively controversy has been stirred up by their curious advice to the average lover of letters. Mr. Whiteing thinks that there is little genuine pieasure or profit in the "old books," and tells us to "let them go" without ceremony or fear of "superior" criticism from admirers of the classics. We are of this age and should stick! kind, but went on to draw analogies between the up-to-date newspapers and has financed the enterprise. All the the up-to-date novel.

But here he fell into several fallacies, and there was still greater logical lapse in the conclusion that, because the modern novel was apt to deal with modern problems and conditions, with modern types and characters, it was distinctly advisable to confine one's reading to journalism and modern fiction. Mr. Wells said that it positively alarmed him to think bow effectively the newlyeducated classes of the population were being persuaded to read the classics, "What are the city clerk and the selfevelated workingman going to make (f Ben. Jonson and the Faerie Queene? They ask for intellectual bread and are given a fossil. The necessary answer to their question what to read is journalism, Mr. Wells concluded, and in small boy has been placed in the cage, journalism is to be included the book whose sole duty is to play with the apes of the hour, the day or the week.

This is astonishing superficial and un- mood of a chimpanzee influences his sound. In the first place, it is sheer health. Keep him cheerful and interested Government has at last decided to be the professional boxer to give him an for cats is the subject of wondering a kitchen, where a woman spends her question begging to say that every classian begging the every classian begging to say the every classian begging to the ever sic is a fossil, because, forsooth, it bored and he will turn his thoughts to This news has given great satisfaction but rendered him insensible, for his ly wonderful that Queen Alexandra is presty porcelain plates and saucers. does not deal with the concrete problems that engage our thoughts to-day.

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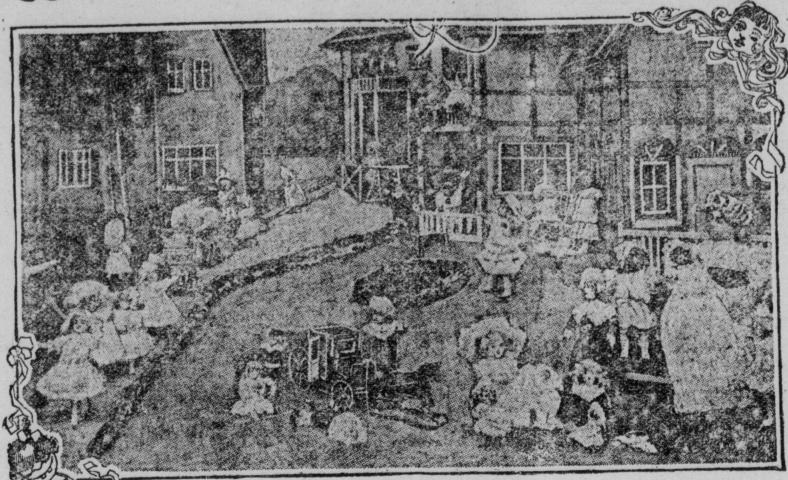
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The collection is called the floor that the ape is lounging cushions in order. elernal, profound, universal problems are as vital to-day as they ever were.

Can it be said that the modern reader is not interested in the questions that the modern that th underlie Shakespeare's tragedies and long time. They knew very well that ish groups of Pacific islands should roused from their sleep, and though abroad it is part of her suite, always finer comedies, or in wonderful studies their charges pined for amusement, but perpetuate that "birth stain" which no lives were lost many of them were in charge of a special groom. and human weakness? Are not the manner of entertainment would appeal histories and stories of the "bad old would have thought that such a fright her pets; she has taken them hundreds word!" classics classics just because they are of perennial interest and charm?

In the second place, is it true that the him. average reader is not interested in the ment will be a great success. Only a added a touch of bitterness to the gen- were able to be discharged from the a room is set apart as a hospital for past, in the development of our institu- boy can see eye to eye with a member of tions and morals and manners? Is it the monkey tribe; only a boy understands thoroughly how best to give extrue that the novels of Scott, George hibitions of that elementary humor of the Eliot, Dickens and Thackeray are knockabout order which will make an don't has been the dumping-ground "Cead'? Must we forego the delight ape clap his paws in applause. of great art because it fails to touch the monkey house or zoo without after-the monkey house or zoo without after-the monkey house or zoo without after-the monkey house or zoo without after-thing else to cement French and Britannian wage, the suffragette ward finding that boy emulating the thing else to cement french and Britannian wage, the suffragette agitation, old-age pensions, child labor simian gymnastics in the drawing room tish relations in that part of the world.

WILLES CELEBRA



"NOTHING LESS THAN A TOY VILLAGE-A REAL DOLLVILLE"

Boy really how to play.

came order.

gestion, and a brilliant one at that,

That evening all Dollville was sum-

moned to a meeting of ir ortance.

Here it was at last decided to show

common mortals how much less they

knew about games and plays than did

things would teach Little Girl and Little

All night long the Teddy Bears and

How they did work! Anabella seemed

Little Girl and Little Boy lay peace-

great preparations for their surprise on

have seen them! It was Little Boy who,

Were they surprised? You should

the tin soldiers and the dolls and the still-oh, it was all too wonderful for

could tell that by the tiny puck-L ers in her brow. Little Boy wasn't thinking. Indeed, it was very seldom that one found Little Boy thinking; he preferred DOING. You could tell that by the whole-hearted zeal with which he now blew upon his tin trum-

"Wouldn't it be lots nicer, Brother, if all our playthings would 'vent games to 'muse us instead of our having to think always of something to play with

Little Boy lowered his trumpet and considered. "Yes," said he, "twould; but 'stead of thinking of something to be everywhere, suggesting here, inthat can't come true, let's go to sup- structing there, until the disorder be-Neither Little Girl nor Little Boy knew

her quietly whisper: "Can't come true? We'll see about the morrow.

Anabelle, you must know, was the clever-witted French doll. P rhaps you after breakfast, dashed up the stairs may remember how, long ago, she or- and reached the playroom first. Bang! ganized the Dollville Gazette, which failed upon the death of its editor, the he plunged. This, you know, was Little French dragoon. Since that time Ana- Boy's ordinary way of entering. belle vainly tried to find something notable to accomplish. It was Little

BRIGHTENING MONKEY LIVES.

Boy as Playmate to Keep Them Well.

have recently acquired two expensive

apes, and to keep them in good spirits a

explained by a zoological expert.

"Sister! Sister! Come quic !" Sister came. And she, too, stood

and other burning questions? Do we or any other room or place which offered im the necessary facilities? If so, that not read books for their beauty, their boy must have been ill or a hopeless Remained Two Hours in a Decomposliterary power, their deeper significance? cripple. It is quite certain that in the matter of The advice to read nothing but classics is erroneous, for interest in the litcrature, music, drama and art of our

monkey tricks the Copenhagen apes will own time is entirely legitimate. But it would deprive readers of a wealth of beauty, inspiration and noble pleasure. were better bestowed upon the apes.

Wireless electricity is French electricity and was form in the city of Lyons. lism of the intelligent, alert, dignified a knowledge of all the facts on the subescape punishment and to attract attenject. He is a prominent broker who tion and dainties."

work in perfecting the invention was of a small boy cannot recall occasions | en off by the heat and smell, and evencarried on at the castle of a promin- when toothache or some other ache has tually had, to leave their companion ent manufacturer of Lyons, and only with a pain so excruciating as to render was going on. Some two weeks ago duties for the moment impossible? And the first experiments were made. A miniature street car was moved over declaration of educational out perfectly sober, the rheumatism from which he had been a chronic sufferer entirely gone! The hotel at Eden miniature street car was moved over denly as it began when the church or is now full of rheumatic patients waita flat space by electricity communicat- school bell has stopped ringing.

It is suggested that if this movement! ed from a distance of several yards. of the Copenhagen authorities for The invention is being tried in Mar- brightening the lives of despondent apes row grave in the blubber, and in this seilles on a street car line and applied is attended with continued satisfactory to several different kinds of machinery, results, some such advertisement as the following may be expected pretty fre- unknown, although some of them might contestant Joe laughed scornfully, be-

young chimpanzee. Must be active, with ally in the market-place of his native Expensive Apes Provided With a Small cheerful disposition. To live in airy and town, and, being interested in boxing well warmed cage. Apply, etc. The Zoological Gardens at Copenhagen

FRANCE TO REMOVE CONVICTS

Those in New Caledonia Will be Sent and keep them amused. The reason is to Islands in Pacific.

"It is curious," he says, "how the

to the simian intellect. Finally a happy convict days." New Caledonia's proxi- was sufficient to turn sane people mad. of times, singly and in groups and in inspiration induced them to enlist the mity to the New Hebrides and the com- But it had the opposite effect in this all sorts of attitudes. She has also services of the aforesaid small boy and parative ease with which escaped des- case, for no fewer than four of the in- had many of them painted by the anileave the solution of the difficulty to peradoes from Noumea can settle in mates who had had extremely narrow mal painter Louis Wain. The health And there is no doubt that the experi- taint the reputation of white men, has consequence of their fright, and they inary surgeon of the royal stables and eration of old grievance of the common- asylum.

wealth against France. From the days of 1871 New Caleof France's criminals. If there be a Did ever a parent take a small boy to genuine turn of the tide of criminal

TITTLE GIRL was thinking. You Girl who now furnished her with a sug- round-eyed and wondering before the astonishing sight. For built upon the floor was nothing less than a magnificent toy village—a real Dollville! And handsome dollies were walking about, and other men dolls were riding around on horseback, and some the toys themselves. Yes, the play- there were a-motoring; baby dolls were being wheeled about by their nurses; in tiny shops one could see tiny workmen making toys that were timer.

> manikins and even the toy animals anything! "The playthings are really playing; delved amid the heap of toys which lay for us-just like you wished they heaped in disorder about the playroom. would!" Little Boy managed at last

Little Girl, still too surprised to speak, nodded her head. And so the playthings continued to that Anabelle heard; nor did they hear fully sleeping, little dreaming of these play, until Little Girl and Little Boy became Big Girl and Big Boy and the toys were all worn out with their ef-"But, where did this happen?" you

In Never-never-land, of course-the

country of magic, where no one may now enter who has not the fairy went his fist against the door, and in password. Perhaps some time an elf or fairy may whisper it to YOU, and hen you'll be as surprised as Little Girl and Little Boy were.

CURE FOR RHEUMATISM.

ing Mass of Whale's Blubber.

A remarkable story comes from Aube unable to leach their human compan- stralia. There is a place in that counicr anything, that is if the companion try called Twofold Bay, which is a is the average sort of boy. Many people whaling station and also a seaside rethe opposite error is even graver, for no doubt will be shocked at the experi- sort. A man who had dired not wisely ment. "Poor boy," they will say, "how but too well, and had partaken of the demoralizing for him!" Results will cup which cheers and inebriates, was probably show that their sympathy walking with a couple of friends on the shore. This man was staying at There is another trait of the chimpan- an hotel at Eden, a town on Twofold ze, which shows how alike he is to the Bay, in order to take their cure for sesmall boy in certain phases of mental vere rheumatism. But while he was out to the books of the age, in his opinion. It is electrical power transmitted with- effort. "The chimpanzee," to quote again he found a cure of his own, immensely Mr. Wells, in a witty and pleasant ad- cut wires. It-may be called an exten- the zoological expert, "knows he is deli- more efficacious than mustard packs cate and expensive, and that a cough and massage, for the. three friends dress on the relation between journa- sion of the wireless use of electricity. from him will send a whole zoological espied a dead whale which had been lism and literature, not only made large and it seems and sound claims for modern journathat only one person in Lyons possesses. From my own observation I know they made a bee-line for it, and in a few

> decomposing blubber. Appalled at the sight, his friends en-How boyishly human! What parent | deavored to rescue him, but were drivsuddenly attacked the juvenile offspring to his own devices. For two hours he remained where he was, and then came ing for whales. As soon as one is taken the patients are rowed out to it,

couch the patients lie for two hours. Violent cures are not by any means Jimmy Brown entered his name as a be considered worse than the disease. A deaf and dumb man was wandering WANTED+Smart boy as companion to through the fair which was held annuand a bit of a bruiser himself, he turned into a boxing-booth. When the two professionals had given their exhibition any spectator was invited to step into the ring and put on the gloves. The deaf and dumb man, not by any means for the first time in his life, accepted Other English Ladies Also Have Extenthe invitation, and greatly surprised Information has reached Sydney, the professionals by his prowess and Australia, from Noumea that the French | skill. Perhaps it was this which caused

these lazy Pacific beauty spots, and escapes had their reason restored in of the cats is cared for by the veter- "The world owes me a living."

LEAP YEAR. The girl proposed. Her luck was sad. The chap referred Her to his dad.

MYSTRYOF CONTHICT

Judith was shipwrecked and cast up upon the coast when a baby, and was adopted by Tommy Lee's father. Tommy and Judith grew up together as brother and sister. In their cottage there also lives Tommy's uncle, a scientist and inventor. The two, through accident, fly away in an airship which the scientist had invented, and land upon a tropical island. They are looking at a little cabin built amid the branches of a tree above them, when a girl of about their own age appears in the door of the cabin and lowers herself by means of a rope. She confronts the two strangers.

OMMY was the first to speak. "I beg your pardon," said he, very politely, "can you tell me the name of this island?"

"It has no name that I know of," replied the girl. Her voice, though sweet, was strangely drawling; and she spoke with an effort, as though unused to conversation. "I see how you came," continued she,

would be pleased to have you for guests. My name, by the way, is Marjory Livingston." Tommy and Judith introduced them-

bestowing a nod open the airship; "and

as you don't seem to have any pro-

visions with you, I am sure my father

selves in turn, and thanked her for her courtesy. Without more ado, Marjory led the way toward the shore. Shortly they arrived at a little cove, well protected

from the waters outside. Here they found, moofed to a roughly constructed boat landing, the strangest little craft Tommy and Judith had ever seen. It resembled a torpedo boat, with a little turret on the uppermost side. Marjory deftly drew the boat close to the landing and touched a little button at the side of the turret; where-

upon a lid flew up, disclosing the interior of the tiny vessel. Tommy and Judith entered, upon invitation, and found themselves in a snug little compartment, at the end of which was what looked like an eelctric switchboard. Seating herself before this switch-

board, Marjory pulled one lever, then another; immediately the boat glided out from the cove and began following the shore line of the island. As the

tion in the bottom of their boat, Marjory pushed a button on the surface of the platform. All at once a metal sheet flashed across the top of the "chimney," thus preventing more water from entering, while a pipe at the bottom carried away what water remained in the compartment. In the space of a few minutes they were able to come forth from their boat. "This is what we call our landing stage," explained Marjory, as they



"JUDITH AND TOMMY ENTERED"

stepped out upon the platform. "When we go out we simply enter the boat here, press another button, and the water pours in and fills the compartment again. Quite handy, isn't it?" Tommy and Judith thought that it

Opening a door at one end of the landing stage, Marjory ushered her guests into a long corridor, on either side of which were magnificently fur-



USHERED INTO THE PRESENCE OF PROFESSOR LIVINGSTON

bottom of the craft was entirely of nished rooms. In one of these-fitted glass, the two had ample opportunity to examine the animal and vegetable

life so beautiful and abundant in these tropical seas. Suddenly they turned and entered a cleft between two great walls of rocks.

which lay at the entrance to an inland basin of considerable size. Marjory steered for the exact center of the basin, until Tommy and Judith saw far beneath them what appeared to be an immense house. Then the boat began to sink slowly, down and down-right into a chimney of this

strange house built under the water.

At last they came to rest on a little

out as a study-they found Marjory's father, a gentleman of very learned appearance.

He received them very quietly, without seeming the least astonished. When they described the flight of the airship, however, he began to manifest unusual "You say the airship is still on the

island, entirely intact?" he queried.

had not been injured in the slightest "H'm, I must make a close examination of it. Very important, indeed!"

Upon being assured that the airship

A SWIMMING CONTEST

THE benevolent old gentleman, who waded out into the water until it rose in the swimming-pond. the whalers dig for each a sort of nar-

As Joe Grant was the best swimmer. all naturally supposed he would carry off the prize without difficulty. When cause Jimmy couldn't do more than paddle "doggie."

Seven boys lined up on the edge of the pond, the duck was let loose, and upon signal, in plunged the boys after it. Joe was quickly in the lead, and the fowl was almost within his reach.

Then Jimmy Brown, who had colmly

was greatly interested in boys and to his chin, gave a piercing whistle. their sports, offered a prize to the The duck, eluding Joe and the other boy who could capture a duck let loose five boys, immediately swam straight into Jimmy's arms. Jimmy had won the But when he reached the bank, he

> laughingly confessed to the "judge" that he had trained the duck to come to him whenever he whistled, in order to be fed. You see, the duck had been purchased from Jimmy's father. And as Jimmy merely wished to play

a joke upon Joe, to punish him for his bragging, he insisted upon giving the duck to Jee, who would surely have been its winner. But Joe refused to take it, saying that Jimmy had rightfully won the duck because of his eleverness.

QUEEN A LOVER OF CATS.

sive Feline Collections.

head came into violent contact with a leader in the fad. According to the

the sick ones.

Queen Alexandra is surpassed as a cat fancier by Lady Beresford, whose collection is said to comprise 150 specimens of all breeds, including the tailless Manx cats. Lady Beresford is the my money, sir." founder of the Cat Club, which since

cats inhabit a cottage specially built for them at her country place. The cottage can be converted into an open pavillion in hot weather; in winter it is warmed by an elaborate heat-The love of English women of rank ing apparatus. One room is used as and his innate disposition to die of con- gin the work of repariating certain exceptionally punishing blow under the recognition in an article in a German days cooking for the cats, while a scul-

FOUND IT SO. Biggs-"How quiet and homelike is of human passion, human nobility, it was no easy matter to divine what they have long ago relegated to school saved by "the skin of their teeth." One The Queen is fond of photographing this place—so still, nobody speaking a

HIS SHARE.

Jiggs-"Single man, ain't you?"

The lazy person said; The cynic cried, "you have it, That's why you aren't dead."

THE RETORT COURTEOUS. "You had the nerve to marry me for

"Well, madam, you certainly have not 1890 has held annual exhibitions in the face to suggest that I married you London. The greater number of her for your beauty?"

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