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10 cents gave me my present position.
"It was under the last administrati I was pulling for this place. So were many others, especially one or two men whom I did not know of at the time. I had about given up hope and was pre-paring to leave Washington. There was one man who had the necessary influence to land me in it, and while we were friendly and he felt kindly disposed to-

ward me, he had not espoused my cause.
"One night, after wandering around the streets, as one will do when one is 'pulling' for a thing, thinking how easy it is for some people to get what they want and how hard for others who haven't the pull, I passed the Arlington. Entering, I stepped up to the cigar stand and purchased a cigar. At that instant my friend came along. I invited him to have a smoke, but he refused. He appeared angry. Then he said to me; with

peared angry. Then he said to me; with a suddenness that deprived me of breath:

"Look here, —, you want to be consul to —, and I'm going to recommend you. I have just found out that Senator — has boasted that he would land his man in it inside of the week, and I'm going to give that hypocritical old duffer a shock down his attenuated spinal solumn. shock down his attenuated spinal solum The secretary is up stairs now. Come on, I'll introduce you, ask your appointment
-he has promised me this place in return for a personal favor-and you'll be on th salt water before a fortnight."
"I had not heard that the senator was

working for anybody. As a man in a dream we ascended the back staircase to the secretary's apartments. I have a vague remembrance of bowing, of profusely and awkwardly expressing my thanks and of saying that I would certainly not fail—as if I could forget—to come down to the department on the following day for my appointment. The sec-retary smiled blandly, my friend was happy and triumphant, while I-well, I was paralyzed with conflicting emotions the whole affair having been so very unexpected and sudden.

"The next day I was appointed. In this little roll of paper, which I always carry as my mascot, is that 10 cent cigar I bought on that night. I found it in my hand when I came down stairs from the secretary's room, unlighted. All of the money in the treasury couldn't buy that dry, crumbled roli of tobacco. If my footsteps had not been directed by some un-seen agency to that cigar stand at that particular instant when this man passed and while the secretary was up stairs, I'd never got my appointment. It was this tombination of incidents, trivial in themselves, that altered the whole course of my life."-Washington Star.

The Camel's Revenge.

The Arab who has angered a carrel will throw his clothes upon the ground and the infuriated beast, after stamping on them and tearing them asunde: with its teeth, goes on its way, and the driver is thereafter quite safe, as it seems to be an axiom with the came that no man shall be put in peril of life twice for one offense.

The camel is stupid, save when angry, and then seems to become atmost preternatural in carrying out its vengeful designs. Palgrave relate the following story of a camel's ie verge, which serves to illustrate this point: "A lad of 14 had conflucted a large camel laden with wood from one village to another at a half hour's distance. As the animal loiteder or turned out of the way its conductor struck it repeatedly and harder than it seemed to have thought he had a right to do. But not finding the occasion favorable for taking immediate quits it 'bode its time.' That time was

not long in coming. "A few days later the same lad had to reconduct the beast, but unladen, to his own village. When they were about half way on the road and at some distance from any habitation, the camel suddenly stopped, looked deliberately round in every direction to assure itself that no one was in sight and, finding the road clear of passersby, made a step forward, seized the unlucky boy's head in its monstrous mouth, and, lifting him up in the air, flung him down again on the earth with the upper part of his skull

completely torn off. "Having thus satisfied his revenge, the brute quietly rest med its pace toward the village, as though nothing were the matter, till some men, who had observed the whole, though unfortunately at too great a distance to be able to afford timely help, came up ind killed it."-London Telegraph.

A Palpab e Plot. Mrs. Du Ille-'John, my dressmaker prived to-day and I must have the ma. terials to-morrow."
Mr. Du Ille—"Eh? What? You said that you had written to her not to come

until next month. Mrs. Du Ille- Yes, I did, but she never got the letter."
Mr. Du Ille (clasping his hand to his breast pocket)—"Woman! This is a plot—a vile plot. If you had really wanted her to stay away you would have handed that letter to the postman yourself; you wouldn't have given it to me to mail."—New York Weekly.

Nothing to Fear. Lady—Little boy, isn't that aother calling you? Boy-Yes'm. "Why don't you answer her, then?"

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erous souls are defective in ness faculty.

Passions and cares wither life.

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"You needn't mention the others, terrupted the owner. interrupted the



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A CLERGYMAN OF NORWALK TELLS WHAT HE SAW THERE.

Attaches to the Word "Home"-The

The American Missionary association, through its secretary, the Rev. A. F. Beard, D. D., whom it sent to Porto Rico, as its special commissioner, has issued a statement of the conditions in that island, as related to population, education, homes and opportunities for a new Americanism, such as the association has represented for more than half a century. In

part, the statement is as follows: A census of Porto Rico lately taken gives the population as \$90,000, whichmay be divided in round numbers as tollows: White, 500,000; colored, 300,000, of whom about 90,000 are blacks. This gives a dense population of nearly 243 to the square mile. The whites comprise the Spaniards and Porto Ricans of Spanish blood. The colored are of all shades, chiefly burnt sienna, and mostly straight-haired. The blacks are negroes, pure and simple. The whites may be divided into the ruling class, numbering, perhaps, 100,000, and the peasants, or gibaros, 100,000. The colored are mixed (mestizcs). The peasants, or gibaros, with the mestizos and blacks together form the class of unskilled laborers. They are miserably poor, and literally live from hand to mouth. Their cabins, or 'shacks," are set on poles driven into the ground, the floor being raised a few feet. The average household furniture consists of a few dishes and utensils made of calabash shells or gourds, with some rude earthenware. A little patch of land for the plaintain grove, or some corn or sweet potatoes, ossibly a cow, a pig and a diminutive horse of gothic architecture, form the property and provision for life. The people seldom get any meat and but title bread for food, as none of the cereals grow well there. As a result, they are a class anaemic and hungry looking. Their staple food is the banana, which, for steady diet, does not put a great deal of iron into the blood. Most of their food grows on trees. Here they are, more than one-half of the population, in dense ignorance, too ignorant to be discontented with this existence, which in its condition is pitiful beyond expression.

Out of 890,000 there are 111,380 who can need, but of these 14,513 cannot write. Nearly 800,000 are without knowledge beyond that of their own

hut. In every town there are certain peo ple with varying attainments in education, who hold the more responsible positions in life, but they have entirely failed to realize any responsibility for this appalling mass of ignorance around them. One-half of the population is in towns. All of the towns are built on the same general plan, and in most of them four or nve sen are constantly offended. Odors are always in evidence. As to feeling, the opportunities for the study of entomology are unbounded. As to taste, everything is saturated with garlic. The sight was hurt constantly in the wan and pinched faces of the poor, and in their apparently needless poverty in a land where plenty would come easily, and in their ignorance of the fact that the lower animals are lod's creatures. They lash their stunt-ed horses wintout mercy; they prick their oxen cruelly with goads. They do not, however, mean to be cruel; they are very humane people to their own neighbors who are sufferers. They show affection for children, though not care for them. They simply have the heritage of ignorance for generations. They have not been to school, nor to any church which instructed them, nor have they had wise parents and Christian training in good homes; and yet they are an interesting people, alert, quick-witted, polite, graceful. But hey are low down, being ignorant.

The Real Test for Swearing.



Wrangler-You say that Job's tience never was really tested?
Quibbler—I do. hy, he never the lighted end of his cigar in his mouth just as he winted to make his argument most impressive.—Like.

A Writing Corner. writing corner can be easily fixed A writing corner can be easily fixed up in a home where it is impossible to provide a desk proper. The table itself consists of a board shiped like it quadrant of a circle, fitted into the corner of the wall at a convenient neight and supported by and nailed to wooden brackets screwed to the wall. Above the table there can be a little corner cupboard for a relay of stationery and ink. A wrought-iron suspended lamp with a rose of amber shade, fixed to the wall, will light the corner.

By endurance evils are overcon

SUCH IS SOUTH AFRICA

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Part of the Dark Continent. You land in South Af ica at the foot of a mountain 3,600 feet high. Tuey call it tab. Mountain, and the veil of mist that, excepting on very clear days, overhangs it, South Africans are pleased to term the "Tablecloth." Pre-senting a front of solid rock, 1,0% feet in height, perpendicular as a wall, and for half a mile on top evel, this moun-tain offers the best natural signboard on earth. Time and again have British firms attempted with fabulous sums to secure it for advertishing purposes out, as yet, there has been no such

Table Mountain marks the tp end of the Dark Continent. Below it nesles the city of Cape Town, a bes-wittel bay stretching out in the foreground. On the west the mountain breaks off abruptly, and the railroad skirts about it to the inte ior. On the east it slopes off into a hilly picturesque formation known as the "Lion's Back," an' then gradually rises into the Draket durg Mountains. This is the only great mountain range south of the Zambesi, and by noting its location one may un derstand in a trice just what South Africa is geographically. Steam ng along the east coas, from Cape Colony northward, you have the Drakensburg n view nearly ail the way to Beira, distance of 2,000 miles. In Cape Colony and Natal the mountains in many places dip the water's edge and with a field glass one may see on their crags and peaks smoke curl ng up from the native villages. In Portuguese territory the mountains recede slightly from the coast, and at Delagoa By there is an intervening stretch of lowland twenty miles wide. At Beira this has increased to sixty miles. At the

Zambesi the Drakensburg ends. To get into the interior of South Africa from any of the five east coast landing places-Port Elizabeth, East London, Durban, Delagoa Bay and Beira-one must cross a short extent of low land and then ascend eteer nountains. Having arrived there, the traveler is conscious of little or no descent, five sixths of the whole interior being a vast plateau that extends to the Zambesi on the north, the Atlantic Ocean on the west, and varies in altitude from 3,000 to 6,000 feet above the sea.

A fringe of tropical country, where bloom the magnolia and the rose, where flourish the orange, pineapple, lemon, guavo, grape, banana, the cotton and the tea plant; a long stretch of mountains running parallel with the Indian Ocean, the hignest peaks of which are capped with snow, and in whose valleys wave tracks of wheat and corn. A vast prairie, dotted here and there with patches of scrub woodland, mission stations, and immense farms with millions of sheep and cattle grazing thereon; a few thousand hamlets scattered like cases over a great landscape, made black by the native Africans who live in thatched huts, and wear but a breech clout; a dozen large towns where is heard the clang of the American trolley car and the clatter of the police patrol, and about which men cluster as flies gather to a jar of sweets; the remnants of a once mighty zoolegical garden, including many leopards, beautiful and lithe, baboons, antelope, jackals and erccodiles, a less number of hippopotam and a few herds of buffalo, elephants. and giraffes; some iron ore, some coal, some copper, and a little silver; forty miles of go'd and 100 acres of damonds. That is South Africa - Ainsee's Magazine.

Jaggles-Why do they make paste diamonds! (Waggles-To stick people.



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