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The day dressmaker is quite a personage then it is to attend the Nachtmaal or com-

of importance in every household where munion, which is the chief festival of these the income is not unlimited, and there are deeply religious people. The journey to girls and women to be clothed. She comes town is made in ox-teams, and may require at 8 or 9 in the morning, and remains a week's or a month's time, but it is altill 6, cutting out, basting, fitting, finish- ways an epoch in a Boer girl's life, esting, and the amount of work she can get ing, and the amount of work she can get through with is quite amazing—that is, provided she be a good seamstress. If there are girls in the home handy with whom she has met at former Nachtmaals, the needle, who will sit with the dressmak- may summon courage enough to ask her er as her assistants, basting or pressing for whether he may call at her home and have her, and doing the simpler parts, of course, the work is accomplished much more speed-ultimatum before an ultimatum. If she ily, and at a price which is about half consents, the young Boer will shortly of what would have been had the gar- afterwards ride on horseback many miles ments been sent out. And if good patterns across the plain to the girl's home, and will -which are so easily obtainable nowadays- prove that he is worthy of her love by "sitare used, and the dressmaker, or some ting up" and talking with her from sunmember of the family has ingenuity and down until daybreak. (O, poor girl!) For riginality, there need be no lack of style two young Boers to arrive at this period of and smartness in the dresses or bodices courtship is equivalent to announcing the turned out. Moreover, if they do not engagement, and then the prospective bride happen to fit, or if there is any alteration begins preparations for the wedding. nappen to fit, or if there is any alteration to be made, there is not the annoyance of sending back the garment, and making an engagement at a busy time to have the gown refitted, and there is no time wasted running back and forth, or up or down town, as the case may be. Many of these day dressmakers are extremely clever, and turn out really stylish and well made costumes. Some of them excel in evening dresses and bodices, while others make a specialty of such things as skirts and shirt walsts, etc., although, as a general specialty of such things as skirts and shirt waists, etc., although, as a general rule, they are all-round dressmakers, and can handle any article of dress, from a coat to a shirt waist. One sometimes won-

A fine example of the tyranny of feminine this profession and work it for themselves, or why women do not undertake to do millinery in the same way. There are house trimmers in New York, and I am told that their work is most satisfactory. One of these is a man, who charges \$4 a day for his work—which, by the way, is of the first order—of trimming or simply new and stylish.

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Duroc, who had secured Josephine's confidence, when to her and told her: "The Emperor is sure you are in debt: he wants to know the amount." Josephine admitted, with coplous tears that she did in the finding of the tyranny of feminine tears book, my suite action, and one of the thonsinger's cigar factory, and who resides on Erlestrect west, had an exciting experience on Saturday night about a quarter after 7. She was on her about a quarter after 7. She was on her perceived this immediately. He saw her red eyes, and said to Duroc, "The women house trimmers in New York, and I am tears; the Emperor perceived this immediately. He saw her red eyes, and said to Duroc, "The women has been or Erlestrect west, had an exciting experience on Saturday night about a quarter after 7. She was on her lest the corner of Wellington and Railway-streets was grabbed hold of by two men and ordered to give up her purse. Miss Walsh yelled for aid, and one of the men, the largest of the two, and one of the men, the largest of the two varies and one of the men, the largest

The custom of addressing a lengthy and serious serimon to a bridal couple on the fromendous responsibility and fearful risks of matrimony, which is gratuitously indulged in by some elergymen when they have been requisitioned to tie a marriage knot, is one merging and the series of the sum of the couple in permitting and dimers to a couple under the canopy, made by a venerable rabbi, that was enough to make any ordinary individual eschew the holy estate for all time. I marveled much at the temerity of the couple in permitting the ceremony to proceed, but to this day I am of the opinion that they were blissfully oblivious of his remarks—else the ceremony to much the better. But you will see that he holy estate for all time. I marveled much at the temerity of the couple in permitting the ceremony to proceed, but to this day I am of the opinion that they were blissfully oblivious of his remarks—else the ceremony to much the better. But you will see that he form that they were blissfully oblivious of his remarks—else the ceremony to more the case in hasid.

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Court Brock time. I marveled much at the temerity of the couple in permitting the ceremony to proceed, but to this day I am of the opinion that they were blissfully oblivious of his remarks—else the ceremony would not have gone on. On another occasion I was a guest at a wedding where the divine—we'll call him a non-conformist—selzed the opportunity to make a very lengthy and very solemn discourse of a somewhat similar nature to that of the rabbi, which the women were, and Napoleon kept away from his wife. He allowed her to pass lefore him on going to supper. She was nothing short of awful. Had it been addressed to them at the time of their engagement, when they would have had time to pause and consider and weigh his words, it would not have been so absurd; but at the eleventh hour, before all the assembled guests, when there was no possibility, without a scene or a scandal, of withdrawal, the minister's lecture seemed something more than belated and inappropriate. It was constituted as a trifle?" He added a few words of parts of the sould large the coast to day. He thinks the cleventh hour, before all the assembled guests, when there was no possibility, without a scene or a scandal, of withdrawal, the minister's lecture seemed something more than belated and inappropriate. It was constituted as a trifle?" He added a few words of parts of the scene of something more than belated and inappropriate. It was certainly a deal more than the groom had bargained for. There is a time for everything, and surely the time for considering the responsibilities of matri-mony and its awful risks is not at the marriage altar, or in any public place.

A "WOMAN'S BARGAIN.
You will love me? Ah, I know,
As men love—no better, dear.
Worship? Yes, a month or so.
Tenderness? Perhaps a year.

After that, the quiet sense Of possession; careless care, And the calm indifference That all married lovers wear.

Blame you, dearest? Not at all.

As Fate made you, so you stand;

As Fate made you, so you fall

Far below Love's high demand.

Yet how strange is Love's deep law. I can look you through and through, Tracing plainly Nature's flaw In the heart she gave to you;

Contingent.

Pointed Rejoinder to the Message

of Dr. Borden Charging. Bad Manners. Ottawa, Dec. 26.-The following telegrams

between Mr. N. Clarke Wallace, M.P., and

Hon Mr. Borden, Ottawa: I am glad to see that my communication to you has elicited a welcome message from Col. Otter. It was not worth while telling us of the censorship. We knew about it very well, and we knew, too, that it will not stop such a message as was received on Saturday. We will overlook for the time being your negligence and gour ebuilition of temper, if not bad manners, if you will in future keep up duly informed. (Signed) Clarke Wallace.

Hon. Clarke Wallace, Woodbridge,—
The fact that your first telegram was given to the press before it reached.
Ottawa proves that your object was solely to make political cepital. Your message, as a matter of fact, had not the slightest effect, as before it was received Lieut. Col. Otter's cable had been sent, and no message had been sent to him from here. As to negligence or manners, I am perfectly willing the militia and the public should judge between us, though, personally, I should challenge your right to constitute yourself an authority on either. (Signed) F. W. Borden.
Mr. Wallace then strikes back with this message:

can you prevent me from stating facts nor expressing my opinions. You say, further, that I want to make political capital. Nothing was further from my thoughts; but, unfortunately for you, the Government is now giving plenty of opportunities in that direction, which you may be sure will be attended to in due season. (Signed) N. Clarke Wallace.

it as a trifle?" He added a few words of reproach, and she sobbed more than ever.

Then he spoke into the other ear: "Come, the Semilin Ministry will probably be defeated when the House assembles next come. Josephine, ma petite, don't cry. Be

The Browning Club holds its regular fort-nightly meeting this (Wednesday) evening at 8 o'clock in the lecture room of the Uni-tarian Church, Jarvis-street.

comforted." And the debts were paid.

MINES GUARDED BY TROOPS

The French Strikers Resolve to

Continue the Fight - Action Taken by Cabinet.

St. Etienne, France, Dec. 26.-The coal miners are calm to-day and the mines are

guarded by troops. Only 25 per cent. of

the miners descended into the pits to-day. The lace workers held a meeting this morning and resolved to continue the strike.

Cabinet Takes Action.

Paris, Dec. 26.—The Cabinet Council held to-day at the Elysee Palace, discussed the St. Etienne strike. The Premier and the Minister of Public Works announced that measures would be taken to prevent a serious shortage of the coal supply.

Methuen Trounced a "Cabby."



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Knowing all my heart must stake, | All the danger, all the fear, And yet glad; even so, to make This, my losing bargain, dear!

Anon.

Ever since the outbreak of the war in the Transvaal, which has brought that country into such prominence, we have been hearing all sorts of curious and interesting little anecdote to me concerning Gen. Lord Methuen, who is at the front just and the country into such prominence, we have been hearing all sorts of curious and interesting little anecdote to me concerning Gen. Lord Methuen, who is at the front just and the country into such prominence, we have been hearing all sorts of curious and interesting little anecdote to me concerning Gen. Lord Methuen was as popular in the transvaal, which has brought that country into such prominence, we have been hearing all sorts of curious and interesting little anecdote to me concerning Gen. Lord Methuen was as popular in the salous of London society, and could give points to many a pugilist on the "maniy art." On his way to barracks one afternoon he over heard a cold driver using rather rough in grace in expressing to a young lady his popular in South Africa," and has some very odd things to tell of her in The Ladles Home Journal. The Boer girl of the country districts of the Transvaal is able to go to town only once or twice a year, and to town only once or twice a year, and to two nonly once or twice a year, and to town only once or twice a year, and to town only once or twice a year, and to town only once or twice a year, and to town only once or twice a year, and town only once or twice a year, and to town only once or twice a year, and town only once or twice and two seems than the young gradianna to the year of the dea

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CHOKED HIS WIFE TO DEATH. An Old Soldier, Who Had Become Blind, Killed His Life Part-

ner in Baltimore. Baltimore, Md., Dec. 26.-Franklin B. Livingston, a blind man aged 56 years, chcked his wife. Rosie Livingston, to death this morning at their home, 1160 Columbia-The first knowledge the police had of the crime was when Livingston walked into the Southwestern Police Station. Livingston Save his name and address and told the police that he and his wife had had a quarrel and she had tried to smother him with a feather bed. He had choked her and killed her. He had yelled "Murder" and "Police" during the struggle, but there had been no response, he said. Feeling something wet on her clothing and his own he had burned both in the kitchen stove. Then he had dragged the body to the bath tub and left it while he went back to bed and slept till 5:30.

"I receive a pension of \$72.4 month," said he, "for the loss of my eyes, which happened at the battle of Fair Oakes in 18:52 during the Civil War, when a shell exploded, wounding me in the head and feet. I served in Company A, 66th New York Regiment."

Livingston was locked up and the police went to the house, where they found the nucle body of the woman in the bath tub, as Livingston had said. Both rooms gave evidence of a struggle. Jealousy is thought to have been the motive for the crime.

British Prisoners at Pretoria. The following is from a letter of an important process of the prisoners at Pretoria. The following is from a letter of an important process. The police of th avenue.

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Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 26.—The official statement is made by the International Typographical Union that, because the stereotypers and machinists of Pittsburg Pa., newspapers have declined to support the printers' strike, begun in that city Dec. 15, the machinists and stereotypers have been "ratted" by the Typographical Union. This action follows a recent conference, in which, the official strict of the machinists and stereotypers have been "ratted" by the Typographical Union. This action follows a recent conference, in which, the official strict of the machinists and stereotypers have been "ratted" by the Typographical Union. This action follows a recent conference, in which, the official strict of the machinists and stereotypers have been "ratted" by the Typographical Union. This action follows a recent conference, in which, the official strict of the machinists and stereotypers have been "ratted" by the Typographical Union. This action follows a recent conference, in which, the official strict of the machinists and stereotypers have been "ratted" by the Typographical Union. This action follows a recent conference, in which, the official strict of the total s

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63 S. C. WOOD, Managing Director. Toronto, December 4th, 1899.

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Hall, Parkdale; St. Paul's Hall, Yorkville.
Thursday, Dec. 28, Broadway Hall, Spadina-avenue: Occident Hall, Queen and
Bathurst-streets.
Friday, Dec. 29, Massey Hall.
Saturday, Dec. 30, Dingman's Hall.
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Sternburg, first secretary of the German Embassy, who is on his way to Boston, Mass., where he is to lecture on Samoa.

Member for West York Nails the Minister of Militia re the

CHALLENGE TO THE MINISTER

Woodbridge, Dec. 25.

Hon. Mr. Borden, Ottawa: I am glad
to see that my communication to you

Mr. Wallace then strikes back with this message:

Woodbridge, Dec. 26.

Hon. Mr. Borden, Minister of Militia, Ottawa: My first telegram was not given to the press for many hours after it was sent you, and a good while after it came into your hands, which I have ascertained will at 8 o'clock on the 22nd of December. That's your first misstatement in your telegram of to-day. You say, further, that Col. Otter's cablegram had been sent before you received my message. You received mine on the 22nd. Col. Otter's is dated Belmont, 23rd December, and was not published in The Globe till 25th December. You did not receive it on 22nd December, and I challenge you to prove that you did. That's misstatement number two. You say as to negligence or manners, the public will judge. Of course they will, and you cannot prevent them; neither can you prevent me from stating facts nor expressing my opinions. You say, further, that I went to make publiced.

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