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# The Fluffy Sense.

And so the Wheel of Life goes round And so the Wheel of Life goes round And such things happen every day. They met at a dance. One of those every-light diances that the season gives, in a house unrecognizable be-hind a wealth of flowers, supper, dow-agers, dancing men and fluffy girls, He had not ced her first because sho was different from the other women there. She wasn't fluffy. On the contrary, she was as sornpulously neat as only the lean of purse can be. But apart from the plain severe. But apart from the plain severbe. But apart from the plain sever-ity of her garb, which amounted al-most to shabbiness, his critical eye marked her as the prettiest girl in the proom, dressed in a plain white sath dress, relieved by a modest sath dress, relieved by a modest bunch of violets-not even h spray, but a plain market bunch, that matched the color of her wondrous eyes, so grave and serious, but dan-gerously magnetic, as he discovered later or. She had soft, undressed hair, which grew low and straight over her which forehead, and lay coiled uncon a distractingly pretty colled upon a distractingly pretty neck, helping to accentuate the whiteness of her shoulders. It had taken both time and trouble

find someone who knew her, and would multer the words convention-ality demanded, before he could hold her *St. a*, round figure in his arms as they waltzed together with a per-fection of motion which he had never experienced before. "I might have experienced before. "I might have guessed it," was the compliment he guessed it," was the compliment he paid when later on they had become confidential, and she told him that she taught dancing for a livelihood. He further learned that the daugh-ter of the house, in whose honor the ball was being given, was a pupil of hers, and had insisted upon her com-ing to the festivity. Later on, he dis-covered many things about her, not-ably, her name, an illustrious one, borne by some of the richest of his eccuration of the action of the mount acquaintances. He cried 'shame upon them" when she had told him of her struggles. But sie had som led, gently protesting that even in the most opuicat circles penury lurked. And if she had not their riches she at least had their independence, the thing she counted dearest in the whole wide world. And then there was her work. She loved it far too dearly to ever thank of giving it up. And folk were kind to her, including the rich relations-so long as she didn't make

-demands upon them. It was plain to see the world and she were very young; their acquaint-ance, he felt, was not sufficiently old to have admitted of their having fallen out together. He hinted at disillusionment aud failure. At first she laughed at him, and then forbade him to mention the word, which she assured him she had long since struck out of her dictionary. He, in his turn, humbed at her orthuniarem while ad laughed at her enthusiasm, while admitting that he admired her courage. And they waltzed together again and

again. Over supper he assured her that she made him feel lazy and ashamed to think that he did nothing but shoot and hunt and dance his life away, while she was working hard And when someone else claimed her for a dance, he felt a pang of re-sentment that her programme was entirely his. He stood moodily against the door watching her graceful movethe abor watching a graceful move-ments, and catching a glimpse of a half-averted face flushed with pleas-ure that smiled in friendliness each time she passed him. Womanlike, she hid her feelings better than he did, and, as she listened to the parton-age of her pupil's 'eldest brother, smiled with a knowledge that people in her world could not behave like that. But she forgot it all when she found herself in his arms once more, dancing the last extra to his fav-orite tune. Afterwards he helped her into her shabby cloak and gent-ly insisting upon the address of her odgings, drove her home in his own brougham. They met frequently dur-ing the season, for her clientele was a fashionable one. By the end of it he had become familiar with the

hite satin dress which had gone whice satin dress which had gone through so many vicissitudes and was now trimmed with a sash-a faint reflection of those serious eyes-which bravely hid the place where he had upset a cup of coffee.

began to speculate upon his good fortume, and took great interest in his concerns, and a married sister announced her intention of giving a ball to celebrate his home-coming and help matters on a little. Ac-cordingly invitations were issued to the great lady, and the great world alike. He had almost made up his mind not to ignore the good fortune placed so temptingly within his reach. It is true he had enough as it was; but why should he not, like so many others, indulge his greed for more? He had but to stoop to pick up a hundred times more than would supply his needs. It was almost at the last moment

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It was almost at the last moment that he begged a card for her. He had a foolish idea that it might help him to see her shabby white gown contrasting with the great Frenchman's art. But who was to have guessed that at so opportune a moment the good fairy Fortune would throw open the coifers of the rich relations for her? There was a wedding in the money-ed branch of her family and she was bidden to act as bridesmaid, clothed for the occasion as belitting a pretty Cinderella turned princess in a moment. She came to the ball in all the bravery of her recently ac-quired fingry and appeared a dainty, fluttering mass of bewilder-ing feminine grace. The knowledge that for once she could compete with the fluffy maldens of wealth, gave the flufty maidens of wealth, gave her the courage of her superiority, and the pretty head, perfectly colf-fured, was held high as she advanced into the room. Even in his eyes her bauty was intensified, as he watch-

od the sensation her entry made. He went to meet her entry made. He went to meet her eagerly, proudly presenting her to his own people. The joy of life which had lately grown faint come back intensified in her soft glash of happiness as the violet eyes met his and sealed her fate. And amid the congratulations that were heres none were lowder fate. And amid the congratulations that were hers, none were louder than those of the Mammon worship-pers of her tribe, who smiled in-dulgent belief as they listened to her declaration: "It was the lovely frock you gave me did it. I owe it all to that." For, of course, they could not understand how anything so light and airy could turn the scale of a woman's life.

#### Historic Chair.

One of the chairs used by Bonnie Prince Charlie while in hiding in Scotland is still preserved in Glasgow. The curious piece of furniture belonged to a highland peasant who lived near the cave where the Prince

was in hiding. Relying on the loyalty was in hiding. Relying on the loyalty of the Scotch farmer, the Prince spent considerable time in the lit-tle cottage. A special chair was set apart for him, and this has since been handed down from generation to generation through the family who originally entertained the dis-

HAD A SPLENDID YEAR.

HAD A SPLENDID YEAR. The Independent Order of Foresters ap-narently had a splendid year during 1903. The net addition to the membership during the twelve months was 14,123. This is con-iderably larger than the net additions during 1902. The death rate was also lower being only 6.46 against 6.60 in a thousand ascom-pared with 1902. This indicates how care-tiu this great Fraternal Society is in its selec-tion of its risks. The enormous work which the Order old in heiping widows and orphans may be understood from the fact that it paid to them during last year no less than \$1,542-639.01. In alck benefits the members of the Order received \$192,163.71, and totally and primamently disabled brethren received \$84, 719.91. Not withstanding these in rgs and helpful payments to the membership the Order increased its already large accumulated funds of the Order or Foruary 1st, 1904, amounted suprime the year by the enormous is certainly a wonderful record. Dr. Oronhyatekha, the Supreme Chief Ranger, is certainly to be con-gratulated upon the results which are flowing from his labors. The total membership of the Order ris now over 22', '000. —Didiy Mail and Empire, Toronto, Feb. 16th.

### Energy and Motion.

In a recent lecture in Paris M. Charles Rolland remarked that human beings in general expend less energy of motion, especially locomo-tio2, than animals, Animals f y swim, crawl. Jump, etc., without the painful Apprenticeship of men, and the force they expend relatively to their weight is much genetic they income they expend relatively to their weight is much greater than in our case. If men were as strong as beetles in respect to their weight they could juggle with tons. Think-ers are less disposed to movement than other men. They expend their forces in intellectual efforts. N. S. Pierre Landry, sen., Pokemouche, N. B. Thomas Wasson, Sheffield, N. B.

Sceptics Turn Believers AND ARE CURED. Gatherings.

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 Dr. Agnew's Catarrhai Powder a Great Blessing.

 "When I read that Dr. Agnew's Ca-tarrhal Powder could relieve Catarrh in 10 minutes, I was for from being con-vinced. I tried it-a single puff through the blower auorded instant relief, stop-ped pain over the eyes and cleansed the masal passages. To-day I am free from Catarrh." B. L. Eagan's (Easton, Pa.) experience has been that of theusands of others, and may be yours.
 It is said that the new licensing iaw is having a bad select upon social gatherings in Scotland, though weetings are for mutual benefit and enjoyment, and net merely for over-indulgence in liquor. If in tipat re-spect the new law raises the general ings may be imposed on the person who over-indulges at social gather-ings in licensed premises, and the indulord is liable to A like penaity should he fail to eject from bis forem-indulged. Then, also, any one ob-taining, or attempting to obtain, fuer, we applauding my ef-forts, or daring me to come out?"

 Coughing is an outward sign of

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and the cough will stop. Try it to-night. If it doesn't benefit you, we'll give your money back. Prices: S. C. WELLS & Co. 307 25c. 50c. \$1 LeRoy, N. Y., Toronto, Can.

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Minard's Liniment Relieves Neuralgia. Fixed the Old Man Nicely.

### Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"You know how father insists upon talking all the time whenever Skates comes to call on me?" "Yes.'

"Well, we fixed him last night all night. We got him to read the Russian and Japanese names in the war dispatches and his jaw was sore that he couldn't talk above a whisper."

Minard's Liniment Cures Dandruff.

### The Care of Cats.

I find that cooked meat is, on the whole, best for my cats, which are An-goras. Raw fits causes fits. I have heard goras. Raw fits causes fits. 1 have heard that a nursing cat will die if fed with it. Ask your fisherman for some fish heads, and boil them, but give the cat only the meat, not bones. Cut all food fine, and never give gristle, or fat. Never give a cat any food which is tainted. Really sour milk is relished by many cats and is wholesome. many cats and is wholesome. Cereals in milk are good for cats, and produe a good coat of fur. Warm the milk for pussy. Keep fresh water al-ter always on hand. Keep all the dishes perfectly clean. Do not bathe your cat, especially if it is an Angora. Give it a good wiping with a moist cloth. See that your cat has a clean, warm place in which to sleep. Let it have access in cold weather, when there is no grass to clean hay.-Good

# there is no grass, to clean hay.--Good Housekeeping.

We believe MINARD'S LINIMENT. s the best. Matthias Foley, Oil City, Ont. Joseph Snow, Norway, Me. Chas. Whooten, Mulgrave, N. S.

#### SCOTCH DRINKING. The Sunlight way of wash- ISSUE NO. 10 1904. New Licensing Law and Socia ing requires little or no

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rubbing. You should try Sunlight Soap. Will not injure



He Was All Right. Buffalo Express.

Buffalo Express. "Why don't you go to work ?" de-manded Mrs. Goodart. "Yer, see," began the gray-haired old loafer, "I got a wife an' four children to support---" "But, if you don't go to work, how can you ?" "Lady, as I wuz sayin', I got a wife and four children to support me."

### \$33 TO THE PACIFIC COAST

A MANUFACTURER'S DISCOVERY. Via the Chicago-Union Pacific & North-Western Line from Chicago daily dur-ing March and April, to San Francisco, Los Angeles, Portland, Seattle, Tacoma and Vancouver, and other Pacific Coast points. Very low rates to Helena, Butte, Spokane, Orden and Salt Lake City Cor-A clothing manufacturer has, until re cently, limited his advertising to trade papers, which he took for granted must be read by the dealers. Now he finds points. Very low rates to Helena, Butte, Spokane, Ogien and Salt Lake City, Cor-responding low rates from all points. Daily and personally conducted excur-sions in Pullman tourist sleeping cars to San Francisco, Los Angeles and Portland, through without change, double berth only \$7. Choice of routes. For particu-lars, address B. H. Bennett, 2 King street east, Toronto, Ont. that he has more positive returns from advertisements in carefully chosen daily newspapers. This leads him to observ that "there are no publications which are so sure to be read by everybody, including dealers, as are the best of the

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ied. Modern Minister—Ah, yes. With or without?

The Bride—What? The Minister—Obey. Ade

> Lifebuoy Soap--disinfectant-is strongly ded by the medical profession as

safeguard against infectious diseases.

Maybe His Last Request Life.

THE "D & L" MENTHOL PLASTER.-This simple remedy for sale with all druggists positively cures Backache, Neuralgia, Chest Pains, Nervousness and all like disorders. Poor Feebles (about to be operated for a good spring supply. begin I wish you would send and have our pastor, Rev. Mr. Harps, come Nervousness and all like disorder is no need of your suffering anoth "The D. & L." Menthol Plastershow t on hand in every family.

Dr. Cutter-Certainly, if you wish it. but-ah !-Poor Feebles-I'd like to be opened with prayer.

Heart-Sick People .- Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart is a heart tonic that never falls to cure-is swift in its effects-goes closer to the "border land" and snatches from death's grip more sufferers than any other remedy for any family of diseases and ailments in the category of human sufferings. Gives relief in 30

value of figs as a laxative, They have value of figs as a laxative, They have medicinal value when eaten plain, and should frequently be found on the daily bill of fare for the nursery table, either stewed or plain. In the holiday candy-making, or for special parties where there will be a demand for candy among the little people, there will be little harm from the candy mibbling if creamed figs, fig-balls, etc., form a large portion of the candies served. Although these fig can-dies can scarcely be called candy medi-cines, it will be well to number them among the home-made preparations that are to tickle small palates while curing small stomachs. small stomach



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I asked the man on the next block

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"Why do so many writers use that hackneyed phrase, the weather-beat-en farmer?" said the young man who reads novels.

th American Rheumatic Cure because it goes right to the seat of the \*rouble and removes the carse. Many so-called cures it return again with doubled violence. Not so with this great remedy. It eradicates from the system the last vestige of the disease and its cures are permanent.-74.

> Perhaps Egged. Toronto World.



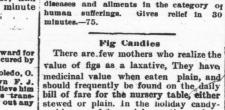
Hig Sacrifice what he was going to give up dur-ing Lent, and he **m**id he thought he'd give up swearing at the weather.

Weather-beaten. Far ners' Magazine.

who reads novels. "I dunno," answered Mr. Corntos-sel, as he laid down the paper con-taining the latest freshet news, "on-less it's because the weather bats us out of so many crops."

Rheumatism will Succumb but deaden nain temporarily only, to have

The first thing the Russians know they will be hooted off the stage of the theatre of war.



"I suspected you without reason. I asked several of your friends that you go out with of evenings whether you knew how to play poker, and every one of them thought a minute and said you didn't."

He Didn't Know How.

Washington Star.

NEW YORK CENTRAL

"Charley, dear," said young Mrs. Torkins, 'I have done you a great in-justice." "In what way ?"

**HOW'S THIS?** 

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WORTH HIS WEIGHT IN GOLD.

The Maharajah of Travancore was on one occasion, at least, worth his weight in gold, for he was weighed against a pure mass of the king of met-als, and, after the scales were balanced, the mass of gold was distributed in charity. This custom, called "Tulabhara."



newspapers."

He had cursed his clumsiness heartily at the time, but that had not eradicated the stain. He to d himself he might have deluged half the fluffy girls in the room with the stuff, and it would not have mattered. Why his hand need have trembled above this one precious garment was more than he could tell, unless, indeed, it could have been the fault of those magnetic eyes? Afterward he felt a kind of proprietary interest in the frook, and had taken great pains to sel-ect the choicest and most delicate flowers to nestle in its folds until she had stopped the kind attention with that same gentle dignity and independence that made them com-rades and set their friendship high. After her the fluffy girls seemed too After her the fully gris scened tool A Johns Hopkins instructor said of him inslpid for his tastes. He missed in them her freedom and her Joy of iffe. It reflected itself on his own hori-the McGill University, in Montreal, he paused on the street one day beside a cow that had become stubborn and com the freedom and talked socow that had become stubborn and seelf seriously in hand, and talked so-ber, common sense and prescribed a holiday by way of a cure-during which he missed her good fellowshig at every' turn. But, nevertheless upon his travels he met a lady of high degree whose banking account was a password that unlocked many doors and allowed her to patronize a milliner in Paris, who turned her out in such perfection of harmony that even his fastidions eve wa. at-tracted and could find no fault. "What for?' said Osler. out in such perfection of harmony that even his fastidious eye wa. at-tracted and could find no fault. The lady smiled on him without reserve, so openly that his family

She's No Lady.

Belleville Intelligencer. It would appear that about the

biggest mistake Kipling made when he called Canada "Our Lady of the Snows" was in using the term "lady." **There** has been nothing lady-like about this winter.

Minard's Liniment Cures Burns, etc.

Pills for Man and Reast (Toronto World.)

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Dollar Wheat. What tho' the cannons roar and shriek, And battered ships go down? What the' the cruiters spring a leak, And Japs and Russians drown?

The Yankee farmer grins with joy, With happiness complete le notices with glee, my boy, The signs of dollar wheat. He

It is only the fully occupied who have time for everything. Who will not help himself doesn't de serve help.

is one of great antiquity, and is said to be traceable in Travancore to the fourth Rev. R. O. Armstrong, Mulgrave, be traceable in Travancore to the fourth century. It is not unknown in other parts of India, though, of course, gold is only used in the case of wealthy per-sons, humbler folk being content to weigh themshelves against spices or grain. On the occasion mentioned the

grain. On the occasion mentioned the Maharajah weighed a little over nine stone. The Brahmins, it is said, wished to defer the ceremony in the hope that the Maharajah might more nearly ap-proach the weight of his father, who did not undergo the rite until 47 years old, when he weighed 14 3-4 stone.—Golden Penny. Prominence for the Push-button. Penny.

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NATURE A GOOD ARTIFICER, Those Who Try Find it Hard to Improv

Upon Its Handiwork.

Did you know the method of making shot has never changed? No? Well, it's a fact, said the shotmaker, "Hundreds of years ago shot was made in just the same way it is made now. Seems, strange, doesn't it, that with all the improvements in other lines none has been made in this? Oh, yes, plenty of men have tried to find, some better way, but they all have had to give it up and go back to the old shot tower. They wanted to get rid of the high tower, for that is the most expensive part of the plant

for that is the most expensive part of the plant. "You know shot is made by pouring a melted composition of lead and ar-senic through a screen or from a big ladle with a serrated edge at the top of the tower and letting it fall into a tank of water. The drops of lead get perfectly round on their way down, just like rain drops, and by the time they reach the water they are cold enough so they do not flatten out when they strike. Then the water finishes the coolstrike. Then the water finishes the cool

"They have tried dropping the lead through a big tube with a blast of cold air against the outside, and they have tried dropping it through glycerine. But none of these ways seems to work. Why ncne of these ways seems to work. Why car't they improve on it? Well, I sup-pore because the fellow who started making shot found the right way. It's just following the course that nature takes in making hail, and I don't sup-press they can beat her at her own game. That's why they haven't made any improvements."

