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A GARDENED GLADE

"EN PASSANT."

My predecessor, Hypatica, once took occasion to jump on the masculine shirtwaist with both feet, and Hyat least, was beloved. As the sequel shows, she was not so foolishly sentipatica has such enormous feet, too. Hypatica said, that the masculine shirt waist had an unfinished appearance. I believe those were the words William, however, was on the wrong side of politics, just as Mr. Sifton is. with which she condemned it. I am too lazy, however, to look them up He got mixed up in the troubles which followed the downfall of James II., and was forced to quit the country. and make certain. Now, the shirt waist, the masculine shirt waist, let us understand, is a So Annie, who had an eye to bus

shirt waist, let us understand, is a very useful thing. Not that it is ress, bestowed her hand upon a Mr. Fergusson, of Craigdarroch, who did not worry about politics, and Willie When Mr. Man's belt has a tendency to slip up or down and divulge, so to fighting on a continental battle field. speak, the shirt waist's stubby tailthen it is anything but a blessing. Its charm lies elsewhere. It affords the poor man, weary of a monotony of blacks and navy blues and grays, an opportunity to appear in hues more striking.

more striking.
And the men, poor fellows, are tired of blacks and navy blues and grays. They long for a return to the happy times of their ancestors, when a man could rip and tear around as much as he liked, and be as bad and happy as he chose. When green was a fashionable color for waistcoats and sky blue knee pants were all the

Those good times are gone, however—the best man can do now-a-days is to wear a bright plaid tie, and appear in his shirt sleeves in summer. His glory is departed, and comes not unto him again. No more orange doublets and scarlet cloaks. Only he may attain to a certain ghostly imitation of his ancient bril-liancy by wearing a shirt waist, striped red or blue or mauve. Woe to him if he does! Hypatica's foot de-scends like an avalanche, and he is

Mauve! What is mauve, anyway?

I don't know. What a queer assortment of colors women indulge in. A man knows only seven colors at the most—black, white, red, blue, green, yellow, and brown. Sometimes he confounds brown and yellow, and substitutes grey for one of them. grey for one of them. But a woman can at once recognize and name a hundred different colors. She has mauve and fawn and slage and heaven knows what. But she doesn't know a grey cat when she sees one. You are doubtless acquainted with those common, ornery looking cats, clad in a plain confederate grey-the kind of cats you can gather in for a song. To a woman those cats are always blue.

Cats are queer animals. So are men, for that matter. Almost any-thing is queer, if looked at from the proper point of view.

From cats to books is a far cry sudden, quite inexplicable leap, and that leap I am going to make. A year or more ago "David Harum" was the book of the hour. Everybody, following the example of everybody else, lauded it to the skies.

Yet, what was there in the book it-

self? The plot if we can call it plot-was such as no book outside of Sunday school book would have cared to own. There wasn't as much action in it as in a clam. One or two good chapters looked lonely, dejected, forlorn, as if they wondered how they got there-but the rest of the book was a desert of nothingness.

sold to 480,000 copies-a sale which fickle public has denied to better writ ten and more deserving works. scuceeded just because it succeeded and for no other reason, Mr. Brown bought it because everybody else bought it; he praised it because everybody else praised it. Occasionally discerning person saw that there was nothing in it. But then, appearances be deceiving, there might be something in it after all-so the discerning person gushed about the great American novel, and went with the

And I am glad it succeeded; just never expected such things from it who, with a clearer discernment than anyone else, saw in his labors nothing but a pastime-just because he was truthful about it. America lost an honest man when Westcott died; and I am glad for his sake, that "David Harum" turned out as it did

But now it has faded from our mem ories, like a cloud from the summer sky-just like "After the Ball." Eight years have come and gone since that famous song was all the rage-but I never hear it now.

It is a pity the people in those songs are always so unfortunate!

My Mary Sleeps in Tennessee. Ben
Bolt's Sweet Alice lies "under a stone" -let us hope it is a good heavy one. She used to make me sick with her soft, gushing way-

"Who wept with delight, when you gave her a smile, And trembled with fear at your

· An independent sort of girl — the sort of girl in fashion nowadays— would suit me better. So let us bribe the undertaker to put on another stone or two, and keep gushy, mushy Sweet Alice where she lies. We

don't want her.

And I believe there was a song in rogue not so long ago, about "That Fatal Rose of Red." Why will people, when they are in love (or at least, in love-songs) persist in making such absurd mistakes, so that they can get themselves into endless trouble and then come and sing to us about it.

Annie Laurie was different.

SERIES OF SIDELIGHTS

song lasted. It was only in real life that she caused trouble. 'For "Annie Laurie," unlike Sweet Alice, once really lived and loved-or, Douglas had nothing to do except die "Like the dew on the gowan lying Is the fa' of her fairy feet; Like the wind in summer sighing, Her voice is low and sweet.

Her voice is low and sweet, And ne'er forgot shall be, And for bonnie Annie Laurie I'll lay me doon and dee."
Dust and ashes are they all the wo centuries; yet, thanks to a song of a love truer than hers, the fair maid's name is not forgotten.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS. Sassafras-You are mistaken, I believe. "Dianthus" is not the nom plume of Colonel Stafford. . . .

M. C.-Caesar is dead. He died some time ago, I believe. Yes, he wrote "Mary Had a Little Lamb."

Trig. asks-"If a herring and a herring and a half costs a penny and a half, how long would it take Alderman McC-- to go through a barrel of mushrooms?" Referred to Proper-

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X. Q. T .- See answer to Old Sub-

Blew Jay-Your name is appropriate. Idon't know anything about Noah's aunt. Do you mean Delilah?

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osopher" tells us that "things have oftenest nothing in themselves; the whichever way you look. There are stones, fossils, specimens in natural botanist, the chemist, the natural historian. A person not knowing the history of the different articles in the museum would put them in the furnace simply because he had no thoughts attached to them. The same is true of the miniature museums some ladies have in their drawing rooms. great many of us look upon the trinkets as so much rubbish that has to be gone over on dusting days. Not so with our lady friends. This cup and saucer was sent to her from Japan and so was this paper knife. shells were gathered on the sea-shore in England and this little one came from the sea-shore of New England Another cup and saucer was given to her by an old lady forty years ago, and it was oven a hundred years old then. The dried flowers are common

weeds picked close to the base of Gen Brock's monument. in this room. It is on account of the thoughts connected with it that our old grandfathers and grandmothers speak so lovingly of some old log house that gave them birth and around which they played their games of childhood; or of some log school-house where they will soiemnly tell you that the master thrashed them every day. Or it may be that these thoughts are connected with another land from this, away across the sea perchance where the heather blooms

or the shamrock grows.

Then, who has not had some dear old, white-haired lady bring out a bundle of letters, yellow with age, talk for an hour about the writer; or take from a box old, faded rosebuds that can scarcely be recognized as belonging to the rose family and explain what she wore the night she had them on and how she looked and

what someone said to her. Nor is the nation behind the indi-vidual in attaching great value to things, not on account of their intricate worth, but on account of associa tion. We find battle fields marked with monuments and visited yearly by hundreds of people. The real value of such a place would be represented by a few bushels of oats or wheat, but only the other day the Canadian peo ple showed what they thought of al-lowing a battle field to be put to such a use when there was a talk of the Plains of Abraham slipping from national control. Then, how Hay Seed-I didn't get your letter. carefully the nation guards an old "DIANTHUS." tattered flag that has been carried victoriously through some hard fought battle. It may be 4 veritable "small bit of bunting, an old tattered so useless that the ragman would not give a quarter of a cent for it, but who would dare to say ragman in the hearing of one who had spent the day guarding that flag in the face of an enemy's fire?

But it takes the exception to prove the rule and Chatham is the excer connected with the only war Canada ever engaged in with a foreign da She has trophies of that wa laying in the bottom of the river and in her store windows. Thoughts! Why, every cannon ball is full of thoughts, but that does not increase their value to the Chathamite. What do the young boys and girls, that we are trying to teach patriotism, see among the trophies they are so in terested in? A ticket marked "For The arms and ammunition that a hundred years ago our countrymen were willing to spill their blood over before the enemy could touch them have become to their descendants articles of commerce worth so many dollars and cents to be purchased by any one who has the roper amount of silver. If Chat wishes to turn her cannon balls into dollars and cents she better take them to some place where they are appreciated. There is no sale for them here because the appreciation is lacking. If there were there would be no need to stick that "for sale" card in among them. The Historical Society has done its share. The City Council can hardly be blamed for the action they took because the rate is high this year and a great many improvements are needed our streets. It remains for citizens to take the matter up and do something towards removing that card. "For that old timber on the park?" some one will be saying. Yes, for that old timber on the park. Remember "things have oftenest no thing in themselves; the thoughts we attack to them alone give them value? Some of our citizens evidently expected a palatial steamer fully equipped to be raised from the mud of the Thames. They were surprised when they saw the famous ammunition boat that everyone was

talking about and some had so few thoughts in connection with it that thoughts in connection with it that they actually laughed. Or we would rather think they forgot that the boat was built nearly a hundred years ago and that it was burned and scuttled to prevent it becoming a trophy in the hands of an enemy. I know one way to take down that 'For Sale' card. Put it in the hands of the boys and girls of Chatham. Some of the little fellows would trudge to the C. P. R. bridge every night at the risk of going supperless to bed as a punishment for not coming straight home from school. But there is a great deal to be said in opposition to such a plan. Another way would be to interest the ladies. They often such a such matters. Yet another would be for two hundred and fifty people to give a dollar each. It seems as though there ought to be that many

fiers a spleadid opportunity for teachers and others to develop increased earning sower at alimited expense of time and soccy. Write us about it. **GUR REGULAR WORK**

Emile Souvestre in "An Attic Phil- people in Chatham anxious to see that obnoxious card down. Helen Hall would, I know. Now we need but two hundred and forty-nine. If any thoughts we attach to them alone one has another plan to suggest we give them value." Go into a modern would be pleased to hear from them museum and you find a proof of this through this column. This appeal is to our patriotic citizens. There is a great deal for you to do. Not only will our boys and girls, as they grow history galore that are "nothing in themselves" but how valuable to the trophies, but you must supply thoughts to our citizens who laughed

WHAT'S WORN. A pretty summer gown is of blue figured organdie, trimmed with dif-ferent widths of black velvet ribbon. a row of very wide ribbon on the bot-tom and a row of narrower, just above it. The flounce is finished at the top with a row of wide and the narrower about an inch above on the skirt. From the wide ribbon at the top of the flounce straps of black vel-vet baby ribbon about four inches long are sticthed down on the flounce about two inches apart. This makes a very pretty trimming. The bodice has a white yoke in front and is trimmed with the baby ribbon and rosettes. The sleeves have the bell elbow, sleeve, trimmed with the ribbon and an under sleeve of white gathered at the wrist.

Another pretty gown, and one very serviceable for a summer resort is of red organdie with a red underdress. It has a gathered flounce on the bottom of the skirt with about eight rows of black velvet baby ribbon. The top of the flounce is finished with rosettes of the ribbon and festoons also of the ribbon between them. The bodice has the surplice effect in front and is crossed low. No collar is worn thus leaving the throat bare. The sleeves have a deep frill, finished with several rows of the ribbon. —HELEN HALL.

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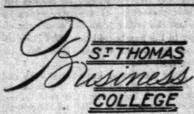
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