### "JUGGLING" THE SCORE AT A "BRIDGE" PARTY

Scorer Triumphantly Announces Herself the Winner of the Pool, Much to Everyone's Amazement-The Card Was a Puzzle-Do You Know This Kind of "Bridge" Lady?

Weekly.]

cure," and no matter how trusty the a second one giving careful audit to every figure put down. One little unit may alter the whole outcome of the battle, and nobody cares to enter a running race with weights on their feet, any more than they wish to play have lost through careless entries or faulty totalling.

one from any point of view, and usually the pad and pencil are laugh-ingly shoved from one to another at beginning of the game. But now and again there is a woman who nom-inates herself the keeper of the score, "Yes, but she got a little slar and when she takes her seat she appropriates the pencil and pad as naturally as she pushes the pack across the table for the others to draw for partners, or cut for deal. Sometimes she does it because she has so often been persuaded to that she takes it as a matter of course, and doesn't wa't for any discussion.

And sometimes there is me thad in "Juggling" the Score

"Nonsense!" some charitable soul says, indignantly. "As if any woman, any nice woman, playing a game of cards among a lot of her friends, is at all likely to 'juggle the score.'

Nevertheless, occasionally it is "juggled," whether though intention or poor eyesight, or inaccurate figuring. is an open question, and will probably continue to be the subject of unpleasant innuendoes and whispered conclusions as long as any woman undertakes the responsible post un-

All this leads back to a little fourtable affair at a house beyond the Ravine not so very many days ago Everything went gaily and smoothly at three of the tables, where twelve congenial spirits went in for a jolly enjoyable game. They risked to the limit of daring, and if they lost, they got off with a laughing apology. Nobody scolded. Nobody halted the game to tell somebody else what she should have done, or demand her reason for not doing something other than what No one was lectured for playing "high and low," or leading way I keep score," declared the other, from a singleton. Nobody had some somewhat mollified, and the question hard and fixed rule hurled at them at melted into the more satisfying and every slip. It was altogether pleasant, peaceable afternoon for the women at the three tables. They were

A Different Atmosphere.

the fourth group. They agreed among to the prize of the hostess, and as the quite smile. game proceeded it developed into a "It takes all sorts of people to make in the life of the present Parliament. pected to make a venture unless she and thirty-six points.

By the Ferret in the Toronto Star | was reasonably sure of the odd trick Anything "risky" was frowned upon A slip was never condoned or allowed A little incident occurred the other to pass unnoticed and the element of tun was gradually crowded out altogood old sayings: "There is no use in sether. But business-like as three of crying over spilt milk," and "No use ocking the stable door when the horse ably short-sighted. They left the But there is common sense most important feature of the gamein the recipe "prevention is better than the keeping of the score—in the hands woman may be who is scoring at a kept any sort of the ask now and bridge affair, there should always be again: "What is the score please?" kept any sort of check on it, except But surprise reigned when at the conclusion of the game the scorer triimphantly announced herself the win-

"Are you really?" one woman ques a careful, scientific game of cards for tion doubtfully. I was sure Mrs. some sort of stake, only to find they Blank was away ahead. She made such high rubbers. I am pleased, of course, that you won, but I am awfully The post of scorer is not a desir- surprised. I was so positive Mrs.

Blank was winning." "Yes, she made a capital score, but made better," the alleged winner re affirmed, with a satisfied laugh, "That "Yes, but she got a little slam wice, and she made 'no trumps' nearly every time. I thought she had a ter-

rific score."
"I can't help it, mine was higher Perhaps you had better check it over

Whole Page a Problem A little indignantly, and with par onable resentment in her she shoved over her pad, and the in-"I went over dividual score paper. it very carefully, but I may have been inaccurate. You had better look i over as you seem to think there is some doubt as to who is the highest "This," she finished, pointedly, "is the last time I will take the thankless task of scoring at any bridge. Two of the women hesitatingly

drew the score towards them, and glanced apologetically at it. might just as well have tried to un ravel a tangled skein of wool. A figure was erased in one column and carried over to the other, 28 was altered into a heavily-pencilled 18, and little crook at the top of each 1 made it a question as to whether it was intended for a one or a two. whole page was a problem that required time to set straight, and they shoved it aside Just 136 Points Out,

Mrs. Blank laughed good-naturedly and tossed the paper into a crumbled ounch into the waste paper basket "It's all right, my dear. Don't both er about it," she said pleasantly. am sure you kept it beautifully. "Yes, I rather pride myself on the way I keep score," declared the other

palatable one of tea and cake. But after she had gone, with her purse fatter for the addition of the there for amusement, and they never pool and a fragile prize carried carereally "playing." "We don't need to woman surreptitiously abstracted the be solemn,' said one joyfully. "We are crumpled bunch of paper from the waste basket and took it home with the year's programme. equally determined to satisfy troublesome doubts. She put a good half hour's work into solving the questhemselves to have a pool in addition was finished, she looked up with a

business affair. Rules had to be a world," she said wonderingly. "Mrs. strictly adhered to. No one was ex- Blank was ahead by just one hundred

## Prospects of British Government After Six Years of Power

[A. G. Gardiner in Fortnightly Review.]

"With the reopening of Parliament, the Government enter definitely upon a new phase of their career," writes of a Government to spend its major-Daily News, in the Fortnightly Re-

has carried through a body of legisla- sent Government of rusting out. idle to suggest that it has done all this without sacrifice.

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Mr. A. G. Gardiner, the editor of the ity like gentlemen.' The advice was sound. No Government, even though it were composed of a company of "The Liberal party has now been archangels, could resist the attrition in power more than six years. It has of time and of events. It must either Liberal party under an overwhelming won three successive general elec- wear out or rust out, If it does not handicap in comparison with their options, has passed triumphantly through die of its activities, it will die of its prolonged constitutional crisis, and sterility. No one will accuse the pretion which has changed the social it is spending its majority, it is spendstructure of the state. It would be ing it 'like gentlemen' on great adventures and the courageous handling of large problems. The political his tory of this country will be searched follows, therefore, as a consequence of burst into the for in vain for a record comparable with the parliament act, that the Liberals never saw it end. the legislative harvest of the last six ears, and considering the variety of nterests which have been affected, wholly disadvantageous. and the many antagonisms which have been aroused, it is not surprising that at the beginning of the seventh year of office the Government face Parliament, not, it is true, with diminished courage, but with an increased respect for the forces ranged against them. "The grant of self-government to South Africa, the establishment of old

age pensions, the restoration of sound methods of finance-these and other hievements made the first three years far from unproductive. But the act remained that at the end of the third session little had been done to redress the grievances of the Government's supporters or to inaugurate the promised schemes of social reform. The steady opposition of the House of Lords was breaking down under the morale of the party. In the country the tide was turning, and speculation was rife as to the date of the next election, and the dimensions of the

probable defeat. "This was the situation at the opening of 1909. Then came a dramatic change in the fortunes of the Govern-ment. The influence of Mr. Lloyd George became the dominant factor n the Government's policy and strategy, and it is not too much to say that the history of the next three years is the history of the most brilliant cavalry leader in the annuls of British politics. In the face of much internal opposition, he produced the budget 909, with its historic land clauses, and by that sudden raid into the enemy's cuntry he turned the whole tide of attle, precipitated a conflict with the Lords on the issue least favorable to them-the land-and so compassed their overthrow. The prestige of this victory, coupled with the resistless energy of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, secured, concurrently with the passing of the parilament bill, the enactment of the most complex and farreaching measure of social reform on

### WHEN DAD WAS A BOY. By John T. McCutcheon.

AMMINIMITATION.

"I bet yer glad to be out again, haint you, Johnny?"

to the obligatory tasks of the party Three of those tasks are included in Let's enjoy ourselves. It's her. She felt horribly guilty, but home rule, Welsh disestablishment, and electoral reform. Any one of these main business of a normal session; tion that evening, but when her task but for an obvious reason none of them can be postponed if legislation in regard to it is to be carried through

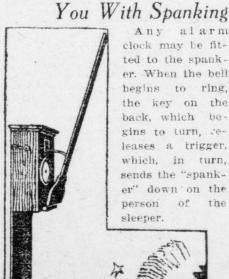
> How the Parliament Act Works. "The parliament act, though it limits he veto of the House of Lords, still eaves to that chamber great powers To make the will he House of Commons prevail over the opposition of the Lords on any issue, three sessions are necessary. An autumn session may serve for the final presentation of a bill to the Lords. out even so, it will be seen that two years of office are still required if the Government are to carry through the programme of the present session. This consideration governs their proedure. They cannot delay the introduction of these measures presuming upon a further effective life of three years, which is more than their supporters would permit them

A Limited Victory.

"The fact reveals the limited dimensions of the victory over the Lords. ponents. The Conservatives, free from menace from the Lords, can carry through a specific measure in a single The Liberals, for the same end, reckon on a life of three sessions, with all the perils and uncertainties which such a reckoning implies. It when in power must drive their horses three or four abreast. Nor is this "The extension of the committee

system has increased the possibilities of legislation, and has given new spheres of activity, other than the smoking-room, to the private member."

Alarm Clock Wakes



## WOMAN SPY AND BULL RUN

Information She Sent the Confederacy Caused Federal Defeat.

O CONTROL O GRANDO O Stories of spics, or to give them | ing Washington to accept the appoint he more technical title, secret service agents, are always interesting, and federate army at Manassas, broached they lose none of their fascination to Mr. Greenhow the subject of a when the subject happens to be a wo- secret military correspondence. What

profited by the efforts of feminine he asked her. partisans; but perhaps no more far-reaching result was achieved by any them than the Federal defeat at Bull Run The part played by Mrs. Greenhow, Washington woman, who acted as

a spy for the Confederacy, is told by William Gilmore Beymer in Harper's. During the Buchanan administration, Mrs. Greenhow was one of leaders of Washington society. She was a southerner by birth, but dent of Washington from her girlhood; widow, accomplished, wealthy and noted for her wit and her forceful per-

Her home was the rendezvous of Washington. She was personally ac- campaign hinged. It was Mr. (quainted with all the leading men of how who gave the Information. the country, many of whom had paraken of her hospitality.

sonal friend; a friend, too, was William H. Seward, then senator from from Mrs. Greenhow. The message New York; her niece, a granddaughter of Dolly Madison, was the wife of Stephen A. Douglas. It was in such Manassas by Fairfax court house and company that she watched with burning interest the war clouds grow and darken over Charleston Harbor, then burst into the four years' storm; she

Among her guests at this time was Col. Thomas Jordan, who before leav-

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Ah, what would she not do! Then he told her how someone in Washing ton was needed by the south, of the mportance of the work which might or the task. And that night before he left the house he gave her a cipher ode and arranged that her dispatches o him were to be addressed to 'Thomas John Rayford."

"Washington lay ringed about with camps of new formed regiments, drilling feverishly," writes Mr. Beymer Already the press and public raised the cry, 'On to Richmond!' When would they start? Where would those prominent in official life in points that the Confederate plan of campaign hinged. It was Mr. Green-

"To General Beauregard at Manas aken of her hospitality. | sas, where he anxiously awaited tid-President Buchanan was a close percame about July 10 the first message told of the intended advance of the enemy across the Potomac and on to Centreville.

"It was brought into the Confeder ate lines by a young lady of Washington, Miss Duval, who, disguised as market girl, carried the message to house near Fairfax court house, occu pied by the wife and daughters, southern born, of an officer in the Federal army. General Beauregard at once ommenced his preparations for reeiving the attack, and sent one of his aids to President Davis to communi cate the information and to urge the immediate concentration of the scat tered Confederate forces.

"But still the Federal start was de layed, and the precise date was as in definite as ever. It was during this period of uncertainty that G. Donellan, who before joining the Confederates had been a clerk in the department of he interior, volunteered to return to Washington for information. armed with two words, "Trust bearer," in Col. Jordan's cipher, and was sen cross the Potomac with instructions to report to Mrs. Greenhow.

"He arrived at the very moment that she most needed a messenger. Hastily writing in cipher her all-important dispatch, 'Order issued for McDowel to move on to Manassas tonight,' she gave it to Donellan, who was taken y her agents in a buggy, with relays of horses, down the eastern shore of the Potomac to a ferry near Dumfries, where he was ferried across. Cavalry couriers delivered the dispatch into General Beauregard's hands that night,

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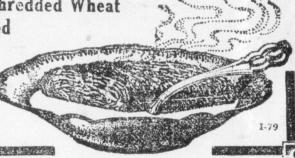
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