

THE QUEEN'S TOKEN

Louis de Valmont unclasped his short riding cloak at the throat, and put his hand into the breast of his coat. "There is but one such level in existence," he said, "and you must have seen it, for you were present at the marriage of the Queen of Scots with the Dauphin."

hands and white placed it, and concealed with which skill we have, and what precaution we can take. A statement of the nature, the destination and the hiding-place of the treasure must be made to you, my son, and kept constantly in the possession of the other of us so that the holder, in the hour of supreme danger, or that of death, may have it in his power to communicate the knowledge of another who in his turn can, if called upon to do so, fulfill your brother's intention.

THE TOWER OF BABEL'S DIMENSIONS

AN ANCIENT GREEK DOCUMENT UNDERSTAKES TO THROW LIGHT UPON THEM.

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THE BORROWERS

By Edwin L. Sabin, in "What to Eat."

The first van-load of goods had just been deposited on the premises of our new home, and my wife and I were vainly wondering how many days it would take us to create a paradise out of our chaos, when from somewhere appeared in our midst a slip of a girl, scrawny, dirty and spiritless, who announced, in a thin voice, without any preliminaries:

My dear, because their supply had soured, Mrs. J., who is altogether too kind-hearted, gave her half a pint. It might be well to state here that matches, eggs, cream, bread, flour and other staples were to be repaid to us, but the cash, however, is not likely to be ample testimony.

CHAPTER III.

The sky was red on the morning of the day when Louis de Valmont set sail from the south-west harbor after a grave leaving-taking with his brother. From on the quarter of the old abbey, Brother Cyriac looked on the face of the heavens, musing on the strange event which had befallen him, and yielding to his persistent thought that evil was to come of his brother's departure.

QUEER THINGS TO EAT.

Opotus is largely eaten in the Isle of Jersey. Peric acid, a component of lyddite, is used to adulterate beer. Hedgehog, baked in a clay oven, is a dish any epicure might envy.

NO WOMEN'S PRISONS.

Austria is the only country in the world which never puts a woman in prison. Instead of giving the female criminal so many months in the cell, she is sent to a reformatory, where her record, to one or two years, is devoted to the purpose of reformation.