John's neck I measured to be true. The band must fit—that much I knew I'd heard so oft. All else I drew And puckered in.

At last twas done. A work of art, Complete, I hoped in every part. "Come, John," I called with quaking i "Try on your shirt."

And such behavior, language, w. He uttered things I'll never tell— I may forget them when I dwell In higher spheres. O woman of the present day To you's inscribed this little lay; You little know the man you pay Your homage to,

THE SISTERS

But they had no sooner alighted and shaken out their skirts than down from the terrace stepped Mr. Westmoreland, the first and most substantial instalment of expected cavaliers, to assist the major to convoy his party to the field. Mr. Westmoreland was unusually alert and animated, and he pounced upon Eleanor, after hurriedly saluting the other ladies, with such an open preference that Mrs. Duff-Scott re-adjusted her schemes upon the spot. If the young man insisted upon choosing the youngest instead of the middle one, he must be allowed to do so, was the matron's prompt conclusion. She would rather have begun at the top and worked downwards, leaving

man insisted upon choosing the youngest instead of the middle one, he must be allowed to do so, was the matron's prompt conclusion. She would rather have begun at the top and worked downwards, leaving fair Eleanor to be disposed of after the elder sisters were settled; but she recognized the wisdom of taking the goods the gods provided as she could get them.

"I do declare," said Mr. Westmoreland, looking straight at the girl's face, framed in the soft little bonnet, and the pale blue disc of her parasol, "I do declare I never saw anybody look so—so—"

"Come, come," interrupted the chaperon, "I don't allow speeches of that sort." She spoke quite sharply, this astute diplomatist, so that the young man who was used to being allowed, and even encouraged, to make speeches of that sort, experienced the strange sensation of feing snubbed, and was half inclined to be sulky over it; and at the same moment she quietly seconded his maneuvres to get the Eleanor's side, and took care that he had his chances generally for the rest of the day.

Meanwhile Mrs. Duff Scott, in the care of Mr. Westmoreland, awaited their return on the lawn, slowly sweeping to and fro, with her train rustling over the grass behind her, and feeling that she had never enjoyed a Cup Day half so much before. Her girls were admired to her heart's content, and she literally basked in the radiance of their success. She regarded then, indeed, with an enthusiasm of affection and interest that her husband felt to be the most substantial safeguard against promisuous philanthropy that had yet been afforded her. How hungrily she had longed for children of her own! How she had envied other women their grown and adultare, and not a relative or connection in the world, she did not know how to restrain the extravagance of her satisfaction. As she rustled majestically up and down the lawn, with one fair girl on one side of her and one on the charming orphans, who had beauty, and breeding, and dulture, and not a relative or connection in the world, she did not know

s she liked. najor kept Elizabeth walking abou The major kept Elizabeth walking about with him until the hour appreached for the Maiden Plate race and luncheon. And when at last they joined their party they found that Mrs. Duff-Scott was already getting together her guests for the latter entertainment. She was seated on a bench, between Eleanor and Patty, and before her stood a group of men, in various attitudes of animation and repose, conspicuous amongst whom was the tall form of Mr. Kingscote Valvatine. Elizabeth had only had distant

because she had not sought it for herself; but now the girl saw, with a quickened pulse, that the happiness of speaking to him again was in store for her. He seemed to be aware of her approach as soon as she was within sight, and lifted his head and turned to watch her—still sustaining his dialogue with Mrs. Duff-Scott, who had singled him out to talk to; and Elizabeth, feeling his eyes upon her, had a sudden sense of discomfort in her beautiful dress and changed surroundings. She was sure that he would draw comparisons, and she did not feel herself elevated by the new dignities that had been conferred upon her.

Coming up to her party, she was introduced to several strangers—amongst others, to the husband Mrs. Duff-Scott had selected for her, a portly widower with a grey beard—and in the conversation that ensued she quite ignored the only person in the group of whose presence she was distinctly conscious. She neither-looked at him nor spoke to him, though aware of every word and glance and movement of his until presently they were all standing upon the slope of grass connecting the terrace with the lawn to see the first race as best they by his side. And not only by his side, but, as those who could not gain a footing upon the stam congregated upon the terrace leevation, gradually wedged against him almost as tightly as on the former memorable occasion. Below them stood Mrs. Duff-Scott, protected by Mr. Westmorelland, and Patty and Eleanor, guarded vigilantly by the little major. It was Mr. Yelverton himself who had quietly seen and seized upon his chance of renewing his original relations with Elizabeth.

"Miss King," he said, in a low tone of authority, "take my arm—it will steady you."

you."
She took his arm, and felt at once that she was in shelter and safety. Strong as she was, her impulse to lean on him was almost irresisting.

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"Now, give me your parasol," he said. The noonday sun was pouring down, but at this critical juncture the convenience of the greatest number had to be considered, and unselfish women were patiently exposing their best complexions to destruction. Of course Elizabeth declared she should do very well until the race was over. Whereupon her companion took her parasol gently from her hand, opened it, and held it—as from his great height he was able to doso that it shaded her without incommoding other people. And so they stood, in silent enjoyment, both thinking of where and how something like this—and yet something so different—had happened before, but neither, of them saying a word to betray their thoughts, until the first race was run, and they were summoned by Mrs. Duff-Scott to follow her to the carriage-paddock for lunch.

CROSS PURPOSES.

Paul, who was a good talker, was giving his companion an animated account of the French plays going on at one of the theatres just then—which she had not yet been to got and describing with great warmth the graceful and finished acting of charming Madame Andree, when he was suddenly aware of Patty King passing close beside him. Patty was walking at her chaprenon's side, with her head erect, and her white parasol, with its pink lining, held well back over her shoulder, a vision of loveliness in her diaphanous drees. He caught his breath at when—to his deep dismay and surprise—she swept haughtily past him, meeting his eyes firmly, with a cold disdain, but making no sign of recognition.

The blood rushed into his face, and he see his teeth, and waked on silently, not seeing where he went. For a moment he felt stunned with the shock. Then he was brought to himself by a harsh laugh, from Mrs. Aarons. "Department" said she, in a suppropriate of the contemporary of the major of the contemporary of the propriate of the sum of the contemporary of the major of the c

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roy Gardens. And then he cut her—des

CHAPTER XXIII. MR. YELVERTON'S MISSION On a Thursday evening in the race week two days after the "Cup," Mrs. Duff-cott took her girls to the Town Hall to ne of a series of concerts that were given arian pianist, and the Austrian band that ad come out to Melbourne to give eclat to

It was a fine, clear night, and the great hall was full when they arrived, notwithstanding the fact that half-a-dozen theatres were open and displaying their most attractive novelties, for music-loving souls are pretty numerous in this part of the world, taking all things into consideration. Australians may not have such an enlightened appreciation of high-class music as, say, the educated Viennese, who live- and breathe and have their being in it. There are, indeed, sad instances on record of a great artist, or a choice combination of artists, indeed, sad instances on record of a great artist, or a choice combination of artists, having appealed in vain for sympathy to the Melbourne public—that is to say, having found not-numbers of paying and applanding disteners, but only a select and fervent few. But such instances are rare, and to be accounted for as the result, not of indifference, but of inexperience. The rule is—as I think most of our distinguished musical visitors will testify—that we are a people peculiarly ready to recognize whatever is good that comes to yes, and to acknowledge and appreciate it with ungrudging generosity. And so the Austrian band, though it had many critics,

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It's an awful pitty, for he really would be a good fellow."

At the word "philanthropy," the major made a clandestine grinace to Elizabeth, but composed his face immediately, seeing that she was not regarding him, but gazing with serious eyes at the narrator of Mr. Yelverton's peculiarities.

"Ile's been poking into every hole and corner," continued Mr. Westmoreland "since he came here, overhauling the

factory places, and finding out the prices of things, and the land regulations, and I don't know what. He's just been to Sandhurst, to look at the mines—doing a little amateur emigration business, I expect Seems a strange thing," concluded the young man, thoughtfully, "for a rich swell of his class to be bothering himself about things of that sort." Mrs. Daff-Scott had been listening attentively, and at this she roused herself and set up in her chair. "It is the rich who should do it," said she with energy. "And I admire him—I admire him, that he has given up his own selfish case to help

chapter XXIV. AN OLD STORY. dow curtains and portieres. The color of it was such as required a strong light show how beautiful it was, but with a pr erve, and to mark its unoster eriority over the glittering salons various artistic devices, judiciously dis buted over the abundant table space so a glass chandeliers, either from necesschoice. "Pooh ?" Mrs. Duff-Scott u retort, hearing of this just criticis s if I wanted it to light up?" Butch tompromised with her principles in The rule is—as I think most of our distinguished musical visitors will testify—that we are a people peculiarly ready to recognize whatever is good that comes to us, and to acknowledge and appreciate it with ungrudging generosity. And so the Austrian band, though it had many critics, never played to a thin addience or to instantive cars; and no city in Europe (according to his own death-bed testimony) ever offered such incense of loving enthusiasm to Ketten's genius as burnt steadily in Melbourne from the moment that he laid his fingers on the keyboard, at the Opera House, until he took his reluctant departure. This, I hasten to explain (test I should be accused of "blowing"), is not due to any exceptional virtue of discripnination on our part, but to our good fortune in having inherited an enterprising and, active intelligence from the brave men who had the coards and abundant leisure to enjoy themselves.

Mrs. Duff-Scott sailed into the hall, with her girls around her, and many eyes were turned to look at them and to watch their

achies and pains if I had control of large means! What a good word 'means' is, isn'tit? We want 'means' for all the ends we seek—no matter what they are."
"I thought," said Elizabeth, "that you were rich. Mr. Westmoreland told us go."

(To be continued.)

The Russian Czarina. People usually sympathize with the Czarina of Russia, considering her a frail little womap, always dreading the explosion of a bomb, but, contrary to public opinion, Her Majesty is the bright star of Russian society, the leader of fashion and the

St. Peter—Who are you?
Applicant—An humble Texas rain maker.
St. Peter—Um! You'd better apply one
story below. They've been complaining of
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settled.—New York Herald.

—Poet (in newspaper office)—Have you an efficient staff. Editor—Perhaps not; but I have a very effective club.

The wayward young man, broken in health, has gone to the far southwest to recuperate. He was in jail at Tombstone, Ariz., for stealing a hindquarter of beef. In the loneliness of his cell he sat down and wrote as follows: "Dear Father—I have picked up some flesh since I came out here, but I am still confined to my room. Please send me \$100," etc., etc.

The estimate of the world's population 1890 is, as follows: Europe, 380,200,000;
Asia, \$50,000,000; Africa, 127,000,000; Asstrahsia, 4,730,000; North America, \$6,420,000; total, 1,487,600,000.

De Style (first day on a farm)—Horror

The free massed.

Mr. Davies asked that an item of \$12,500 for the steamer Admiral between Campbell the report of the Privileges and Elections.

Committee upon the Tarte charges is presented.

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Mr. Laurier pointed out that if it were found by the committee, as had been stated, that that vessel was only worth \$16,000.

Mr. Haggart laid on the table a correction of the census returns for the District of Alberta, which showed the population to be allowed, which showed the population to be allowed by \$2,000,000 for carrying mails, which shows at the amount paid the Grand Trunk 'ast year was \$327,825 for next year the subsidy would that the amount paid the Grand Trunk 'ast year was \$37,825 for additional service in Mr. Haggart and Bruce, Georgian Bay and Lake Eric. The amount paid the Grand Trunk 'ast year was \$37,825 for next year the subsidy would and Vancouver, \$28,950 increased rate between Montreal and St. John, \$25,670 for the New Brunswick, said that the result of the Missouri brane, and \$100 for the Kentent of the Missouri brane, and \$100 for the Grand Trunk 'ast year, said in this province, he could not see how the Government could refuse to pay other clerical gentlemen in other pay other clerical gentleme And He Wants 10,000 hammer of the House of Journal of

Mr. Dewdney—They are all Roman Jatholies.
Sir Richard Cartwright—This is a decarture with which the House should have been acquainted. This should have been rought down as a special vote. Out of 6,000 spent among the Indians of New Srunswick S1,000 has been appropriated for he payment of salaries of a number of lergymen. That was not contemplated by he House, when the money was voted, Jergymen in various parts of the Dominion are devoted a great—deal of time to the

Clergymen in various parts of the Dominion have devoted a great deal of time to the spiritual welfare of the Indians. If we are going to pay these men, I do not know where you are going to draw the line. This is a question of considerable importance, and I would like to have further information as to how long these gentlemen have been paid, and what relations they occupy towards the Indians.

Mr. Girouard presented the report of the Privileges and Elections Committee, embodying and endorsing the following report of a sub-committee upon the resignation of Thomas McGreevy, the contestation of his seat, and the issue by the Speaker of his warrant for a new election in Quebe West:

A young son of the governor of an eastern state was asked in school the other day whe the governor was. "My father," was the reply. "What is his name?" "I dunno, said the child, "only mamma calls him Bulle."

The engagement of Miss May Mortin The engagement of alls May Mortaner Talmage, second daughter of Rev. Dr. Talmage, to Daniel D. Mamgam, jun., a wealthy young grain merchant, is an nounced. The marriage will not take place until the early winter.

The widow of Hannibal Hamlin was his second wife, and was the half sister of his first wife.

A French mechanic of 53 committed suicide because he had lost the power to drink. He left a letrer saying: "One glass of liquor mades me ill now. As I can-not live without drinking I am killing my-

Asstrabate, 4.730,000; North. America, 36,420,000; North. America, 372,000; South America, 36,420,000; De Style (inst day on a farm)—Horror Our host is going to eat dinner in his shirt sleeves. Mr. De Style (mopping his forehad)—Thank heaven: Then I can too.

The agricultural prespects in India have taken a turn for the better, and the affected districts of Madras and Hyderalad are also improving.

It is reported that Chancellor von Caprivi and Count Kalnoky have had a long and carnest conference on the Dardanelles question, and that they will likely advise England not be be precipitate in her action. They hope that time will solve the day of 27th August last, he between the same that they will kilkely advise England not be be precipitate in her action. They hope that time will solve the day of 27th August last, he between the form the ground, fell, and lighting on a piled brief on his resolutions were an eleventum of the day of 27th August last, he between the continuous of the day of 27th August last, he between the form the control of the day of 27th August last, he between the form the control of the day of 27th August last, he between the form the control of the day of 27th August last, he between the form the control of the day of 27th August last, he between the form the control of the day of 27th August last, he between the form the control of the day of 27th August last, he between the control of the day of 27th August last, he between the control of the day of 27th August last, he between the control of the day of 27th August last, he between the control of the day of 27th August last, he between the control of the day of 27th August last, he between the control of the day of 27th August last, he between the control of the day of 27th August last, he between the control of the day of 27th August last, he between the control of the day of 27th August last, he between the control of the day of 27th August last, he between the control of the day of 27th August last, he between the control of the day of 2

spread with a small soft brush.

The operator then sat down for a few minutes, presumably to give his work a chance to cool. Resuming the operation, he rubbed the bald pate briskly with a chamois and several soft brushes of several sizes until the scalp was radiant and so slippery that should a venturesome fly have attempted to gambol thereon he would surely have broken his neck.

The contrivance before mentioned was taken off the customer's head and the finishing touches made on the bald corners that had been covered up; the saruly rim of hair and the flowing acolian side whiskers were dyed a brilliant black and the operation was completed. The customer and attendant, left the room, and the watcher, who was almost convulsed with laughter, followed unseen.

Shortly after he engaged Louie in a conversation, and the latter said: "Well, yes, I admit I make a few pennies out of that little annex of mine. You see in the summer time bald heads, becoming roughs and dirty, afford a well-patronized camping ground for flies. To avoid these discomforts the victim avails himself of any method of offering relief. That's natural, isn't.' Well, my invention answers the purpose exactly. The polish lasts for several days, keeps the head cool, affords no foothold for flies and is not injurious, as many so-called hair restores are. One of my customers told me that before trying my plan he had used many recipes for restoring his hair. On go no occasion, he said, after using a restorer he put't a bright new silver dollar in his spants pocket, and taking the coin out several days later, found it as black as ink. The nitrate of silver had so permeated hair restores are. One of my customers told me that before trying my plan he had used many recipes for restoring his hair. On go no occasion, he said, after using a restorer he put't a bright new silver dollar in his spants pocket, and taking the coin out several days later, found it as black as ink. The nitrate of silver had so permeated his system that it even discolored the coin in h

A freshman in a college in the city, says he "Youth's Companion," was anxious to nail a letter. Having been told to drop it out of the building and ran down the street. He saw a red box, but could find no opening in which to put his letter. He searched for any possible direction on the box, and noticed in large letters "Ring twice."

He rang twice and waited to see what would happen, expecting a door to fly open into which he could drop the letter. Suddenly an open buggy dashed up, and a man in blue uniform jumped out.

"Where is it?" he demanded.
"Here it is, thank you," said the freshman. "Please mail it at once."

The fire-captain looked at the letter and then at the retreating student's figure. ling and ran down the stree

then at the retreating student's figure.
Then he dropped the letter into the box across the street, reported the false alarm and went back to the station.

Juvenile Precaution. Anxious Mother-What in the world did ou do during the terrible thunderstorm? Little Dick—I got under a tree. Mother—Horrors! Don't you know a ce is a most dangerous place in a thunderorm ? Little Dick-Oh, I jumped out every

Sure Signs. He—Do you think they have been married long?
She—Yo—on their honeymoon, I guess. She is trying to appear economical and he is trying equally hard to appear generous.

A New Thing in Torture. "I think I'll give up that dentist o "What's the trouble? Does he do poor "No, his work is excellent; but when he bees any filling, and has stuffed my mouth with tissue paper, he begins talking on the ariff question. The man's a fool."

New York Press: Mr. Benedict—What's o day the anniversary of? The Johnstown ood, Garfield's assassination, the firing of ort Sumter, or— Mrs. B.—Why, it's the anniversary of or

arriage. Mr. B.—H'm! I knew it was somethi Mr. 15.—H m! I knew it was sometimes like that.

While engaged in reforming the styles of woman's dress the Chautauqua world-improvers utterly forgot a very important point. Beauty is all well enough, but the invention of a device whereby a woman's pocket could be found without the aid of a search light and a sheriff s posse would have been of nuch more practical value.

New York has one clean street, and the city is so surprised it scarcely knows whether it is tuberculosis or Bright's disease that ails it.

He—By Jove, I wish I could prove the depth of my affection for you! She—You might break your engagement with Miss Brown as a start.

Australia, it would appear, has—some like that.

Australia, it would appear, has som gigantic caterpillars. A. S. Orliff, of Sydney

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mentions one moth larva, abundant during the summer season, which is from seven to twelve inches long.