



Showing how verdure has over-spread the ruins of the Eve Victor Hugo.

PORT DE FRANCE, Martinique, April 21—When on a May morning four years ago an expedition which had been hurried to the scene of the St. Pierre disaster brought the ruins into view, there was a touch of utter desolation, each drift of scoria and volcanic ash over all of the sacred and blood-stained region that the generally expressed opinion was that never a green thing could ever grow there again. The writer, who was a member of that first expedition, has been afforded an opportunity of visiting the ruins again. And such marvels has this tropical nature wrought throughout these last four years! Greenness everywhere save on the slopes of Pelee itself, and in the deep gorges and elevations of that lava river whose turbulent brown billows look as though they had suddenly solidified when in the moment of their most violent action. Over the gray walls green things have crept, bushes—some of them twenty and thirty feet in height—have sprung up in such rank profusion as to make difficult a passage through them, and beneath the



quenching among the ruins of St. Pierre

SURE TO BE A BIG AUDIENCE

Rush Yesterday for Seats for Benefit Concert in York Theatre

The rush to book seats for the San Francisco sufferers relief fund concert in York Theatre tomorrow night, cannot be overestimated. There is every indication that there will be a large audience. No two organs have been expressed about the quality of the entertainment. The names of those appearing on the programme are a sufficient guarantee that the audience will receive excellent value in return for their patronage and the cause is one which cannot fail to appeal to all who would contribute their mite to the fund now being raised. The Turner-Walker-Bly concert party will naturally be one of the most attractive features of the entertainment. Under the direction of W. Spencer Jones, the programme, this talented combination is now on a tour through the lower provinces and Newfoundland.

FORTNIGHTLY CLUB

Dinner Brings Season of Meetings to a Close.

The seventh annual dinner of the Fortnightly Club was held in White's restaurant last evening, and was a pronounced success. The speakers were many and in excellent form, and a few of the subjects treated were rather novel, notably How I Won My Election, by J. B. M. Baxter, and How I Would Treat the Wife Better, by Police Clerk Geo. A. Henderson. The remarks of Capt. B. Armstrong, who gave active service in South Africa, were also heard with much interest. He spoke on How I Felt in Battle. The president, Dr. H. C. Wetmore, presided.

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NEW LUNENBURG SCHOONER WRECKED

Lunenburg, N. S., April 24 (Special)—W. C. Smith & Co. received word today from Captain Cook, of the fishing schooner Hiawatha, stating that the vessel had run ashore at Point Michael (C. B.), and was a total loss. The crew were all saved.

ODDFELLOWS CELEBRATE

Gathering Last Evening in Commemoration of 87th Anniversary.

There was a large gathering of Oddfellows in Simonds street hall last evening, when the 87th anniversary of the founding of the order was celebrated by the local lodge.

JUDGE TUCK HINTS OF RETIREMENT

Woodstock, N. B., April 24 (Special)—Carleton circuit court opened at 11 o'clock this morning, the chief justice presiding. Having selected James E. Drysdale as foreman, the jury was addressed by his honor. He complimented them on the fact that there was only one criminal case before them, and that not of a serious character, and caused by trouble over land.

DR. SHOOP'S RHEUMATIC TABLETS

Former New Brunswick Physician Dead

Dr. T. T. Beveridge Succumbs to Pneumonia in Appleton, Wisconsin.

Dr. Beveridge married Lydia A. daughter of the late Oliver McLauslan.

A PERFECTLY PLAIN PROPOSITION

The Story of a Girl and a Gold Mine

BY MAPAVENE KENNEDY.

The smooth gold button with its one little rough spot fascinated Lorene. She turned it over and over, holding it up to the sunlight, letting it fall, a glittering mass, in her lap. Deller's eyes brightened. "And you got that gold from the sand around here," he asked his fellow-guest. "I've heard about the gold in the Adirondacks, but I never took any stock in the report. You must have used a whole mountain to get that button—I've done considerable assaying myself—it's about \$20, isn't it?"

"Just \$21, exactly," he waited a moment, impressively—"we got it from one ton of sand—about five miles from here."

"So you know there must be a secret process, eh? Well, it's a simple one. It costs only a dollar a ton to recover the gold. And not five miles from Stratoga, as I have just said, are millions of tons of gold-bearing sand carrying from \$5 to \$80 a ton. It's the biggest paying proposition in this country. Here I am with you, though, and I'm sure to cover my living expenses, yet I virtually possess more wealth than the Rockefellers." He laughed humbly.

Lorene laid the precious button in his extended hand and watched him with eager eyes as he moved leisurely to the other end of the long piazza. Quiet, gentlemanly, with calm brown eyes and thick brown hair, he seemed to Lorene to be the very distinguished-looking man. The girl turned to her brother. "He has a granddaughter ten years old. He doesn't look old enough, does he, except his hair?" said Deller. "He has a granddaughter!" said Deller. "He has a granddaughter!" said Deller. "He has a granddaughter!" said Deller.

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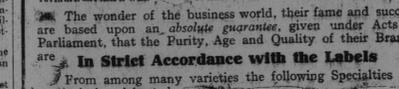
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