An old woman was going about, gathering up the scattered stalks, and lay-ing them on a yellow wall of wheat that

It was the woman he had met in th

He watched her, wondering if she would betray him. She must know that he was somewhere in the neighborhood. He looked at the cabin door

and fancied that he saw someone inside. Then he turned his head back-

ward and listened. There was no

Then he laid his cheek to the earth,

where the weeds would cover his head pushed it out toward the path, and looked up to Palestrina. Nearly all the city was in a clear pale light, only

the higher points being still red. There

was a movement along the road of men

and women and animals going up to

the town after their day's work, as

they used to do when he was a boy.

On the mountain-top the hamlet of San

As he tooked voices came up the path. He drew quickly back and peep-

ed out at a party that sauntered by.

There were the reapers, with their

two girls who had been washing clothes

at a fountain farther down in the plain.

The girls carried large baskets of clean

they laughed and jested and stepped

but of the path to break off the fresh

vine-tendrils and eat them. One pull-

ed at the vine that a minute before

had been over his head. He felt as

Rocco; and he was alone!
"Maria Santissima!" he whispered,

the brown earth. He sobbed bitterly

a host of boon companions he had had

but a few days before. His hands

shrank away from the slippery poppy

flowers, with their warm petals, and the

Vittorio alone After all, he only wan-

[To be Continued.]

cheese added. Indeed, it is well to bear

in mind that a touch of onion flavor is a magic touch to many a salad, like the

others trim their slippers to match

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tations are also used.

satisfies the ear.

and felt deserted, and remembered what

without touching a hand to them; and

scythes on their arms, and with them

Pietro blazed out like a beacon.

The reapers bad ceased their

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+0+0+0+0+0+0+0+0+0+0+0+0+0+ He was awakened by a chorus of birds. He tried to move and could not. opening his eyes, and lifting his sun-swept landscape, rejoicing in all the gladness of a summer morning in the country. The sickening sense of his condition returned upon him, and he was about thrusting his head out farther to find, if possible, where he was, when he heard voices talking. Quickly resuming his former position he listened.

It was a fresh, girlish voice that spoke, with laughter between the words; and the rough voice of an old woman answered. They were quite near and the driver of the cart exchanged a salutation with them. They must have almost passed, when the girl spoke

"See, Chiara; there is a man asleep under the hogsheads. And, see—one of his hands is all red." The bitterness of death swept over Bruno's soul. He seemed to be floating on a great tide that tossed him to and fro, and stifled him.

Gasping for breath, he lifted his face after a minute and looked out. Rosa and Chiara were at some dis tance, just entering the gates of the Villa Frattitna. He had believed that he was going towards Albano; and instead of that he had gone into the very

jaws of the lion! All the frenzy of his first flight possessed him again. Extricating himself from his hiding place he dropped out into the road, tossed his purse to the river, and plunged into the path which Marco and Vittorio had taken the day before. At first he ran, then he advanced more warily, avoiding the cab-ins of the guardians, and making for a wooded ravine not far distant. He had reached it, and was about btting himself down the rocks, when he came face to face with an old woman. She stared at him, uttered a faint scream, and dropped a bundle of green herbs

she had in her apron. Bruno turned from her without a sound, and fied in another direction. He knew presently that he was not far pinafore days that a gentlewoman from the highway, but it was impossible to turn back. A great wheat field

he slipped into i This field was a sea of splendid, rolling gold, sprinkled through with scar- soft gray suedes with the perforated let popples, and it soared far over him as he crawled carefully in till ce could see nothing on all sides but the myriad slender stems of the ripe grain. Then he sank down and listened, panting, and yet trying to hush his heavy breaths.

He crouched on the ground till his limbs felt cramped; then he sat. The sun ran over the wheat fields, rose higher, and a dazzling rain began to sift through the stems. Bruno's heart was thumping hard and fast in his breast, and his thoughts started out like sparks from an anvil. Marco would come black to Palestrina; Rosa would know, and would tell of the man with the red hands hidden among the wine hogsheads; they would find the driver, would learn the path he had taken, would question the old woman he had

met, and-there they were now! There was a sound of men's voices, but they were quiet and far away, and someone was singing a vintage song. Not vet!

He lay down, stretched at length, to feel the coolness of the earth, and be out of the sun for a little while longer. Ah! why had he left Rome? There was safety, a thousand hiding places, and friends at hand who were bound to protect him. He saw now what a fatal error his fright had led him into, and he knew not how to remedy it, even if he could have eccaped into some other Why had he not run into one palace itself and claimed protection? He had his story all ready to tell. They were always prepared, and no event could be unforeseen to them. He was prepared, then, "in case any accident should happen to Vittorio," or others. Of course, it meant that Vittorio or one of those certain others might attack him and force him to

defend himself. How red the poppies were! How horribly they sprinkled drop by drop, all the ground about. And his hands—he tried to wipe them; but Dives himself could not have found a drop of water there, and the stains would cling. And presently there was a sound, faint and thin, no sound of voice or step of man or song of bird, but most like a faint ntermittent whistling of wind in the rigging of a ship at sea, when the spirits of the air go before a tempest. It was sharp and thin, and it came from right and left and from before Bruno raised himself on his hands and knees and gazed sout; but saw

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nothing. The field was large, and they were yet far away. There were five sickles. He could count them in the sultry silence, and they were in a semicircle about him. At the other side was a path and open spaces, with probably no nook to hide in.

The sun went up and hung in the

meridian, and the reapers stopped. Still he had not seen them. Could they reap all the afternoon and not reach him?He stayed there on his hands and knees, like a beast, and waited. The sun slanted toward the west a little, blazing down with its long rays. The reapers began again, and he crawled inch by inch away from the sound of them. How he hated the daylight with all its blinding red and gold! His head was swimming with the heat, and with hunger and thirst, too; but he did not think of that. He could hear the severed handfuls of wheat drop on the pile, and fancied that he could see dank blotches of human forms through the

"Oh, God!" he muttered, and crawled away, carefully parting the wheatstalks, that they might not see the tops move as they came steadily toward him with their five crooked blades. Who knew but that it was Marco's rewenge that they should hem him in so, step by step, till they should reach and kill him with their sickles, that he could hear whispering and hissing nearer everv moment?

The sun declined and changed from gold to orange, and from orange to red. He could hear distinctly now each cut Then, opening his eyes, and litting his head a little, he looked out on a dewy, of the blades, each drop of the handfuls of grain, and now and then a word or a cough; and the figures of the men were seen in glimpses. As he crawled on the sweat of his torment fell upon the ground.

And by and by other dark shapes. showing through the wheat before him terrified him anew, till &e knew that they were tree-supported grape-vines that ran along beside the path. The crimson of the sunlight deepened: soft shadows rose from the ground. pushed the red off the wheat-tops and

faded into the air. And now Bruno could see the forms of his pursuers, and the glistening of the steel, quick and curved. He crawled to the tree directly before him, peeped out, and saw that the land was nearly opened at the opposite side of the path, and that there was a cabin

He was longing to look out, to see the path, to look up to Palestrina, which he knew would be just above him: and to see how far he was from the highway; but he dared not. The vines did not grow thickly enough; the wheat was golden, the light was rosy, and his his head was black—so black! And how did he know but a knife was waiting for it to be thrust out?

The Wearing of Gloves.

would as soon think of going abroad

barefooted as without gloves," said a

wheelwoman, as she drew on her smart,

palms. "But I never appreciated the

importance of covering my hands un-

though we don't seem to realize it,

hands are as sensitive as eyes. An al-

most invisible speck in the eye will

ventive of most of the 'casualties,' and

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The Preparation of Salads.

When a housekeeper feels herself

itself, and where pleasant surprises will

never come to an end. All the delicate

meats and all fish belong to salads; so

do many fruits, nuts, eggs, cheese, oys-

ters, eggs, shrimps, lobsters, crabs and

sardines; and when the combination of

these with vegetables, or with each other is taken into consideration, and

the old arithmetical rule of "permuta-

tion" applied one is convinced that

there is no end to the salad subject.

Meat salads may be made of chicken

turkey, lamb, milk, veal, sweetbreads.

ham, tongue, and ("tell it not in Gath")

as broad the other meats cut into small

ano playing, etc.

a cat or the ubiquitous chicken of the country road and manage to land on attention this summer.

If one has the slightest mishap on a their gowns, as with a cerise skirt

wheel it is the hands that suffer. A white slippers with big satin bows of

bad fall means a smashed finger or a cerise ribbon may be worn. With a

sprained wrist; a collision, scratches and gray skirt the slippers are prettily

bruises, while, should you wheel over trimmed with steel buckles or buttons.

your feet, you will find that your striking feature is the buttons of

hands have been hurt by bell or precious or semi-precious stones. Imi-brake. A good, thick glove is a pre-tations are also used. The buttons

although thin silk or kid keeps tan tiny gold chains, which are carried

and sunburn away, heavy chamois and from one button to the other. The

mistress of the salad question she has row. Next to white pearl or biscuit-accomplished much, but there remains to lace are liked for visiting.

before her a perfectly delightful vista match the gown. Black is a forbidden

of possibilities, where the play of her color in gloves, unless the wearer is

taste and invention will never exhaust in mourning. Evening gloves are in

til I learned to ride the wheel.

sewing, painting,

"Like most girls, I was told in my

He crept close to the tree and looked | and may sicken or develop ill-temper. at the vine full of unripe grapes. They | Put up a bird-house, and, if possible, have a few of your own birds to fill it—but the robins, bluebirds, orioles, warblers and wrens. One of the benecast a merciful shadow over him. All day long he had fled before the reapers -how horrible it was, like a nightmare, fits that come from a friendship with animals will be the growth of friendto fly on one's knees!-and this was the first touch of mercy that he had felt. It had been all burning red and ship and chivalry in your children. Teach them to love these dependents, to guard their rights, to protect them At the other side of the path were wine-laden trees thinly set, and a small wheat field that had all been reaped. from abuse, to discover their many relations to our own species.'

MINES IN A HARBOR

Two Kinds, Observation and Electro Contract, Are Used.

The Way in Which They Are Planted and Methods by Which They Are Exploded-Uses of the Signal and the Firing Electricial Current.

In fortifying a harbor against attack by an enemy's fleet the British engineers would use today submarine mines of two general classes-the "observation" and the "electro contact." The observation mine, so called because its action is directed by an observer or operator stationed on shore, is a convex ended cylinder of Staffordshire plate three-sixteenths of an inch in thickness, measuring 34 inches in depth and about 32 inches in diameter. Within the cylinder and surrounded by an air chamber is a core, composed of 22 separate copper cases, containing in all 500 pounds of wet gun cotton. The central case of the 22 is arranged to receive the "primertin," a little box holding two detonators, or fuses, imbedded in dry gun cotton, from which electric wires pass to the insulator at the mouth of the mine.

For harbor defense the engineers would if she had caught at his heart strings and given them a pull. They passed on and went out into the highway by San lay observation mines in groups of at least six, placed in a mathematically straight line at intervals of 180 feet, and preferably in about 50 feet of water. One main elecand began to cry with his face against tric cable, starting from the operator's station on shore, would connect with and govern each mine of the six, reaching it by a fork or branch running to its insulator. This main cable would be close to the harbor bed, but the mines themselves, whose buoyancy is considerable, would horrible feel of the little urn in the center. He wished that he had let float 12 feet or more above, each anchoral by a stout steel wire mooring rope to a ted to uncover the man's face and see who he was; and what harm if he wrought iron sinker of 500 pounds weight, disk shaped, with a concave lower surface to give the additional hold of suction. At about 60 feet from the outer and inner ends of the mine line mark buoys would be set to guide the eve of the shore operator, while various other buoys would be scattered around the field in order to mys-

tify the enemy.

For the operator's station the two great requirements are a clear sweep of vision over the minefields and invisibility. A little cave dug in a hillside or embankment and disguised with bushes, vines or whatever is the common foliage of the spot is the ideal arrangement, but if necessity forces the selection of flat and barren ground a hut may be rendered inconspicuous by a coat of paint of the color of the note of emphasis which in a melody earth about it. Here the observer sits, his glass trained on the two range buoys of his special group of mines and his battery and firing key within easy reach. enemy's ship or ships cross his sight line Evening gowns for summer will be he presses the key, and in an almost incalmade of organdie, Swiss, mull and culably small fraction of a second the grenadine, Swiss being given the prefwhole group of mines is exploded. The erence. All of these materials have fatal area of each individual mine of the to be made over drop skirts of solid 'observation' type covers a circle 60 feet in diameter. Reckoning with the breadth color, but they are not always of tafmake one wild with pain and half- feta silk, as the imitations are thinner, blind cometimes, but a finger only lighter and much less expensive. Some slightly bruised or n injured anger girls have slippers to match their nail will seriously erfere with one's drop skirts, but this is not necessary: drop skirts, but this is not necessary;

of beam of the average warship as a factor, it thence appears that the series of six will clear a channel about 720 feet broad of any vessels unfortunate enough to be there. The "electro contact" differs from the observation mine in that it is meant to explode on actual contact with the ship's bottom, not at some distance beneath. It is used in deeper water than is the other variety and is fitted with a much higher charge, since 75 pounds of gun cotton detonated against the hull of the strongest vessel built is quite sufficient to disable if not to destroy her. This mine, like the species previously described, is contained in a convex ended iron cylinder, its charge, as in the former case, packed in a nest of copper boxes, the central box holding the primer tin with its two detonators and their electro wire connection. One "leg" of the wire necessary to complete the firing circuit runs, however, not directly to its detonator, but to the top of the mine as it lies afloat, there entering an ingenious contrivance called a circuit closer. The mine cannot explode until the circuit closer comes into action, and the circuit closer will act only when struck by the

hull of a ship. Electro contact mines are commonly laid in several connected groups of three. Each individual in each trio has its own electric cable, about 100 yards in length, the three cables converging at their lower ends to enter a "disconnector box." disconnector in turn sends down a single 200 yard cable to a "multiple junction box," within which it meets similar cables from the disconnectors of all the other trios in the series, and with them is joined to a main cable running to the battery in the operator's station on shore. The operator has it in his power to put the whole series instantly out of play and to return it as instantly to service, and by means of the disconnectors any trio which having been exploded, has become an inthe circuit.

cumbrance to the rest may be cut out of A ground mine, like the observation mine, is laid in relatively shallow watera depth of 50 feet by choice—and has a cable connection with an operator's battery on shore. Attached by cable to the mine and floating above it at such a point as to be likely to be struck by any passing ves-sel is a buoy containing an electric appa-ratus with a circuit closer. When the operator turns a strong electric current into the main cable, the touch of a ship's hull on the buoy is sufficient to detonate the mine. This powerful force is put in action at night or at any time when the enemy's ships alone are expected to be in the harbor. On all other occasions the current is maintained at a very low ebb, when a pressure on the buoy would not fire the mine, but would merely telegraph a signal to the shore station, indicating to the observer there which particular buoy had been struck. The change from signal current to firing current may be made in an instant, so that in the event of a harbor engagement between friendly and hostile fleets a home vessel may be allowed to pass unscathed over the mine, while the enemy's ship, touching the buoy immediafterward, will be wrecked on the spot. The ground mine is not, however, dependent for its explosive power on the collision of a ship with the buoy. The shore operator may explode it at volition whenever, in his opinion, occasion arises, but it is always difficult to tell exactly what point on the range line a crossing vessel occupies, and for that reason the

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eon or tea. Nuts, such as chestnuts and English walnuts, must be boiled and cooled for use in a salad. They may be mixed with fruits, potatoes, lettuce or sweetbreads, or even with other meats and vegetables, though not so advantage-

Sand Piles for Children. "First in a child's outfit should be a sand-heap, if the young ones are quite young," writes Charles M. Skinner, of Gardens for Children, in the June delicate young pork. Turkey and chicken should be torn or shredded into Ladies' Home Journal. "Almost the pieces an inch long or less, and a third first thing that human beings want to do, after they learn to eat, is to dig. The next step after preparing the meat is to marinate it; that is to mois- A cartload of sand is one of the ten it with a mixture of two parts oil, cheapest and most satisfying play-things in the world. It is worth a This should be done in the morning, houseful of dolls and painted monthe bowl then stood in a cold place. An keys on sticks. Watch Johnny and hour before serving any marinade not | Nelly as they work, and you will absorbed by the meat should be drain- wish most heartily that you could find ed off, the finely cut celery added, and the same novelty and enthusiasm in lightly mixed with the meat, with en- your employments. Mountains are ough mayonnaise or other thick dress- builded from the sand pile with the ing to moisten the mass. It should then use of tin shovels and beach pails; be heaped on a platter, covered with there are caves in the cool depths enough dressing to entirely mask it, near the foot of these Himalayas—and garnished with capers, stoned olives, pickle-slices, little celery tops, round in; Johnny makes a fort on or fresh lettuce hearts. Leted potate his side, and Nelly lays out a garden may be added to the meat and celery, on hers. Johnny's fort mounts mur-making the proportion one-third of derous clothespins, and the garden The fruits most used for salads are made of burned matches, wisps of paper and broom straws, while china dolls walk abroad there and take the air. 'What trifling!' did you say? Not so. This is one of the most serious affairs in life. Don't you see in this play the little ones are learning? Probably they acquire more exact information in an hour than they gain all day in school. They are gathering ideas—facts—about this physical world that they must use their whole

gravity, density, form, distance. use in associating the child with small animals. Have pupples and kittens in the yard—these will keep the peace if they start in life together—and, if toads and a turtle, or even a baby aligator. These inhabitants of your premises will be found instructive tiums, is a nice combination for a light and amusing, and incidentally, I may pretty salad: for this a French dressing remark, that they are useful in de-Of shredded lettuce and sliced young wise ravage your plants. Do not try

lives long, for all knowledge rests upon them; ideas about substances, "There is an ethical and scientific consistent or possible, have a few stroying insect pests that will otheronions one rarely grows tired, whether to keep a large dog in a small yard.

mines are laid in groups of three, all three to be fired simultaneously in case of "judg-