were sitting in their loggia, breathing perhaps, should never see each other in long breaths of the soft warm summer air. Not much was said; but now ther, I came too late! But, at least as the young wife suddenly rose and you never knew the worst. You bewas on the point of withdrawing into lieve me happy." the house, her husband called after, hair as if to chase away the oppres-"Hetty, what is the matter?"

Only the air makes me tired." good? You were very ill and the doc- Heyburg had just got over an unhappy tor proposed traveling long ago." She nodded affirmatively. "I thought are hard to stamp out of one's life.

of it myself. Only, the thought did not please me. You know how disagreeable it is for a woman to travel actly how it had happened. It seemed at every step. Traveling alone is no wife always seemed contented. The

She lowered her eyes. "Yes, gladly a mere duty to be fulfilled. -if you want to."

"Hetty!" over him. He could have hastened to her new happines. her and taken the beautiful head between his hands-but he controlled asked once. himself. He must not do it, because happiness; he probably would not find the right about my life " gladly, Hetty, very gladly." She looked up quickly, her eyes full you."

of tears. "It is very good of you, Egon. It makes me really happy."

She laughed. "You married me without asking me the longed-for news. "If you still rents would have it so!" wish it. Hetty-"Of course I wish it, Egon."

Baden.'

playfully, "and if possible, we will go missing-love, togetherness. tomorrow.

"You will take this one, won't you?" and then forgotten. It bore his wife's He touched it almost tenderly. "Nat- handwriting and the contents were urally," he said, quickly. "And what meant for her aunt, who was her only I can't get into it you will take?" 'Yes, I have room left."

alone?" she asked. appointment in her face, he added third person would only make matquickly, "However, the one who is ters worse."

the empty tray. What had not this and, my dear, I am longing for you as trunk been through! It had accom- never before." panied him when, at vacation times, Then he put the letter in the top of he hastened home. It made him think the trunk so that his wife could not or his mother—now she sat at the win- lan to see it in unpacking.

dow during her last illness, when he "Those two must be bride and Actress Davies Can Scarcely" of his mother-how she sat at the win- fail to see it in unpacking. was expected, looking for the trunk, and how his father had teased her Baden-Baden. But they did not care, Later, his father had writ- they had so much to talk about and "Yesterday when your trunk was tell each other.

Counselor Von Meydam and wife no longer in the house I felt as if we

He passed his fingers through his sive thoughts. But they would not She shook her head. "Nothing, leave the old trunk. He saw himself packing it when he was about to propose to the woman who was now his He followed her. "Don't you think, wife. He had started out on the jour-Hetty, that a little trip would do you ney though he knew that Fraulein von love, one of those experiences which

alone. One is stared at and observed as if everything was going well. His Almost hurriedly, he said, "Would you go if I went with you—would you go if I went with not gone. She spoke of the world with not gone. mistrust which the first disillusioncontempt, and of her life as if it were

His sympathy and love grew stronger for her every day. He wished, to Suddenly the old tenderness came teach her to know life better, to give "What do you know about me?" sh "You want to give me but what do you know

word. He held out his hand to his Without thinking, he replied: " wife, saying, "I will go with you know that you have been deceived and that I have the will to make it up to

Two days later the Counselor brought if I wished it, only-because my pa-Oh, how often both of them wished to forget the thoughtless words! But "And if you like, we will go to Balen- pride prevented it. They carried them about, though the memory of them stood like a wall between them. To the "Let us have the trunks brought world their marriage was exemplary, down, immediately," he said, almost but in their home life the best was Slowly he began to pack. The com-She laughed in happy content, "Of partments were filled, and in the big course it is possible. I have only to pocket on the inside of the lid was pack; everything else in in order." She followed the servant who hand into it mechanically and drew out brought a trunk into her husband's a letter, crumpled and dusty, as if it had been intended to be thrown away

intimate friend. "My first attachment," he read, She paused. "Do you want to pack have got over long ago, and am now almost glad things happened as they He stroked the hair away from her did. I love my husbnd and respect temples for the first time during him as I rever did the other. I am years. She grew red and confused, sorry that I have hurt him so and You must have enough to do for your- cannot understand why he never forself and the house," he said, tenderly. gets it." Then followed a request not Yet, when he saw something like dis- to speak of this to anyone, for "a

ready first will help the other, or what do you say?"

The counselor trembled from head to foot. This letter must have been writ-She only nodded, but began to dis- ten more than two years ago, at a patch her own affairs in feverish time when his wife used the trunk! He went to his writing table. "Hetty, dear wife," he wrote at the foot of before the old trunk, and gazing into the letter," it was forgotten long ago

"Because you neglected and ill-treat-

"The lie's your own," rejoined the

"I will see her-see what she means,"

Stung by the taunt, the elder man

they grappled and struggled fiercely in

the moan of the surf beneath the stars,

until at last by a mighty effort the eld-

"I'm yet your master!" he cried,

passed out, and the younger man hung

"Go away and make yourself right

with God, and search, and when the

chance comes, though small it be, take

it and abide by it uncomplainingly. The

chance will grow, and God's bounty

comes to those who first make them-

selves worthy. Let me know where you go and what you do, and when the time comes I'll tell her, and we'll 'bide

by her decision." The younger man then

turned and the other watched him walk

"Let's not part in anger, lad, we know not what may come," and he held out his hand. Their hands met

and lingered a silent moment, then Ed-

Then in the days that followed the old man strove with new energy to fill the extra mouths. He fished and dug clams and peddled them. He gathered rags and old metals from the dumps and sold them, and did any odd jobs he could, and heeded not the jibes

The pure salt air revived the woman; she gained strength and courage, and went about trying to do little things in her housewifely way for the old man's comfort, while the child gathered flowhe knoll and romped splashed in the surf and laughed and grew; and the old man laughed, too,

The summer waned and there came

hut, or climbed the knoll again and

again, and gazed away along the wind-ing beach; then silently retraced his

steps and sat within the hut, while

away, and his sterness softened. "Edward!" The tones had broken, and again, "Edward Grale!" The other

turned and came.

ward Grale was gone.

of low-born wits.

in his somber way.

his head while the other spoke.

that," and again he made to pass.

save you!" And he waited.

and turned to go.

### ROBERT GRALE, HERMIT. By GEORGE TREBOR.

There stood a rude and dingy hut | and wee one?" he continued, harsh and leaning against the eaves of a knoll, stern as before.

"She left my bed and board and took and built of sticks and boards thrown the youngster with her. up by the tide. A flaring light burned within and gleamed through the crev- ed her, and because you will not work. ices and the jagged hole that served the purpose of a window. A man dis"It's a lie—I can get no work to do!" heveled, gray and decrepit, came out and the younger man tried to pass. and carefully drew to the rickety door after him. He paused a while in confast!" and he gripped the other by the fast!" and he gripped the other by the brushing from her hair a storm of white the right and listened to templation of the night and listened to arm. "She wants not you, she's ill, and the mournful breathing of the surf. wants rest and quiet, and she shall not Then he climbed to the topmost point be disturbed." of the knoll and gazed long over the and he thrust the elder man roughly aside. "You cannot harbor a man's atretch of water to the distant harbor where shone the myriad lights of the wife. There's a law. Besides, you quarcity, and in musing said:

Ye're there, somewhere-I know yer must be-drinkin' and revelin' and spending yer bit of money in a fool's struck out a blow, and yet again. Then paradise; while the neglected wife and wee one seek asylum of yer decrepit

Then he clinched his bony hands and muttered, while the night breeze played about his tattered raiment. He looked away along the ribbon of winding white beach and described an atom moving at the water's edge, growing larger as it advanced; and he watched it until, taking the shape of a man, it bore around the foot of the knoll and disappeared beneath the overhanging The watcher descended by the path he had come; passing the hut, he waited in the shadow until the man again appeared, then stepped out and blocked his way.

What do you want here?" His tone was harsh and stern. The other hesitated. What have ye done with the wife

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child tugged the mother's hand:
"Tum! tell dampa papa tum," and urged again, until at last they turned and descended to the hut. They found him laid upon the rude affair that had served him years for bed and couch, with his fingers clasped upon his breast and saintly look upon his face; and "dampa" would

the wife and little one hung about the

knoll; and often she, too, would pause

Anon the young man came, and she

turned away her face and called the

hild, who answered laughing, and re-

turned with spoils gleaned from the

the

and look along the stretch of sand.

heather. Then they laughed, and

Water Pipes of China

Consul-General Hughes, at Coburg, Germany, writes that a china factory in Saxony is making water pipes for water works, which, on account of the various advantages they have over iron and stone

cost about 3,000 marks (\$174) per mile; if produced in large quantities their price could probably be reduced a good deal.

pipes, seem to be a promising article, vent in many strange ways, one of the although they are more expensive than most curious being combats between his face; and "dampa" would not waken when the wee one called. Sore waken when the wee one called. Sore of the waken when the wee one called. Sore of the waken when the wee one called. Sore of the pressed and weeping, they drew the child away. Physicians came and looked, and said they knew not why death came not months before.

Then a fair, gray woman, fairer than many who were younger, came and looked, and gazed far off, and wept. So passed Robert Grale, the hermit.

Will corrode in the course of time, forming, which will sold from which will stop up the tubes and finish by eating and their trainers tickle their heads with a straw until their anger is thoroughly aroused, when they make a dash at one another. The victory is decided in the first round, the vangular decided in the first round, the vangular

A Cricket Fight.

woman told him of the many pranks and witty sayings of the child, while she studied the lights and shades that fled across his face. By-and-bye the child tugged the mother's hand:

although they are info expensive than most curious being compats between the former. These pipes are very thin and state the former. These pipes are very thin and glazed, and are imbedded in iron are staked and won or lost. Before entering them for a fight their owners the followed the book he was reading into a training. When caught, they are things happen and people live. I'm are staked and won or lost. Before entering them for a fight their owners tossed the book he was reading into a in a direction which would ally him make the crickets undergo a regular corner. "I'm going to the city, where with the Bonemia for which he had training. When caught, they are things happen and people live. I'm hankered. When he awakened on this placed in a bamboo cage and fed with not gein to rust my life away in this afternoon, however, he counted his afternoon, however, he counted his training. When caught, they are things happen and people live. It is given for an unlimited life of the pipe; blaced in a bamboo cage and fed with not gcin' to rust my life away in this given for an unlimited life of the pipe; moreover, the absorbing of iron in the rice and green stuff. After a few days had account hole. I'm big enough and rice and green stuff. After a few days had account hole. I'm big enough and live get learning the life of the pipe; had a count hole. I'm big enough and live get learning the life of the pipe; had a count hole. I'm big enough and live get learning the life of the pipe; had a count hole. I'm big enough and live get learning the life of the pipe; had a count hole. I'm big enough and live get learning the life of the pipe; had a count hole lif water, which is very frequent when iron pipes alone are used, is made altogether impossible.

Furthermore the iron pipes by having Furthermore, the iron pipes by having particles of iron absorbed by the water will corrode in the course of time, form batants are placed facing each other, his jaw, Homer Dillman proceeded to his jaw, Homer Dillman proceeded to his jaw, Homer Dillman proceeded to that mysterious corner known as Bo-

#### The Chinese love of gambling finds "I just won't stand it any longer, by [helplessness of a man in the city with-

By GEORGE SHEDD.

"Its all due to that cussed readin'." growled Dillman, Sr., when the boy announced bis determination. 'I allus said no good 'ud come of it. Come Come now, Homer, lad, you're doin' right well; you're the high card at the singin' school, the spellin' bees and the parties; you're gettin' plenty of spendin' money, and when you get ready to settle down I'il make over that west ing the people come and go and pass sixty to you clean an' clear. - There ain't nothin' in this city life; yer a little fonesome. His senses seemed nothin' but a slave and ye don't git more keen and alert than usual. He

by the farm, lad." "No, dad," replied the boy, "I reckon haze clear up. He noted, I'll bave my fling. I've got a nundred how they talked and joked about him that'll last me till 1 get something to and how hollow and metallic was their do. I don't want to leave you, dad. laughter. He noted how artificial the and I'll miss the old place and all that, women appeared and most of it all

stretch my wings.' and a light heart-albeit the tears hear a hearty word of fellowship. were near the surface as he kissed the kind mother and wrung the hand of his sturdy father at the gate and in the midst of his reflections the of his sturdy father at the gate and In the midst of his reflections the made his way to the little wooden vision of his sturdy father and wodepot at the village.

the past.

Homer was dazzled with the music and life of the city. He was a youth of resourcefulness and with his little man, gaudy with paint and fit ery capital managed to meet some con-genial spirits who conducted him into To his mind's eye came the picture of the edge of Bohemia. It was paradise Bessie's sweet, rosy face, with the itself when one evening he found him- healthful play of blood in her self with a merry party of gay and and a soft light in her honest eyes, careless spirits in a cozy restaurant which smote him to the heart.

drinking beer out of great mugs and A sudden resolve came to Homereating curious things off of cracked as sudden as the impulse which had dishes—all at Homer's expense. Such stories as were told; such songs as to the country and live in God's fresh were sung; such jests as were passed air and bright sunshine. He would Homer was sure never had been equal- live as men were born to live. He ed since the dawn of fame, and the would be a tiller of the soil. He would cheap actress in her paint and powder appeared to him as the peautiful prin
The next day he gave notice to his impossible to play that part again, that the nervous tension would annihilate me, that I would be absolutely helpless.

The Need of Keeping Teeth, Tongue appeared to film as the beautiful play appeared to film as

exalted and awoke in the afternoon duly killed at the Dillman farm. The with a splitting headache. Of course this sort of thing could not there was a new bright light in the last. Homer's limited purse was near- eyes of both when they parted.

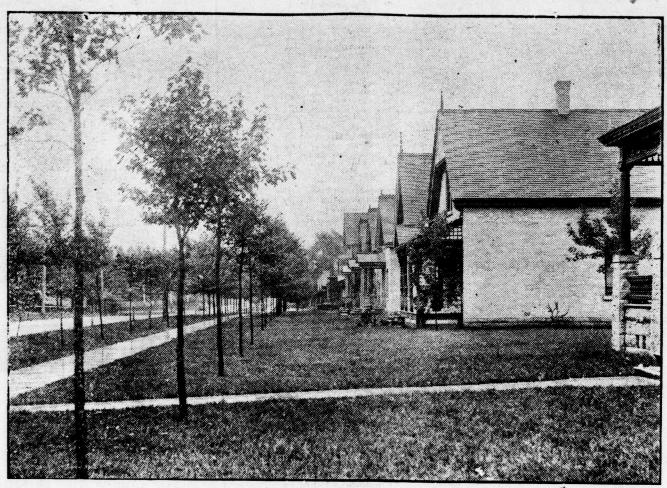
few remaining dollars and realized that he must get to work at once. So on the following morning he went resolutely to work to hunt for work, putting behind him his dreams and illusions. Once his level head obtained possession he found little difficulty in finding a job down among the mission houses, which handled farm produce, and to whom his comprehensive knowledge of such things was of value. So he went to work at exceed-

ingly moderate wages, but enough to live on. When he met his Bohemian tales friends he frankly told them his financial condition-and he saw them no more. This grieved him sorely, but he had some philosophy and went his way, winning small promotions in his business and enjoying more or less the life and movement of the city, and de-lighting now and then to go to the theater and feed his imagination on the world of the unreal. And so ran the world for nearly two

years. One evening Homer sat in a chair in front of a cheap hotel watchupon the street. He was tired and any good catin' un decent air. Better seemed to see things clearer. The stay by the farm, lad." curiously, it just seems that I've got to struck him how generally insincere the so away he went with a brave face whole atmosphere was. Nowhere did he see a genuine nonest hand-clasp, or

manly mother passed before his vision There had been another farewell the night before. A fresh faced girl at the of the boys and girls back in the village parsonage had heard the news country. For a moment he seemed to of his going from his lips, and the smell the sweet country arr and catch roses in her cheeks had paled. He had the scent of new mown hay and the tried to comfort her with a snow of light-heartedness and some gay references to fame and fortune and a reunion in the future, but he was care-revolted at the clouds of black to-ful not to compromise himself. He bacco smoke and his ears at the ratwanted no entangling alliances in the tling vehicles on the stone pavements country with the city and Bohemia, and the roar of the elevated cars, while with all its mysterious and productive his eyes ached at the panorama of possibilities, directly before him. Bessie tiresome brick and stone. The people was brave and quiet, but her heart was thout him appeared like ghastly automatons beside the first and blood passing out of her life, and that he people of his vision and the utter and wanted no bonds to connect him with hopeless hollowness of their life-of his life-came upon him like a burden. A shepgirl went by, pale, thin and

next day Homer saw Bessie and-well,



west side of Waterleo street, from St. James to Oxford streets, was awarded first prize by the judges, for the block which as a whole presents the best appearance during the season. As the above cut, made from a photograph by an Advertiser artist, shows, is is indeed one of the prettiest, daintiest and best kept blocks in the whole city of London. It is not in a wealth or profusion of flowers that it excels, but in its simplicity of level green sward, studded with an even row of maples.

#### CRIED 6.000 TIMES OVER SAME SORROW cast of woe.

Bear Up Under Strain.

Imagine crying over the same sor- is that I may overdo, and my emotional work would become cheap and blubrows 6,000 times! Fancy living for near-bering. I would be most miserable if ly three hours each night the story of a such a thing should ever come to pass. woman suffering terrible mental anthrough every act of this play that my guish; and fancy keeping this up year spirits when off the stage as well as in a paper read some little time ago be-

change. Davies going through the tearful part of Anna Moore in "Way Down East." one should not really feel the emotions, but should be able to portray them as Night after night, Anna rushes to her the audience thinks ressing-rooming wiping the tears from her cheeks. Real tears, mind you, and all for a make-believe heroine of which is the most wonderful woman, so tal-

through it?" Miss Davies was asked as met a woman who had also been at the paper snowflakes and a quart of salt. from her boots. "It's half killing me. I think sometimes I shall go mad. There is not a cheerful word in the part, scarcely a smile. I am a troubled, weep- play, and it was all as real as if I had reled with your own wife-don't forget ing, injured lady all through every single act. If I could just say one little laugh it would not be so bad."

able to shed tears over Anna's griefs? often.' I would think that her hard luck would er man flung off the younger and stood not appeal to you any more."
"Sometimes it doesn't. Do you see that book on the table. breathing sharp and heavily. "Never yet had son the right to judge his fa-Schreiner's story of 'An African Farm.' That's sad enough for you. Before the during the brief bit of vacation she has the three pathogenic or disease-producing play begins I read from that and get in the summer she has not the time to ther, far less taunt him with what he know's naught of. You speak of a law all worried and nerve shaken. I have 'gainst harboring your wife. I know another law, and 'bide by it. If you to do something to keep my doleful spirits up big and strong. But, hea-

cannot do for them I can, decrepit as I am—and will. Go away and come six years now, with about eleven am-and will. Go away and come months' work to the year, that I have been Anna. During the little month of not nigh me, else perhaps no law may Then rose the groveler to his feet rest, I am a foolish, hysterical woman, crying over nothing and making her-The elder man's tone grew self generally unattractive to everybody calmer. "Here, ye may see them, but do not waken them," and he turned and me. I have no peace in my life, and led the way into the hut and softly all the earth is one deep gray shadow. drew aside a rudely hung curtain where the mother and the child lay sweetly sleeping. Then they turned, Can you imagine it? Night after night, not to mention all the matinees, do I

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trail through the bitter experience of

an unhappy woman. I wonder occa-



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sionally if I can smile; that the muscles that make smiles do not get inactive and my face become one everlasting

"I will tell you that there have been times when I have felt it was utterly And all the time I am fearing that I may lose my grip. What I mean by that It may be that because I really sob

in and year out, says a Milwaukee exon it are so affected.
"Coquelin, the French actor, I know, Such has been the experience of Miss says that it is a mistake to weep; that when I see Mme. Bernhardt cry, I think I cannot find a better instructor. She I walked away from the theater "How under the sun do you live tumult of grief. I could not speak. I me she was the character itself. could not imagine that the was acting. I felt the troubles that were here in the

will never be another woman like her. "And yet, feeling this way, you are They are not born into the world very

Olive work takes her away from her husband, to whom she is much devoted, and recover from her emotional blues.

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## OF "MOUTH BACTERIA

and Gums Clean.

What appears to be a valuable contribution to prophylactic science has been made in brief but comprehensive form fore the New York Institute of Stomatology, but now reproduced in covenient pamphlet form. It is a study of "mouth bacteria," and is a subject likely to have But intelligent treatment from a man of Dr. Hopkins' training, inasmuch as he is not only a dentist but a doctor of medicine she is heartily tired. Miss Davies and "Way Down East" are at the opera I walk I walk I walk I saw her known that nearly every common form of bacteria, both of the pathogenic and non-pathogenic variety, finds its way into the human mouth." We have the highest New Testament authority for the statement that "not that which goeth into "I don't live through it," responded on to my hotel, where I threw myself the mouth of a man defileth the man, but on the bed and cried for an hour. To that which cometh out of the mouth: this defileth a man." The Great Teacher, however, was not

delivering a pathological lecture when he witnessed an actual tragedy. uttered those words, and if all varieties "Duse? Yes, she is wonderful, but of bacteria find a lodgment in the mouth joke or even make an attempt at a not so wonderful as Bernhardt. There at one time or another, it is important to know how to deal with them. The paper is in a way technical, and intended Miss Davies is giving the sweetest for those familiar with technical terms, years of her life to play the doleful role but is at least comprehensible in its conof a wronged and unhappy woman. The clusions by all who possess a normal amount of common sense. To designate mouth forms or organisms which the doctor has particularly investigated, would, perhaps, convey no meaning to Does the Peril of Gravel and the average reader, but the most interesting of them seems to be the micrococcus lanceolatus, discovered in 1880 by ity of about 20 per cent of the healthy

This is said by the writer of this paper to be the easiest of all pathogenic mouth forms to get rid of. "Absolute cleanli-ness of the mouth, including tongue and teeth, with the frequent use of an antiseptic mouth wash, would, in a majority of instances, cause the entire disappearance of this bacterium in from three to When kidney disease is manifested what are its dangers? It is held to be by brick dust sediment, time is pre-cious; action cannot be deferred a day. The peril of gravel and stone threatens said to be derived from the mouth. If so, "it can be asserted with a degree of positiveness fully borne out by experiments and by clinical experience, that this disease might be almost eliminated They will the mouth in a clean, healthy condition." against a fortune-hunter she only laughpeople will not be persuaded to take the time and the trouble necessary to attain time and the trouble necessary to attain gestion for the medical practitioner. Croupous pneumonia is quite likely to follow other weakening diseases, not be-cause one disease runs into another, but because the lessened power of resistance succumbs to other attacks more easily.

A Timely Interruction.

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The Joplin (Mo.) News-Herald tells the following story, which, it says, was brought to town by a traveling man: A preacher, at the conclusion of one of his sermons, said:

"Let all in the house who are paying their debts stand up."

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"Now every man woman and child, with one exception, rose to their feet. The preacher seated them and said:

"Now every man mot; paying, his debts stand up."

The exception noted, a careworn, hungry-looking individual, clothed—in last summer's suit, slowly assumed a perpendicular position.

"How is it, my friend," asked the minister, "that you are the only man not to to meet his obligation?"

"It run a newspaper," he meekly answerd, "and the breithers, hereaus of cleansing the mouth, is any stream of paying has debts to his common and expendicular position.

"How is it, my friend," asked the minister, "that you are the only man not to to meet his obligation?"

"It run a newspaper," he meekly answerd, "and the breithers, hereaus of cleansing the mouth, as the means of prevention of many diseases, because the lessened power of resistance successive mouth of the mouth is much and the educated nurse, if she because the lessened power of cleansing the mouth, and the educated nurse, if she mouth is the mouth is much more common now heart to look upon cleanlines of the mouth is much more common now than it used to be, and for that we have to thank improved standards of refinement and also the dentities. We are glad to the work of the mouth is much more common now working hand in hand for still better results. Fortunately, we do not have to wait for the dector to command us of the mouth is much more common now working hand in hand for still better results. Fortunately, we do not have to wait for the dector to comman us of the mouth is much more common now working hand in hand for still better results. Fortunately, we do not have to wait for the dector to comman out to make the mouth i

#### A LOVER'S SUCCESSFUL STRATEGY Papa Loeffler Outwitted.

He guarded carefully his money, and had He guarded carefully his money, and when his daughter reached a marriagewhen his daughter reached a marriageand those outside heard him say, "Ha,

though the suitors who soon presented as I." the hand of his daughter, Mr. Loeffler seeing the listeners, "are you crazy? was of the opinion that his money was What is the matter?" the principal attraction, and one cannot blame him for this peculiarity, in view exclaimed. of the well-known custom of the mar- stammered, but got no further.

riageable gentlemen of his generation. But as every suitor—to use Mr. Loeffler's expression-puts his best foot forward, it is naturally difficult to discover the actual intentions and character of the gentleman. This problem caused Mr. Localiter many a sleepless night, until he had a bright inspiration, the exact nature of which even his intimate friends could not ascertain. He only mysteriously hinted that even the obvious is easily he had comforted his daughter and told

infallible.

Even the suitors only knew that they had been dumbfounded when Mr. Loeffhis hand or laughed, making gestures as if throwing something away, while now and then such remarks escaped him as: "You would be the very man!" "Pretty boy!" "Mr. Sly-fox!" and so forth.

When at last he had closed the book and carefully shut it in the safe he would rub his hands contentedly and say to himself: "It would be well if all fathers

of marriageable daughters were as wise The upshot of the whole matter ed. She had long ago made her choice without her shrewd father's knowledge; each other, neither she nor her lover were in any hurry to inform the old man. She also dreaded a little her father's well-known whim to want everything on paper and then to act as mysteriously with the letters, as shethrough the key-hole—had seen him do.

Mr. Loeffler was a widower and a finan- and soon fetched the neighbor's wife, cier. He had a great deal of money and an only daughter by the name of Emmy.

who went for the landlord. They were all standing by the door, at a loss what to do, but convinced that the old man

able age he guarded her also. For even ha! If only all fathers were as astute Then he opened the door and though the suitors who soon presented as 1. Then he opened the women, themselves naturally desired nothing but there was a scream from the women, themselves naturally desired nothing but there was a scream from the women.

> Terrifled, they all tried to hide. "That is the way lunatics do!" the landlord exclaimed. Mr. Loeff-Loeffler"-he To turn 'round, tear open the door and rush out, followed by the women, was the work of a moment. Emmy also tried to escape, but her father caught her by the arm and said in a tone of irritation. "For heaven's sake, child say what the

matter is!" Sobbing and trembling, Emmy then told him by degrees what had happened. The ly hinted that even the obvious is easily overlooked, and that his method was her that she was to be married, and to the consummate rascal Max, she also

That same afternoon the happy lover had been dumbrounded when Mr. Loeiller, upon their making a proposal in due form, courteously requested them to put it in writing, as he preferred to have everything on paper. Though inwardly Though Emma often asked her lover what had taken place during the intereverything on paper. Though inwardly Though Emma often asked her lover they called the old gentleman crazy, they what had taken place during the intersaid to themselves that the money was well worth a few lines; and, besides, it well worth a lew lines; and, besides, it was not the old gentleman, but the daughter, they would have to marry. Thus it happened that Mr. Loeffler always received the desired letters.

When constructed the many caresses accompanied them. But when the young couple were an extension of the many cares. ity of about 20 per cent of the healthy mouths examined. It goes by other names, also, but it means the same thing under all of them.

Ways received the desired letters.

Whenever one of these missives arrived his behavior was full of mystery. He locked himself in his room, fetched out of the safe a weighty volume, reading alternately the book and the letter.

Sometimes he struck his forehead with hour how the old man had managed.
Without knowing how things stood between Max and Emmy, Papa Loeffler had one day come into the book store owned by Max's father, and explained that he had read that one could judge of a person's character from his handwriting and that this was just now of great importance to him, wherefore he wished to buy a book giving an exact key to the interpretation of different writings. Max, who happened to be in the store, heard was a refusal, with thanks.

Emmy, whose opinion was never consulted, so far had always approved her father's action, for she had felt no particular interest in any of the suitors; and when her father told her that his actureness had again protected her proposal on the typewriter.

> According to the official returns there crop of the country amounted to nearly 9,000,000 tons, while the area under cultivation was 1,310,000 acres.

