

CUPID IN MERRY MOOD

Mischievous and Impractical Little God of Love Seems Never to Take a Vacation From His Pleasing Duties.

Among His Latest Victims Are an American Mining Engineer and a Grecian Countess—John Bull Shows How Love Lugs at a Vacation From His Pleasing Duties.

New York.—Within the space of a brief few days, Cupid has played more tricks than the most romantic school girl could ever conjure up in her wildest dreams.

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Outside the "International" matrimonial office, so that an impetuous young man wouldn't have to wait two weeks for the banns to be published, this little god has settled the matter of an American and an English girl. He has arranged a wedding on the high seas.

It was brought about by Miss Alice Whyte and M. Hall Cowan to show John Bull how love lugs at a vacation. They first couldn't wait two weeks longer, so they were married aboard the ship.

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RIGID INSPECTION OF MEAT CERTAIN UNDER NEW RULES

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson Promulgates Regulations for Guidance of Packers and Federal Overseers at Packing Plants.

Washington.—Secretary Wilson has made public the new regulations for the inspection of meat products for interstate and foreign trade. They do not, however, cover the subject of interstate transportation of meat or the microscopic inspection of pork for export. Regulations in these subjects, it is stated, will be issued later.

The general regulations provide that the scope of inspection shall cover all slaughtering, packing, meat-canning, salting, rendering or similar establishments in whole or in part, enter into interstate or foreign commerce, unless exempted from inspection by the secretary of agriculture. Under the law the only establishments which may be exempted by the secretary are retail butchers and retail dealers supplying their customers in interstate or foreign trade, but even those exempted classes are required to submit to the secretary an application for exemption.

Sanitary Regulations. Sanitary regulations require the establishments in which animals are slaughtered or meat and meat products are prepared, packed, stored or handled to be suitably lighted, ventilated, and to be maintained in a sanitary condition. All portions of the buildings which are to be slaughtered or packed, or where this is impracticable, shall be washed, scraped or otherwise rendered clean and free from filth and manure. Trucks, trays, chutes, platforms, racks, tables, knives, saws, cleavers and all utensils and machinery employed in slaughtering, packing, rendering or otherwise handling meat shall be thoroughly cleaned daily.

Outer Clothing. Employees of the establishments must wear outer clothing of a material which will not absorb moisture. Toilet rooms, urinals and dressing rooms are required to be established in each establishment. Managers of establishments will not be held responsible for any disease or ailment contracted by any of the employees in any of the departments where carcasses are handled, unless it is shown that the carcasses were not properly handled or meat food products prepared.

For the purpose of enforcing the law and the regulations, inspectors and other government employees may be authorized to enter any establishment where meat or meat food products are handled or prepared.

Butchers who dress carcasses shall be required to wear clean white aprons and to wash their hands and forearms before touching healthy carcasses. Weekly reports on sanitation are to be made by the employees in charge of the establishments to the chief of the division of animal industry at Washington.

The provision relating to dress, chemicals and preservatives is stringent. Heretofore the ante-mortem inspection has been made at the packing yards, at the time the animals arrived, and has covered animals which were to be slaughtered for export. Now in connection with the new regulations, this inspection will be made at the packing yards, and those which are slaughtered for local consumption will be inspected at the time of slaughter.

Method of Appeal. Whenever the inspectors of an establishment question the action of the inspector in condemning any carcass, the establishment may appeal to the inspector in charge, and if he desires to appeal to the secretary of agriculture, he may do so within ten days of the date of the decision. The secretary's decision is final, and no appeal will be received after that date.

Inspection of animals before slaughter, designated in the regulations as the ante-mortem inspection, shall be made at the packing yards and to give the secretary of agriculture authority to require that all animals suspected of disease be slaughtered separately and apart from all other animals, and that the carcasses be destroyed.

Destruction of Carcasses. Suspect or diseased animals, and all carcasses and parts of carcasses and meat food products which are found to be diseased, shall be destroyed. One of the important provisions of the regulations is the following: "It is inspected and passed. This phrase shall mean that the carcasses, parts of carcasses, meat and meat food products so marked are sound, healthy, wholesome and contain no disease-producing chemicals or preservatives, which render meats or meat food products unsound, unwholesome or otherwise unfit for human food."

Alleged Robber Arrested. Philadelphia, Pa.—A search of two cases of robbery here, involving a half million of dollars, was made by the Philadelphia police last night. A millionaire of the city was arrested in connection with the robbery.

Dismissed Lead Fraud Charge. Milwaukee.—Judge Charles, of the Milwaukee court, has dismissed a charge of lead fraud against Joseph J. Anderson, a Milwaukee merchant, who had been charged with selling lead of inferior quality.

Deserter Meeting Banquet. Richmond, Mo.—City Marshal William Mason was shot and killed by James P. Wilson, a deserter, at a banquet given by the city of Richmond, Mo., last night.

Horsemans' Blood-Mis Life. East Aurora, N. Y.—John Bradburn shot and killed himself at his home here while temporarily insane. Bradburn was a one of the recognized horsemen in the state and was well known as a book on horse training.

HIS ONE WEAK SPOT.

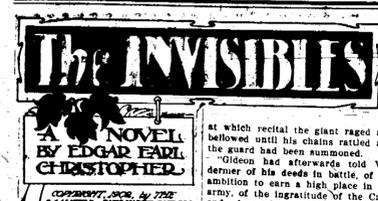
Prominent Minnesota Merchant Cured by Stay-Cured by Dean's Kidney Pills.

O. C. Hayden, of O. C. Hayden & Co., dry goods merchants, of Albert Lea, Minn., says: "I could hardly walk. There was an unaccountable pain in the back and constant pain in the head. I was very uncomfortable. My health was good in every other way, I could not understand this trouble. It was just as if the strength had gone from my back. After suffering for some time I began using Dean's Kidney Pills. The remedy acted at once upon the kidneys, and after a normal action was restored, the trouble with my back disappeared. I have not had any return of it."

For sale by all druggists. Write for a box, Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

LIKE EDGE OF THE WORLD. Unalaska, in the Alaskan Islands, a Desolate Spot—Where White Men May Not Live.

Unalaska resembles other northern straits, having warehouses, docks, and a few stores. It is a desolate spot, where white men may not live. The only two ships out of the country are the "Albatross" and the "Albatross".



EDGAR FAIR CHRISTOPHER. A NOVEL BY EDGAR FAIR CHRISTOPHER. CHAPTER XIV.—Continued.

"He closed his eyes and we drank in silence."

"I hope, sir, that nothing has happened to cause you any annoyance, or to disturb your peace of mind."

"Why do you ask me that?" he said, smiling at me, and trying to get up.

"Because I see, or fancy I see, a shadow in your face. I hope I am in error."

"Do you?" he said in great distress. "I have always tried to keep my troubles from you, but I have not been able to do so. I have not had any return of it."

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PREMIER ORDERS WAR ON ENEMIES OF RUSSIA

Full Power to Act Given Huiers of Provinces, to Be Directed Against All Opponents of the Government.

St. Petersburg.—War to the knife with revolution, and the battle to be fought by the provinces, was proclaimed by Premier Stolypin in a telegram addressed to the government ministers, governors and prefects throughout Russia and ordered to strike and spare not in efforts to preserve order and crush the enemies of society."

The declaration of war, as shown by the events of the day, are not only revolutionists and socialists, but also representatives of the people, who were surrounded by troops with cannon aimed to disperse them.

Even before the document was signed, however, outbreaks both in the army and among the workers and workmen were in progress. Scores of men were killed at many points in the empire. Thousands paraded under the red flag, and the prisoners of St. Petersburg and other cities were being taken to the shooting point by revolutionaries.

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FOUR YEARS OF AGONY.

Whole Foot Nothing But Proud Cruelty—Had to Use Crutches—Cultures of Russia.

In the year 1899 the side of my right foot was cut off by the physician. I was left with a wooden leg. I was in agony for four years, and tried different physicians and all kinds of treatments. I could walk only with crutches. In two weeks afterwards I saw a change in my limb. Then I began using Culture Soap and Ointment often during the day, and kept it up for seven months. When my limb was healed up just the same as if I never had trouble. It is eight months ago since I stopped using Culture Soap and Ointment. I have been able to walk on a scale sufficiently large to allow me to go to the theatre, to women and carriages, or other reasonable frolics, not only in dining cars, but in every car of every train, and in winter as well as in summer, the legs being to make persons feel that the flowers are part of the trip over the road and not precious little souvenirs. The greenhouse will probably be located at Grand Island, Nev., Cheyenne, Wyo., Denver, Col., and Ogden, Utah. In California and in the territory of the Sunset route in the south the company has no trouble in getting the flowers. The flowers are raised in these districts the scheme of flowers for passengers and car decorations is being carried out. The flowers are raised in these districts the scheme of flowers for passengers and car decorations is being carried out. The flowers are raised in these districts the scheme of flowers for passengers and car decorations is being carried out.

THE CAMERA FIEND. Man Was Not Satisfied With Ordinary Amusement Like Taking Pictures.

A well-known criminal lawyer once declared that he had never seen a case as called. It appeared that the defendant had not attended, and the judge had to change the number of his box in the imperial opera house and the Imperial Court theater in the city of St. Petersburg.

Nothing Succeeds Like MUCH-O-SEE. The man who preaches the best sermon; the man who tells the funniest stories; the man who keeps the best goods soon finds that people come to him. Merit is the best advertisement in the world. It is the best advertisement in the world. It is the best advertisement in the world.

The Immensity of the Peek-a-Boo Waist

It is far easier to give a definition of immensity than of modesty. Immensity is implied by two words, in my estimation, the "peek-a-boo" waist.

While I appear above and evening on a roof garden in a tight-fitting bathing suit, my sense of modesty will never go so far as to wear a peek-a-boo waist.

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SEEK WEALTH IN THE PAMPAS



Adventures in the lives of Montana ranchmen are such common history that a 1,200-mile ride across the vast, dreary pampas of Argentina in search of profitable cattle lands is only an incident in the year's experiences and, from the point of view of the men themselves, scarcely worth the relating. Still, there is another point of view, and so, even if damp winds utter unendingly across the bay, making those hardy men of deeds shiver and wish to withdraw from the storytelling field, it is well worth while to insist that something be said.

Hither on the steamer Arabistan the other day came two strapping Montana cattle growers named William Coburn and Abe Gill, recent travelers from Bahia Blanca, eastern Argentina, to Lake Nahuel Huapi, western Argentina—unheard-of places which are known only to the well-informed members of that part of the world and to map specialists of all other parts of the world. These two men were in Neu Quen last February—and there hangs an interesting tale.

First of all, they had been living many years in the cattle-growing lands of Montana. Back in the '80's and early in the '90's the state of Montana was scantily populated and there was land in abundance. So hordes of men wishful of wealth divided up the state until eventually—possessors of gorgeous imaginations conceived that a crowded state of affairs existed. From time to time came to these men rumors of the valuable lands of South America. Especially the word "pampas" was used in descriptions in the most glowing terms.

For one thing, rumor said that these pampas were much like the lands of old Montana and that there were countless opportunities for the early goers to that part of the world. Also, rumors said that there were many difficulties—difficulties of access, difficulties of living, difficulties of ownership—the list of hardships ran on indefinitely. But to all these addenda the imaginative men of Montana laughed scornfully. They said:—

"Have we not undergone hardships to bring value out of this state? Did we not come here when there were countless hardships and did we not succeed? Have we, therefore, anything new to learn down there in South America? The essential thing to keep in mind is the question: Are there opportunities on the pampas? Is there a great extent of cheap land on which we can raise cattle? Can we stake out thousands and thousands of acres in return for our presence there? As for the rest—but we are not tenderfeet. For we guess we can take care of ourselves."

And that was how Abe Gill, of Landusky, and William Coburn, of Brookside, two men from settlements in the county of Chouteau, Mont., mounted their bronchos last Thanksgiving day, waved good-by to their assembled friends and rode to the nearest railroad station, bound for the pampas of Argentina for an inspection of the alleged magnificent cattle lands there.

At the capital of Argentina officials told them loud tales about the hardships of the pampas—loud tales especially of the dry, sandy pampas, where men could travel for days without water.

At the last meeting of the Academy of Medicine a system of protecting railway employees in Senegal against mosquito bites and resulting yellow fever was described by Kermant. This was the use of fine wire screens over windows, doors and other apertures. As a consequence the number of days in a hospital for the personnel of a single station fell from 139 days and ten employees in 1902 to 13 days and two employees in the last 12 months.

FOG WHISTLE FOOLS MOOSE

Blasts from Signal Station at St. John, N. B., Mistaken by Animals Who Wander Into City.

St. John, N. B.—Whether or not the fog whistle at the entrance to St. John harbor should be compelled to take out a game license would seem to be a question to be decided by the game commission. Partridge island is situated about two miles from the city of St. John, and on it is one of the principal signal stations. A few months ago there was installed on the island a new fog whistle, which has been the cause of much excitement among the moose which haunt the woods around the city. This whistle gives a long drawn out blow in a low note, and ends the blast with a short, snuffing blow two tones lower. The whistle exactly imitates the call of a cow moose, and is having the effect of such calls.

It is not uncommon for moose to find their way into the city and walk quietly through the streets during the earlier hours of the day. They are never molested, and have grown bold. Since the new fog whistle was established these wandering moose have become more plentiful, and there is no doubt that they are attracted by what they think is the call of their mates. The bull moose stroll calmly through Fairville and Lancaster to the water's edge, and then attempt to swim to the island. None have ever swam the full distance, for before reaching the island they evidently become aware that things are not what they seem, and that there is something wrong with the call.

WANTS A JOB "HOLLERIN'."

Indoor Worker, Finding Occupationirksome, Gets Hold of a Bright Idea.

"I think," said a man whose work is irksome, "that I'd like for a time to be a curb broker, one of those fellows that stand in a crowd down there in Broad street and snap their fingers and holler all day long.

"I thought one spell that it would be a relief to me to get out for awhile and be a watermelon vender; just going along the street with a horse and wagon and a load of watermelons, leading the horse with one hand and putting the other to my mouth and shouting: 'Watermelon, wab-h-h-termelah!'

"But when I came to think that I'd have to take care of the horse and have to lug those heavy watermelons upstairs when I sold one, I thought that maybe selling watermelons wasn't just what would do me, the most good after all; and then, when I saw the curb boys, their seemed to be about the sort of job I wanted.

"Sometimes now my work wears on me so that I feel as though I must get up and holler, right where I am. If I could get out and stand in the middle of the street, with a thin, cool coat on, and maybe no hat, and do nothing but holler for about three months out in the open air, I believe it would be a blessed relief."—N. Y. Sun.

GETTING WORMS FOR BAIT

Old Angler Tells of Method Which Will Commend Itself to the Lazy Man.

The boy wanted some worms for bait. He had selected a promising

MONEY IN PARROT BREEDING

Here Is a New Occupation for the Unsuccessful—Will Thrive Out of Doors.

"A good living can be made by breeding parrots in this country," said a bird dealer. "If you have a hothouse, all the better. If you haven't you can breed the parrots out of doors.

"I know a man who for a number of years has bred budgerigars and cockatiels out of doors. These superb birds frequently run six in a nest, and there would be three or four nests a season. Indeed, one pair of cockatiels never produced less than 12, and on one occasion had 18 youngsters, all of which grew up out of doors.

"In the west there are several men raising the gray parrot, three sorts of cockatoos, the gray-breasted Montevidean parrot, the Rosella, the Turquoise, the king and the blue-fronted Amazon.

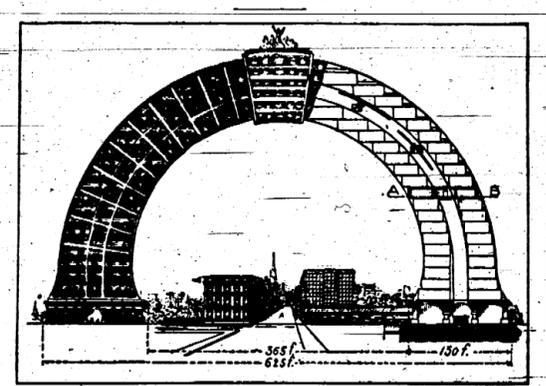
"All these parrots sell readily and command a high price."

SALOON MAN'S BRIGHT IDEA

Made Money for Himself and Gave Solid Comfort to Thirsty City Horses.

"That corner ginmill does more business than all the other three corners put together," said a Harlem cop, pointing to a saloon which had a big iron watering trough in front and where a dozen teams were waiting their chance to drink. "A year ago the proprietor didn't have any more business than he could handle, when he hit on the idea of the watering trough. He got permission to put it up, and

UNIQUE SKYSCRAPER IDEA.



To overcome obstacles now encountered in lighting and ventilating the inner parts of big buildings and to give novelty in construction, Jules Gernaert, an engineer of Brussels, Belgium, has designed the arch-shaped structure seen in the drawing. The design shows a building of 21 stories, rising to a height of 400 feet. Iron and cement are the materials to be used in construction. The inventor declares the elasticity obtained between the two or more resting points of the structure will make it earthquake proof. A combination of elevator and trolley car will carry tenants to the various floors.

Spiders Have Civic Problems.

Spiders are not always solitary creatures. A scientist has lately found in Southern India a species of spider that builds spongy nests with outlying webs, each nest being occupied by 40 to 100 spiders, with a large excess of females; sometimes five or six nests are clustered together. The spiders not only live and work together, but they share with one another any prey that may be captured, and some even show maternal affection approaching self-sacrifice.

Illustrating the Point.

"I know what reciprocity is, pop." "Suppose you tell me, then, son." "When the doctor goes to see sick people, he pays them visits, don't he?" "Yes." "And then the visits pay the doctor, don't they?"

It Sued Him.

Irate Pa—Did you tell that young man who calls on you every night that I am going to have the gas turned off promptly at ten p. m.?
Daughter—Yes, papa.
Irate Pa—And what did he say to that?
Daughter—He said he would consider it a personal favor if you would have it turned off at 8:30.—Royal Magazine.

Took It for Granted.

Homely Lady—Oh, my husband is an easy man to suit.
New Cook—Looking at her—Yes, mum, I can readily believe it.
Homely Lady—to herself—Strange, she should take that for granted, but probably she knows a superior woman like myself wouldn't marry a crank.—N. Y. Weekly.

Certainly Not.

The Wife—Did you not think that looks very nice for you to sit there with your feet on the table, John—I'll have to go and get you that book on table etiquette, I guess.
The Husband—No use, dear; I've read that book all through, and it doesn't mention in it a word about feet on the table.—Yonkers Statesman.

Better Than Labels.

"One of my children was born in France," she said with unceasing pride, "another in Germany and the third in England."
"Indeed?" replied the formal caller.
"That even beats having your satchel plastered with the labels of foreign hotels, doesn't it?"—Chicago Record-Herald.

Natural.

Bacon—What did you think of the lower in the play?
Egbert—I thought he acted very natural.
"I thought he acted very queer."
"Well, Iowa makes everybody a statesman, you know."—Yonkers Statesman.

Perfectly Willing.

Mrs. Farmer—Wouldn't you like to hoe the cabbage patch? Why don't you take example from the little busy bees and—
Weary Willie—I'm willin' ter, mum. Jest ez soon ez I see a bee grab a hoe an' hike it to de cabbage patch I'll do de same ting.—Judge.

Didn't Inherit Any.

Redd—Did Richley's father leave him anything when he died?
Green—Everything but brains.—Yonkers Statesman.

Both Barbarous.

Rodrick—There is something about the Indians that reminds me of college students.
Van Albert—What is it?
"Why, you can't tell their songs from their whoops."—Chicago Daily News.

Pleased the Baby.

Uncle Tom—The baby's looking wonderfully happy to-night.
Nurse—I expect he heard a lady, who called this afternoon, say that he wasn't a bit like any of his relations.—Tit-Bits.

Erma—Why in the world did Katharine give up Jack for Tom?

Surely, Jack was always pressing the question?
Ida—Yes, but Tom was always pressing Katharine.

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Adolf, an Austrian artisan, adored Anna, an aristocrat.
Anna adored Adolf.
Another aristocrat, Alfred, an ambassador, adored Anna.
Alfred addressed Anna, admitting admiration.
Anna assumed amazement.
Alfred adored Anna.
Anna admonished Alfred.
Alfred adopted aggressiveness.
Alfred's audacity alarmed Anna.
Anna, afraid and agitated, acquainted Adolf.
Adolf accused Alfred.
Alfred, angered, abused Adolf awfully.
Adolf answered Alfred.
Alfred attacked Adolf.
Anna, aghast, aided Adolf.
Adolf and Anna almost annihilated Alfred.
Alfred abdicated absolutely.
Anna accepted Adolf.
Adolf and Anna abruptly absconded, abandoned Austria altogether, arrived at Antwerp, and always abided abroad afterward.—Tit-Bits.

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Tax Collector Ends Life.

Paterson, N. J.—To avoid the disgrace of arrest on the charge of delinquency, Albert O'Brien, tax collector of the borough of Totowa, shot himself while officers were approaching his house.

Fought on the Merrimack.

Norfolk, Va.—Capt. William Henry Bunting, one of the few survivors of the crew of the confederate ironclad Merrimack during the civil war, died at the Norfolk Protestant hospital, following an operation.

A Stage.

All the world's a stage, they say; For each a part is set. And when mosquitoes start this way, We play behind a net.—Washington Star.

In Society.

Ice Box—I hear you are entertaining a good deal lately.
Thermometer—Yes, indeed! I'm giving everybody a hot time.—Detroit Free Press.

A Frost.

"Did you get on well as an actor?"
"Yes—I got on well enough, I guess, but I couldn't get off half quick enough."—Cleveland Leader.

When All Else Fails.

"Dear, do you think a woman ought to work for a husband?"
"By all means," replied the one who was well along. "If she can't get one any other way."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

He Knew Her.

Yeast—I suppose it would be safe to say that you have a dutiful wife?
Crimsonbeak—It wouldn't be safe to say anything else.—Yonkers Statesman.

Exception.

Mrs. Naggs—Everything the Brokerleighs have is borrowed.
Mr. Naggs—Oh, I don't know! They seem to have trouble of their own.—Chicago Daily News.

WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN.

At this writing it seems certain that the famous Nebraska statesman, now in Europe, will be the presidential nominee of the Democratic party in 1908.

INSECT PESTS ARE DOOMED

Frenchman Invents Apparatus Which Is to Electrocute Mosquitoes and Gnats.

Paris—Maurice Chautin has declared war electrically on mosquitoes and gnats. He proposes to replace the old methods by electrocution, thanks to an apparatus which he has invented, and patented. A cylindrical lantern is constituted of two rings suspended one above the other, and connected by parallel and vertical chains. These are connected with the source of electricity in such a fashion that each of the chains is always alive. In the center is a lamp. Electric or other light attracts mosquitoes, which get into contact with the lamp and get into contact with the chains. The moment an insect touches two at once with its legs it establishes a short circuit, and is immediately electrocuted. If this apparatus be installed in a bedroom it has only to be lighted a short time before the owner retires to insure a quiet night's sleep.