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The New Year

Will the New Year bring Peace? Peace in Europe will be the ic Lodge and the Royal Arch atest gift the New Year can ng to the world. The armies the Allies and the Teutons have been locked in battle so long the Lodge Hall a sumptuous banthat the world has become almost callous. Every day we have ther did not prevent a large atread in the news dispatches accounts of horrible fighting. To- organizations, due of course to day forty thousand men were the interest that has been kept wiped out. Yesterday whole fully alive inthe lodge work. battalions were decimated. The day before thousands of men quite prosperous during the past were caught in a trap and killed. year and are looking forward Reports state that Germany's to greater prosperity in the comlist of killed totals over 2,000,000. ing years. The officers installed Beautiful cities and princeless were: works of art have been razed. Helpless women and children G. M. Williamson, K. have been driven by the enemy A. A. Beeman, S. from their homes and starved or George Roach, C. of H. thrown on the mercy of the char- Ed J. Neer, P. S. itable. Our minds have refused to grasp the tremendousness of W. S. Merrill, R. A. C. R. K. Puckett, M. T. V. W. H. Ball, M. S. V. it and we read the war news with Fred Steig, M. F. V. hardly more of a thrill than we John W. Ballow, Treasurer. get from a sensational murder. Ben Wood, Secretary. Recent dispatches from Europe J. B. Crawford, Sentinel. have emphasized the peace note. J. A. Fairly, W. M. German socialists, apparently, Jack Norris, S. W. are demanding that something be W. H. Ball, J. W. done to end the slaughter. Aus- C. W. Terry, S. D. tria likewise is ready for peace Louie Kohl, J. D. in all probability has been for some time. It is not unlidely J. P.Deen, Treasurer. Ben Wood, Secretary. J. W. George, Tyler. that Mance and England, despite W. E. Dawn, Chaplin. th sertions to the contrary, J. B. Priddy, Marshal. Would be amenable if proper Frank D. Galloway, S. S. ternis coule be obtained. The S. E. Rosson, J. S. neutral world is crying for peace. Will the New Year bring it? Nineteen sixteen will hold much for ehe United States in the way of prosperity and progress. We have reached a period of construction which will begin this year. Many serious problems are before the people for solution, and the tendency is to ignore and on the plate glass windows. radicalism and to concentrate our So why exert yourself to get up efforts on a safe and some policy. But of all the gifts which the

Judges Divide Work.

in Europe.

New Year may have in store for

us, the greatest would be peace

The judges of the fifth judicial district, comprising Chaves, Ed dy. Curry and Roosevelt counties have decided to divide the work of the district January 1st.

This is the only district in the state which has t wo judges. Judge Granville A. Richardson will take the cases originating in Curry and Eddy counties, while Judge John T. McClure will take ('haves and Roosevelt county cas

Demonstration

Red Star Milling company, have ent a special domestic science instructor to Deen Neer Company lady. It is well worth your time to drop in to see her. Wholesome food will be baked Friday and May the Lord bless you. Saturday. Don't miss this chance. Remember the place, Deen-Neer Saturday.

Raptist Notes

Despite the lagrippe and bad colds, we had very good attendce at church Sunday morning. glad to welcome so many of Broher Bell's fine people as well as cople from the other churches. Ve feel like throwing a boquet at ome of the young people from the Methodist church for furnishus fine work if we cooperate down for the holidays. tily and all.

W. E. DAWN, P

Masonic Installation.

Last Monday night the Mason-Chapter, in accordance with their ancient custom, installed officers for the coming year. After the installation there was served in quet. The very inclement weatendance of the members of these

These two lodges have been

Royal Arch Masons.

James A. Hall, H. P. Portales Lodge, A. F. & A. M.

Special Request

We are requested to ask chewert and spitters of that delectable weed known as tobacco to refrain more from walking to the edge of the sidewalk and spitting into the street. There is plenty of room on the sidewalks and at the bottom of the walls from a warm comfortable seat on the sill or a comfortable leaning position against some man's door and go to the side walk to spit. Also you run the risk of getting a shower bath from some other indulger who dont have quite so much energy. The best and safest way is to turn slightly, with the least possible exertion and squirt a large brown stream against the glass front or the or the door facing, or at least on the sidewalk just at the bottom of the wall. It looks disgusting and smells to heaven and is likely to spread disease, but for sake of your physique do not exert yourselves to go to the edge of the sidewalk, it might prove fatal. - Comanche Chief.

Card of Thanks

Words fail to express my to demonstrate this splendid hard heartfelt gratitude to the many wheat. Miss Hewey has many friends who so kindly and tenattractive recipes to give each derly assisted me during my husband's sickness and death. Your kindness willnever be forgotten.

Mrs. James Monroe.

J. W. Rucker and Miss Rozena Company: the time, Friday and Lewis were married on Monday of this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McMinn, Rev. W. E. Dawn, officiating. The groom has only been here a few weeks but was well liked by all who knew him. The bride has been here practically since a small girl and has a host of friends who wish for them a most prospertus and happy journey through life.

James M. French, of Tyrone, the music Sunday night. Kansas, arrived this week for a e again. Our meeting will visit with his aunt, Mrs. T. J. gin Sunday conducted by Bros. Molinari. Mr. French is attendrimm and Cumby. They are ing the agricultural college at oth fine young fellows and wili Stillwater, Oklahoma, and is just

> D us T. E. Bell was in Canyon City, Texas, Tuesday of this week on

Looking a Year Ahead



We are face to face with the problems of another year. It may bring us much or little, as we choose. The question is, what do we choose? In the parlance of the street, "It is up to us."

One thing we need is greater commercial activity. But how are we to promote it? We need a closer community of interests between the farmer and his family and the townman and his family. In many ways each is dependent upon the good will of the other, but few of us seem to realize this. In years past farmers have been shipping their products away to market in small quantities and realizing small profits while the rapacious middleman have rolled in the gold that should have found its way back to the farms. And the loss to the farmer is likewise a loss to the town and the community in general. We should not permit another year to go by without remedying this glaring defect in our system. It can be done. The business men of this town should all get together and devise some method whereby they can market the products of all of the farmers quickly, economically, and without the aid of so many hungry go-betweens. It may take a little brain work, and a trip or two to some central market in order to put the scheme into practical working order, but it can done if it is undertaken in the right spirit. When the business men look after the interests of the farmers in this respect, the farmers will reciprocate by giving them the immense volume of their business that is now going to other sources. An agricultural clearing house is needed in this town. The new year should see a movement on foot for its establishment, and the end of the year should see it in practical and successful working order and with everybody happy and satisfied.

Too many of us are strangers to each other in this community, where we should all be brothers and dwell together in unity for the common good of all. And that is because there are entirely too many hard and fast cliques and sets, with each immersed in its own thell and never a peep at the light of outer day. We need a common ground for meeting, where neighbor greets neighbor and the stranger finds himself at home and among friends. If cooperation is good in commercial affairs it would be of equal benefit in private and social life. It would afford us a more intimate knowledge of humanity and a broader perspective of life, and the resultant spirit of good fellowship would be felt in a thousand ways. A year of "getting together" would stamp a wonderful imprint upon the heart, the soul and the conscience of this community.

But we can without detriment, or expense at least remember that we are all neighbors, and friends, and brothers, and so act one to the other, to to the end that peace, harmony and happiness may be our lot for the coming year.

An exchange points to the fact that the drug market is now at its highest price point in history because the essentials armed to kill men instead of curing the Office over Hum-

University Notes

cember 30:-Miss. Margaret Glea- of the business men of Portales, son for several years Dean of also a number of the farmers who Woman and professor of Domes- travel the south road about fixtic science at the New Mexico ing a day towork the said "south state university, has resined to road". I find some are willing effect January 1st, when she will and some are anxous. Now, the be succeeded in the faculty by thing to do is for every able-bod-Miss Frances Lathrop recently of ied man, regardless of whether the faculty of the Colorado Agri- he has a weakmind or not to cultural college at Fort Collins, screw hiswillingness and anxiety and an experienced domestic up to enthusiasm and meet the science teacher. The resignation farmers on the road some day of Miss. Gloason was received right soon and do what they can regret by the University govern- to improve it. We must wake ment, which however has been up to the fact that Portales fortunate in securing at very than good roads. short notice and unsually efficient | f believe it possible to double substitute for the work. Miss. the population of Portales in two Gleason will retire from active years by doing two things. First educational work.

the holidays. She is teaching in Second, wipe out the prejudice the La Lande schools.

week from a business visit to Bay City, Texas.

Ray Hill, of Hagerman, is here this week visiting with his friend Heck Harris.

Coe Howard and J. E. Johnson motored to Childress, Texas, this The spirit of community interest week on business.

the first of the week.

atives in Hereford, Texas. J. B. McCleskey, of Stephens You might help him

George Johnston. Hubert Yates, who is attending ence and the farmer could ca the Clarendon college at Clarendon. Texas, spent the holidays might be taught to be a better

with his parents,

Mr. and Mrs. L.C. Fenwich of the old rut and treat this with in Clovis were the guest of Mr. difference. Prosperity does not and Mrs. A. E. Siegner the lat- come to us without effort, ter part of the week.

Miss Willie Warnica, who is thing tangible into the comm teacher in the schools at Kermit, ty and help ourr neighbors New Mexico, spent the holidays with homefolks.

Miss Lucille Moore, who is the teacher in the Elida Public school, spent the holidays with home-

Miss Maud Amy Reese, who is attending school at Denton, Texas, is home this week spending the holidays with her parents.

ily, of Taiban, are here this week spirit of looking on the bright spending the holidays with rela- side of things, which contributes

Paso. Texas, who has been visit- er estimated by the length of his ing with her niece, Mrs. H. Fick- countenance, nor by the refusal ensher, left Tuesday for her home. to unbend his dignity so far as

was here this week visiting with one's health, and friends.

Mrs. James Monroe returned Wednesday of this week from condition which we commonly Brownwood, Texas, where she describe as "making one feel accompained the remains of her good." The cheerful smile, the husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. J. Timmons, of New Holland, Ohio, arrived this week to spend the rad or friend and few of us have holidays with their sons, Pryor been so unfortunate as to have B. and Charles B. Timmons.

Frank Henderson and family, who have been visiting with their a sunny countenance, therefore parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hen- not only for our own happiness derson, for the past week, left but for the contag ion that lies in Tuesday for their home in Ama- the atmosphere of a smile for on rillo.

Notice

I have put in a crusher and will be glad to have you call and me when you have any kind ranch, for land crushed. First door Address J. W. reamery. J. C. Crume. Slaughter b

Good Roads Albuquerque, New Mexico De- I have recently talked to some

get good roads running from the county line to Portales in every Miss Hazelwood was home for direction, regarrdless of cost. of our country against town. This can be done by organizing Adam Troutt returned this a Business Men's League, a part of the business of which should be to visit each community and show themselves friendly and interested in the work of their neighbors—the farmers. the farmer a chance to meet and get acquainted with the business man. He might really see some thing good and unselfish in him is a great factor in the building of town andcountry.. When we I. L. Adams, of the Adams think of it the farmers have a Cafe, was a visitor in Roswell right to think there is a dividing line between country and town. Let's get an even start C. A. Skelton, and wife spent with the New Year and try to Christmas with friends and rel- blot out allprejudice and dividing lines by getting acquainted with our neighbors—the farmers. County Texas, is here visiting ter farmer. A good many of our business men own farms and are getting a good deal of exp show him the kind of goods needs in his business. Thus he business man.

I hope you will not keep er does it comewithout invita and inducement. Let's put become prosperous and then we will have better opportunities to become prosperous ourselves. Yours truly.

W. O. Oldham. December 28th, 1915.

A Hearty Laugh Contageous

We have faith in men who can laugh heartily. It is not only a sign of good healthand good Professor R. A. Deen and fam- nature, but an indication of the so much to success. The wisdom Miss Emma Angelbaer, of El and sanctity of a man is no long-Miss Ione Austin, formerly a to laugh on occasion. We real-Portales girl, but now of Clovis, ize now that laughter improves the blood bounding through the veins and bringing about that frank, open laugh, are two of the most helpful influences whch iman is able to bestow on comfailed to experience the benefits of both. Let us all wear

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teristic of normally constituted plants. the plant that sustains injury through

In addition to the injury to the leaf and crown, as noted, there is, on some soils, injury done to the root system through the lifting, heaving action of

above the surface of the ground, many cow odors and to raise of the fine feeding roots having ents our going after the broken in the process.

WINTER MULCH GOOD FOR STRAWBERRIES



Small and Do Not Ripen as Well as When They Obtain More Sunlight.

able to suppose that the plant will harvest will be very disappointing

have further need of them at some when compared with those secured

sets in.

properly applied.

astrous results.

strawberry bed will present every de-

from a bed of plants that have been

The remedy then, or preventive,

What shall we use, and when best

In our own work any material that

is convenient is made to serve the

purpose, and the mulching operations

are begun as soon as freezing weather

marsh hay, cornstalks, or forest

Whether the material used is straw,

The quantity that should be applied

There are conditions under which a

In our opinion, one inch of the set-

tled straw will afford ample protec-

is frozen hard at the time, a thick

I have received reports from grow-

improper material had been used or

The straw or chaff should be used

sparingly, an amount sufficient to ex-

A blanket of snow makes the very

This being true, it is a wise plan,

benefit of a windbreak of some sort.

ways supplemented by a snow blanket,

It is not generally thought that ex-

It seems strange to me now that so

many strawberry growers have their

beds without protection, thereby dis-

counting largely the results due at

Yet it is not so very strange after

all. Many of us go through life with

the mind's eye half closed to the

things about it. It took several years

of costly experience to convince the

writer that the winter mulch is an

important factor in strawberry grow-

ing and that the work must on no account be neglected if the most highly

satisfactory results are to be obtained.

Keep the Animals Warm.

the power of speech, they would

doubtless cry out for warm beds and

good shelter, even at the expense of part of their rations of roughage.

While a bellyful of food will help, it

will not make comfortable the animal

through, unprotected from the weath-

If the animals on the farm possessed

cessive freezing of the ground is in-

ing the ground bare of snow

clude the direct rays of light only.

improperly applied, perhaps both.

mulch of that depth would mean dis-

varies somewhat. In one article that

(By M. N. EDGERTON.) In a sense the strawberry plant is gree of vitality except that of a plant an evergreen. Unlike the bush or in perfect health. tree fruits, it has no wood growth to The plants of an unprotected strawripen. Its leaves do not shrivel in berry bed will make as brave a showthe fall, and at the touch of frost drop ing as their impaired vitality will perfrom the plant, hence it is but reason- mit, but results as measured by the

Observing closely, the student of given the proper protection. nature will note that in place of

ripening, as is the case with bush and rather, is the winter mulch. tree fruits, the leaves of the strawberry plant take on a deeper shade of green with the advent of autumn, finally assuming a recumbent position. This is nature's method of preparing this plant for the necessary period

of dormancy. During this period the forces in the plant remain inactive. With the coming of spring, the warm breezes, sunshine and showers, there is an awakening—a springing up of new life.

With the bush and tree fruits this awakening of pent-up energy first I read not long since a writer recommanifests itself by the swelling of mended eight inches of settled straw. buds. From these tiny leaves push forth, to be followed by the unfolding

In embryonic form, leaf and blossom have been tucked away and protected in a sheath of well-ripened tion in most instances. If the ground

These stored-up forces are pro- mulch may be applied with safety, but tected against injury from low temper- the placing of several inches of straw somewhat on atmospheric conditions ground is in an unfrozen condition is prevailing at the time and conditions almost sure to result disastrously. under which the growth and ripening of these buds took place.

However, with strawberry plants greater the harm likely to be done. there is no swelling and unfolding of The coarser the material used the betleaf buds, for each leaf and cluster | ter, for then there is sufficient circuof blossoms appears separately and at lation of air to supply the needs of different periods of time. the plant, yet the sunlight is excluded.

In place of well-ripened, woody tissue, the embryonic leaves and fruit ers, in which it was claimed that a stems of this plant are protected by mulch had proved ruinous to strawthe crown of the plant, which consists berry plants. However, if the entire of a succulent growth of plant tissue circumstances relating to such instances were fully known, I am con-

fident it would be found that either With such a protection, these embryonic leaves and fruit buds are not fully prepared to undergo the rigors of winter, hence additional protection is required if the plants are to retain their strength and vigor unimpaired. By looking into the matter closely the reason for this may be very plainly

I have said that the leaves of the it packs in a hard drift several feet in strawberry plant go into winter in a green, succulent state, and for this reason their purpose has not yet been fully accomplished.

With the advent of spring, and the awakening of nature, these leaves re-

The root feeders gather in the elements of plant food from the soil. The circulatory system carries this food to leaf tissues, where, under the action of sunshine, a chemical change takes | place, by which it is made available for assimilation.

Some of this perfect plant food is making an ideal combination. used by these same leaf tissues, but by far the larger portion is carried to the crown, there to be used in the growth jurious to the plants, yet we have always had the best results when the and development of a new and larger ground has been held unfrozen This being true, it will readily be throughout the entire period of plant

seen that if the leaves of the present dormancy. season's growth do not pass through the winter with vitality unimpaired an abnormal condition in plant life will

With its tissues wholly or partly dead, the leaves of the plant are unable to resume the functional activities properly, as would otherwise be

New leaves may push out from the crown of such plants, to be sure, but such growth never possesses that vigorous, healthy appearance so charac-

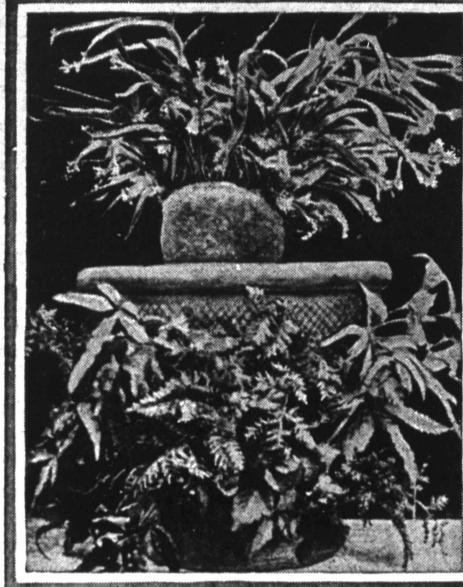
Nor are the leaves the only part of exposure to winter frosts and sunshine, for the tissues that compose the crown are injured more or less by the same thawing and freezing

that stands shivering the night

Grown on a class of soils that hencycomb readily, these syrface-feeding plants are often strander, so to speak, their crowns projecting more or less

The contest with the elen

Their Care and Cultivation



An Artistic Arrangement.

TABLE DECORATIONS

By EBEN E. REXFORD.

I fancy some readers saying we cannot all have flowers for the table. Greenhouses are not to be found in every little village. Even if they were, many of us could not afford to purchase from them except on very extra occasions.

True, but why not grow your own plants? Then you will be indeed independent of the florist to a considerable extent.

Most women have plants in the windows, but the majority are not adapted to table use.

The table plant for this purpose, all things considered, is the asparagus The finer the material the finer it plumosus. It has foliage much daintier will settle, and consequently the than that of any fern.

It can easily be made to grow in the bushy compact form which a plant designed for use on the table should

This is done by pinching off the ends of the young fronds when they have made a growth of 12 or 18 inches. This causes the lower side branches to spread out broadly and breadth is secured where there would be little if the plant were allowed to train itself. Such a plant is very attractive in it-

self with its filmy green foliage, comparable only to lace, or mist, in its

But whenever additional brightness is desired a few long-stemmed flowers thrust in among its fronds will furnish best sort of protection, as it permits it in a most delightful manner. Roses, the free circulation of air, even when carnations, narcissus, astilbe, stevia all these and many more can be used with it with most charming effect.

Have three or four plants of it and whenever possible, to establish the you will have but little use for the strawberry bed where it will have the florist. They will be quite as attracfive in the window as any other plants In latitudes where there are large that can be grown there, therefore snowfalls, it will even pay to erect they will serve a double purpose.

an artificial windbreak of some sort, Give this asparagus a soil of garden if needed, to prevent the winds sweeploam made light with sand. Water moderately. Sunshine is not neces-In our latitude, a light covering of sary to its successful culture. Diraw answers every purpose required

Shower several times a week and for the winter mulch, as this is alkeep red spiders from injuring it. Be the meal is over.

sure to nip off the end of each shoot, a Binding as advised above, to make the plant

Many plants can be secured of the florists and these can be divided next season. One good sized plant can be made to serve as half a dozen small plants in the spring, each one of which will become quite large enough for the table use by fall. A combination of ferns can be easily

grown for use on the table. The broadleaved pteris, the fine-leaved adiantums go well together. The grace of these plants is adapted

to the table where quality is considered as more important than quantity. A combination of ferns of different variety with plants having pretty foliage in color is beautiful. In this case peperomia and tradescantia are used to supply the desired effect. Fern pans filled with small plants of

varieties best calculated to give successful results in the living room, can be bought of nearly all the florists. One should not depend upon a single specimen. Have two, three or more to admit of frequent change. Few plants can be kept on the table

day after day without becoming unhealthy. Have several and allow none of them to do decorative duty for longer than a day or two at a time. At holiday time there will be at-

tractive plants on the market and some of these are admirably adapted There is the Jerusalem cherry, a

miniature bearing scarlet fruit, and the ardisia, a plant with rich, dark foliage against which its dark, red berries show to most pleasing effect. Small plants of araucaria are not

pretty but are so peculiar in habit that they always attract attention and challenge admiration. A plant of poinsettia with its scarlet

flowering will make the table radiant with its wealth of color.

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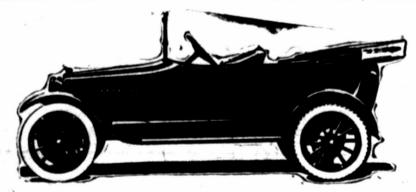
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The Southwest quarters of Section Transactions.

the security of said sums the following described property, to-wit:
The Southwest quarter of Section Twenty-five in Township Two South of Range Thirty-six East of the New Mexico Meridian, New Mexico, containing 160 acres and all improvements thereon: to have plaintiff's said mortgage declared a prior and superior lien to any lien or claim of each and all of said defendants, it being alleged that all of the defendants except the defendants Gibbs W. Dyer and Della M. Dyer, claim some interest in said property by virtue of conveyances subsequent and inferior to plaintiff's said mortgage; to have said mortgage foreclosed and property sold, and the proceeds of such sale applied to the satisfaction of plaintiff's said demands and costs of suit, and for general relief.

You are further notified that unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before the 14th day of January, 1916, judgment by default will be taken against you in said cause, and the plain tiff will apply to the court for relief demanded in the complaint.

You are further notified that Geo, L. Reese is attorney for the plaintiff and his post office address is Portales, New Mexico. Witness my hand and seal of said court, 22nd, day of November, 1915.

Notice of the Pendency of Suit

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The general object of said court action are as follows: The plaintiff seeks to recover the sum of \$1470.00 with interest, upon a written contract executed by the plaintiff and defendant on the 9th day of May 1914, for services performed by the plaintiff for the defendant, and for the purchase price of four horses and one saddle, blanket and

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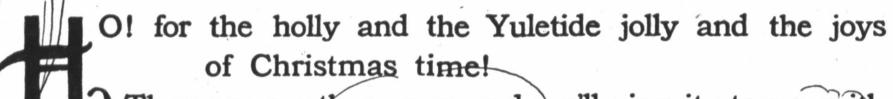
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They are ours today, and the heart of May thrills through December \ drear:

So it's ours to sing with the oldtime ring a song of Christmas cheer!

HOUGH men may fight and the woeful blight of war //blast/ half the earth,

They cannot strangle nor main nor mangle the tale of the Savior's birth;

And deep in the heart the song will start and float over land and sea:

So we'll sing with a will and a rising trill our song of Yuletide glee!

ROM the blazing fire the sparks aspire, and the laden tree is bright,

And the children play on the blessed day, and older hearts are light

Because of the joy of girl and boy, and the love of Christ is long!

So it's ho! for a rhyme of Christmas time and it's ho! for a heartening song







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vestry meeting of the Market church Gail Sargent listens to a lon about the sale of the church its to Edward E. Allison, local evening at Ted Teasdale's countries to Edward E. Allison, local king, and when asked her opin-the church by Rev. Smith Boyd, is apparently a lucrative business is apparently a lucrative business of the motor car. When he suggests he is entitled to rest on the laurels of his schlavements, she asks the disturbing question: "Why?" Gall, returning to her Uncle Jim's home from her drive with Allison, finds cold disapproval in the eyes of Rev. Smith Bcyd, who is calling there. At a bobsled party Gail finds the world uncomfortably full of men, and Allison tells Jim Sargent that his new ambition is to conquer the world. Allison starts a campaign for consolidation and control of the entire transportation system of the world. Gail becomes popular. Allison gains control of transcontinental trafficand arranges to absorb the Vedder court

CHAPTER VIII—Continued.

"You are blaming the church with a tank which lies in the people," protested the rector, shocked and disneeded was spiritual instruction, "The people are lukewarm."

"What else could they be with the watery spiritual gruel which the church provides?" retorted Gail.

your particular new religion would be bols of fervor without any of its oplike," remarked Daddy Manning, his pressive insistence. Gail, as an agreetwinkling eyes resting affectionately able duty to her new found self, ex-

faith in God," Gail told him reverent ant, but nothing more disturbing. ly. "It is still in the hearts of the people, as it will always be; but they worship."

tected that bit of sarcasm. According to that we are wasting

our new cathedral." "Absolutely!" and it struck the rector with pain that Gail had never eyes snapping with indignation. "Your cathedral will be a monument, built out of the profits wrung from squalor. to the vanity of your angregation. If city, of chievement, I would decree that critical never to be built, and

Vedder court to be utterly destroyed!"

"It is perhaps just as well that you are not the dictator of the city." The young Rev. Smith Boyd gazed down at her from his six feet of serious purpose, with all his previous disapproval intensified. "The history of Market Square church is rich with instances of its usefulness in both the spiritual and the material world, with evidence of its power for good, with justification for its existence, with reason for its acts. You make the common mistake of judging an entire body from one surface indication. Do you suppose there is no sincerity, no conscience, no consecration in Market Square church?" His deep, mellow baritone vibrated with the defense of his purpose and that of the institution which he represented. "Why do you suppose our vestrymen, whose time is of enormous value, find a space amid their busy working hours for the affairs of Market Square church? Why to you suppose the ladies of our guild, who have agreeable pursuits for every hour of the day, give their time to committee and charity work?" He paused for a hesitant moment. "Why do you suppose I am so eager for the building, on American soil, of the most magnificent house of worship in the

world?" Gail's pretty upper lip curled.

"Personal ambition!" she snapped. and, without waiting to see the pallor which struck his face to stone, she heeled her way out through the mud to her coupe.

CHAPTER IX.

The Storm Center of Magnetic Attraction.

"Brother Bones," said Interlocutor Ted Teasdale commandingly, with his shamelessly confessed. knuckles on his right knee and his elbow at the proper angle.

"Brother Bones, when does every. prettily!

body love a storm?" "I don't know, Mr. Interlocutor." adtouching his kinky wig with the tip of school." one finger. "When does everybody love a storm?"

Interlocutor Ted Teasdale roved his eye over the assemblage, of fifty or more, in his own ballroom, and smiled in a superior fashion. The ebonyfaced semicircle of impromptu minstrels, banded together that morning, leaned forward with anticipatory grins. | there, but it was at least semi-isolated. They had heard the joke in rehearsal. It was a corker!

"When it's a Gail," he replied. whereat Gail Sargent, at whom every- lined against the green of body looked and laughed, flushed pret her gown of delicate tily, and the bones and tambos made with opalescent flakes, a floarish, and the interiocutor an- "That's just the i

nounced that the Self Help Glee club would now sing that entrancing ditty,

It was only in the blossom of the evening at Ted Teasdale's country house, the seme being about eleven o'clock, and the dance was still to begin. Lucile Teasdale's vivid idea for making her house party notable was to induce their guests to amuse themselves; and their set had depended upon hired extertainers for so long that the idea had all the charm of distinct novelty. Fine? No end of it! One could always be sure of having a lively time around Lucile and Ted Teasdale and Arly Fosland. Gerald gains control of transcontinental traffic and arranges to absorb the Vedder court tenement property of Market Square church. Gail visits Vedder court and meets Fosland was at this party. Fine chap, rotten bored other; but there you married a should have

Gail Sargen, scintillated with enjoyment. Sh and never attended so brilliant a house party. Her own set back home had a lot of fun, but turbed, and yet feeling it his duty to this was in some way different. The set Gail right. He was ashamed of people were no more clever, but there himself for having been severe with were more clever people among them; her in his mind. She was less frivol- that was it. There had been a wider ous than he had thought, and what she range from which to pick, which was why, in New York, there were so many circles, and circles within circles.

The men whom Lucile and Arly had collected were an especial joy. They "I am interested in knowing what had all the accomplished outward symperimented with several of them, and

Dick Rodley was the most persistent, and, in spite of the fact that he she enjoyed it to the full. was exchanging wit, at a tremendous loss, with caustic Arly Fosland.

"Have you seen the new century plant in the conservatory?" Dick I were the dictator | s wonderful asked, beaming down at her, his black second restful dance with Van Ploon hair beginning to sprinkle with gray eyes glowing like coals.

He strolled with Gail to the seat behind the rose screen, but it was fully auto horn, and near the conclusion of as he sat earnestly talking with Babward the geranium alcove.

"Where is the century plant?" He was a tremendously pleasant fellow. When she walked through a crowded room with Dick, she knew, from the



"There Is No Century Plant," He Shamelessly Confessed.

looks of admiration, just what people were saying; that they were an extraordinary handsome couple.

"There is no century plant," he

"I knew it," and she laughed.

"Yes, sir, Mr. Interlocutor," replied a point-blank lie," he cheerfully told excellent humor in these days of build- unconsciously she snuggled her hand dard; music of the first rank. Compo- as official. In any case, there is no Willis Cunningham, whose "black-face her. "I wanted to get you out here ing, and planning, and clearing ground more comfortably into its resting makeup" seemed marvelously absurd alone, all to myself," and his voice for an entirely new superstructure of place. A little sigh escaped her lips, in connection with his brown vandyke, went down two tones. He did it so life circled around to the dining room, deep-drawn and fluttering. It was a

"My happy, happy childhood days." laughed Gail. "The boys used to talk standing quietly at the edge of things. mitted Brother Bones Cunningham, that way on the way home from and watching Gail with keen pleasure,

> appreciatively. "The dullest sort of a party gravitated to her like needles boy would find himself saying nice things to you; but I shall stop it." "Oh, please don't!" begged Gail. "You are so delightful at it."

and he leaned gracefully against the window ledge, looking down at he earnestly as she stood, slende

aware that I am saying what you call realized what it was: business. pretty things. I wish, instead, to be "I can't see any possible new first time. She was a trifle startled by it, and she lowered her eyes before stinctively for the library. the steady gaze which he poured down on her. Why, he was in earnest!

"Then take me to Lucile," she sparkling encounters in passing with smiled up at him, and strolled in toward the ballroom.

Willis Cunningham met them at the

"You promised me the first dance." he breathlessly informed Gail. He had been walking rapidly.

Gail," Dick reminded her, as he glanced around the ballroom for his own partner, but Gail distinctly felt

away with Cunningham. "I know now of what your profile reminds me," Cunningham told her; "the Charmeaux 'Praying Nymph.' It is the most spiritually beautiful of all the pictures in the Louvre."

"I wonder which is the stronger emotion in me just now," she returned; "gratified vanity or curiosity." "I hope it's the latter," smiled Cunningham. "I recall now a gallery in which there is a very good copy of the Charmeaux canvas, and I'd be delight-

ed to take you." "I'll go with pleasure," promised Gail, and Cunningham turned to her

with a grateful smile. "I would prefer to show you the

original," he ventured. "Oh, look at them tuning their drums," cried Gail, as he thought that she had entirely missed his hint, that the keenest delight in his life would be to lead her through the Louvre, and from thence to a perspective of picture galleries, dazzling with all the hues of the spectrum, and as long as life!

He had other things which he wanted to say, but he calculatingly reserved them for the day of the picture viewing, when he would have her exclusive attention; so, through the dance, he talked of trifles far from his heart. He was a nice chap, too.

Dick Rodley was on hand with the last stroke of the music, to claim her "It would be a return to the simple found them most amusing and pleas- for his dance. By one of those waves of unspoken agreement, Gail was being "rushed." It was her night, and

have nowhere to gather together and was so flawlessly handsome as to ex | Van Ploon danced with her, danced cite ridicule. Gail found herself, by conscientiously, keeping perfect time Daddy Manning Jaughed as he de sad by, defending him against her to the music, avoiding, with practiced own iconoclastic sense of humor. He adroitness, every possible pocketing, reached her after the minstrel show, or even hem contacts with surroundwhile Houston Van Ploon and Willis ing couples, and acquitting himself of Cunningham were still struggling pro- lightly turned observations at the ex- length of the wide porch, trying infanely with their burnt cork, and he piration of about every seventy seclooked more beautiful than now, with stole her from under the very eyes of onds. He quite approved of her; ex-miliation. She was near a window, her cheeks flushed and her brown Jack Lariby, while that smitten youth traordinarily so. He had never met a and, advancing a step, she looked in. girl who approached so near the thou- It was the library, and Allison sat sand per cent grade of perfection by there, so clean and wholesome lookall the blue ribbon points.

It was while she was enjoying her that Gail, swinging with him near the at the temples. He was so sturdy and south windows, heard the honk of an so strong and so dependable looking, engaged, and he led the way out to- the dance, saw Allisen standing in the bitt. Gail hurried to the front door doorway of the ballroom, with his and rang the bell. hands in his pockets, watching her with a smile. Her eyes lighted with pleasure, and she nodded gayly to him over Van Ploon's tall shoulder. When the dance stopped she was on the far side of the room, and was instantly the center of a buzzing little knot of laughter radiated like visible flashes of musical sound. She emerged from the group with the arms of two brighteyed girls around her waist, and met Allison sturdily breasting the currents tory, the drawing rooms, or the buffet. "Nobody has saved me a dance," he

> complained. "Nobody expected you until tomorducing him to the girls. "I'll beg you it was a comfort and a joy. one of my dances from Ted or some-

own," he told her, glancing down at anger, and indignation, and humiliaher, from coffure to blue pointed slip- tion-above all, humiliation-which pers, with calm appreciation. "You had swept around her. Her face was and as a result of his accidental disare looking great tonight," and his hot and cold by turns, and she was algaze came back to rest in her glowing most on the point of crying, in spite eyes. Her fresh color had been height of her constantly reiterated self-ad ning. In a short time it was doing all ened by the excitement of the evening. | monishment that she must control her- | of the work that had formerly been over her cheeks, and passed.

"I'll see what I can do," she speculated, looking at her dance card. "I think one is all you get."

time to punish the buffet. I'm hungry just restfulness. as a bear. I started out here without my dinner."

up, and Allison, nodding to his many arm. "I don't mind admitting that it was acquaintances jovially, for he was in "Not very," she lightly replied, and where he performed savage feats at sigh of content. the buffet. Soon he was out again, both when she darced and when, in "I don't doubt it," and Dick smiled the intermissions, the gallants of the to a magnet. Her popularity pleased lowed the concluding flourish of his him, and flattered him. Suddenly he hand toward the map on the wall, and caught sight of Eldridge Babbitt, a either nodded or blinked appreciativemiddle-aged man who was watching a ly. The red line on his map was com-He pounced on a corner half hidden young woman with the same pleasure plete now, a broad, straight line from by a tub of ferns. There was no bench Allison was experiencing in the con- the Atlantic to the Pacific, and to it templation of Gall.

"I can't see any possible new angle." effective," and there was a roughness returned Babbitt cautiously, and with in his voice which had come for the a backward glance at the dashing together at a specific hour was greatyoung Mrs. Babbitt. He headed in-

Laughingly Gail finished her third dance down. She had enjoyed several Dick Rodley, and she was buoyantly exhilarated as she started to stroll which controlled all the wood and coal from the floor with her partner. She had wanted to find cherub-cheeked the world. His bald spot came exactly Marion Kenneth, and together they on a level with the back of his chair, walked through the conservatory, and and he wore a fierce mustache. the dining room, and the deserted bil-"I've the second one, remember, liard room, with its bright light on the as my share of the pool, gentlemen," green cloth and all the rest of the explained Allison. "My project, as i rooms in dimness. There was a nar have told you, is to make this the row space at one point between the main trunk, the vertebrae as it were, his eyes following her as she walked chairs and the table, and it unexpect- of the International Transportation edly wedged them into close contact. company. I have consolidated with



She Was Glad to Rescue Herself From the Whirl of Anger.

With a sharp intake of his breath, the fellow, a ruddy-faced, thick-necked. full-lipped young man who had followed her with his eyes all evening. suddenly turned, and caught her in his embrace.

Gail, turning, hurried out of the side door to the veranda. Her knees were trembling, but the fresh, cold air steadied her, and she walked the full ing, with his pink shaven face and his white evening waistcoat, and his dark

"Hello, Ga, greeted the cheery voice of Allis h, as she came in. "My dance next, isn't it?"

His voice was so good, so comforting, so reassuring.

"I think so," she replied, standing hesitantly in the doorway, and thankdancers, from out of which carefree ful that the lights were canopied in

Allison drew the memorandum pad toward him, and rose.

which had set towards the conservation important." He hesitated and glanced toward the door. "You'll excuse me just half a minute, won't you, Gail?" She had noticed that assumption of intimate understanding in him before. row." Gail smilingly returned, intro- and she had secretly admired it. Now

"Surely," she granted, and passed on in to the !ibrary alcove, a sheltered "One will be enough for me, unless nook where she was glad to be alone, you can steal me some more of your to rescue herself from the whirl of but now an added flush swept lightly self here, when Allison came to the door of the alcove.

"All right, Gail," he said laconically. She felt suddenly weary, but she rose and joined him. When she "I'm lucky even to have that," de-clared Allison in content. "The fourth dance down. That will just give me of a thrill from it, but the thrill was "I'm lucky even to have that," de slipped her hand in his arm, strong,

"You look a little tired," judged the practical Allison, as they strolled, side Her next partner came in search of by side, into the hall, and he patted her presently, and the music struck the slender hand which lay on his

CHAPTER X

"Gentlemen. There is Your Empire!" The seven quiet gentlemen who sat with Allison at his library table, fol-I wanted to see," an- angling red lines like the legs of a cen- the case, at last said: "What is aking his way to tipede, the feeders of the various sys- use of making so much fuss new freightage tems which were under control of the little water?" "Your honor National Dairy new Atlantic Pacific railroad.

"That's a brilliant piece of engi- plied one of the lawyers. risibly. He had neering, Allison," observed huge Rich form you that the part keenly these ard Haverman, by way of pleasant milkmen."

plained. "I don't wish you to be past two days, and now all at once he comment, and he glanced admiringly at Allison after his eye had roved around the little company of notables. The feat of bringing these seven men er than having consolidated the bril-

liant new Atlantic-Pacific railroad. "Let's get to the details," barked a voice with the volume of a St. Bernard. It came from Arthur Grandin. the head of the Union Fuel company, in the United States, and all the oil in

"I'm putting in the Atlantic-Pacific the A.-P. the Municipal Transportation company, and I have put my entire fortune in it, to lay it on the table absolutely unencumbered."

He threw down the Atlantic-Pacific railroad and the Municipal Transportation company in the form of a onesheet typewritten paper.

"We'd better appoint someone to look after the legal end of things." suggested the towering Haverman. whose careless, lounging attitude contrasted oddly with his dignified long beard.

"I'll take care of it," said W. T. Chisholm of the Majestic Trust company, and drawing the statement in front of

him, he set a paperweight on it. "The first step is not one of incorporation," went on Allison. "Before that is done there must be but one railroad system in the United States."

Smooth-shaven old Joseph G. Clark nodded his head. There was but one cereal company in the United States, and the Standard, in the beginning, had been the smallest. Two of the heads of rival concerns were now in Clark's employ, one was a pauper, and three were dead. He disliked the pau-

per. Robert E. Taylor of the American Textiles company, a man who had quite disproved the theory that constructive business genius was confined to the North, smoothed his gray mus- climb out of the water to one of those tache reflectively, with the tip of his middle finger, all the way out to its long point.

"I can see where you will tear up the east and west traffic situation to a the table in front, apparently all the considerable extent," he thoughtfully time in imminent danger of rolling off commented; "but without the important north and south main trunks you cannot make a tight web."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

cidental Discovery Enabled Man to Bulld Machine That Simplified Diamond Separation.

A young man in the Kimberley diamond mines had been experimenting rewarded.—New York Times. for months in an effort to find a way to separate diamonds from other stones so as to eliminate the tiresome. tedious, hand-picking process. His efforts and labors had all been in vain. but he refused to be discouraged and adhered to his purpose.

One day he was working at his

bench when a small diamond and a garnet happened to be lying on a board before him. In some way he tipped the board at such an angle that the two stones rolled together toward the edge. It happened that there was a small grease spot on the board, toward him, and rose.

"By the way, there's one thing I forgot to tell you, Babbitt, and it's rather net part of the part of t Wondel. & whether this had been a mere accident or whether the grease such diverse types as Milton and C. ssessed the peculiar property of at | 8. Calverley - Westminster Gazette. eting diamonds and allowing other stones to pass over it, he tried again and again with the first diamond and with various others and found that if this letter. I think I'll sign it 'Cognosa board were coated with grease and vibrated slightly while held in an inclined position the diamonds placed on it would be caught and held by the grease, while all of the other stones would roll off. He at once set to work covery soon built a machine which was a success from the very begincone by hand, saving considerable time and expense in the operation.—

> "Classical usic. that these are classical because they of wine, or rather more than two galbelong to the past. It is not antiquity lons, and eight pounds have been alor the name of the composer that determines whether a piece of music is Professor Haverfield is uncertain classical or otherwise. The true mean whether it was really certified under ing of classical music is: Compositions which maintain a certain stan- it is a private venture, masquerading sitions can be classical and romantic question of the date, and the discovery at the same time. The word romantic, is of considerable antiquarian interest. as applied to music, means imaginative, fairylike. Music which is clas-

sical and at the same time romantic. is more emotional, more fanciful, honey." more poetic and less rigid and formal than strictly classical compositions. time they're having there." For example, Brch's works are, more frequently, strictly classical, whereas Mendelssohn's and Schumann's are both classical and romantic.

Really a Serious Matter. Two neighbors had a long litigation about a small spring, which they both were added, on either side, irregular, claimed. The judge, wearied out with will see case," re the serious nature of the ...when I in.

LADY, BLINDED **BUT CONSCIOUS**

Said She Would Turn Blind and Fall When Nervous Spells Came on, Yet Remained Conscious.

Odessa. Fla.-"About 2 years ago," writes Mrs. J. D. Powell, of this place, "I took several bottles of Cardui as a tonic, for I was run down in health. In fact I could hardly do anything at all, could only drag around and couldn't do my work. Life was miserable to me and I knew I must have some relief, as I was so very weak. I would suffer with aching pains in my right side, back and shoulders. I would have such terrible negrous spells, which would come on me, and I'd fall down wherever I was standing. I would turn blind, as though I had fainted yet kept my consciousness. My friends would rub me., circulation was extremely poor, and the arms.

hands and limbs would be cold. "My friends... recommended that I try Cardui. ... I began using it and soon both saw and felt a great improvement. ... My appetite became good. I ate so my husband teased me about it. I could rest well at night. and got so I could do all my housework in a short time. ... I praise Cardui

to all my friends." If you suffer from any form of womanly weakness or irregularity, try Cardui, the woman's tonic. For sale by all druggists.

Watching the Seals.

Visitors at the Aquarium never tire of watching the harbor seals, and one thing that pleases them particularly is to see the seals fall off their table when they go to sleep. In the middle of the pool for the seals there are two low tables, their tops are just above the water, on which the seals climb out to sleep or to rest. And sometimes one or another of the seals will tables and lie there on it, maybe close along the edge of one side and perhaps with its head and forward part of its body hanging over the edge of the table at the side or of pitching off head first into the water in front. And when a seal lies on a table like that, sleeping or dozing, people stand around the pool watching and waiting for the seal to fall off. He won't hurt himself when he does fall, he will simply fall off into the water; but old and young men, women and children, will stand there with keen interest silently watching and waiting for that seed to fall. And if they stay long enough, as they are pretty sure to do, they are

A Boer Don at Cambridge. Christ's, which has just elected to an honorary fellowship General Smuts, who was graduated there with exceptional brilliance in the law tripos, is not the only Cambridge college which has paid this academic compliment to a prominent South African statesman. Some time ago Downing conferred an honorary fellowship on the Hon. W. P. Schreiner, who was also graduated with the highest distinction in the same Tripos, and was formerly a fellow. Hitherto Christ's college has proved more prolific of bards than lawyers, having been the Alma mater of six poets of

Keeping it Dark. "I don't want to sign my name to

"If you don't want to be known, I think I'd sign it 'Incognosco'."

Treasure for Antiquarians.

In a recent issue of the London Times announcement is made of the discovery at Caervoran, on the Roman wall, three miles east of Gilsland, in Northumberland, of a remarkable bronze measure of the Roman period. Such officially certified measures are very rare. On the present specimen the name of Emperor Domitian, in whose consulate in A. D. 29 the measure was tested, has been obliterated, lowed as the weight of the material. the order of the emperor, or whether

Cause and Result. "Germany is a large producer of

"Maybe that accounts for the sweet

One Minister's Failing.

Deacon Grabhard-Rev. du Goode says he doesn't believe in raising money by church fairs, suppers, concerts and lotteries. Deacon Pinchpenni-H'm! He's al-

together too conscientious for a minister.-New York Weekly.

To Her Taste. Jess-Why did Mae marry Harold? a perfect blockhead. liked Well, you know she Judica wood trimmings in

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mighty healthy jag. Did you buy it at home this

Christmas? We did. Not a doubt of the return of prosperity now. Every turkey

hit the spot. There's a deal of good in this old town, if it can only discover

Nineteen sixteen is the year of politicalconventions and other

Just cork up your sarcasm, brother. Ford didn't mepn this Christmas anyway.

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Over in Europe Christmas arrived on time, departed on time, and they all had a hell of a time,

And will General Villa go into the lecture platform, into vaudeville, or star for the movies?

If they continue drafting new men into tre war the survivors may be under the painful nscessity of footing their own pension

The man who gess licked has the dignified satisfaction of knowing he didn't kill the other fellow

A movement is on foot to compe hotel waiters to bathe daily. Another brand of soup, of course. Never cast a sly smile at the

girl with red hair. Her blood may be as red as her hair. They say beath evens up all

scores, but it will require a whopping big mantel to cover the signs

fail in business today and start right in tommorrow to engineer another failure. We editors often comment on

the scantiness of the modern woman's attire, but we seldom close our eyes as she passes by. Prompt and careful attention is

If congress will pass a law for care. Will appreciate your patpreparedness against bill collec- ronage and serve you to the best tors we'll vote often or any other

Congress has a serious problem to face in providing adequate laws against "dumping." Dumping is the selling of a product in a foreign country at a lower price than it is sold at home. In the rebuilding of Europe, which must follow the war, the United States, in all probability, will be the object of a dumping campaign by foreign notians. If this should happen, the markets of this country would be demoralized. The United States is aich. Foreign nations, broken in fortune, by every trick of trade, will attempt to rebuild their fortunes at the expense of the United States.

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