

Congo Reform.

Prospects are encouraging for a reform of the outrageous abuses in the administration of affairs in the Congo Independent State. The natives in that vast equatorial region have been treated with an incredible inhumanity. They have been forced to labor for the companies that deal in rubber; cannibals have been employed as guards over the rubber gatherers; little children have been bound out to labor for long terms of years; the administration of justice has been so bad that the name of the place where the chief courts sit is regarded as a word of ill omen. Men, women and children have been mutilated and beaten and otherwise maltreated. The Congo Independent State is controlled at present by the king of the Belgians. In 1889 the king made a will bequeathing to Belgium his rights in the country and in 1890 Belgium made an agreement by which it secured power to annex the territory after ten years. Reform, explains Youth's Companion, is likely to come through the assumption by the Belgian parliament of its powers under this agreement. The chamber of representatives voted last month to annex the territory, and the senate may have approved the plan before this paper is in the hands of its readers. When this is done, irresponsible personal government will cease. The king, who has been an autocrat in the Congo, will have no more power there than he has in Belgium. Responsibility for the government will rest with parliament, and the public sentiment of the world which has forced the parliament to take up the matter, will compel it to treat the 30,000,000 blacks as human beings.

Can They Be Foretold?

The Jamaica calamity has revived the discussion as to whether earthquakes can be foretold, and scientists do not seem to be able to reach any conclusive opinion on the subject. Some of them are certain that there are phenomena which indicate such disturbances but others have their doubts. There have been some curious prophecies, a London meteorologist having on Saturday predicted that there would soon be two earthquake shocks in America, and doubtless he will claim the Jamaica catastrophe and the tremor said to have been felt in Pennsylvania as a fulfillment. But it will be observed that he furnishes no formula in the case, and no one knows on what his calculation was based. It may have been, and in the minds of many who want proof and not mere assertion, was nothing but guesswork, much after the generalizations of "weather prophets" who fool the credulous by pretensions to knowledge which when analyzed prove to be the shallowest of chicanery. At all events, says the Troy Times, the world at large is not yet satisfied that any reliable method of foretelling earthquakes has been found. Authoritative warnings of such events might be the means of saving many lives, even if damage to property could not be averted.

Every year in the Rival country, India, a marriage lottery—a sort of sweetheart sweep—is held. The names of all the marriageable girls and of the young men of the circle who want to get married are written on slips of paper and thrown into separate earthen pots. From these they are drawn against one another by the local wise man. This simply determines the fact that the Rival girl has come out and is ready to be married, and the youth whose name is drawn against hers thereby obtains a particular letter of introduction, with authority to make love immediately with what ardor and success he is capable of.

A distinguished professor has declared that the so-called lazy boy is only a boy of too strong individuality to endure the conventional school routine which the grown-up thinks is good for him. It used to be a consoling thing to some of us who were not quite the best boy in the class to read of one and another great man whose stupidity in school gave no hint of his future greatness. Any lazy boy who is perfectly sure that he has a great individuality and that he is going to appear some time in biographies may refuse to be classed with the lazy boys. All other lazy boys are just lazy.

The Pass court that decided that a woman must be reasonable in her expenditure for dresses did not stop to reflect that to be unreasonable is the dearest privilege of the so-called fair sex. In this country such a decision would be a violation of the constitutional right to the pursuit of happiness.

The man who pays attention to anonymous letters is almost as unworthy of notice as those who write them.

In England they are now asking: Can a Christian become a millionaire? Our answer to this question is: Ask the eye of the needle. Perhaps it can see through it.

A man robbed near Pittsburg was tied to the railroad track. Those highwaymen are getting almost as hardhearted as college hazers.

If the dowager empress of China has learned to play bridge, she may bankrupt the Celestial Kingdom before she gets through.

JAP QUESTION SOLVED

UNDER RESTRICTIONS JAPANESE CHILDREN ADMITTED

ALL JAP LABOURERS ARE BARRED

Order Applies Equally to United States and Japan—All Parties Are Said to Be Satisfied—Board of Education Will Control.

Washington, Feb. 19.—Japanese children are to be admitted to the white schools of San Francisco under certain restrictions; skilled and unskilled laborers coming from Japan are barred from the main land of the United States; American laborers, skilled and unskilled, are to be excluded from Japan. This is the basis of the agreement between President Roosevelt, Secretary Root, Mayor Schmitz and the San Francisco school board as an adjustment of the anti-Japanese agitation which brought about the segregation of Japanese children in the San Francisco schools. The agreement means that the schools of San Francisco will be conducted in the same manner as they were before the board of education adopted the resolution last October providing for the segregation of the Japanese except that the adult Japanese who are in primary grades must continue to attend the oriental schools and that Japanese children under sixteen will be admitted to classes of white children of their own ages. While the resolution of the school board, as amended, reads: "Children of alien birth" it is freely admitted by Mayor Schmitz and his associates that the resolution will apply only to the Japanese children and that the change in the wording was to make it plain to the Tokio government that no discrimination was intended against Japanese children.

Assistant District Attorney Williams of San Francisco, who is acting as legal adviser to Mayor Schmitz and the board of education since negotiations have been pending, said tonight:

Meaning Between the Lines. To understand the exact meaning of the statement given out by Mayor Schmitz tonight it will be necessary to read between the lines. The only concession we have made is to admit Japanese children to the white schools, while in return the administration has brought about the exclusion of Japanese laborers from this country.

Mayor Schmitz said: "This is only a temporary agreement. President Roosevelt has given us direct and positive assurances that he will at once begin negotiations with Japan for the purpose of bringing about a new treaty that will exclude Japanese laborers skilled and unskilled, from continental United States."

CONVICT ATTEMPTS DEATH

Co-Defendant With Aggie Myers Stabs Himself.

Kansas City, Feb. 19.—Frank Hottman, under sentence of death with Mrs. Aggie Myers for killing Clarence Myers, the woman's husband, attempted to commit suicide in his cell in the county jail here this morning, stabbing himself in the breast. His condition is serious and he may die. During the night Hottman had soaked matches in water and drank the liquid, but this had no visible effect.

Hottman, who is 23 years of age, had recently been granted a respite to April 10. He has been despondent lately. The jail officials are at a loss to know how he secured the knife.

FOREST FIRE NOW RAGING

Wichita Mountains Scene of Great Devastation.

Oklahoma City, Feb. 19.—A special to the Oklahoman from Lawton says:

A forest fire is raging in the 100,000 acre government reserve in the Wichita mountains ten miles southwest of here and threatening to devastate the entire tract. Despite efforts of the supervisor, his assistants and hundreds of citizens from nearby towns the damage already amounts to thousands of dollars in lost grass and live stock. Forester Morrissey has appealed to the citizens for additional aid and the military authorities at Fort Sill are in readiness to send soldiers to assist in fighting the flames.

In the heart of the Wichita forest reserve is situated the national game preserve created last year by act of congress for the propagation of buffalo. A fence costing \$15,000 is now being constructed and the flames are near the tents and material.

MYRA McHENRY IS BARRED

Topeka, Kan., Feb. 19.—By order of Speaker Simmons, Myra McHenry has been barred from the floor of the house. Mrs. McHenry has had a chair placed for her just outside of Representative hall. Whenever she spots a man who, by act or odor, gives evidence of having been drinking, she proceeds to "brand him" by exclaiming in a loud voice: "Been drinking, haven't you? Where did you get it? Up in the legislative joint?"

EIGHT HOURS FOR MINERS

Idaho Senate Cares For Laborers—Commends Forest Reserve.

Boise, Idaho, Feb. 19.—The house today, after a long debate, passed a joint memorial commending the forest reserve system. The vote was 42 to 1. The same body passed a bill appropriating \$500,000 for placing a statue of the late George L. Shoup in statutory hall in the national capital.

The eight-hour bill for miners and mill and smelter employes was passed by the senate.

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The Way You Look at It

"Gaze upon that pure, beautiful evening star, and swear to be true while its light shall shine! Swear, my love! Swear by Venus!" exclaimed a youth in impassioned accents.

"How stupid you are!" answered the girl. "That is not Venus. The right ascension of Venus this month is 15 hours, 9 minutes; her declination is 17 degrees, 25 minutes south, and her diameter is 10.2 seconds.—Exchange.

Time and Tide

Mrs. Hooligan was suffering from the common complaint of having more to do than there was time to do it in. She looked up at the clock and then slugged the iron she had lifted from the stove back on the lid with a clatter.

"Talk about time and tide waiting for no man," she muttered as she hurried into the pantry; "there's times they wait, an' times they don't. Yesterday at this blessed minute 'twas but in o'clock, an' to-day it's a quarter to twelve."—Everybody's.

The revelations regarding fraudulent paint materials which have been made by the Agricultural Experiment Station of Fargo, N. D., and published by Prof. E. F. Ladd, state commissioner, have occasioned almost as much of a sensation as the exposure of adulteration in food products did when the latter first began to appear. It has been shown that hogs marked "Pure White Lead" often contain other substances such as chalk, barytes, silica, etc., and that oil supposed to be linseed often contains petroleum adulterants, to say nothing of water in large proportions. Sometimes, so-called "White Leads" contain not an iota of genuine White Lead.

ONE WAY OUT OF DIFFICULTY

Match Twins with Twins, Was the Fond Mother's Idea.

A little woman entered a drug store and asked the proprietor if he had "another picture."

"What kind of a picture do you mean?" the druggist asked.

"One like this," said the woman, holding up an attractive advertising print.

"I may have one or two of them left," the proprietor said, "but I haven't many more."

The woman said she only wanted one, and her tone indicated that she was anxious for that one. She explained that the one she had with her had been given to one of her children. Another child, she stated, was sick, and was crying for a picture such as his brother had.

"That's a bad way to bring up your children," ventured a woman customer in the store. "Do you try to give a child everything he cries for just because his brother is more fortunate?"

"But," said the mother of the children, "you don't know. The children are twins and what one has the other wants."

DREADED TO EAT

A Quaker Couple's Experiences.

How many persons dread to eat their meals, although actually hungry nearly all the time!

Nature never intended this should be so, for we are given a thing called appetite that should guide us as to what the system needs at any time and can digest.

But we get in a hurry, swallow our food very much as we shovel coal into the furnace, and our sense of appetite becomes unnatural and perverted. Then we eat the wrong kind of food or eat too much, and there you are—indigestion and its accompanying ills.

A Phila. lady said, the other day: "My husband and I have been sick and nervous for 15 or 20 years from drinking coffee—feverish, indigestion, totally unfit, a good part of the time, for work or pleasure. We actually dreaded to eat any more."

"We tried doctors and patent medicines that counted up into hundreds of dollars, with little if any benefit. 'Accidentally,' a small package of Postum came into my hands. I made some according to directions, with surprising results. 'We both liked it and have not used any coffee since. 'The dull feeling after meals has left us and we feel better every way. We are so well satisfied with Postum that we recommend it to our friends who have been made sick and nervous and miserable by coffee.' Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read the little book, 'The Road to Wellville,' in plugs. 'There's a Reason.'"

TERSELY TOLD OF TEXAS

FIRE IN FORT WORTH.

Two Men May Have Perished in Flames—Four Buildings Destroyed.

Fort Worth, Tex., Feb. 16.—Fire originating in a Mexican chile stand in the middle of a half a block of shacks between Second and Third streets on Main, destroyed four frame buildings, seriously damaged the four-story Knights of Pythias building, badly damaged the St. Elmo Hotel, gutted a house belonging to George Gause and occupied by Mrs. Maples, nearly destroyed the plant of the City Planning Mill and rapidly spread to the new Exchange livery stable, which is owned by George Carter.

Six men were sleeping over a saloon in the building on the corner, which is occupied by Ed Wilson, and as yet but four of them have been accounted for.

Two of them, J. H. Haley, and another, jumped from the second story window and escaped uninjured. An other man was pulled out in an unconscious condition.

The wind was from the south, and swept the flames across the street where the Knights of Pythias hall caught fire, and it was with the greatest difficulty that the building was saved. The loss on the building and contents is about \$1,000.

The flames then spread across the alley on the east to the St. Elmo Hotel, which was filled with people, but they had time to get out, but had to leave all of their belongings, many of them appearing the street dressed only in night attire. This building is still burning and the full extent of the loss can not be estimated. The fire extended from the hotel about 200 feet north to the planning mill, where the flames got in their work. The place was filled with lumber and burned rapidly.

At 2:30 the two men who were supposed to be in the rooming house over the Wilcox saloon are still missing, and the heat of the smoldering ruins is too great to permit a search. The fire is practically under control, and it was stopped on Rusk street, just as it got to the new Exchange livery stable.

The City Planning Mill is gutted, and only the walls are left. The St. Elmo Hotel is very badly damaged, but no one was injured. The Banner furniture store, which is on the first floor of the Knights of Pythias building was damaged considerably.

PROMISE GREAT SHOW

National Feeders and Breeders Association Broaden their Lines.

Fort Worth: The secretary of the National Feeders and Breeders' show says applications for entries in all branches of live stock and poultry are pouring in to such an extent that he is safe in saying that it will be the best show ever held west of the Mississippi river. Practically every branch of the cattle line is represented, and more varieties in horses than were ever got together, besides a surprising number of hogs and sheep. By no means the least is the poultry. Secretary Moore of the Fort Worth Poultry and Pet Stock Show had at the first of this week sent out five hundred letters to premium winners in Texas, the territories, Arkansas and Louisiana, advising them of rules and conditions. He states that this show will also excel anything yet given in Texas. The management is gratified with the interest manifested by all breeders, and the many letters which are pouring in, indicate that the people at large are interested in the show.

Greenville has a proposition from capitalists to erect a large cotton mill which it will bring before the Commercial Club soon. The mill will be capitalized for \$125,000, part of which is to be taken locally.

Boy Burned to Death

Lena: Two little boys, sons of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McAdams, went into their barn to play Wednesday in a few minutes the older one, aged 6, ran out, an in an instant the whole barn was in flames and the younger boy, aged 4, was burned to death. An adjoining barn, belonging to H. J. Henderson, caught fire and burned. By the united efforts of the citizens the flames were quenched.

Engineer Instantly Killed. Del Rio: Engineer of the Electric light plant, James E. Roberts, was instantly killed Monday night. At midnight steam was shut off and the fireman went to bed, the plant being run by water after that hour. At 1:30 he was awakened by hearing the main belt slapping the wall of the engine room. The lights went out and Robert was missing. In the morning his body was found in the flume to the turbine wheel with his neck and right arm broken.

Another Investigation On

Austin: The senate is to investigate the efficiency of employes of that body. The question came up over a resolution which had been referred to the committee on contingent expenses for the employment of an additional stenographer, and when this report came up, there was opposition to it. A resolution was offered and adopted providing for investigating the thoroughness and industry of the present force.

State on a Cash Basis

Austin: The State of Texas is again on a cash basis, and the \$37,000 deficit, which had been in existence since the last call was made Saturday afternoon, has been wiped out. This is the first time in several months that the State Treasurer will be able to pay all of the State's obligations for current expenses for maintaining the government, on presentation at the department. This is the result of recent heavy collections.

New Variety of Belief Growing

Waco: The Apostolic Band, which has been creating a great deal of interest among religionists, the members claiming that often they have the "gift of tongues," and are able to speak in many languages, as the "spirit" gives them utterance, is growing here, and the band has now moved into a new and larger hall. The Apostolic movement is led here by J. D. Schumaker, and a Bible School is to be opened at once.

The "Thunderer"

Judge Rentoul's reference on the bench to the Times as the "Thunderer" reminds us how remarkably this nickname has persisted. The Morning Post is no longer "Jeames," the Standard has not been "Mrs. Gamp" since the decease of the Morning Herald—the "Mrs. Harris" to whom it would allude as an independent authority, and the two represented the same proprietor. But the Times is still the "Thunderer." It was that name to Captain Edward Sterling, who is said to have begun a Times article with the words: "We thundered forth the other day an article on the subject of social and political reform."—London Chronicle.

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"Is your husband up yet?" asked the soufaced woman at the door. "I expect he is," was the reply. "I'd like to see him for a few minutes." "So would I. He hasn't come home yet."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Vice President Fairbanks nearly always walks from his residence to the capitol and back, and often after dusk goes for long strolls through the northwest section of Washington.

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Mr. Louis L. Clark, a Lincoln Place, Plainfield, N. J., writes: "Last May I was obliged to undergo an operation for appendicitis. I did not recover and health. I was confined for over a month and was doctor's care. When I got up my legs were so weak that I could only crawl with difficulty."

"I was getting no better, not think of going back to work. I was discouraged, when I told me that Dr. Williams had cured her and advised me. I began taking the middle of June and soon felt better that I kept on and in a few days I was up and steady that I could only crawl with difficulty."

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TO FORCE JIM CROW VOTE.
Guthrie, Okla., Feb. 20.—The separate church law, more familiarly known as the "Jim Crow" proposition, was voted on the calendar of the constitutional convention today and Delegate Graham gave notice that he would demand its consideration Thursday. The opposing elements are busy lining up their respective strength, and a definite disposition of the question is anticipated before the week's end.

Bar Women From Voting.
Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 20.—The legislature today killed the proposed constitutional amendment which extended the right to vote at all elections to women. An eight-hour bill for street railway employees was passed in both houses of the legislature.

NO CANAL DECISION YET.
Washington, Feb. 20.—The president told a number of contractors who are associated with W. J. Oliver in his bid for the construction of the Panama canal that a decision on the matter would be reached before March 1. What will probably be the final conference preliminary to the decision was held today with a number of contractors associated with Mr. Oliver. Secretary Taft said that no conclusion had been reached today.

ONE HUNDRED NOW DEAD.
Eagle Pass, Tex., Feb. 20.—A dispatch received last night from Esperanza, Mexico, says that it is now believed 100 lives were lost in the explosion yesterday in the mine belonging to the Mexican Coal and Coke Company. Forty-three bodies were removed and more than sixty miners are still in the compartment where the explosion occurred. Whether they are dead or not is not known. Many of the men who were killed were Japanese.

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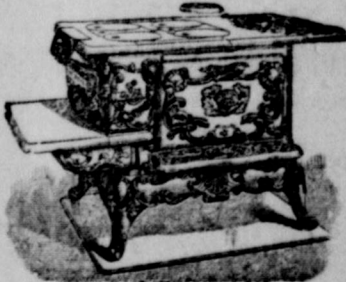
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FEB. 23. 1907.

Joe Bowers was down from Pampa Thursday.

J. V. Coffey made a trip to Amarillo yesterday.

A fine boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rasor today.

The K. P.'s. have a banquet slated for next Saturday night.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Morse on the 10th inst.

Attorney J. E. Kinney made a business trip to Pampa yesterday.

W. S. Tolbert has THE CHIEF sent to a brother-in-law at Gunter, Tex.

The Carson County District court convenes at Panhandle next Monday.

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Rev. Whitley was down from Canadian yesterday, assisting in Royal Arch work.

Geo. That was down from Pampa yesterday and last night tussled with the Masonic goat.

Attorney W. R. Ewing spent the greater part of this week on business in Ochiltree county.

One's countenance beams with satisfaction after eating a meal at the Miami restaurant.

F. P. Heare purchased a quarter section of land near Mobeetie last Saturday, and expects to farm it the coming year.

Representative Bowman has introduced a bill in the House to restore civil and criminal jurisdiction to the county courts of Gray and Lipscomb counties.

T. D. Hobart and M. K. Brown were down from Pampa yesterday and last night to the meeting of the Royal Arch Masons.

County Clerk Mead has had a rush of office work and Miss Tennie Pulaski has been assisting him in the office this week.

The season of coughs and colds is not yet past—they will be prevalent for some months to come. Do not neglect or experiment with them. Use the safe and sure remedy—Simmons' Cough Syrup. It heals the soreness and stops the cough.

F. L. Smoot was called to the bedside of a sick brother at Cheyenne, Okla., the first of this week. The condition of his brother improved so much that Mr. Smoot has returned home.

An enjoyable affair was had at the Masonic hall last Saturday afternoon, the occasion being a banquet given by the ladies of the Eastern Star. Those present report an elegant feast and delightful entertainment.

The civil engineer to work on the proposed Denver & Gulf road arrived in Miami Thursday and went out to join the force now in the field. One line has been surveyed from Miami to Mobeetie, and the force is now working on another outlet to determine which is the most practical route.

Long Tennessee Fight
For 20 years W. L. Rawls of Bells, Tenn., fought nasal catarrh. He writes "the swelling and soreness inside my nose was fearful till I began applying Bucklen's Arnica Salve to the sore surface; this caused the soreness and swelling to disappear, never to return." Best salve in existence. See at Central Drug Store.

Rev. B. F. Jackson is loading out his household goods today to ship to his new home at Corpus Christi. He will probably leave with his family and go as far as Amarillo tomorrow. If not he expects to leave Monday.

The ladies of the Woodmen Circle entertained at the hall last night and an immensely enjoyable affair is reported by those fortunate to be present. Miss Bellefante recited several pieces, and several of the pupils of her class in elocution, Musa Carter, Everett Hendricks, and Miss Texie Heare, also recited. Appropriate refreshments were served.

The Evans 25,000 acre tract of land near Mendota, reports say, has been purchased by H. P. Heath of Saint Louis who proposes to form a colony and settle the land by farmers. It is also proposed to lay a town out at Mendota and erect a fine hotel near soon.

Taking Up Life's Task!

Sorrow came to you yesterday and emptied your home. Your first impulse now is to give up and sit down amid the wreck of your hopes. But you dare not do it. You are in the line of battle and the crises is at hand. To falter a moment would be to imperil some holy interest. Other lives would be harmed by your pausing. Holy interests would suffer should your hands be folded. You must not linger, even to indulge your grief. Sorrow are but incidents in life and must not interrupt us. We must leave them behind and pass on to the things that are before. Then God has so ordered, too, that in pressing on in duty we shall find the truest, richest comfort for ourselves. Sitting down to brood over our sorrows, the darkness deepens about us and creeps into our hearts and our strength changes to weakness. But if we turn away from the gloom and take up the tasks and duties to which God calls us, the light will come again and we shall grow stronger.—Selected.

Railroad Mass-Meeting

By authority of Attorney Coffey, Chairman, a meeting of the citizens of Roberts county is called for next Thursday night, February 28th, to finish up all details ready to turning over the notes to Mr. Davis and to act upon such other matters that may come before the meeting. This will be an important meeting so everybody should come.

Notice!

Dr. Albert J. Caldwell, of Amarillo, Texas, Specialist on diseases of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat, will be in Miami, February 28th—one day only—with Dr. Gunn.

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The crowd from Pampa remained over in Miami for lodge work today and tonight.

The postoffice was closed yesterday, Washington's birthday. We noticed nothing to indicate the day was being observed as Arbor Day.

Rather authentic information reaches us that within a few weeks the store of the Johnson Mercantile Co. in Miami will pass to the control of parties from Kansas City; and we regret to state Mr. and Mrs. Winsett contemplate moving away from Miami.

It might be interesting to our readers to know who and where it is, if correctly reported, the oldest man in America, who has been a citizen of Texas for many years. His name is Isaac Broc; he is 118 years of age; he has seen twenty two presidents elected; is a veteran of four wars; shod a horse when he was 99 years old. He is now living with his son-in-law at Valley Mills, Texas.—Mineral Wells Index.

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Public Library

Some of the books in the library have been out for many, many months. Likely some of them are in nearly every home in Miami, not to be appropriated by them, but taken by members of the family who have neglected to return them so long that they have forgotten to whom they belong. Examine the books in your home and if you find some that do not belong to you and they correspond to any of the numbers and titles given below they are evidently the property of the Miami Public Library. Please return them at once and a better record will be kept of books taken out in the future.

RUTH COFFEY, Librarian.

Title and library number of books missing from the library:

- No. 1. Essays and Poems
- 2 Tenting on the Plains
- 22 Miss Lou
- 23 What can She Do
- 26 With Fire and Sword
- 28 When Knighthood was in Flower
- 33 My Days and Nights on the Boat
- 36 Kitties Conquest
- 34 Young America Abroad
- 41 The Holy Roman Empire
- 49 The History of Our Navy
- 54 Sketches from Old Virginia
- 56 An Initial Experience
- 57 Thaddeus of Warsaw
- 61 Richard Carval
- 65 Jenice Meredith
- 66 Red Rock
- 67 The Circuit Rider
- 70 Jack Hinton Guardian
- 72 Esops Fables
- 75 The Hoosier Schoolmaster
- 76 The Pilgrims Progress
- 79 Midshipman Easy
- 82 Ten Nights in a Barron
- 88 109, 110, History of England
- 112 The Deer Slayer
- 113 The Pathfinder
- 114 The Prairie
- 115 The Pioneer
- 119 Earnest Maltravers
- 125 The Princess
- 126 David Harum
- 127 The Wedding Ring
- 128 The Three Guardsmen
- 130 Twenty Years After
- 133 The Man in the Iron Mask
- 134 Tempest and Sunshine
- 139 Reveries of a Bachelor
- 140 Romance of Two Worlds
- 141 Masterman Ready
- 146 Lorna Divine
- 147 Strange True Stories of La.
- 148 Law of Psychic
- 150 From Jest to Earnest
- 151 Opening a Chestnut Burr
- 153 Stories Three Burglars
- 155 Six Girls
- 156 Dantes Divine Comedy
- 165 An Old Maid's Love
- 167 A Woman's Reason
- 169 Dr. Sevier
- 172 Col. Carter of Cartersville
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- 208 Shakespear, Life, Art & Char.
- 210 Great Disasters and Horrors in the Worlds History
- 211 The First Mortgage
- 215 Wilfred Combermede
- 224 Plutarch's Lives
- 226 Fred-rick the Great and His Court
- 228 Hypatia
- 227 Washington and His Generals
- 229 Uncle Tom's Cabin
- 230 Wandering Jew
- 231 Les Miserables
- 234 Thelma
- 238 Quo Vadis
- 239 Fairyland of Science
- 241 Egyptian Princess
- 242 Charles O. Malley
- 245 Napoleon and His Marshalls
- 247 Kennilworth
- 248 From Out of the Gloom
- 250, 251, 252, Shakespeare, Vol 1-2-3
- 255 Don Quixote

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