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A Fairy Thorn.

Young Shaun had gone to America and old Shaun was left alone in the cottage in Ireland. He was not quite alone either, for before his son sailed he had sent home a very small boy, saying in a brief note that the little fellow's name was also Shaun and that if his father did not want to keep him he should send him back. Young Shaun would wait two weeks to receive him. If the youngster did not appear within that time his father would understand that his grandfather meant to keep him and would emigrate without further delay. The boy's mother was dead. From these statements it will be inferred that the old man and his son were not "on terms."

crutches, avick, is more nor I can tell." "Sabocklish!" lightly answered young Shaun, joyous at having carried his point. "I can get there on my two crutches, granddad, an' an' sure may be there'll be dad himself to carry me home."



Young Shaun Started, He Had Never Heard of Any "Tree of the Lost Children."

Then the stranger asked for old Shaun, and, on being told that he was at the fair, stepped over the dyke and engaged the lad in conversation. He was a most entertaining man, this gorgeously dressed wayfarer, and, almost before he knew it young Shaun was eagerly confiding in him all his small trials and tribulations. The big man laughed peculiarly over the longing of his boy friend to explore the valley; but he looked grave enough when told of old Shaun's sorrow, and how the aged farmer pined for his lost son. Presently he smiled again and asked the boy why his grandfather had never visited the "Tree of the Lost Children."

"What?" exclaimed the stranger. "A young boy, a Shlovenner boy? Never heard tell of the famous tree?" "Young Shaun asked him the head. "Tell me about it," he whispered eagerly. "Why," said his new friend, sitting beside the listening lad, "tis an old, old story. The tree is a fairy blackthorn; and it stands on the very top of the hills beyond, where the Fairy path is. They say that Saint Patrick blessed it, and promised that if ever son or daughter came to be carried off to Fairyland, or leave their parents' roof-tree, the tree should be their resting place. For, if the sorrowing father or mother should make a voyage to the tree at the full of the moon and call three times upon the missing child the lost would straightway be found."



The Moment for Their Appeal to the Fairy Tree Was at Hand.

granddad here really wanted me back again." Then, raising the old man's head tenderly, he whispered: "We'll cure his crooked leg yet, father. Tis plenty of money I've been making all these years in America beyond; but now I'll come home to spend my days and my dollars with you and the boy. Tis the finest surgeons in the land he'll have; an' a grand man we'll make of him sure."

THE EDELWEISS MYTH.

It is Not a Rare Plant, Nor Does It Grow at Very Great Heights. It is commonly reported, and is no less commonly believed by the inexperienced tourist, that edelweiss is a plant which only grows in the most dangerous and inaccessible situations. Of course, with it, as with any other Alpine plant, this may now and then happen. But, as a rule, it is found on rough and rather stony slopes of grass the ordinary pasture of sheep and goats, at heights ranging from about 6,000 to 8,000 feet above the sea level. It is not often met with below the former limit, and seldom above the latter. Once it could be plucked—probably it has now been exterminated—by the side of a path a few hundred feet above Zermatt, and within a hour of the hotels; it was abundant and no doubt still is, all about the little inn at the Tosa Falls, and it may be picked in handfuls within a couple of hours' easy walk from the baths of San Bernardino. That it is a great rarity is also an article of faith, but this is another myth. It is, doubtless, a plant local rather than universal in the Alps, but there are few districts where it does not occur, often abundantly. What has caused it to be so prized is difficult to understand. It is an interesting plant, but it is almost equivalent to saying that it has no great beauty. The plant attains a height of about four inches, having one or two flowers on a stem. These are star-shaped, a few pointed rays diverging from the center, and are cut out of pale gray velvet, surrounding two or three yellow tufts. The dry stem and narrow leaves are similarly covered. Its scientific name is Gnaphalium leontopodium, and the genus to which it belongs has three or four representatives in the Alps, one of them, G. dioicum, being also abundant on dry moors in Britain. It is, in short, a flower quite rather than beautiful.

The edelweiss is an extremely easy plant to raise from seed, and should be treated as an annual. The seed can be obtained readily for a few pence from any respectable nurseryman. It is, however, a very difficult plant to transplant with any success. Sometimes the edelweiss, when torn from its native mountain and set out in a garden, will have sufficient life in it to flower, and then pine away and die. This is the almost inevitable result of these attempted transplantations. It may be added that edelweiss, when grown on anything like the sea level, or, in fact, anywhere away from home, entirely loses its distinctive character, and becomes worthless as a garden plant. Perhaps these remarks will save some tourists' sponge bags from being filled, which, if they do not become heated and die on the journey, will barely linger long enough to enable the proud owner to point to them as evidence that he has actually been to Switzerland.—London Standard.

THE KISSING PROBLEM.

Indian's Board of Health Secretary Advises the Use of a Disinfectant. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Oct. 31.—The secretary of the state health board reports that at Columbus a man persisted in kissing his sweetheart, who was alarmingly ill of diphtheria, by which he also contracted the disease. He therefore wants to interdict all kissing, concerning which he says: "I am convinced of the difficulty the health board will meet in trying to taboo kissing among sweethearts. Although a most dangerous pastime, there seems to be an inherent tendency to indulge in it, and we have little hope of ever being able to do away with it. All that would be necessary would be to find the teeth well with it and rub it well on the lips, and I would insure devotees against the dangers from osculation."

BLAMED FOR THE WRECK.

Conductor Atwood, Engineer Dryden and the Company Impugned. ST. LOUIS, Oct. 29.—The coroner's jury that investigated the collision of Sunday has returned a verdict that it was due to the carelessness of Conductor George Atwood and Engineer J. A. Dryden of the westbound train, and to several shots fired by the San Francisco Railroad company to exercise proper supervision over the movements of trains.

Many Oklahoma Farmers Robbed.

PERRY, Okla., Oct. 31.—Twenty miles east of here five masked highwaymen went from farm house to farm house Wednesday night and forced the people in each to stand in line under guard of two of the men while the others went through each house. Crises fired on the band as they left his house and several shots were fired, but no one was known to have been hurt. The robbers were followed into the Osage Indians country where they were lost track of.

Selon of Royalty in Police Court.

TOLEDO, Ohio, Oct. 29.—In the police court yesterday the prosecution of a mysterious Spanish woman produced a sensation of a very remarkable sort. There is every reason to believe that the woman, Pauline Fernandez, is in reality a granddaughter of the late Emperor Maximilian, who was deposed and executed in Mexico. Singularly enough, this woman is being tried on the charge of keeping an immoral house.

Robbery Leads to Suicide.

DENVER, Colo., Oct. 30.—John B. Long, a cattle dealer and Mason of Pleasantville, Iowa, committed suicide in a room at the Oxford hotel yesterday by shooting himself in the head in a note which he wrote to the clerk of the hotel, he requested that the police be notified that he had been robbed of three drafts of \$1,000 each.

A Brick Country Road.

MONMOUTH, Ill., Oct. 30.—Monmouth township, Warren county, has completed 3,000 feet of brick pavement, the first hard country road ever put down in the United States. This brick is single course, laid on six inches of sand supported on either side by two and one-half feet of crushed stone. The cost will be less than \$5,000 a mile.

Ex-Senator Waller Young Very Ill.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Oct. 30.—During the Excelsior Springs barbecue ex-Senator Waller Young became ill and has steadily grown worse. He is confined to his home here with a complication of diseases and is not expected by his physicians to live long.

Murdered His Enemy's Little Boy.

GATESVILLE, Wis., Oct. 29.—Farmer Oscar Marshall of North Bend and a hired boy, named Palmer, aged 15, quarreled, whereat the latter crushed the skull of Marshall's 3-year-old son with an ax in a barn. Palmer pretended to poison himself, then confessed and lynching is likely.

Crushed to Death in His Mill.

ABLENK, Kan., Oct. 30.—Councilman P. R. Pitts, one of the proprietors of the city mills, while putting on a belt in the mill this morning, was caught by the belt, wound on the shaft and killed. He was prominent in A. O. U. W. circles and a leading miller of Central Kansas.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

Domestic Troubles Cause a Serious Double Shooting and Suicide. McPHERSON, Kan., Oct. 30.—Sherman Rowland, a prosperous farmer who lived five miles south, quarreled with his wife till she came here to live. Whenever he came to town he would share his meals with her. Yesterday afternoon she was going into the country to visit relatives, but he objected, and she called in Marshal Wolf to protect her. Rowland opened fire and each of the others received a bullet in an arm. Wolf shot Rowland in the back, but the latter mounted his horse and started homeward. Three miles from town Rowland's corpse was found with a bullet in the head, which Rowland had put there himself.

Counterfeit Silver Dollars. WARRENSBURG, Mo., Oct. 29.—Counterfeit silver dollars have circulated freely in Warrensburg the past week, and a number have turned up at the banks. Inquiry develops that almost every merchant in the city has accepted one or more pieces of the spurious coins. The counterfeit is dated 1886, and is 110 grains short in weight. It is almost perfectly milled and can be detected from the genuine only by its weight. From the number in circulation it is thought that the coins are made near Warrensburg.

Crecent City Damaged. NEW ORLEANS, La., Oct. 30.—About 4:30 o'clock this afternoon a cyclone or twister struck this city on the river front just above Peniston street, and swept over a distance of about a mile and a half, or thirty blocks from Peniston street to Robin street, the track of the storm being about 1,500 feet wide from the river to Annunciation street. Property loss is estimated at \$100,000.

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Names for the New Warships. WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.—Secretary of the Navy Herbert, before leaving for Alabama, selected the names for the new battleships and gunboats now under construction. The three battleships will be known as the Alabama, Illinois and Wisconsin. The gunboats will bear the names Annapolis, Marietta, Newport, Princeton, Vicksburg and Wheeling.

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STORM IN OKLAHOMA.

FIVE KILLED BY A TERRIBLE TORNADO. The Wind Carries Off Houses, Uproots Trees and Does Other Damage—Postmaster at Mitchell Demolished and Postmaster and Wife Killed—Storm News. GUTHRIE, Okla., Oct. 31.—Wednesday night a disastrous tornado swept over the little town of Carney, thirty miles east of here, which was recently held up by outlaws. The tornado came from the southwest and traversed northeast. Its track was about six miles long, and varied from 100 to 150 feet in width. The first house struck was that of a farmer named Miles Toke. Toke's house was blown down and four of his 10-year-old son Millard, was killed in the ruins. The barns and fences were razed, and fourteen head of stock were killed. One mile from Toke's place is the Mitchell postoffice. Mr. Mullin is the postoffice, which was in his store. Postmaster Mullin's residence was lifted from its foundation and carried seventy-five feet, where it was smashed to smithereens. A bedstead which was in the house was blown over a mile.

Yesterday morning the bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Mullin were found in the rain and mud about sixty feet from where the houses were shattered to pieces. The two bodies were locked together, and a stick a yard long and two inches thick was driven through Mullin's head. Mullin was a man of considerable means and moved to Mitchell from this city. Two miles northeast of Mitchell postoffice the dead body of John Seabright was found buried in the ruins of his own home. Near him lay his nephew, Robert Toews, who is so badly hurt that little hopes are entertained for his recovery.

According to all reports four dwellings were totally demolished and at least twenty wrecked. Huge trees were torn up by the roots and sent flying through the air forty to fifty feet. It is reported that several people were killed and a number injured by the tornado in Payne, but nothing definite can be learned, since the telephone wires are down. A heavy rain accompanied the storm and continued several hours. In this city rain fell in torrents, but the blow was light. At Wewoka, Ind. Ter., the same cyclone destroyed Governor Bryson's store, a new church and four other buildings. Several persons were hurt, but none seriously. At mine No. 1, at Krebs, it is reported that five people were killed. In Lincoln county, Mr. and Mrs. John McLaughlin have been found dead in the ruins of their home, and Harrison Jones will die of his injuries.

A FILIBUSTER DEFIANT. Captain Lomm of the Dauntless Dares the Wind to Fire on Him. ATLANTA, Ga., Oct. 31.—A special to the Journal from Fernandina, Fla., says: "Captain Lomm of the filibuster Dauntless, now lying under the guns of the revenue cutter Window, Captain Hand, says he is going to Jacksonville to-morrow. Hand says he will sink the tug if she moves, and Lomm replies: 'All right, get ready your small boats to pick up my men, for I shall certainly make the attempt.'"

BURIED IN A BIG MINE. Twelve Are Missing and Many Others Injured by Explosion. WILKESBARRE, Pa., Oct. 30.—A terrible explosion of gas occurred in No. 3 mine of the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal company, Wilkesbarre, between 1 and 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Six men are known to be dead and three injured. It is not yet known how many men were in the mine at the time of the explosion, but twelve are reported missing, and it is believed all of these have perished.

Mrs. Maybrick May Be Free. LONDON, Oct. 31.—The Daily Mail publishes an interview with a recently released prisoner, who has been in daily contact with Mrs. Florence Maybrick, undergoing imprisonment for poisoning her husband. This prisoner said a dress had twice been prepared for the liberation of Mrs. Maybrick, but that the liberation had been deferred, owing to her attempts at suicide. The officials of the prison are said to believe that Mrs. Maybrick is to be liberated in 1899.

A Young Couple Drowned. TOPEKA, Kan., Oct. 31.—Ira Burnige, aged 17, and Grace Saylor, aged 18, were drowned at Wheaton, Kan., last night. They attended a political meeting that was addressed by Congressman Brederick, and while the meeting was in progress it rained hard. They attempted to ford Clear creek and went down. The young couple were the only children of their respective families and they have been loved for over a year. They were buried together.

Aged Ten and a Bride. LINX CREEK, Mo., Oct. 31.—Nathan Jackson and Edie Woods of Nonsuch, Camden county, were granted a license to marry by Recorder Laswell yesterday. The bride is a mere child of 10 years and the groom 26. It is the only marriage on record in this county where the bride was under 14 years of age and the people of the community are indignant at the parents giving their consent to the marriage.

She Sleeps All the Time. TOPEKA, Kan., Oct. 30.—Mrs. James Keller of Topeka is sleeping her life away. She has not been awake on an average of three hours a day for two years, and lately she has been asleep all the time. It being impossible to arouse her. The doctors call her disease paralysis of the brain.

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NEWS IN BRIEF.

Georgia's official vote shows a Democratic majority of 55,721. A traction car jumped the track at Wilkesbarre, Pa., fatally injuring three persons. Warden Pace denies the charges of the Sedalia board of trade that Jefferson City is a convict labor town. The sultan is improving in temper as a result of Russian pressure. Judge Grosscup at Chicago decided that postal fraud orders were applicable to all frauds, not lotteries alone.

Iowa beat Kansas 6 to 0 and Nebraska beat Missouri 8 to 4 in the opening football games. A London establishment has paid Dr. Nansen \$50,000 for his book, "Arctic Explorations." Pat Tynan, alleged dynamiter, has arrived in New York from France with nothing to say. Arkansas supreme court holds that legislators may be appointed by the governor to fill a vacancy. Senator Hearst's widow and other wealthy persons have promised several millions to endow California university. Two men were killed and five injured by a nitro glycerine explosion at the Acme Dynamite company's works, Hulton, Pa. Isaac H. Lionberger of St. Louis has been appointed assistant attorney general to succeed W. A. Little of Georgia, resigned.

The Long-Lochren pension case to test veterans' rights has been dismissed by the United States court, Commissioner Lochren having been let out of office. Rev. James Vita Blake of the Third Unitarian church, Chicago, saw smoke, and quietly dismissed his congregation without a panic. The edifice was burned. Maceo shelled Artemisia with dynamite, thus breaking the Spanish blockade, and joining other insurgent forces in Havana province. John R. Binns, Second infantry, has resigned, because he expects war after the election, and he doesn't want to kill any of the people.

The gang that raided Carney recently descended upon the S and Fox agency, but failing to find Agent Thomas, they robbed Fannie Whittier's, J. W. Moffitt's and Chief Keokuk's stores of \$625 and watches, and then escaped, shooting at every one in sight. Florida supreme court has declared unconstitutional the Shasta schools, which made it a crime to teach colored children in white schools. Nine Fort Smith jail birds escaped. Della and Aggie Lockwood of Norton, Kan., ran away and traveled in a buggy 200 miles to Newkirk, Ok., where they were married to W. H. Robinson and S. L. Hampton.

Gustav Pabst, son of the millionaire brewer, was quietly divorced from Margaret Mather, his actress wife, at Milwaukee.

England and Arbitration. LONDON, Oct. 29.—The Marquis of Lansdowne, secretary of state for war, in an address on political issues at Leeds last night, expressed the belief that the Venezuelan question would soon be dealt with by an arbiter or by an amicable compromise. The Indian government felt the gravest fears as to the possible loss of life from famine, and he suggested that the undertaking of irrigation works would do the most good towards relieving distress.

Three Men Under a Wreck. WAPARONETA, Ohio, Oct. 31.—A disastrous collision happened on the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton railway last night. The through fast freight train ran into three loaded oil car tanks, which were left on the main track by a local freight. They were set on fire by the engine, destroying the engine and about a dozen loaded freight cars. The engineer, fireman and brakeman cannot be found and are supposed to be in the ruins.

Fatal Gas Explosion. PITTSBURGH, Pa., Oct. 29.—An explosion of natural gas at Avalon, a suburb of Allegheny, killed Bessie Osborne, aged 13 years, and seriously injured her brother, Dale, aged 9 years, and her sister, Edith, aged 6 years. The house was badly wrecked. The explosion was caused by a leak in the kitchen pipes. Walter S. Ritchey, a cousin of Miss Osborne, became violently insane.

Snow Ten Inches Deep in Nebraska. OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 31.—Western Nebraska was covered with ten inches of snow last night, the white mantle thinning out as it approaches the eastern part of the State. In some sections of the State a high wind accompanied the snow, assuming the proportions of a blizzard. Trains are delayed and on several branches have been stuck in drifts.

Theaters Are Badly Seared. MADISON, Wis., Oct. 30.—A severe wind storm struck this city last night, doing much damage. A portion of the roof of Fuller's opera house was blown off and carried across the street. The Eddie Foy company was playing in the house, and one of the actresses was hit in the face by a flying brick.

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