

CLARION.

Pussy Saves a Life.

Montana Independent.] Vincent Morgan lives up at the head of Grizzly gulch, about six miles from Helena. He keeps back, and his only household companions are a cat and a dog. A few evenings ago he went down to Unionville until after night, and while there drank a glass or two of beer, but not enough to effect him. About 8 o'clock Morgan went home accompanied by a friend, who stopped and took supper with him. After supper the two friends smoked and talked awhile, and then the guest continued his way to his own cabin, further up the gulch. Morgan washed his dishes carefully, put the kitchen in order, and then laid down on his bunk to read. His cabin consisted of two rooms. One of these was used for a kitchen, and from this led into a back room, which was used as a chamber. From the back room there was no outlet except through a small square window at the side of the room. Into this inner room Morgan went, and, taking off his coat, lay down upon the bunk to read. His dog and cat went to sleep in their accustomed places. Morgan was tired, the room was comfortable, and in a few moments he read himself to sleep. How long he had been sleeping he does not know, when he was partially awakened by the cat stretching gently at his arm. Obvious to everything else except that he was being disturbed, Morgan drowsily pushed the animal away and slept on. Again the cat scratched him, and again he pushed her away. This was repeated several times. Finally the cat became thoroughly in earnest, and springing upon the sleeper's breast, began to claw him vigorously. Morgan awoke with a start, and rising up in his bunk saw with consternation that his cabin was on fire, and that he was almost surrounded by the flames. The partition between the two rooms was blazing brightly, and the kitchen—as he could see through the burned door—was reddened with a hot glow, which showed that the fire had been in progress there some time. All chance of escape in that direction was shut off, and the only remaining outlet from the sleeping-room was through the little square window mentioned above, and even this was surrounded on all sides by flames, which were spreading along both sides of the room and beneath the roof. A moment more and his bunk would have been on fire. All this he took in at a glance, and knowing that every moment lessened his chances for escape, he took the cat in his arms, and calling the old dog, which was sleeping peacefully beneath the bunk, he dashed through the flames and sprang out of the window—not, however, without being painfully burned about the face, head and neck. The dog sprang out after him. The cabin, with all its contents, was consumed.

Often Quoted.

Although the poems of Alexander Pope are seldom read at the present day, people without knowing it, quote him more frequently than any other author, or book, with the exception, perhaps, of the Bible, Shakespeare, Milton, Byron and Benjamin Franklin. The following list of quotations will give some idea of his popularity in this regard:

- "Man never is, but always to be, blest."
"Lo, the poor Indian!"
"The proper study of mankind is man."
"Order is Heaven's first law."
"Honor and shame from no condition rise."
"Act your part—there all the honor lies."
"Justice is the best of all the laws."
"To err is human, to forgive, divine."
"Do good by stealth and blush to find it fame."

Summer Fashions.

NEW BONNETS. The light bonnets are beginning to show, and white straws trimmed with black velvet, edged with drooping daisies, or shaded forget-me-nots, are popular. Also colored straws, with full velvet bindings and strings, and an aigrette on one side, with ottoman silk strings, and a single rose, with leaves and buds, are new; also terra-cotta straw trimmed with the shawl lace, shot with gold and darker velvet. At present the bonnets are small, younger ladies wearing those with the sloping crowns called "skulls," and elder ones those with flat crowns and raised brims. Gold trimming is most popular, and so are the new shapes covered in gold or iridescent tinsel.

A bonnet of bronze-brown straw, bound with brown velvet, and with brown velvet strings, has a large cluster of buttercups and daisies, gracefully nestled on one side, fixed with very large, fancy gilt needles. A gold-colored straw bonnet trimmed with ottoman ribbon of a deep shade, has an exquisite spray of horse-chestnut blossom over the front with a cluster of the chestnuts and pods to one side. Most of the shapes are small, with flat crowns, and some are raised in front, and either bound with gathered velvet or edged with large pearls or beads. In hats there is a pale brown straw of the shade light tan Sweden gloves, large in shape, turned up with velvet of the same shade, and trimmed with lighter satin ribbons, and two long, graceful, curled ostrich feathers. A more simple hat is of cream-colored straw, with bands of brown velvet and straw, and on the left a tuft of mixed ostrich and marabout feathers, with three humming birds in the centre. Another cream-straw hat is bound and trimmed with terra cotta velvet, and has a large cream feather aigrette tipped with terra cotta. Some of the newest shapes are prominent in front and of large size, but shorter at the back. Red poppies and white poppies with gold centres are arranged on colored and on white straw hats.

We seldom find people ungrateful so long as we are in a condition to render them service.—Rocheffoucauld.

Dare to be true: Nothing can need a lie: A fault, which needs it, must grow two thereby.—Herbert.

The chains of habit are generally too small to be felt till they are too strong to be broken.—Ben Jonson.

Envy is a passion so full of cowardice and shame, that nobody ever had the confidence to own it.—Rochester.

If there be any truer measure of a man than by what he does, it must be what he gives.—South.

That is easily explained in the habits of Washington.—Burlington Hawk.

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Scandalous Scenes—Fighting and Shouting in an English Church.

A disgraceful scene has been witnessed in England at the church of the Holy Trinity Bordesley. Some days ago the Bishop of the diocese served Mr. Enraght with a formal inhibition from officiating at Holy Trinity, and the living was offered to and accepted by the Rev. H. Allen Watts of Sunderland. On Sunday morning the new vicar underwent the introductory process of reading himself in. There was a great crowd in the churchyard and adjacent streets were filled with a noisy mob, while the church was crowded. Immediately the vicar made his appearance in the vestry he was served with a protest by one of the ritualistic church wardens, objecting to his presence, on ground that he was disposed to degrade the services and upset the regular machinery of the parish. On entering the church he was greeted with a storm of hisses and loud cries of "traitor!" The members of the old choir took up a position at the end of the church and were loudest in the uproar: its manifestations. When the vicar ascended the pulpit he was pale and agitated, and amid the Babel of sound his voice was scarcely audible. He began by saying that he hoped those members of his congregation who had attended the opening service with the object of creating a disturbance would become quiet and peaceable worshippers. Derisive laughter and unseemly shouts proceeded from various parts of the building, and the supporters of the vicar were so enraged that a collision between the two parties seemed imminent.

The chief of Police, who was present with a force of men, pushed his way among the rival sections and entreated them to observe something like decency in a place of worship. As the vicar proceeded his voice was drowned by fits of coughing and other concerted interruptions, while some of the most systematic disturbers evoked bursts of laughter by shouting out a familiar piece of "gag" from a local pantomime, which was followed by counter cries of "Shut up!" and "Go to—!" On finishing his formal task of reading himself in, the vicar abruptly left the pulpit and the proceedings were brought to a termination. The mob then rushed outside to join their companions in the church yard, with the object of mobbing the vicar. The police formed a compact phalanx to escort the clergyman to a place of safety. The vicar placed himself in the middle of his body-guard amid a tumult of groans and shouts. Some of his supporters cheered him, and pressed forward to assist the police in clearing the passage. The mob followed the vicar and his bodyguard, howling and pushing them about till the gentleman reached his residence. Here another demonstration was made, and it was deemed necessary to leave a number of policemen outside the house to protect it from damage.

The Echo.

Little George did not yet know what the echo was. Once when he was in the woods he called out, "Ho! ho!" Directly the echo answered him, "Ho! ho!"

He called out, wondering, "Where art thou?" The voices called out, "Where art thou?"

"He said, 'You are a stupid fellow!'" "Stupid fellow!" the words took up the echo again.

Then George became vexed, and kept on calling out all sorts of nick-names in the woods.

All was reported to him again. He looked about for the meddling boy all over the woods; but he searched in vain, he could find no one.

Then George ran home, and told his mother that a bad boy, hidden in the woods, had mocked him, and called him names.

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So it generally happens that the conduct of others is mostly only the echo of our own. If we treat them kindly they will be friendly towards us; but if we are rough and ill-mannered towards them, so must we expect nothing better from them.—From the German.

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