

THE CHARGE OF THE HEAVY BRIGADE.

Down the hill, down the hill, thousands of Russians... The charge of the Heavy Brigade...

A FOOLISH MISTAKE.

CHAPTER I. "Lucy, which of us are you going to give up, Mark Beaulere or me? It must be one of us, dear, and the sooner you decide the better."

CHAPTER II.

"My dear Leslie, this is a surprise and a pleasure! How are you? When did you get back?"

CHAPTER III.

"I wish it told such a flattering tale on me as it does on you," Mark said, with a smile.

CHAPTER IV.

"I only landed three days ago, and I haven't had any adventures except of the most commonplace kind."

CHAPTER V.

"I never fancied Mrs. Beaulere would develop into such subjects," George replied, and then he smiled a little sadly.

CHAPTER VI.

"I never could stand it, I know," he said to himself, as Mark went on giving him some details of the establishment...

GOSSIP FOR THE LADIES.

Upon My Word She Did. Her hair was black. "But black," she sighed "is very much too cold!"

WOMEN AS LISTENERS.

Woman is primarily a being who listens. She has in these days lost much of her original teachableness, but she has not yet entirely discarded the appearance of being teachable.

THE DECLINE OF IRISH INDUSTRIES.

The revival of Irish manufacturing industries, largely destroyed by hostile legislation, is much agitated. The statistics of the decline are given as follows:

REPOSITIVE WOMEN.

Repositive women are a delight to their friends; one can almost forgive slovenliness when it is accompanied by a complete ease of care.

IN OLDEN DAYS.

Bluff Harry, the much-married, who died in 1647, never used a fork. The great Queen Bess had several presented to her, but only used the article on state occasions.

THE SHINING EARTH.

The astronomers say that the stars shine because they are suns like ours, though placed at such an enormous distance that they appear to be mere glowing points.

BLESSEDNESS CONSISTS IN THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF OUR DESIRES AND IN OUR HAVING ONLY REGULAR DESIRES.

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SMITH'S DREAM.

Said Mr. Smith to Mr. Jones: "I'd rather forward success. But would reality like to know if you believe in dreams?"

PLANTING TIMBER.

In our opinion it is not only a most sensible thing for every individual farmer to do something every spring in the way of planting timber trees, but it is even more than that. It is a patriotic duty, for the timber supply is so rapidly wasting away that its serious need will soon be felt in parts of the country.

THE GREAT JOINER—THE LAWYER.

He can replace a tenant, impound a jury, box a witness, bore the court, chisel his client, auger the gains, floor a witness, nail the case, hammer the desk, file his bill, and gouge the whole community.

SCENE—A WARD IN A SCOTCH INFIRMARY.

Lady visitor: "Are they kind to you here?" Patient (who is recovering from his illness and is very hungry): "No, I never get half a meal."

DICKENS' AMANUENSIS.

An interesting talk with the man who used to write for Charles Dickens.

TO CLEAN JEWELRY.

This is the way to clean jewelry of intricate workmanship: Put them in a small glass bottle with warm soap-suds and a little proofer chalk; shake them well, then rinse them in clean cold water, and wipe dry on a clean linen towel.

PROVE YOUR SWEETS.

J. M. Chapman, of Chicago, says the following is a sure test of the presence of sulphuric acid in sugar and molasses: Buy at any drug store five cents worth of muriate barium, and dissolve it in say one ounce bottle of water.

FOR REMOVING GREASE SPOTS.

An excellent mixture to remove grease spots, particularly in the case of men's clothing, is made of four parts of alcohol to one part of ammonia, and about half as much of ether as ammonia.

ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL RETURN WHICH WAS PUBLISHED LAST WEEK, 4,044 PERSONS WERE DROWNED WITHIN THE LIMITS OF GREAT BRITAIN DURING 1890.

There were 3,274 males and 770 females, and 1,019 of the whole number were children under 12; 471 were suicides, 423 bathing accidents.

THE GOLD MINER GETS HIS BEER BY QUARTZ.

CHARITY covers a multitude of church lotteries. A CORN-DODGER—A man who avoids wearing tight boots.

EVERY MAN IS FOND OF STRIKING THE NAIL ON THE HEAD; BUT WHEN IT HAPPENS TO BE THE FINGER-NAIL, HIS ENTHUSIASM BECOMES WILD AND INCOHERENT.

It is because man is made from dust that he is always dry? And is it not true that when he wishes to dampen himself he has to part with some of his dust?

SOME SCIENTIST NOW OBSERVES THAT EVEN THE CLAM HAS PARASITES.

He would have observed as much before if he had ever noticed the crowd around a free clam chowder.

THE MOST ABSENT-MINDED MAN WAS NOT THE MAN WHO HUNTED FOR HIS PIPE WHEN IT WAS BETWEEN HIS TEETH.

He was the man who tried to hang his cigar on a peg; but the man who put his umbrella in a bell to bed and went and stood behind the door.

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"How dare you speak to me, sir?" she demands, in apparent anger. "I beg you not to be offended. I could not resist offering you a simple courtesy," he replies, adding, as her anger simmers away, "you look so exactly like my mother."

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"Oh, yes, I was very actively engaged in shipping cotton to Europe during the war." "Then how did you come to be called 'General'?" "Well, you see, I made money during the war, and afterward the boys came home poor, and wanted to borrow a little money. I generally loaned it to them, and that's how I came to be called 'General,' and it has stuck to me ever since."

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"Yes," said his seat-mate, "that's my wife, and I told her if she wore that bonnet that some fool would make fun of it." The young man said out. At the next station the old man poured out his hot coffee into the sancer to cool.

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"Oh, no," she replied, "I always buy mine Sunday, and then I get it by the choir."

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"Hi, hackman, I've made a mistake!" Hackman (who has palmed off a bad quarter in change and is hurriedly driving off): "No, sir; you will find it quite correct."

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