MR. CONRIED IS ALL AT SEA.

Who Will Represent U. S. at the Vienna Exhibition?

Bits of Theatrical Gossip Told By and About Players.

[illegible] yesterday. "I am not United States Commissioner of the Paris Universal Exhibition of Music and Dramatic Works, and I can assure you that I have no position so sincerely. I merely came down to see what to do to represent America appropriately. I went to Augustin Daly, to ask him to be a great thing for Daly's company to represent us in London, or any other theatres with plays, abroad. He told me that he would willingly have consented to such an arrangement, but his previous contracts made it impossible. Then I went to Jay Gould. Mr. Gould said that he would gladly pay the sum, but he found that the members of his company would expect salaries during the entire season, as that it would be impossible. I feel thoroughly at a loss what to do. I suppose I shall have to take over a company of colored jubilee singers, and let them represent the United States. I want to get some Indian musical instruments, and some Esquimaux, and if I can do that I must go at it. I suppose. The exhibition begins in May and extends until October. It will be a great affair. There will be twenty-six companies participating, and all that is best in European art will be in it. I shall sail on the end of April. Of course, you know that the idea of this exhibition originated with the Princess Metternich, an enthusiastic friend of art. It will be a very expensive thing, many trades are connected with it and almost dependent upon the success."

Mme. Patti, the French dancer everywhere, is appearing at Koster & Bial's, has caused her managers much anguish. She is so nervous and extremely diffident to wear a wig and tights very slightly in musical performance appearance has been entirely in her favor. Her performance doesn't take a bit. She is deeply impressed with a sense of her artistic value.

The Kendals played to nearly one hundred thousand people in Philadelphia. New York engagement and the season ended. "We are very well and are going back again in excellent health and spirits," said Mrs. Kendal yesterday, "but we encountered some very remarkable places. I cannot help mentioning a little town called Evansville, which we simply astonished. Never then a night's performance in all its brief engagements at the Grand Opera-House in Paris. But such a theatre can possibly be being in a problem that we have not yet solved. It is little good. In many of the towns in which we played the houses were sold out long before we arrived, and it was not necessary to open the box office at all." And yet the Kendals call this "a farewell engagement." Very much like a while!

E. S. Willard is rejoicing over a "bit of Mexican Irene pottery" that he has picked up on his travels. The secret of its is in charge. Willard says, is Spain, Italy, and refined by the Mexican Indians.

Carmencita, at the close of her season, is going home to Spain for the first time in several years. Whether she will return is not yet definitely decided, but it is safe to guess that she will. Carmencita, like a great many others, has found the American dollar particularly bright and pleasant.

Nellie McHenry and John Webster, her husband, will open in New York next week with "Nellie and the Circus," which took passing remarks about Philadelphia. "One morning," said Mr. Webster—"one Sunday morning, we saw a big crowd in Walnut street. We were startled, for, as a rule, you could shoot a Gatling gun up that thoroughfare on Sunday minding anybody. We discovered what the people were doing. They were out buying the New York papers."

Nellie Maguire, the very vivacious young woman who has just become extremely popular at Tony Pastor's, is a cousin of Nellie Farren. Miss Maguire has come to this country with her husband, a clever conjurer, known as Affalo, who has been here many times. Affalo says that America is "the greatest country in the world."

Hubert Wilke is very indignant at announcements of his engagement with the comic opera company that is to sing at the Fifth Avenue Theatre. "It will ward off all other engagements," he explains. "Kindly report that I am in Chicago. Certainly. Consider it done, thanks."

Walter Vandelle, an actor, who when a boy, some years ago, appeared in "Richard III," with Edwin Booth, has returned to the stage. He has grown to manhood and threatens to be in the vicinity of New York. His first appearance will be in "Richelieu," "Richard III," "The Fool's Revenge," "The Merchant of Venice," "The Lyons Mail" and "Davidson."

To imagine Tony Pastor's Theatre without Mr. Pastor himself would be very much like the Lord Chancellor without the Queen. Every vaudevillian has a veritable army of friends dotting in the "profession," but on Tuesday and his annual benefit is an event. It will take place next Thursday and will be a most delightfully interesting affair. Tony's friends will gather in force to laugh their glory, and Lydia Yeamans will sing. Helena Mora, Nellie Maguire, Maude Fealey, Miss Thornton, Alice Atherton, Eva Mueller, Lizzie Daly, Mr. Harry Bush, Mr. Dave Reed, Mr. Glenroy Jr. and John E. Drew, Frank Bush, the Brothers Gerard and Farry, and twenty more specialists will be seen. The four Daly sisters will be in attendance for the first time at this theatre, Maggie and Lizzy being "lent" by Augustin Daly, who, inasmuch as her first appearance in his sessions, sans Venice, sans Christian, sans Jew, "take it all in all the lemmon will be a noteworthy one.

Mme. Modjeska will play Miss Winsome Snoozing Sunday night and next week for their benefit. Sec. "S."

CORBETT WILL BE ON TIME.

James Says He Will Cover John L.'s $2,500 To-Morrow.

Lively Bouts Expected at the Crescent Club's Tournament.

Charley Mitchell, the well-known talker, clever sprinter and compass boxer, continues to indulge in ante-bellum proceedings with John L. Sullivan. There is little likelihood of Sullivan and Mitchell ever meeting again in the prize-ring. It was thought by many, when Corbett came forward and challenged Sullivan to battle, that his action would rouse Mitchell's pride sufficiently to induce him to come forward and cover John L.'s money. But it hasn't.

The greatest trouble with Mitchell is his aversion to risking his capital. Charley would jump at a battle with any one if a purse was offered and no stake or side bet was necessary, and a guarantee of half the purse would quicken his steps tremendously. But when it comes to laying down $10,000 flat for a battle with John L. Sullivan Charley is not in it. Charley holds on to the currency with a death grip at all times. He takes no risks if he can help it.

Jim Corbett, the pugilist, arrived in this city last night. Discussing the preliminaries of his proposed match with John L. he said:

"I shall cover Sullivan's money and make the final arrangements for a meeting with him. I will not say that I can knock the big fellow out, that he is big fat and can't fight, or anything like that, but I do say that I will do my level best to defeat him. I have been and I intend to be the champion from the day I started in as a prize-fighter. I hope nothing will happen to prevent our meeting. I like the way the Olympic Club people of New Orleans treated their guests, and I have no doubt that Sullivan and I would get right play down there. I will be on hand with my $1,500 Tuesday afternoon, and I think that will be sufficient guarantee to Sullivan and his friends that I mean business."

All preparations for the great boxing tourney of the Crescent Rowing Club at the Metropolitan Opera-House to-morrow night are about completed. The tenders of the "big four"—Smith, Callan, Butler and Kammer—have put the last finishing touches on their men, and all are reported in the pink of condition. They will leave their training quarters to-day for the Fifth avenue, at their respective houses. It is the consensus of sporting opinion that the winner of the final bout will know that he has had a lively fight when the game is ended. Who that winner will be is hard to determine by reason of the similar form exhibited by the contestants. All are about the same height, skill, strength and courage, hence lovers of fistic sport are at a loss whom to select for the victor. The preponderance of betting among professional sporting men, however, is in favor of Pat Smith. This claim is based on a record for by reason of his brilliant victories in the past. In all his experience, however, he never met adversaries of the calibre of those he will face to-morrow night, and the colors of the redoubtable scot may be lowered.

The Metropolitan Rowing Club seems very well satisfied with the outlook for the present season. The officials of the Club report a comfortably filled treasury. They also claim that the Club has some excellent rowing talent which will come into play during the regatta season. The Club contemplates putting eight and four-oared crews on the water in behalf of its double sculls and sliders. The Metropolitan colors will be seen at all the principal regattas of the season.

Dominick McCaffrey reports the boxing department of the M. A. C. in a flourishing condition. Owing to the success of their former professional boxing shows the Manhattans are anxious for another. The next professional sparring exhibition of the M. A. C. will be given on March 27. Prof. McCaffrey is scouring the neighborhood for first-class talent.

The first meeting of the Board of Managers of the Metropolitan Association of the A. A. C. since the election of President W. B. Curtis will be held at the Astor House to-night. Ever since the Association went in the shade for $1,000 as the recent indoor championships the organization has been trying to devise ways and means of getting into sunlight again. A discussion as to the best method of wiping out the indebtedness will take place at the meeting to-night. The Board will also arrange a new Spring schedule of events.

J. F. Haggerty, in talking about the coming boxing tournament of the Ravenswood Boat Club, says the entries already point to a very successful exhibition. Some of the best boxing talent in the vicinity will appear.

Sam Kelly, of the West Side A. C., and Tim Murphy, of the Pastime A. C., are getting into fine form for their meeting at the boxing exhibition of the West Side A. C. at the Lyceum Opera-House March 19. The boys will weigh in at 110 pounds. Secretary Peabody, of the West Sides, says the coming boxing show will be the best given by the Club this season.

The indoor athletes of the clubs of this vicinity are getting into condition for the gymnastic championships to be given by the A. A. C. on April 2.

AMONG THE WHEELMEN.

The Metropolitan Association of Wheeling Clubs will handle a century run this Spring.

The Riverside Wheelmen have decided upon July as the month in which to hold their annual race meet.

If rumor is correct Zimmerman will not be allowed to race in England without being subjected to a rigid examination as to his amateur standing.

H. C. Jerkowski is the new Captain of the Lenox Wheelmen.

The Kings County Wheelmen will hold their annual election March 17.

The Williamsburg A. A. wheelmen are preparing a schedule of club runs.

The Union County Roadsters will hold a reception next week.

The South Brooklyn Wheelmen will hold a club run next Sunday.

THE WORLD OF LABOR.

The annual convention of the K. of L. Silk-Workers opened this morning at 52 Union square.

Carpenters' Union No. 507, Newtown, L. I., which was only recently organized, has secured the nine-hour workday for its members.

The New York Framers' Union reports that three of its members were injured by accidents last week. Strikes were ordered on the jobs of Messrs Keller and Kemlein.

The Housesmiths' Union has called a special meeting for to-morrow evening to elect a Committee for conferring with the bosses in regard to the renewal of the annual contract.

John Jones, Vice-President of the Piano-Makers' Union, died last Friday at his residence, 503 One hundred and Forty-sixth street, from where he will be buried by his comrades this afternoon.

The Association for Distribution of Free Labor Literature will give an entertainment for the benefit of its agitation fund at Schleppin's Assembly Rooms, East New York, this evening.

Cement Labor Union No. 1 has ordered a strike on the job of Boss Lehmann, Fifty-ninth street and Fifth avenue. From the carpenters the Union has received a vote of thanks for their assistance during the Downey strike.

The Anti-Sweating System bill will be considered before the respective Committee of the Assembly in Albany this afternoon. Representatives of the garment workers of this city will advocate the measure.

Tailors' Progressive Union No. 11 will call a joint meeting with the United Brotherhood of Tailors to elect a walking delegate. In place of L. Berliner, who resigned, N. Rosenblum was elected Trustee of No. 11. Delegates were also sent to the eight-hour conference.

The Gilders and Picture-Frame Workers' Union notified the Central Labor Union yesterday that it protests against the action taken by the Columbus Labor Club during the strike of the Cloakmakers' at Meyer Jonasson & Co.'s shop. The matter was filed.

Delegates James Edwards, W. F. Connolly, James A. Fitzgerald, James P. Archibald, M. Greenfield, J. J. Gavin and Joseph Nobles were appointed a committee yesterday by the C. L. U. to arrange the Labor Day demonstration of that body.

The Central Labor Union instructed its secretary yesterday to request Gov. Flower to appoint any one of the candidates proposed by the labor organizations of New York for the office of Chief Factory Inspector of the State instead of reappointing Inspector Connolly.

The United Labor Singing Societies of New York and vicinity will give a grand singing festival at the Union Hill Schuetzen Park on Aug. 14. The Committee on Arrangements, who met at 25 East Fourth street yesterday, expect that at least ten thousand people will attend the festival.

About five hundred paintsmakers went on strike this morning as their bosses refused to sign the new contract of the Paintsmakers' Union. Twenty-five bosses have signed the contract. As trade is very good at present the strikers are sanguine of speedy success. The headquarters is at 125 Irving place.

At the mass-meeting held by the Advance Association of Bookbinders last Saturday at 89 First avenue a number of new members were enrolled. One of the speakers took to task the firm of Betzinger Bros. and Heckenroth & Von Der Au for discharging workmen without sufficient cause.

A committee consisting of Delegates Fitzgerald, Gallagher, Archibald, Jacobson and Garvin was appointed by the Central Labor Union yesterday upon request of the American Federation of Labor to draw up a resolution denouncing the attempt of several members of the Legislature to repeal portions of the Saturday Half-Holiday Law.

The New York Section of the Socialist Labor party decided yesterday to celebrate the anniversary of the Paris Commune at Clarendon Hall on March 27. Messrs Zahn and Glaser were elected Historians. An appeal of Ernest Kurzenknabe against his expulsion for alleged violation of principles will be discussed at the next regular meeting.

An agitation is going on among the members of L. A. 6535, K. of L., Metal Platers and Polishers, to increase the initiation fee from $2 to $5. The question is to be decided at a special meeting soon to be called. Some of the members are in arrears at a show on Twenty-fifth street. Delegates will be requested to discharge them unless they pay.

Upon request of the Socialist League of America the C. L. U. indorsed resolutions yesterday deploring the present difficulties existing between the central bodies of New York City, and demanding their consolidation. A committee consisting of Gen. Lloyd, Jerome O'Neill, Jas. P. Archibald, Jas. A. Fitzgerald and Thomas Lafine, was appointed a Committee of Harmony.

The officers elected by the United Butchers' Union yesterday evening are A. Schoepke, President; Joseph Dinges, Vice-President; A. Schwamm, Financial and Corresponding Secretary; A. Willing, Recording Secretary; J. Hinckens, Doorkeeper; William Mai, Treasurer. A committee will visit the shops to see that union rules are adhered to.

Cloakmakers' Union No. 1 has resolved to declare publicly that the strike at Meyer Jonasson's shop was settled by a committee of the Union and the Knights of Labor bodies. The National Convention, which was to be held in this city to-morrow, has been postponed indefinitely. The local unions will be notified of the date of the Convention.

Brewers' Union No. 1 reports that the Greenville Brewing Company is no longer a union concern, as it is employing non-union men at $9 per week. The New York Federation of Labor yesterday advised its affiliated unions to avoid all beer of the Greenville Company until the trouble with the Union has been settled.

The Hotel and Restaurant Employees' Association has been refused a charter from the Waiters and Bartenders' National Alliance, with a recommendation to amalgamate with one of the local waiters' unions already chartered. This the Association refuses to do, and it will continue to remain independent of the National organization.

Messrs. Albert and Becker have been appointed by the Journeymen Tailors' Protective and Benevolent Union to organize several branches of the ladies' trade. A second vote is to be taken upon the proposition to give $50 to the striking cigarette-makers. A special committee is at work preparing a plan for thorough organization. A general organizer is also to be elected.

It is expected that the general officers of the International Cigar-Makers' Union will settle with the tenement-house workers in this city by a check which claims $10,000 from the organization, which were paid for dues previous to the decision that tenement-house workers cannot be admitted to membership. It is probable that an independent union of tenement-house cigar-makers will be organized.

The Brooklyn Central Labor Federation appointed a special committee yesterday to settle the differences with the Socialist section of Brooklyn in regard to the question of engaging union musicians for the celebration of the anniversary of the Paris Commune. Gramer's brewery was declared to be a union place, as the proprietor has settled with the Williamsburg Brewers' Union. Letsinger & Odell have also settled with the Firemen's Union.

Upon request of the striking employees of the Monitor Iron Works Company, of Sing Sing, N. Y., the Central Labor Union requested its affiliated organizations to give financial assistance to the strikers in their struggle for shorter hours and higher wages. The employees in a letter stated that even the non-union firms of Cassidy & Adler and Jordan L. Mott & Co. were paying better wages than the Monitor Iron Works Company.

A communication from the Ornamental Plasterers' to the Fresco Painters' Union in relation to the differences between both organizations has been referred to the Secretary of the latter with instructions to state the position of the three points. The Walking Delegate was instructed to make an attempt to organize the Italians working on Dugro's hotel. One of the members who refused to show the contents of his pay envelope to the Walking Delegate was fined $5.

The Executive Board of District 1, of the United Garment-Workers of America, held a special meeting yesterday and adopted resolutions against Contractor Max Deutsch, 49 Sheriff Street, who is said to have discharged a number of union men without cause in the middle of last week. Charles Schlaiger was selected to preside at the anniversary meeting to be held under the auspices of the Journeymen Tailors' Union of America. When the K. of L. resolutions had been adopted the Federation took left the hall.

Resolutions presented by W. C. Owen, of the Free Speech Association, recommended the enactment of a bill which will guarantee to the citizens of New York City the best practicable public open-air meetings without the previous consent of Park Commissioners or the unlawful interference on the police authorities. Mr. Owen stated that Senator Roesch had promised to introduce the bill in the Senate and Assemblyman Sohmer in the Assembly. Delegate Lapine, of the Reformer Labor Union of Marble-cutters, was appointed as a Committee of One to cooperate with a committee from the Free Speech Association in calling a Mass-Meeting this morning to secure the indorsement of the bill. The Secretary was instructed to immediately notify Mayor Grant and Messrs. Roesch and Sohmer of the action taken by the C. L. U.

The Brooklyn Central Labor Union resolved yesterday not to admit the United Hebrew Trades Progressive Union of Long Island unless they settle with the National organization of the journeymen bakers. The Secretary was instructed to ask the State Senate to adopt the bill for creating a state printing office. A motion to abolish the office of Sergeant-at-Arms was filed over. The following officers were elected: Alexander McDonald, Recording Secretary; George Phillips, Financial Secretary; G. Roschkiani, Corresponding Secretary; J. Nolan, Treasurer; C. H. Wood, Sergeant-at-Arms; Delegates Meyer, Schaefer, Schulman, Bischoff and Beigh, Credential Committee; Delegates Langdon, Carter, Graham, Gallagher and Jenks, Organizing Committee; Delegates McDonald, Hoover, Roy, Wolf and Morley, Non-Intercourse Committee; Delegates Soltz, Wolf, Hoover, Nolan, Hildebrand & Morley, Grievance Committee; Delegates Phillips, McDonald, Bischoff, Roschkranz, Monahan, Nolan and Kerwin, Legislative Committee; Delegates Hurley, Gallagher and Solomon, Trustees.

The Central Labor Union elected yesterday George B. Lloyd, President; Michael B. Daly, Jr., Vice-President; Jerome O'Neill, Recording Secretary; Alexander Martin, Financial Secretary; Edward B. Murphy, Treasurer; James Edwards, Sergeant-at-Arms; J. J. Nobles, Lawrence J. Brown, James Fitzgerald, Trustees; Jacob Deters, M. J. Murphy, Jas. P. Archibald, Jas. A. Fitzgerald and Thomas Lafine, Committee on Organization; M. O'Connell, H. L. Parks, L. J. Brown, Joseph Nobles, James McCabe, Arbitration Committee; James Fitzgerald, W. F. Connolly, E. B. Murphy, Jerome O'Neill, Jacob Deters, Thomas Lafine, Grievance Committee; John J. Garvin, Jerome O'Neill, W. F. Connolly, James Dunphy, G. B. Wallace, Auditing Committee; Edward McLaughlin, George Bauschin, H. J. Parks, David Callahan, Charles Byrnes, Grievance Committee; M. J. Cody, Ed Conklin, James P. Archibald, Jacob H. Latzer, Legislative Committee; Thomas Doyle, James P. Kennedy, Henry Henney, George Bratschin, Jacob H. Latzer, Committee on Visitors and Outside Communications.

Vice-President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, notified the New York Federation of Labor yesterday that Mann Bros., in spite of promises made, are continuing to give orders to the boycotted cuff and collar manufacturers of Troy, N. Y. The matter will be referred to a committee. Proof of the allegation has been furnished to the strikers in Troy. A protest was ordered to be sent to the Legislature against any and all attempts to abolish the Saturday Half-Holiday law, and all affiliated unions were requested to indorse it. A bill submitted by the Free Speech Association, by which it is intended to secure to workmen the right to assemble in public parks and squares, was indorsed. A special committee was appointed to confer with President Gompers about the arrangements for the eight-hour demonstration on May 1, with a view of excluding organizations not considered to be friendly to the American Federation of Labor.

Joseph Barondess appeared before the Central Labor Federation yesterday to explain his action during the recent strike of the cloakmakers. He said he simply carried out several delegates who insisted that he had said that the cloakmakers could not win as long as there were any differences between the three central bodies in this city. He refused to sign a statement denouncing the Central Labor Union for preaching sedition against several delegates of the C. L. U., as he could not consistently denounce any bona fide labor organization; he was not fighting individuals, but the capitalistic system. After some discussion Barondess's explanation that he never accused the C. L. U. of any disloyal act was accepted. Upon request of the Brass-Workers' Union, it was decided that unions will not be assisted financially by these organizations for at least three months. Brommer's Park was hired for Labor Day. The big cost of Cigar-Makers' Union No. 90 against the Florida Cigar Company was indorsed. A proposition to call a conference to consider measures for abolishing the sweating system was made a special order of business for next Sunday. The Fur Operators will be assisted in their fight for eight hours.

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A Big Man Once Was Without Fear, but Is Not a Fighter Now.

The big man had been entertaining me with some of his adventures as the train sped along, says a writer in the Detroit *Free Press*. He had travelled all over the world. He had been wrecked at sea, captured by pirates, held up by road agents, led out to be shot and lots of other things, and he could relate particulars in a highly entertaining manner. He was a six-footer of excellent build, and he didn't know what fear was.

One of his stories was about meeting three footpads one night in Detroit. They jumped out at him suddenly and all had revolvers at full cock, but with his good right fist he knocked them about and killed two outright. He had just finished this story when we drew up at a station where we were to wait twenty minutes for dinner. We were going out together, when he suddenly pushed back and sank into a seat. He turned so pale that I anxiously asked:

"Do you feel ill? Are you in pain?"

"It's nothing—go on!" he whispered.

"But let me get you some wine or something."

"No—no! I'm better now. It's just a faint spell. You go on alone."

He was crawling back when I left him. I didn't remain away over ten minutes, and I found him reclining on a seat and shaking like a man with the ague.

"Say, man, I'll call in a doctor for you! You've got a fearful chill."

"Never mind. It's only transient. Just bring me a glass of water and keep quiet."

He shivered and shook and his teeth clicked together, and I had become seriously alarmed, when the train began to move on. One minute later the Colonel sat up and began to look like himself again. In two minutes there wasn't a shiver left. I was regarding him with astonishment when he kindly said:

"Sit down. I owe you an explanation. Did you see that chap sitting on a box near the dining-room door?"

"What, a little, dried-up, hump-backed, red-headed man, with a red goatee?"

"The same. I just caught sight of him in time."

"You don't tell me that you were shivering on his account!"

"I was. He's my brother-in-law and has sworn to lick me. I was scared half to death for fear he'd seen me."

"Look here!" I said as I rounded on him. "I thought you told me you had killed about a dozen men and had been through a hundred perilous adventures."

"Yes, yes. I told you so, and it was all gospel truth, but all those things happened previously, you know."

"Previous to what?"

"To my having the grip. I had it powerful hard last Fall, and when I got over it I was a changed man. No more fight—no nerve—no grit. That very little red-headed moology for a man chased me three miles."

"Well, that's mighty queer."

"Yes, it's very queer—very queer. I can't understand it. But the doctors reasoned it all out. I'm no fighter now, sir, but if you want me to tell you how I slayed six Indians in a heap previous to my having the grip I will cheer"——

But I didn't. I just gave him the cold shake. It hurt his sensitive feelings, as I could perceive, but I wouldn't even lend him a chew of tobacco.

His Aim.

[From Judge.]

"It's funny to see what a fine shot Brewer is to-day. Why, when he was a boy he could not hit a barn door."

"He couldn't? Well, that is surprising."

"Not at all. There weren't any barns around where he lived."

Popular Science.

[From Life.]

He (at Boston)—Prof. Skinph is going to lecture on sun spots to-morrow.

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A Wounded Soldier Never Thought to Be So Reduced.

"It was after the fight at Pittsburg Landing," remarked the old soldier in the Detroit *Free Press*, "and I was going over the field picking up the wounded. We passed a lot of dead men in a clump, and over beyond them a hundred yards or so I heard a faint cry and started to see what it was. I found it pretty soon. A man shot through the breast was lying in a little thicket, groaning in great pain.

"'Water,' he moaned. 'For God's sake give me water.'

"I put my canteen to my mouth and as I knelt beside him I noticed he wore the gray and belonged to some Georgia regiment. He almost emptied the canteen before he took it from his lips and as he looked up at me gratefully the tears rolled down his cheeks and he stretched his hands feebly out towards the canteen, which I was about to sling over my shoulder again.

"'It's pretty good, ain't it?' I asked, when he had given it another pull.

"'Good?' he repeated feebly, between gasps, 'good, rather? I should say it was. I'd been cryin' for it for six hours an' I never thought I'd been cry in' for water—anyhow, not to drink. But, pardner, this blamed war has upset things so that there ain't no telling what a man will do.'

"He didn't say it as smooth as I do, boys, for every word hurt, but he got it out at last and then we laid him back in a dead faint. We took him in and he got well enough in three months to drink something stronger than water. But I'll bet a horse he never got a drink that did him as much good as these two swigs of water I let him have out of my canteen when that boiler track was like a string of fire clean through him."

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Mr. Younghusband's Test Proved a Severe Boomerang.

Dr. Charles Younghusband was a stock broker of some thirty-five years of age, by no means enfeebled from overwork and with plenty of money. He had been somewhat of a gay dog in his time, but within the last few years he had married a very pretty and charming young lady, and, to his credit be it said, had given up the questionable habits and companions of earlier days and settled down into a conventional respectability which surprised and even shocked some of his friends.

As a matter of fact, Mr. Younghusband was in love with his wife, a state of things by no means so rare as cynics would have us suppose, though undreamt of in the philosophy of his friends of bygone bachelor days. Being in love, it is scarcely necessary to add that Mr. Younghusband was a prey to jealousy, and being a frank character and a comparatively examining member of society he was determined not to tolerate the slightest deviation from truth of what occurred in his absence. With this object in view he kept a sharp lookout upon that young woman's movements. At the same time he was not so indiscreet as to express his jealousy openly, his long and varied experience of womankind having taught him that such a course would be to aid in precipitating the very catastrophe he wished to avoid.

Not that Mrs. Younghusband gave him any genuine cause for alarm. She had a weakness for a mild flirtation, like most of her sex; but not the slightest breath of scandal had ever been associated with her name, and the result of her husband's scrutinies was invariably to discover that her character was wholly beyond suspicion.

Still, although Younghusband trusted her sincerely enough in his heart of hearts, he took great pleasure in thus verifying, as it were, his confidence, and amused himself by laying little pitfalls for her, merely for the gratification of seeing how adroitly she avoided them all, and how promptly she repudiated the advances of [illegible] But he who digs a pit for another may sometimes fall into it himself, as Mr. Younghusband discovered to his sorrow.

His wife's birthday was within measurable distance, and the idea once more occurred to Mr. Younghusband of putting her fidelity to the test. True, he argued to himself, birthday presents are rather played out, but there is a kind of license attached to the anniversary, and her admirers, if she had any, were pretty certain to remind her of their existence in some form or other.

So communing with himself, he decided to send his wife a bracelet or some other costly article of jewelry, anonymously, and watch the effect of its arrival, arguing that if she thought it was from some favored admirer she would not be likely to say anything to him about it.

Now, although Mr. Younghusband was so particular about his wife's attention to the proprieties, he was not without his own little weaknesses, one of which was a habit of striking up harmless flirtations with attractive young women in whatsoever station of life they might happen to be found. An inveterate chatter wherever he happened to meet a pretty girl in a shop, restaurant, or elsewhere, he contrived in a very short time to make himself acquainted with the most interesting phases of her family history, including, of course, her successes and disappointments in love.

That the interest he took in the welfare of these young persons was strictly platonic not one of them doubted for a moment, least of all Miss Letty Major, one of the "assistants" at the cafe kept by the Perforated Bread Company in Hind street City. About 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when Mr. Younghusband was wont to drop in for his cup of tea or coffee, the establishment was never crowded and he rarely experienced any difficulty in [illegible] fascinating damsel felt inclined for such relaxation.

He had long since been made acquainted with most of Miss Letty's private affairs, and had expressed himself much gratified at the news that she was engaged to be married to Mr. "Bob" Marsiali, a clerk at a neighboring silk merchant's, as soon as an expected rise in his salary would allow of him taking to himself the luxury of a wife. Mr. Younghusband had not seen the fair Letty for several weeks, when one day, towards the end of September, she informed him she had important news to communicate.

"What!" exclaimed Mr. Younghusband, with a look which was meant to be gallant, "has Bob had his salary raised already?"

"That's it, sir," giggled the young lady with a blush.

"And when is it to be, my dear?"

"Almost directly. Bob's got a fancy to be married on the 5th of next month, and"——

"And you've no objection to raise, I suppose? Ah, lucky fellow, Bob!" with a sigh. "Congratulations to you both, my dear. I must see if I can't send you a present."

After a little mild chaff, to which Miss Letty by no means objected, Mr. Younghusband took his departure with assevertations that he would not forget to send her some token of his regard. In the days that followed, however, he had other things to express his attention, and Miss Major's wedding present would have been numbered with the other unfulfilled pledges but for an accident. Though thinking nothing of his promise to the fair Letty, however, Mr. Younghusband was by no means ungrateful of his scheme to entrap Mr. Y., and on Oct. 4, the day before her birthday, he took himself to a certain West End jeweler's and bought a very handsome diamond bracelet, which he determined to send to her [illegible] way as there need to be, I suppose?" he inquired carelessly of the shopman as the latter was packing up the bracelet.

"Not much, sir," was the reply, "wedding presents and that sort of thing are more in our way."

As the words "wedding presents" left the man's lips Mr. Younghusband suddenly remembered his promise to Miss Letty.

"By Jove! that reminds me," he said. "I want another article—a brooch or something of that sort—not too expensive."

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Entering the shop Mrs. Morton found behind the counter a young lady she had known in a similar establishment at quite another end of the town.

"How do you do, Miss Smith?" she inquired. "I had no idea you were here."

"I only came to-day, madam," was the reply. "One of the young ladies here is going to be married to-morrow and I am taking her place."

"Oh indeed! Is that the young lady?" indicating a very smartly attired young woman who came from a room behind the shop, and began talking to one of the other girls.

"Yes, ma'am. She's just looked in for some things she had forgotten."

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But before her friend could reply their attention was arrested by a cabman inquiring:

"Is there a Miss Letty Major here, miss?"

"Yes, I'm Miss Major," remarked the fair Letty, advancing.

"I've got a parcel for you, miss. Gen'l'm back to him at the Junior Carlton Club, where he, Younghusband, would await his return.

He then proceeded to the post-office and registered his wife's present, repairing from thence to the Junior Carlton, whither, in due course, returned the cabman with a piece of paper on which was written:

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"A wedding present," whispered Mrs. Younghusband to her friend, much amused. "I wonder what it is."

The fair Letty, signing and blushing profusely, gave the cabman his "bit o' writin'," and proceeded to open the packet, the contents of which were greeted with a hurrah or, "My! how lovely!" from her less fortunate friends.

"I don't think you can know what it is," said Mrs. Morton, with a true feminine instinct, "or you would not be so pleased to show it to us. I'm sure," exclaimed the young lady at the counter, and the diamond heart was duly handed round for examination, together with the card and its added verse, which all cried no little amusement, and caused for its recipient a slight amount of chaff.

Having finished their tea, the two ladies took their departure, Mrs. Younghusband remarking, as soon as they were clear of the shop,

"Rather an expensive article for one in her position, dear, wasn't it?"

"It was," replied Mrs. Morton, sententiously; "I should like to know who sent it."

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Mr. and Mrs. Younghusband made it a rule to always come down to breakfast together, and on the morning of the 5th the registered packet naturally attracted attention, though the gentleman purposely moved to another portion of the room and looked at the morning paper.

"What impudence," exclaimed Mrs. Younghusband, as soon as she had opened the packet. "Charley, some idiot has sent me a bracelet; I can't think who