

THE PRIMROSE PATH.

The green fans of the chestnut trees
Are all unfolding one by one,
The breath of April's in the breeze,
The long streets glisten in the sun.

HOW FRENCH SEAMEN ARE TRAINED.



French seamen are notably active and agile and this is due, so it is averred, to the training they get while they are in their apprenticeship.

CELTIC TONGUE IS DYING.

Preserved From Extinction Only by Efforts of Patriotic Societies. Reports from Wales forebode the passing of the sole Celtic tongue which has survived the twentieth century without the entire loss of its ancient birthright.

POLITICS OF THE DAY

A Square Deal. In politics the boasted "square deal" is a good deal of a mystery. It is a term which the craft are fond of using to describe their own methods.

ACRIM GARDEN

been better for seed than others. Mulching is practicable only when the mulch material can be obtained very cheaply. The cost of spreading the mulch is greater than the cost of good cultivation.

A HEROINE—of Necessity

A way to the right, as far as eye could see, stretched the shimmering kind of sunlight dancing on the waves and turning them into a carpet of gold.



"I DO NOT WANT TO GO ALONE."

tr's battles in skirmishes with tribes, with a black, there was tenfold more thorough because of her. Mrs. Tredennis had come to the quiet little village of Croone, on the Dorsetshire coast, because she had happened to see a highly colored print of it in some one's photo album.

loved best on earth. A man! Well, she would not be missed, she only marred God's sunlit world! Let her go—go—

Then a great revulsion of feeling came over the girl's soul. She saw the hideous temptation; she knew that, come what might, think what she would, she must save a fellow creature. It came no longer a matter of volition—it was a matter of necessity, for action and self-sacrifice, which comes to every human being born into the world, with his or her share of responsibilities with regard to another.

All these thoughts surged momentarily through Christabel Tredennis' mind as she stood on the sunlit cliff, and then she wrestled and struggled as she had never thought to wrestle, with all the tuck of a long line of dead and gone ancestors, wrestled till she felt herself going dizzy and faint; and the edge of the cliff drew ever nearer and nearer, and ever more menacing, and she came the instinct there, whether she will or no—an instinct which dies hard. Of necessity she must save her sister, be the exchange ever so unequal, the result, so little apparent satisfaction.

"Poor thing!" the doctor looked pityingly at the woman. "She has escaped again, but they never thought of looking here, I suppose. You have had a hard fight—yes—I understand—



One of the most important lessons for a beginner to learn is to hold the camera in the proper position during exposure. Whenever there are corners of buildings or other objects which give vertical lines the camera must be held absolutely level. If this is not done the building in the picture will appear to be falling either backward or forward, according to the way in which the camera was tilted.

AT THE FACTORY GATE.

A pathetic little sketch from life, given by Mr. James Greenwood in his "Low Life Deeps," is particularly interesting just now, when the child-labor question is so prominent. One chilly, rainy day Mr. Greenwood stood by the door of a factory in England and watched the laborers go in.

Five Favorite Sons.

There is every promise of a lively circus and a long continuous performance in the Republican Convention next year, when the favorite sons of numerous States gather to do their utmost of ground and lofty climbing for the Presidential applause of the delegates.

Close Questioning.

In recalling incidents connected with Virginia politics, some years ago a prominent Virginian recently related to a Washington man an account of an investigation of election frauds in the lower section of the State. In the course of the proceedings it developed that the ballots in an important precinct had not been sealed after the final count, thereby being exposed to fraudulent practices.

Her Indorsement.

The stories of the woman with the check are innumerable, but the Philadelphia Public Ledger seems to have discovered a new one. It adds it to the long list of business vagaries laid to the door of the gentle sex. A bride's attempt to see her groom on Christmas day, with a feeling of the utmost importance she took it to the bank to get it cashed.

Profits of Britain's Cotton Trade.

The capital represented by Great Britain's cotton trade is \$20,000,000 a year, and the profits \$3,000,000,000 a year.

Slow Digging in the Big Cut.

The steam shovel men at Panama are, very likely, getting all their work is worth, as Secretary Taft has decided they are; but, apparently, they are not shoveling fast enough to diminish the cut in four years and four months.

LIVING IS CHEAP IN JAPAN.

How They Manage to Exist Comfortably on Small Amounts. It is estimated that a professional man in Japan can live with his wife in comfort on the sum of \$250. This means one large divisible apartment, a small kitchen, a bathroom, a study and a storeroom, a charming garden, one servant and surroundings of great refinement.

More Appropriate.

"Do you think there's anything in that theory that strawberries cause insanity?" "I don't know but that there's something in it. When they were selling at 75 cents a box my wife said she was just crazy for some."

Latest Report.

Mrs. Caller—I hear your daughter ran away and got married last week. Is there any truth in the report? Mrs. Homer—Yes; and it is also true that she and her husband walked back this morning.

His Future Assured.

"I am going to give up general practice," said the young lawyer. "Why so?" queried his friend. "Because," he explained, "I have been retained to contest a multimillionaire's will."

Seems to Be.

Hyker—Is Longleigh what you would term a high roller? Hyker—Well, the indications point that way. He is more than six feet tall—so his wheels are pretty high up.

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