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THE MISTRESS of the Mine. Intervenes.

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RAILROAD TIME TABLES PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

Table with columns for Week Days, Sunday, and Week Days. Lists routes to Philadelphia, Harrisburg, and other cities with departure and arrival times.

On Sunday, train leaving Butler 7:40 A. M., connects for Harrisburg, Altoona, and Philadelphia.

BRING IN THE LITTLE FOLKS

We like to see children come into our store for more reasons than one. It isn't alone for our sake of selling the actual footwear for the small folks...

THE PITTSBURG, SHENANDOAH & LAKE ERIE RAILROAD.

Table with columns for Going North and Going South. Lists routes to Philadelphia, Harrisburg, and other cities with departure and arrival times.

NOTE—Train No. 1 starts from Exposition Park at 5:45 A. M. Monday only. No. 2 runs to Exposition Park Sunday only.

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which will be immediately cabled to London, may be imagined. (That is the preliminary, you see; and, as I said, it wouldn't be necessary to cable it if it were at the head of the mine over there, which they are not.)

"I hope you will not be dissatisfied with the result, Mr. Longworth."

"I hope not myself. I can see that you are a cautious man, and those who are recommended you for their capabilities, so with caution and capacity a man should succeed. I intended to visit the property, but it was detained so long in the west that I did not have time to go north. How did you find the mines?"

"I have you to thank for that, Mr. Longworth. I should be sorry to forfeit your good opinion by answering your questions."

"Quite right; quite right," said the other, laughing again. "That's one for you, and a very good one, too. I must tell that to my daughter; and here she comes. Edith, my dear, this is Mr. Kenyon, who we want to examine our mines. Curious, isn't it, that we should have been talking about them this very morning?"

"Mr. Kenyon, I call my daughter my confidential man of business; she has been all over the world with me. I never make any investments without consulting her, so I warn you that she will ask you a few questions about the mines that I shall."

"John Kenyon had risen to his feet to greet the girl and to offer her his hand."

"No, thank you," she said. "I want to walk. I merely came to see if my father was all right. I was very much disappointed to find that he was not in Canada this time, as I wished to see something of the snow-shoeing and tobogganing there. I suppose there was no tobogganing where you were?"

"Oh, yes," said Miss Brewster, "even out among the mines they had a toboggan slide, on which one trip satisfied me; and on several journeys I had to get snow-shoes myself."

"How interesting," said the girl. "And the next thing John knew he was walking the deck with her, relating his experiences. This walk was the first of many, and from that time onward Kenyon did not miss his friend Wentworth."

"Edith Longworth could hardly be called a typical representative of the English girl. She had an English girl's education, but she had not the training of the average English girl."

"For heaven's sake, don't drag me into the matter," cried Wentworth. "I am never, I won't, if you don't want me to."

"There was silence for a few moments, during which the young woman seemed to be looking at him and full-stops to the manuscript on her knee. Wentworth cleared his throat two or three times, but his lips were so dry that he could not speak for a moment."

"Miss Brewster, how can I induce you not to send that from Queenstown to your partner?"

"The young woman looked up at him with a pleasant, bright smile. "Induce me! Why, you couldn't do it—it couldn't be done. This will be one of the greatest triumphs I have ever achieved, a belief in doing just very thing."

"Yes," interrupted Wentworth, wearily. "Fleming told me the story."

"Oh, did he? Well, I'm sure I'm much obliged to him. I need not repeat it to you."

"Do you mean to say that you intend to send to the Argus for publication what I have told you in confidence?"

"Oh, I know all about that," replied Miss Brewster. "I have told you that I read the letter that was enclosed with the documents he took from your friend. Now, have you made any calculations?"

"Calculations? I don't know what you mean."

"Well, I mean just this: We will probably reach Queenstown on Saturday afternoon. This report, making allowance for the difference in the time, will appear in the Argus on Sunday morning. Your telegram will reach your house or your firm on Saturday night, when nothing can be done with it."

"I have been practicing all the time, and so had been several times to America, once to the cape, and one long voyage, with Australia as the objective point, had taken her completely around the world. She inherited much of her father's shrewdness, and there is no doubt that if Miss Longworth had been taken for her own, she would have become an excellent woman of business. She knew exactly the extent of her father's investments, and she was his confidential man."

"Thereupon he went to the club to finish his evening game, as usual. — Chicago Post."

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SNAKE SUICIDE.

A Battering with Three Young Shamans on His Moral Code.

A United States cavalryman, stationed at Fort Meade, S. D., writes to the Forest and Stream as follows in regard to the destruction of a three-fanged rattlesnake:

"As to the suicide of the creature, I am forced to ask for an explanation. The snake at first sight coiled up in the usual manner for a prime strike, made a vicious lunge at my legging, then drew back and closely scrutinized me from hat to toe. I instantly averted my eyes, and he instantly averted his. He suddenly astonished me by plunging headlong into the Belle Fourche. Motionless he sank, and lay at full length at the bottom. I continued to watch him until the last vestige of his reptilian breath had risen to the placid surface in a pearly bubble, and then with the aid of a plank raised him from the water. He lay in the sunshine and satisfied himself that life was extinct. I have never known or heard of a rattlesnake being water, and here I was confronted by the plainest case of suicide by drowning in broad daylight. I have since then lost all faith in snakes. I have adopted and discarded every remedy that I could find for a solution in this case, and am now driven to the belief that this snake deliberately suicided because it had committed a crime on the person of a United States cavalryman. Hereafter I shall treat incoercibly those that are."

WIDOW QUITE PHILOSOPHICAL.

Pastor's Condolences on Her Husband's Death Very Graciously Acknowledged.

A North side Lutheran pastor recently assigned to a fashionable congregation is wondering whether his conduct will be policy for him to offer condolences when young matrons of his flock lose their husbands, or forever keep his wife very much disturbed over an incident which occurred quite recently, says the Chicago Chronicle.

"Some time last summer and before he had been assigned to this particular church the invalid husband of one of his prominent church members went to the far west in the hope that a change of climate might restore him to health. But the rarified atmosphere of the mountains instead of benefiting the invalid, who was a consumptive, rather hastened the progress of the disease, and within a very few weeks he died. Last week the young widow returned. What more natural than that the pastor should offer his sympathies to the bereaved one?"

"You have my sincerest sympathy," he said to the young woman. "But, after all, it is only a matter of time before the dear one is now past all suffering and probably much happier."

"You are too kind, pastor," answered the young widow. "I have been much longer than I thought he would. I expected he would go much sooner. It was a hopeless case."

Such a plausible view of the case rather startled the good man. It came so unexpectedly that it left him nothing more to say and he beat his noisy retreat as he made.

EYELASHES MADE TO ORDER.

In a fashionable hairdressing parlor on one of the boulevards of Paris, the new advertisement reads: "Eyelashes made to order."

"I do not know that there is anything particularly new about it," says the blond young woman who was asked for work for months.

"And have you many patrons in that line?"

"Not so many as we have in the other branch of our business, the removal of hair or eyebrows, but we are doing a little progress. A few days ago, Mrs. Chaffee, who was upstairs, called down: 'Johnnie, you aren't practicing your work?'"

"Yes, I am," replied Johnnie. "No, you are not. You haven't touched the piano in the last half hour."

"It was full of pauses, and I am practicing them over and over until I get them perfect."—Texas Sifter.

Stern Barriers.

You smile at me. And I smile back at you. When you smile with me, I meet. A bitter thought will stir. The fact is, I'd love. Another maid more dear. If I had all the rings. And things. I love to be at year. —Spargue.

A Pleasant from the Ministry.

"This is a hard world," said Meandering Mike, as the dog whom he had bit with a piece of rusty web howling away.

"Whut's de matter?" inquired Flooding Pete. "Dem folks is too onfeeling for anything. The gals there is practicin' cookin' out of a fancy book, an' whenever Laze 'em, he says, 'they give me cake.'"—Washington Star.

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