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#### A RUNAWAY ICE YACHT. n Exciting Chase and a Narrow Es-

cape From Death. Some years ago there was a runaway down at Shelter Island in which a young girl was left in the boat with a gale blowing. She tried to throw the sheet loose, but it was frozen and her fingers were too cold, added to which the sheet had fouled the tiller, and she could not bring the boat up into the wind to stop its way, the sail being so set that the boat continued running right along at a terrific rate of speed.

Occupants of the other boats soon realized the position and made chase, gaining slowly, one beat finally being far in the lead of the others by the time the end of the island was left behind. Right in front lay the end of the ice, broken short by the action of the tide water, and there the breakers rolled in, throwing up the anchor ice, dashing it down, and then retreating, sucking it under the floe and packing it up for another break.

For some time it was a question as to whether the chasing boat would catch up with the girl before she was carried over the edge to certain death. But at last the boats came together for one brief second, the girl was snatched by strong arms to the pursuer's yacht, the sheet was eased off in a flash, and, spinning round in its own length, it was set right before the wind instead of reaching into it, just as the runaway dashed over into the anchor ice. A short, sharp crack gave notice of

the parting of the ice beneath the very runners of the now homeward bound savior, and with a long stagger, which only her speed enabled her to withtand, she dashed across the fast openng crack, safe, to be brought up into e wind at a distance, while the late unaway danced, a wreck, among the roken ice. It was one of the close calls f ice yachting which, thank goodness, ery seldom occur!—W. P. Pond in rank Leslie's Popular Monthly.

#### LUCKY DEUCE OF SPADES. Remarkable Run of Luck, but All For the Other Man.

One by one the old superstitions are being torn from us. People nowadays walk ostentatiously under ladders and suffer no evil consequences. Friday is quite a popular day for the commence ment of a long journey, and sitting down 13 at dinner is frequently unattended with untoward results. A deeply rooted superstition among card players is a belief in the lucky properties of the two of spades. The present writer's faith, however, was severely shaken by

red only a few days ago. Sitting down to a game of whist, he thoroughly shuffled both packs of cards, and happened to notice that the two of spades was the bottom card of one of

a phenomenal coincidence which occur

the packs. "This ought to bring me luck," he remarked to his friends.

He then took up the second pack, and was astonished to find that the two of spades was also at the bottom of that. Words failed to express his amazement when, in drawing for partners and deal - the cards had been shuffled again-he

The odds against this triple event occurring must be enormous, but more was to follow. The deal fell to the writer, and the turn up card was the inevitable two of spades! After this the dealer felt justified in

believing he was in for a good evening. As a matter of fact, he lost six rubbers in succession. - London Mail.

### Children and Dolls.

Writing in The Contemporary Review, Professor Sully discusses the curious aspects in which children regard He says: Professor Hall has brought to light some curious preferences of children. He tells us, for example, that, whereas out of 845 children 191 preferred wax dolls, as many as 144 pronounced in favor of rag ones. Odd preferences are sometimes shown with regard to size. A lady writes me that she preferred 4 inch halfpenny dolls because there was so much more to be done with these in the way of putting on wigs made from doormats, inking in eyebrows, etc. On the other hand, another English lady tells me that her childish ambition was the possession of a big doll-"one that would fill my arms and take some of the cuddling that I wanted to bestow and which no-body seemed to want." This girl image is, so far as the uninitiated adult can divine, the true child's doll.

Coalfields of the World.

Geologists estimate the great coalfields of the world in square miles as follows: China, 200,000; United States, east of the Rockies, 190,000; Canada, 65,000; India, 35,500; New South Wales, 24,000; Russia, 20,000, and the United Kingdom, 11,500. There are many deposits in other countries, but their extent is inconsiderable. England's coal area is small; still she for years produced more than any other country. Now the United States is ahead. English coal veins are thin; one only 14 inches wide has been worked 1,200 feet down. On the other hand, there are veins in the Pennsylvania anthracite region 60 feet thick and in the bituminous regions 18 feet thick. Our Appalachian coalfields are the largest known, and alone could supply the whole world for centuries to come.

An Original Oath of Allegiance. In the old days when the Spanish province of Aragon was a proud and independent monarchy the people used, when choosing their king, the

following singular form of election: "We, the freeborn inhabitants of the ancient kingdom of Aragon, who are equal to you, Don Philip, and something more, elect you to be our king on condition that you preserve to us our rights and privileges. If in this you should fail, we own you for our king no longer."—Harper's Round Ta-

## The Dangerous Stage. The gentleman had rung the bell sev-

eral times before the servant let him in. He was looking surprised and a trifle apprehensive when Mrs. Blykins

came into the room. "I called," he explained, "to inquire about your husband's health. He and I belong to the same organization, and several of the members desired me to call to see how he is getting along. We

were very sorry to hear of his illness."

She paid no attention to it. "I think it will be only a day or two before he is able to get out and go down

town," she added. The slamming of doors echoed heavi-

ly through the house "Has he been dangerously sick?" "Not until today.

"But I understood you to say that he

was convalescent." "I think I may say that he is so. He wasn't well enough to be dangerous till this morning. But before noon he had discharged the trained nurse, quarreled with the cook, smashed a rocking chair for a very long time, says a London exagainst which he had stubbed his toe change, finally harkened to the persuaand thrown the canary bird out of the sions of his wife and decided to go. He window. Those are always hopeful got the family all together, and they

cent."-Washington Star.

justified in saying that he is convales-

His Manner of Bath. At a little cosmopolitan gathering in Chicago for flatting the letter "a," she peered serenely over her glasses:

accent. For instance, we say bawth." shrugging her handsome shoulders. "That isn't continental. That's New England. Now, we always pronounce it

"You're away off," retorted Miss people in the world, with all the up to date knowledge there is, and we give it the full value-baarth."

"There's a Londoner among us," suggested one of the company. "Get him to pronounce the word and:notice what he does with the 'a.' "

So they tackled the bewildered Englishman, without letting him know their motive, but asking him solemn questions about his opinion of the bath. After regarding them with a sphinxlike stare through his monocled eyes the gentleman from London said: "Quite so. Quite so. I always tubun the morning."—Chicago Times-Herald.

Black Fooled Them. who the author was:

It was with a certain sensetof injury sent. that he asked, "Why, if Black wrote the been on the title page, they would he blurted out: have damned it."

Unlike many bits of gossip about nal. successful authors, this--es Sir Wemyss learned later from Mr./Black's own lips

-was strictly true. Dickens Was "Lond." In the memoir of the late J. H. Fristie any one would have noticed, but the out." size of the nosegayvin his buttonhole riveted my attention. My father intro- the leaf and discovered that Sarah had duced me, and I, who had only seen written a pass for two to her perform-engravings of the Mackise portrait and ance that evening! Magnificent, but it photographs, was astonished to find was not a cheap entertainment for the myself face to face with Charles Dick- bookseller.

#### She Swept the Street. Dar & A newly arrived Irish servant was in- different nationalities," declared an

stalled in the home of a family on the east side alderman as he tucked his west side last week, and on therfirst thumbs in the armholes of his vest and merning of service she was told to go struck an attitude. out and sweep the sidewalk.

After an absence of something like an hour the housekeeper went out to see what had become of the new servant. She was seen way down at the end of the block hard at work. Sheehad gone There were eight sure."
the block's length and she said she "Americans," sugges Midnit know where she was to stop — New York Sun.

#### A Feminine View. Kate-So Carrie is to be married \$1

suppose she is very happy?

"I don't know," replied the success-ful playwright. "I have never tried aristocracy of Florence and Venice was it "-Brooklyn Life.

London has a resident population of and poisoning was so skillfully effected nearly 1,000 professional orchestral in- that many people lived almost entirely

#### LOVE'LL SHOW THE WAY.

When it seems ez dark in daytime en ez lo some cz at night, It seems ez if n ray o' light's a kinder strug

shake the hand o' you.

When you think about the dark spots o' the En gazin at the future all is lonesome that you

There's one time when your mind gits on t "It's very kind of you," she answered. There's one time when your mind gits on to happy thoughts awhile.

There was a crash which shook the En that's when mem'ry shows you that ole

> So I jist don't keer how lonely past er future looks to you, You'll allus find

how dark the day En when they light you'll allus find it's love that shows the way. -Edward Singer in Cleveland Plain Dealer.

HE KEPT THE SEAT. But It Was Worth What the Other

Man Paid For It. A man who had not been to church symptoms with him, and I feel fairly started early. Arriving at the church, there were very few people in it and no pew openers at hand, so the man led his family well up the aisle and took possession of a nice pew.

Just as the service was about to bea home on the North Side the company gin a pompous looking old man came were discussing the unkind thrust at in, walked up to the door of the pew and stood there, exhibiting evident surwhen the girl from Boston remarked as prise that it was occupied. The occupants moved over and offered him room "We always give it the continental to sit down, but he declined to be seated. Finally the old man produced a "Pshaw!" said the New York girl, card and wrote upon it with a pencil: "I pay for this pew."

"He gave the card to the strange oc cupant, who, had he been like most onle, would have at once got up and left. But the intruder adjusted his Chicago, going into the subject neck glasses and with a smile read the card and elbows. "We are the most correct Then he calmly wrote beneath it:

"How much do you pay a year?" To this inquiry the pompous old gentleman, still standing, wrote abruptly: "Ten pounds."

The stranger smiled as though he were pleased, looked around to compare the pew with others, admired its nice cushions and furnishings and wrote "I don't blame you. It is well worth

The pompous old gentleman at that stage collapsed into his seat.

#### No Deadheads There.

I heard a good story that comes from little town in the northern part of the state: Among the members of the Sir Wemyss Reid, in a personalisketch Methodist church at that place is an of his friend the late Mr. Black in old railroad conductor who has been The Speaker, tells how the novelist out- retired from the business for ten years witted The Saturday Review. When or more. During the morning service "A Daughter of Heth" appeared, it at his church not many Sundays ago took the town by storm, and as it ap- the old railroader was called upon by peared anonymously Sir Wem; as heard the minister to assist in taking up the for the first time from an acquaintance collection—one of the stewards who asually helped in that work being ab-

The retired railroader started down book, did he not put his name to it?" the aisle with the contribution basket "Oh, don't you know?" was the in- and passed it around like an old hand stant response. "That is the best part at the business. Everything passed off of the joke. The Saturday Riview has smoothly until he came to a good old been 'down' upon everything he has brother who had nodded himself fast written, so he purposely published this asleep, and just as he was about to pass book anonymously in order, to take in by him he was suddenly overcome by The Saturday Reviewers, and they were the force of habit acquired in his railthe first people to sound the praises of read days. Giving the sleeping brother 'A Daughter of Heth.' If histname had a dig on the shoulder with the basket,

"Ticket, please!"-Ohio State Jour-

## Two Dear Seats.

Sarah Bernhardt while in London dropped into a bookseller's shop one morning. "I sold her quite a pile of books," said the proprietor, "and she well there is a glimpse of Dickens seemed pleased. As she was going out which will seem familiar to those she took hold of my pencil and asked Americans who remeraber the some me something in French which I did what flamboyant dress of the novelist. | not understand. Seeing that I failed to "On one occasion," wrote the author catch her meaning she looked about on of the "Gentle Life," "we were walk- the counters, then, quick as a flash, she ing down Wellington, street and just took up a volume of one of the very passing the office of Household Words best sets of Scott, bound in tree calf, when a hansom cab stopped and out opened it at the very center, wrote Only Depot in Chicago on the Flavated Loop. stepped a gayly dressed gentleman. His something quickly, calmly tore out the bright green waistcoat and vivid scarlet leaf, handed it to me, smiled, and went

The astonished bookseller looked at

"That so? What were they?" "Irish, German, Polish, English, Italian, French and Greek."

"That's only seven." "What the deuce was the other now! "Americans," suggested a reporter. "That's it. Couldn't think of them to

#### save me."-Detroit Free Press. Poor Business.

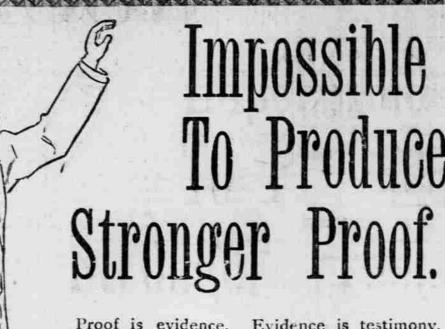
An old gravedigger who lived in a was one day complaining about the Sash, Doors, Blinds and Mouldings;

Ruth—Happy? I should so,
Fixton, her fiance, doesn't lamount to
much, but her trousseau is just elegant
—Boston Transcript

"Man, John, is
"Man, John, is
"Bad!" returned John, bringing his
staff down with an impatient gesture.
"I havena buried a leevin sowl this sax

so tyrannous to its dependents, murder was considered as a small crime on boiled eggs.

The eggs of the silkworm are about In the river Llano, in Texas, islands the size of mustard seeds.



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