

AN ARDENT SWEETHEART.

For twenty years she-sweetheart has been courting me-she can use the ardent efforts of the most effusive man;

A Sentimental Journey.

IT was about 4 o'clock one afternoon in February, and Hippesley was sitting on the veranda of the Cafe de Paris at Monte Carlo.

He noticed a smart carriage draw up before the broad steps of the Casino, and, almost simultaneously, a man and a woman came out of the building.

The color left his face, and he riveted his eyes on her. He watched her smilingly say "good-by" to the man on the steps, then the carriage turned and drove rapidly away.

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Hippesley rose from his seat, and making his way round to the terrace, sank into a seat. He felt he could hear no more. It was all so curious, so startlingly strange.

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DENMARK'S THREE LITTLE ISLANDS.



The Danish West Indies, which Denmark has been notified must not be sold to any other power but the United States, are three little islands lying immediately east of Porto Rico at the gateway of the Caribbean Sea.

San Juan is the largest, and contains seventy-four square miles of territory, more than five-sixths of which is under cultivation. Its total population is 20,000, most of which is of negro descent.

St. Thomas is the second in size, and is the first in importance because of its situation and fine harbor. St. Thomas also contains the commercial metropolis of the islands, the town of Charlotte Amelia, which is better known as St. Thomas.

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HORSE SHOE STYLES.

THEY ARE GREATLY VARIED IN DIFFERENT COUNTRIES.

None Can Equal American Makes for Utility and Merit of Workmanship-Many Kinds of Iron Footwear in Use in Late Years.

On Twelfth street, near the new city hall, is a show window that holds many attractions for horsemen and lovers of the curious, says the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Other shoes of interest rarely seen in these days are those for oxen. Each ox wore eight shoes in the old days, one on either toe on each foot.

Comparison of American horseshoes with those of other countries easily gives the palm to the manufacturers in this country.

Probably as odd a shoe as is found in the collection is one that was used in Ireland. The iron shoe proper is of common pattern, save that it has two lugs, or projections, pierced with screw holes.

Among the new varieties of shoes are those with a rubber heel plate or cushion, designed to break the concussion of the heavy blows struck by horses when moving rapidly over granite pavements.

They are rapidly growing in favor in Western Countries. Although it is several centuries since Occidentals adopted Chinese tea as a daily beverage it is only of late that they have begun to use the Chinese tea service.

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SUPPOSE WE SMILE.

HUMOROUS PARAGRAPHS FROM THE COMIC PAPERS.

Pleasant Incidents Occurring the World Over-Sayings that are Cheerful to Old or Young-Funny Selections that Everybody Will Enjoy.

"Yes," she rejected him after accepting attentions from him for a year. "I think he was entitled to more consideration."

"O! I don't know. I think she was considering him all the time."-Puck.

After the Best One. Huskinby (chucklingly)-It wuz 12 below zero by my thermometer at 5 o'clock this mornin' an' I hadgely's on'y showed nine below at that hour.

Inside the Man. First Grip Germ-Ugh! What's wrong with this man's protoplasm anyhow?

Second Grip Germ-Oh, he's taking ten grains of quinine every three hours; let's vamoose.-Ohio State Journal.

McSwigan-I don't like that goat that comes into our back yard. Mrs. McSwigan-But-

McSwigan-Exactly; that's why I don't like it.-Ohio State Journal.

Professional Rates. Irate Householder-Say! If you'll stop playing "Hot Time," I'll give you a nickel!

Insurance Papers Please Copy. "I should think it would be pretty hard for you, with such a large family, to live on such a small income."

Her Opinion of Compliments. "No," said Miss Cayenne, "I don't care for people who continually pay compliments."

Girls Usually Do. "Have you Moore's poems?" inquired the sweet young thing.

Woman-If you will saw that wood for me I will give you a good, square meal.

How You Spend Your Life. Did you ever stop to inquire how you actually occupy the hours of your life?

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GOOD Short Stories

The painter Mokart, who was sometimes as tactful as Von Moltke, sat for an hour one evening at dinner next to the soubrette, Josephine Gallmeyer, without volunteering a word.

During a confirmation tour in the diocese of Peterborough, the late Bishop of London put up one evening at an old manor house, and slept in a room supposed to be haunted.

Lord Rathmore has told a friend how he once took "Ouida" in to dinner and how disappointed he was to find that the novelist devoted herself to the dishes rather than to intellectual refreshment.

Not long ago an American professor attended a reception in the royal palace, given by the Kaiser to an association of scientists, at which William appeared in the gorgeous robes of royalty.

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Evening It Up.

"They have a new barber shop in Baltimore where every feature is run on antiseptic principles."

Snappy-That's what jars me. Sappy-What's that? Snappy-Oh, some people are never satisfied to take things as they are, but always want to know the why and wherefore.

Sappy-That's so. I wonder why it is.-Philadelphia Press.

Shocking. "By gum! of the women in their city ain't so bold an brazen that er modest one hez ter hang out er sign tellin' er-bout it!"

Another Chance. Susan-I just hate these conundrum finds. Kitty-Indeed! Why?

Susan-Because the other evening Mr. Stubbins asked me "Will you be my wife?" and when I said "Yes," he said he would give me another guess.-Detroit Free Press.

Love in a Cottage. "Will you be satisfied with love in a cottage?" he asked.

"Yes," she replied, confidently, for she had heard that the cottage was located at Newport.-Philadelphia Record.

The Unconquerable. "Why don't you discourage him if you don't care for him?"

"Oh, he won't be discouraged. He is really in love."

Characteristic. "Woman has no sense of humor."

"No; but she seems to have an awful sense of being humored."

Correct, if Not Grammatical. Johnny-Pa, Aunt Hannah says bolts are healthy. Shouldn't she say "healthful?"

Wise Father-Well, your aunt didn't mean to be grammatical, but I guess she was this time. It is the bolt that is healthy, not the fellow who carries it around.-Boston Transcript.

Give us a proof of your boasted wisdom," cried a lot of chattering magpies to the owl.

"I will," he said, and flew away.-Philadelphia Times.

