

"WAGS."

She has got a doll of china with red roses in its cheeks. And a fair-haired waxen dolly that can close its eyes and sleep...

Mystery of the Bayou Woods

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CHAPTER XVIII.—CONTINUED.

Fenton's testimony was the sensation of the trial and it furnished for many days to come the material for instructive editorials in the press of the city.

In the general excitement people forgot to watch the countenance of Franklin, upon which a deathly pallor had settled.

At this stage of the proceedings those dispassionate individuals who liked to analyze testimony expressed the opinion that while it had been well established that Franklin was a very handy, all-round scoundrel, it had not been proved that Herbert Wright was innocent of his father's murder.

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The prisoner at the bar now took the stand amid a dead silence. He was pale, but self-possessed.

"On the day before my father was killed I called upon him for help. My wife and child were in an almost starving condition, and I could not get employment.

formed itself dimly in my mind, that I was an Ismael, and that henceforth my hand should be lifted against every other man.

"So absorbed was I in these miserable reflections that I did not see a figure approaching through the thickening snowflakes and the darkened woods. Evidently the person did not see me, either, until we suddenly confronted each other.

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CHAPTER XIX.

The people of Nibus were naturally much interested in knowing the actual value of the Colorado mine which had been the exciting germ of such an elaborate conspiracy.

Iring Wardle in the meantime remained in this country, and waited confidently, but with some impatience, for Miriam's return.

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THE OHIO SANCHE PANZA.



—Minneapolis Journal.

NEBRASKA'S GOOD MOVE.

Overthrow of Bryanism Reads the State Into the Same Circle of Commonwealths.

"We congratulate the state that we have made it manifest that there is no permanent place in American politics for a leader who bases his claim for popular support upon the failures or disappointments of the people."

The Nebraska republicans acquitted themselves very creditably in their state convention. They joined their brethren of the rest of the states in urging the nomination of President Roosevelt in 1904.

When Nebraska, in the demopopulation of 1891, broke away from the republicans its credit was lowered, and pessimistic prophecies were made as to its future.

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JOHNSON AND BRYAN.

The Chauveteur and the Mad Mullah of the Democracy Do a Double Turn.

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Now that Mr. Johnson is before the public for an important office it will be interesting to watch his course.

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HOUSEHOLD SUGGESTIONS.

- String beans make an acceptable salad. Dry flour and an old newspaper will polish up tinware.

TRADE TOPICS.

For the first time in 25 years, cane sugar is being exported from Cuba to England. Sixty million barrels of kerosene were produced in the United States.

UNIVERSITY NOTES.

In the future women will be allowed to take degrees in the University of Dublin. Japanese is the latest language to be added to the list taught at the University of Chicago.

WHAT WE EAT.

Americans consume 12 pounds of coffee per capita a year. Danes and Norwegians use more. England being a tea drinking country uses less than three-quarters of a pound.

MARKET REPORT.

Table with market reports for various commodities like CATTLE, CALVES, HOGS, SHEEP, LAMBS, FLOUR, WHEAT, CORN, OATS, RYE, POTATOES, and TOBACCO. Columns include item name, quantity, and price.