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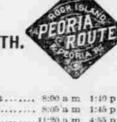
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General Joubert's Story Saved the Lives of the Jameson Raiders.

and his men were spared, after the sur- about. He, feeling it to be his duty to render to the Boers, is told by the Nieuws Van den Dag of Amsterdam: Jameson and his fellow officers in their wished to enjoy undisturbed-and to hands, determined to execute the lead- tell her who lived in certain houses as ers of the band at daybreak. The meet- they passed along, until finally Mrs.

tory, were for shooting the British offi- to talk.

the foreigners hung by a thread. At length General Joubert, one of the few who agreed with the president, had recourse to the old time Boer method of convincing his hearers. He made use of a parable.

"Friends," he said, "will you not listen to my voice once more? Suppose that close to my farm lives a bad neighbor who keeps fierce hounds in his house, worrying my sheep exceedingly and also killing some. What, then, would you have me to do? Should I kill the hounds to be free of this worry? Truly my neighbor would say unto me: Thou hast killed my hounds, yet their value is greater than the value of your sheep. Pay thou me!' Is it not better that I should take the hounds and going into my neighbor's house say, These are thine; now pay me for the harm they have done my flock?" "

There was silence, and the general continued: "We have caught the pack. Is it not better to send them to the close up his old place and open a new British government with demands for one it is their duty to circulate the tip. reparation, lest the British send more hounds to worry us anew?"

successful. The wisdom of moderation ever he can. After working up to the became apparent, and the council of subject of gambling he invites his new war accepted the advice of their chiefs. | friend to go around to a little place that

SERVANTS' EXCUSES.

One Woman Who Was Clever Enough to Circumvent Them.

We have heard the story of the Canadian mistress who, with seven servants a lot of acquaintances who are his stock in her house, was obliged to go to the in trade. He spends money as freely as garden and pick berries for the table. a wine agent, and I have no doubt that Each of the servants declined the task he brings many thousands of dollars to with the stereotyped excuse, "It ain't the man who runs the gambling house." my place to pick berries." Ord, in his -New York Sun. "History of Cleveland," relates an anecdote of Margaret Wharton, who, while accepting her servants' excuse, yet made them do her will.

had a family pie for dinner, which she piece of audacity. He was a royalist bakehouse. This the man declined to French revolution and its authorities. rather, as derogatory to his conseuence. The lady then moved the question to the coachman, but found a still that time did not hesitate to send every

To save the pride of both Mrs. to attack them. Wharton resolved to take the pie to the Martainville expected to go with the shop herself. She ordered one man to rest of the victims. "What is your harness and bring out the horses and name?" asked the judge. "Martainthe other to mount and ride behind, and | ville, " said the young author. " thus the errand was done with all honor | tainville!" exclaimed the judge. "You and ceremony. Then in due time the are deceiving us and trying to hide your coachman was ordered to put to a sec- rank. You are an aristocrat, and your ond time and the footman to mount be- name is De Martainville." "Citizen

man, "you have kept your place, which true Frenchman loves a witticism above is to drive, and you yours," to the foot-man, "which is to wait, and I mine, pleased by Martainville's grim response which is to have my pie for dinner."

Continuous Steel Pipe.

The West Australian government has pipe is to be made of steel spirals pack- In fever cases it is always the predomied in concrete. Sheet metal is cut into nant one. The French peasant's faith strips of the required width. These are in fermented grape juice is truly beaufed into a machine and welded into one tiful. If his children are stricken with continuous strip. As the strip is fed in- the measles, he gives them beakers of to the machine rivet holes are punched; wine, well sweetened with honey and then the edges of the laps are brought highly spiced with pepper. For a severe together by machinery and held during cold he administers a quart of red wine the process of riveting, which is all done by compression. The lap is thrown scarlet or brain fever he gives eggs, on the outside of the pipe, rendering the inner surface sooth and even throughout gether. Not all their superstitions are its length. A tenacious hydraulie cement is packed around the laps, making for instance, often buries her dead child the pipe absolutely water tight .- New York Ledger.

She Loves Birds. The dowager empress of China is devoted to birds of all kinds, and innumerable bird pets are kept about the palace. She is reported to have wept copiously about the death of a favorite nightingale not along ago. Upon being told of a Chinese girl who had complained bitterly of the dreariness of life this exalted lady remarked sagely that a woman ought to take so much pride in her home that it could be a heaven to her, adding, "There are always birds and flowers." She is a clever artist and delights in painting from nature.

Can't Hold America Down. "Why, sir," said the geologist, "the ground you walk on was once under

water. "Well," replied the friend, who is nothing if not patriotic, "it simply goes to show you can't hold America down. -Washington Star.

A southern man says that the difference between yellow fever and dengue fever is that when one has the former he is afraid he will die and when the latter attacks him he is fearful that he or five years. The wax loses its color

According to the latest statistics, the population of Greece is increasing more rapidly than that of any other country -namely, at the rate of 1.87 per cent | charity, with a tendency toward crime.

Charged \$5 For "Sass,"

A story is told of Fanny Kemble. whose favorite summer resort was Lenox, that on her first season there she A most interesting account of the employed a self respecting villager, who manner in which the lives of Jameson had a comfortable turnout, to drive her make the drive as entertaining as possible, began to call her attention to the The stern old Boers, when they had beauty of the scenery-which she ing took place in President Kruger's Kemble, being unable to stand it any house, 20 being present, of whom the longer, said in the high tragedy manner great majority, wild with indignation somewhat peculiar to her, "I have enat the sudden inroad into their terri- gaged you to drive for me, sir, and not

The driver ceased talking, pursed up President Kruger opposed this sum-mary plan and used all his eloquence drives his only remarks were such as he and all his influence on behalf of the found necessary to address to his horses. prisoners. For a long time his efforts At the end of the season he handed in were vain. It was 4 o'clock in the his bill for the summer services. Runmorning, and the president's opponents | ning her eye down its awkward columns, were still for execution. The lives of she paused at an item that she didn't understand. "What is this, sir? I cannot comprehend it." With equal gravity he replied, "Sass,

\$5. I don't often take it, but when I do I charge.

She paid the bill without comment and continued to enploy the same driver during many summers she spent there. -Boston Record.

The Gamblers' Capper. "Many of the phases of life in the Tenderloin are kaleidoscopic in their changes," said a hotel detective, "but there is one little group of men in this precinct that is much the same now that it was a dozen years ago. I mean the outside men of the gambling houses. They are well known to all sporting men, and I could name four or five who have done little else all their tlives. It is their business to know the regular patrons of faro banks, and if the man who employs them has been forced to

"A good outside man spends his time around hotels and in all night restau-The old form of argument proved rants and picks up acquaintances wheris run honestly and safely. One of the best dressed loungers on Broadway, whose face has long been familiar to paraders on that street, is a puller in for a gambling house. He was a barkeeper a few years ago and there made

Saved Life and Name.

The French author Martainville, who began his career toward the close In one of her visits to Scarborough of the last century, is said to have owed Mrs. Wharton, with her usual economy, the preservation of his life to a witty directed the footman to convey to the and did not hesitate to attack the do as not belonging to his place, or Presently, of course, he was summoned to appear before the revolutionary tribu-The revolutionary tribunals at body to the guillotine who had ventured

hind, and Mrs. Wharton brought back president," exclaimed the young man, the pie in the same dignified state. "I am here to be shortened, not to be "Now," said the lady to the coach- lengthened! Leave me my name!" A that it spared his life.

Queer Medicines. The peasant pharmacopœia of France taken a contract to lay nearly 350 miles is wonderful-most wonderful. Wine of water pipe of a novel character. This is an ingredient of every prescription. and a melted tallow candle mixed. For white wine and soot well beaten tocurious. Some are pathetic. A mother, with its favorite toy or her own beautiful hair in the coffin, "that it may not feel quite alone."-Paris Correspond-

Corrupting an Echo. At Killarney every visitor hears some laughable stories. Here is one-new and fresh, I think-which I picked up during my last visit to the glorious lakes: A number of boatmen who were quarreling about the division of "tips" indulged at the top of their voices in a good deal of profane language, which

the marvelous echo repeated verbatim. 'Arrah, look at that, now, for a scandal," said one of the party who was of a pious turn. "T'achin the poor harmless echo to curse and sware."-Spec-

Big Similarity.

"The minister and the policeman," said the young and cynical boarder, "are inseparable adjuncts of civiliza-

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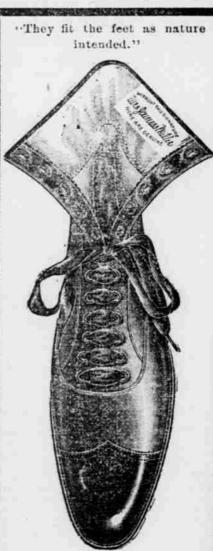
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