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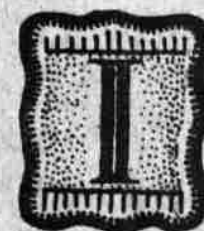
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An Old Favorite

THE GIRL I LEFT BEHIND ME

Author Unknown



Lonesome since I crossed the hill,
And o'er the moor and valley,
Such heavy thoughts my heart do fill,
Since parting with my Sally,
I seek no more the fine and gay,
For each does but remind me
How swift the hours did pass away,
With the girl I've left behind me.

Oh, ne'er shall I forget the night,
The stars were bright above me,
And gently lent their silvery light,
When first she vowed she loved me,
But now I'm bound to Brighton camp,
Kind heaven, may favor find me,
And send me safely back again
To the girl I've left behind me.

The bee shall honey taste no more,
The dove become a ranger,
The dashing waves shall cease to roar,
Ere she's to me a stranger;
The vows were registered above
Shall ever cheer and bind me,
In constancy to her I love,
The girl I've left behind me.

My mind her form shall still retain,
In sleeping or in waking,
Until I see my love again,
For her my heart is breaking,
If ever I should see the day,
When Mars shall have resigned me,
For evermore I'll gladly stay
With the girl I've left behind me.



Bowser's Good Thing

He Discovered an Exterminator That Will Slay Rats by the Tens of Thousands and Save Millions of Dollars to the Country

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JUST what Mr. Bowser had in the little package in his hand when he came up to dinner the other evening Mrs. Bowser couldn't guess, and he carefully laid it aside and volunteered no information until the meal was finished and they had settled down for the evening. There was a glow of satisfaction on his face that warned her to beware, and now and then he chuckled to himself like a man with a good thing up his sleeve. This continued for a quarter of an hour, and then he took a pamphlet from his pocket and assumed a serious air and said: "Mrs. Bowser, I have some rather strange literature here, and if you don't mind I will read a few interesting statistics."

"Why can't we go into Green's to-night for a game of cards?" she queried.
"Because I have something of far more importance on hand. I have been experimenting for the last few weeks, and tonight I am about to bring my labors to a head."
"I thought you had some little scheme on hand when I saw that package. Are you going to sow grass seed on the cement of the cellar bottom?"
"Madam, don't take me for a fool—not quite!" he brusquely replied.
"Perhaps you've got a lot of peas which ripen in March."
"Probably."
"Or you are going to plant corn on the brickbats in the back yard."
"Whatever I do it will be some tomfool thing, of course. You can't credit me with having the brains of a frog. Instead of rejoicing with me that my labors have been crowned with success you are ready to fling out innuendoes and insults to discourage me."

time has come at last. In a month I will have exterminated every rat in the city; in a year America will not have one left. Six months hence you will see my statue in bronze or marble in almost every public square in the country."

"But I don't see how—how?"
"You don't see how I discovered it?" he finished as he lunged on to her words. "Experiment, Mrs. Bowser—time and thought and experiment. Tonight I shall clear our own house of the pests, and tomorrow the exterminator shall be in the hands of hundreds of our fellow citizens."
"But I am afraid that something will come of it," protested Mrs. Bowser. "You never do anything of the sort but what—what?"

"Certainly something will come of it. Millions of dead rats and millions of dollars saved to the country will come of it. That's the idea, you know."
"And you won't blame me?"
"Blame you? Don't be a chump, Mrs. Bowser. When did I ever blame you, and where will there be a chance to blame on this occasion? There are no less than five ratholes in our kitchen. From fifty to a hundred rats come out and scurry and scort themselves every night. All I have to do is to put a little pile of this stuff on the floor in front of each hole, and the exterminator does the rest. Tomorrow morning you look out of your windows and see a cart load of dead rats in front of the house, and you'll turn about and embrace me and give me my just dues at last. I will now go down and prepare for the slaughter."
"But you will be careful and not fool with the hot water boiler or the gas meter and bring about an explosion?" she entreated, while the cat put on a



BOWSER HAD BEEN DRIVEN TO MOUNT A CHAIR.

I was going to tell you all about it, but now you won't get a word—not a word."
The cat had made arrangements to meet a neighbor's feline in the backyard at 7 o'clock and scarp for the championship of the state, but seeing that a family row was more probable, she decided to cancel her engagement and remain inside. Mr. Bowser got up and walked back and forth a few times and flushed from red to white and back again, but presently his anger disappeared and he sat down and picked up his pamphlet and asked: "Mrs. Bowser, have you any idea of the number of rats running loose in America at this present moment?"
"Good gracious, no!" she replied.
"I thought not, and I am prepared to astonish you. The number, as estimated by good authority, is slightly over 100,000,000—100,000,000. Mrs. Bowser, if they were strung out in single file, head to tail, they would reach clear around the world."
"I thought there might be ten or fifteen," she mused, "but as for a hundred million!"
"That is for all America, Mrs. Bowser. The number in the United States is exactly 73,824,326, or was at 10 o'clock this morning, when the last estimate was made. The number for our own state is a few over 3,000,000, and for this city and county 900,000. Do you know the value of what a full grown rat consumes in a day?"
"How should I?"
"Yes, how should you or any other woman take any interest in such things when there are novels to be had at 10 cents apiece and all the stores are advertising spring bargains? You have never given it a passing thought, of course, and you won't remember it fifteen minutes, but let me tell you that the cash value of what every rat eats and destroys every twenty-four hours is exactly 6 cents. To say nothing of what 100,000,000 rats are costing the country every day, the cost to this city alone is far in excess of \$30,000 per week, or about \$1,000,000 a year."
"Dear me, but who would have believed it?"
"A million a year wasted in one city alone, besides the annoyance one is put to by having rats around the house. Suppose this million could be saved, Mrs. Bowser—suppose a hundred million per year could be saved. Would there be any widows wailing for bread or orphans shivering with the cold? Would the man who could bring about this saving be spoken of as greater than Washington, or referred to as a fool?"
"Why, he would be praised to the skies," replied Mrs. Bowser, "but you—you don't mean to say—"
"I mean to say, my dear woman—I mean to say that right here in this package is the stuff to do the business and that the name of the man who will do it is Bowser."
"Why—why—?"
"You are astonished, are you? I thought you would be. For twenty years you have referred to my fads and held it up to me that I was a soft mark, but I have bided my time. My

solemn look and purred as hard as she could.
Mr. Bowser gave her a look of mingled pity and contempt, and picked up his package and went downstairs, followed at a respectful distance by the cat. Mrs. Bowser heard him poking around for a quarter of an hour, and then he passed on down cellar to fix the furnace.
He had returned to the kitchen and put in another ten minutes when she was jumped to her feet by a wild yell of "Police!" That was followed by a cry of "Fire!" and that again by a shriek for "Help!" Her knees suddenly weakened, and she could hardly make her way downstairs, but when she opened the kitchen door it was to witness a spectacle that appalled her.
That exterminator had brought a hundred or more rats into the house. They were not only crying for it, but fighting over it and enjoying the taste and asking for more. They had come with a rush, and Bowser had been driven to mount a chair, and the cat had leaped upon the kitchen table, and both were prisoners. Mrs. Bowser grabbed the broom and laid about her with pluck and vigor. Temporarily dismayed, the rats permitted Bowser and the cat to escape and close the door behind them. Then they issued forth again in increased numbers in search of more of that good stuff.
"I know how it would be!" pantingly exclaimed Mrs. Bowser as she sank into a chair in the dining room.
Bowser had got a scare, and it took him two or three minutes to rally.

"Instead of exterminating the rats you have simply drawn hundreds more, and we will be eaten out of house and home. I knew it would be so. I know!"
"Woman," he said as he towered over her with the dignity of a Caesar, "I wish to hear nothing further from you. The conspiracy to assassinate me is as plain as the nose on your face, and tomorrow my lawyer will see your lawyer and arrange about the divorce and alimony. Good night, would be murdered; good night!" M. QUAD.

JAP'S PHYSICAL TRAINING. System That Has Been in Vogue 2,500 Years Has Wrought Wonders There.

The belief in physical training has really been a matter of quite modern growth in England; but as it was slow to come, it came with a rush, says London Black and White. For we seem to have been taken with a positive mania for physical training, and there is as much danger of our overdoing it as there was of neglecting what we know to be essential to health. Let us take a lesson from the hardy little Jap, who is the embodiment of "wiriness," and who seems incapable of fatigue, though his sustenance is only a few grains of rice. The Japanese have practiced a system of physical exercise for over 2,500 years, and to this is due the splendid physique which enables them to withstand fatigue. They have been called the "healthiest, strongest and happiest men and women in the world," and the credit for this must be given to jiu-jitsu, the system referred to.

There are no less than six different systems of jiu-jitsu, but every one is based on diet and the healthy state of the body. Every muscle is brought into development and hardening by the system, which means "muscle breaking"—a term that does not express the fact. Four years are needed for the full development of the system; years of regular, patient practice, and gradually the pupil begins to feel its influence. The most interesting part is that which deals with the daily habits of the student of jiu-jitsu.

Twice a day he will bathe, if he would imitate his Japanese teachers; a gallon of pure water will be consumed during the 24 hours, and he will eat no meat. Rice comes first in importance as an element of diet; next come vegetables, fish and fruit, meat being scarcely ever used. Fresh air, naturally, is absolutely essential not only to jiu-jitsu, but to good health and vigor in Japan, as elsewhere, and a special study is made of the influence of deep breathing upon the student.
But what will surprise most people is that something mostly needed beyond all these—quantities of temper—is essential. The reason of this is that there are too many tricks, which are dangerous to life and limb, to be entrusted to a person whose passions might overpower his judgment.

SAW A BURNING MOUNTAIN

Landslide from Top of Hill Made Shale Red Hot—Smoke Issued from Ground.

A party of geologists recently made an interesting find in the Arbuckle mountains. They struck, says the Kansas City Journal, a small creek in the mountains, followed down its course and came finally to a place where they saw some smoke issuing from the foot of a tree near the creek bed, and from a streak running up the side of a hill.

When the party came opposite the place they saw that the smoke was issuing from the ground. Upon careful investigation the following was found: There had been a landslide from the top of the hill, which was here like a cliff, and ran up 200 feet or more. The cliff was composed of a shale rock, dark, chert-like substance. In falling this had lodged below and piled against the side of the cliff, while the outer edge ran out to the edge of the creek. The distance from the cliff side to the creek bed was nearly 100 yards. An enormous quantity of this shale had by a slide been placed in the position described.

From the foot of the tree smoke issued from a crevice about two feet wide and running about 100 yards up the slope to the side of the cliff. Another small fork projected before it reached the cliff. The shale on top, whence the smoke and steam were issuing, was light in color. Upon digging down two feet or more the shale was found to be red hot.

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EVERY YOUNG MAN SHOULD JOIN THE NATIONAL GUARD

By Lieutenant General A. R. CHAFFEE, U. S. A.

THE 120,000 organized militia in the United States should be patriotically supported by all men and women in the country, who should make it a PERSONAL matter with their sons to the end that they learn how to use army rifles and secure the honorable status of having been a soldier in the service of the state. No man is a LOSER because of such information and experience.

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AMERICA'S INCREASE OF CRIMINALITY

By Dr. G. F. LYDSTON, Chicago, Expert on Brain Lesions

WHILE the population of the United States has increased 100 per cent, the CRIMINAL has increased 400 per cent. There are today in the institutions of the country 215,000 degenerates, including insane and criminals and excluding the three million paupers. Chicago can equal in its corruption that fearfully corrupt city Paris and also has the best and largest bureau of criminal identification outside of Paris.

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