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to get some from the sheet-iron powder-house in the draw. Hardly was he out of sight before McCann, chuckling softly to himself, pulled from under a shelving bit of rock the missing powder. With this he loaded the hole; he arranged the fuse, and then dropped down the ledge to get a brand from the fire. It was nearly out, so it took a few moments to start a torch. However, he was in no hurry, as it was some little distance to the powder-house, and Bob could not possibly return inside of half an hour. At last he coaxed a bit of pine into a glow, and turned to climb back. A startling sight met his eyes.

When Bob went to get the powder he stopped at the forge for the water pail. As he stopped to pick it up, something struck him a sudden blow in the thigh that knocked him over and set the blood flowing—he said afterward he thought the bone was broken. When he could see, he looked about to find what had hit him, and discovered not ten feet away the long, tawny body of a puma.

The great cat lay watching him through half shut eyes, lazily switching its tail back and forth. From the depths of its throat came a deep, rumbling purr. He tried to rise, but could not. Then he turned over on his left side and started to crawl painfully through the passage-way of the rocks. The beast opened its eyes and followed stealthily, step after step, still swishing its tail and still purring. It was in a sportive mood, and played with its pray as a cat plays with a mouse. Inch by inch the man pulled himself along, leaving a trail of blood. At last within a few feet of the ledge, he stopped; he could go no further. The puma, too, paused.

At that moment Pat McCann, a blazing pine brand in his hand, looked over the ledge. Bob saw him and faintly warned him back. The puma saw him, too. The purring ceased, and the lithe muscles tightened under the skin. The game was over. The animal was preparing to make its spring.

It did not occur to the little Irishman's fighting soul to retreat. His comical features stiffened; his little blue eyes fairly snapped. Slowly he drew himself up on the ledge, keeping his eye fixed on the puma, until he stood erect, then he shifted his brand mechanically into his left hand, and drew his sheath-knife. He did not know that the fire was his best weapon, and Bob was too weak to tell him. The brand, held point downward, began to blaze. The puma's great eyes shifted uneasily at this, and its muscles relaxed. It was evidently discomposed. Pat did not await the attack, but stepped forward, holding his knife firmly.

When within a few feet of the animal Pat hesitated and stopped. His nerve was still unshaken, but he did not know how to begin. The puma sniffed uneasily at the blaze, but had recovered from its first fear, and was again gathering its powers for a spring. For a moment there was absolute silence, and Pat heard through the still air the sharp chatter of a squirrel and the clank of the ore teams's whiffle-trees from the ore road far below. While he stood thus uncertain the fire from the pine, having run up along the torch, began to burn Pat's fingers. Without moving his head or shifting his eyes he dropped it gently—plumb upon the fuse he had so carefully arranged a few moments before. Then he took a step backward to avoid the smoke. There was a splutter and a flash, then a sudden roar. The man and the beast were hurled violently in opposite directions, and a volcano of rock shot high in the air and showered down again.

The axe gang found the puma very dead and Pat very hard to revive. The whiskey-and-water method brought him around at last. He looked hazily about him, in evident bewilderment, until his eye caught sight of the dead animal, but then his face lighted up with eager joy.

"Glory to God, Oi'm a miner!" he shouted. "Oi've 'shot' at last!"

Worth Remembering.

(1.) Avoid so far as possible drinking any water which has been contaminated by lead pipes or lead lined tanks.

(2.) Avoid drinking water which has been run through galvanized iron pipes.

(3.) Avoid using anything acid which has been kept in a tin can.

(4.) When grippe or other epidemics are prevailing wear a little crude sulphur in your boots or shoes.

In order to prevent cake from rising higher in the middle than at the sides you should fill the edges of the pan a little higher with dough than you do in the centre.

Don't envy the man with a wonderful memory; he remembers much that he'd rather forget.

TRIED TO ESCAPE.

From Springfield Republican.

She stood leaning against the deck railing of the steamer Priscilla. For some moments she had been listlessly watching the last of the baggage bundled on to the boat by the burly freight handlers, and now she gave a little sigh of intermixed relief and suppressed excitment as the big hawsers that held the boat to the wharf were loosened and flung into the water. She waited until the men drew in the wet rope; then she turned to the scenes about her. What a labyrinth they seemed to be passing through! Tugs, pilotboats, ferries, all seemed to be crossing and recrossing in a most reckless manner as the Priscilla plowed along independently, as if the whole river were clear of obstructions.

The sun was just setting, and New York's tall buildings shot skyward, black against the pink glow. There were familiar domes and spires, but she turned hastily from them and cast a glance at Liberty, silent and impassive with her upstretched arm.

A slight frown rose to her face as she recalled that day they had landed there from the yacht, and she bit her lips in vexation at the reflection. "At any rate, it is all right now," she said to herself, while a peculiar light stole into her eyes. "This is the end of it all. I couldn't do better than to go at once and not let him know where. It will save all fruitless discussion. And—and I hate a scene."

She stared steadily at the buildings on Blackwell's island. They were very misty and indistinct, and she passed her hand rapidly over her eyes.

The deck was filling with passengers, and she moved to a more retired spot, where she sat back and watched the shore grow dark and the lights come out one by one. She pushed up the veil she had worn and looked about her. It was a curious crowd, it seemed to her. She had never traveled this way before. What a mixture of refinement and vulgarity! There were a man and a woman eating out of some brown paper bags, and just beyond them a man and wife apparently of her own set.

Well, she could go to her state-room early and so be by herself. She would go down to dinner now. Alone? It gave her a peculiar sensation to think of it. Well, it was part of the penalty of running away, as it were.

She rose to go.

"Am I just in time to take you down?" a familiar voice said close beside her.

Her hand grasped the back of the camp chair. The motion, together with swaying of the boat, made her stagger for a moment, but a strong hand held her firmly. "I shall be very glad if you will go down with me," he repeated.

She sat down again suddenly. "Did you get my note?" she demanded.

"Of course," drawing a chair and speaking in a low voice as he readjusted the wrap that had slipped from her shoulders. "But you didn't suppose I would obey, did you?" He smiled as he spoke.

"It was horrid of you, she replied, giving her shoulders a shrug so that the wrap loosened again and fell to the deck, where it lay unheeded, "perfectly horrid."

He made no reply to the charge.

"You knew we couldn't keep on this way," she continued in a grieved voice. "It was misunderstanding, misunderstanding, all the time, and of course that wasn't—wasn't love." She hesitated and glanced quickly at the figure beside her. His eyes were on the passing landscape.

"And I didn't want any scene. It's horrid and common to make a scene." She swallowed hastily. "And so I wrote the note and ended it all, and just came away, so as to get rid of all this. And now you've followed me." She spoke indignantly and beat a tattoo on the deck with her foot.

He looked at her gravely for an instant, then turned again to the darkness outside. "I don't think you can realize what it is'" he said, his eyes on a distant revolving beacon, "to ask a man to give up what is more than life to him."

The light from the powerful lens blazed full upon them, rested for a moment, and then left them in darkness once more.

"I couldn't give up that way," he went on, his hand impulsively stealing out to hers. "For if I did it would be for all time, and so I was bound to make one more fight. When I found that you were gone I just risked a chance of it being this way, because you had always insisted on never going by this line, and so, being a woman, I thought you'd take it now."

The hand in his made a feeble attempt to withdraw, but he held it close.

"It wasn't nice of you," she said suddenly, as if a new thought had struck her, "because I'm alone, you know, and if any one we know should see us together"—

The darkness covered his smile. "Nice women can travel alone," he replied, "but then, I thought that perhaps we might turn this into a sort of an antewedding journey, you know. We can get off at Newport—the boat touches at 4—and be married early and then keep on to the mountains. In fact, I wired to your aunt to meet us—and Bennett too.'

There was a moment's pause.

"I thought this looked like you," a woman's gay voice broke in. "Dear me, how nice and secluded you are. I've been trying to convince Richard that it was you." She turned and beckoned to her husband on the other side of the deck.

"Awfully jolly to find you two, don't you know," Mr. Clifford rejoined as he drew up a seat for his wife and handed Miss Wentworth her fallen wrap. "The Browns are back there and the Folsomes in the saloon. Lots of people we know."

"Your vacation, Elton?"

Mrs. Clifford's next question precluded an answer. "Your aunt is inside, I suppose?" she queried. "It is damp out here, and I suppose she likes to prove a lenient chaperon." She smiled teasingly.

Miss Wentworth's face flamed a vivid scarlet, and she half turned to her lover.

"Yes," he responded quickly for her. "We—that is in fact, Mrs. Ashley is not with us."

His eyes dropped, and a peculiar smile played about the corners of his mouth. Miss Wentworth moved uneasily and gave a little gasp under cover of the darkness.

Mrs. Clifford broke into a sharp little laugh "Of course," she said. "How lovely, and how dreadfully stupid of me not to think! It is your wedding journey, and you didn't want any of us to know."

"Yes," replied Elton, with a suppressed thrill in his voice as he boldly took again the white hand that he had dropped in confusion. "Only if you'd as lief not say anything about it. We didn't mean any one to know of it yet."

"It was unexpected and rather unconventional," said her aunt as she kissed the bride the next morning. "But then, young people are strange creatures sometimes when they're in love, and I must say you two do seem to be dreadfully so. You've really been engaged a long time and not a single quarrel!"

She smiled approvingly at her new nephew.

"It was perfectly lovely," the bride said impulsively. "Ever so much better than if we had planned"—She stopped, bit her lip and glanced hastily at the others.

Bennett was handing her aunt into her carriage and appeared not to hear. She settled back into the seclusion of her own carriage.

"I think so, too," her husband replied as he bent and kissed her.

Energy to Spare.

"I feel as though I had been drawn through a knothole," declared a Woodward avenue man of business, and it was only 10 in the forenoon.

"Out late to some party or theater?" laughed his partner. "Can't stand those things as you could when a youngster. You do two men's work here, and that demands regular habits for the rest of the twenty-four hours."

"I'm as regular as a clock. I wasn't out late at all, and haven't missed going to bed before eleven since holiday week. But the old gentleman is visiting me. You don't know my father, do you? He's one of the honest yeomanry of the land. Was reared a farmer, and is disposed to look down upon almost every other calling as too dependent for a spirited American citizen. He's seventy-two, and lively as a cricket. There is many a young man of thirty that might well envy him."

"But what has he to de with your being used up?"

"Everything. He gets up at five every morning and paces up and down, whistling like a piccolo player and ask himself aloud where in creation the family is. He goes into the kitchen and hauls the cook over for not having breakfast ready, jollies with the milk man, and then reads the paper in the tones of a stump orator. There is no chance to sleep after five, but I'm not going to have the old gentleman interfered with, although all of us will be going around in a partial trance as long as he chooses to stay."

Mr. Hold—Why, dear, what is the matter with the cook?

Mrs. Hold—Oh, George, she has been reading in that silly joke paper which you brought home, some of those foolish jokes about cooks in the country, and now she says that unless you will make the fire in the morning, wash the dishes, allow her to receive company in the parlor and raise her wages three dollars a week, she is going to leave instantly.

A good many people cast their bread upon the waters, expecting to get milk-toast as a result.

Train Your Eyes.

There is no way of teaching the knowledge of nature and those powers of observation which will enable any one to find rare flowers. Expert botanists know where to look for such flowers, and their powers of seeing are so trained that they often find the rarest blossoms in barren-looking places where the ordinary searcher for such treasures would see nothing. There are few localities where an expert ornithologist cannot study birds successfully. Bradford Torrey made the Common of Boston a field for his study of birds. There he noted "not far from seventy different species" in seven or eight years, including some of the rarest birds. Any one might have seen the same birds if they had had trained powers of seeing. This limitation of vision is one of the protections nature throws over the rare birds and flowers in her domain. The writer has watched a crowd of boys on vandalism bent go through a precious wood of rare flowers and birds, but they had no eyes for anything but flaunting, coarse, common weeds, and some of them exclaimed in wonder when shown a rare orchid which they nearly trampled over, "wonder where it came from." Train your eyes and you will see nature, and learn by seeing her in her noblest inmost moods to respect her, and not to tear up flowers by the roots or alarm rare birds at nesting-time.

American Money in Cuba.

From Harper's Weekly.

Gold is a talismanic word in Cuba. With all its troubles and uncertainties Cuba never wavered in its devotion to the gold standard. An artificial premium was put upon gold to keep it from going to Spain. A great transformation in its money system is coming over the island. The American invasion of peace has practically established a new standard, the American gold standard—not the artificial and slightly varying Spanish gold standard. Our money was in free circulation all over the island in February last. Merchants, ticket-sellers on the railroads, and cashiers in other places knew just what to do when American money was given to them in payment for value received. There would be invariably a lot of figuring on a pad—a figuring that I could never pretend to comprehend—but one always received his change accurately in Spanish or American money, as the case might be. The people preferred American money, not so much because it was gold-standard money as because it had an absolutely fixed value. It became the standard, and Spanish gold was adjusted to it day by day.

It was driving Spanish money out of general use rapidly.

How the Toads Have Passed the Winter.

From N. Y. Evangelist.

Prof. Senior Henry Gage, who has studied the physiology of the toad, says it is not true that the toad hibernates under leaves or tree trunks. It is often found in such a refuge, but only when it has come out of its hole at the opening of spring and has been caught by a return of cold weather. Ordinarily it hibernates in the earth, preferably in dry soil not apt to freeze. It buries itself backward, its hind feet and the end of its body serving to scoop out its hole, while it pushes itself in with its forelegs. Once buried it leaves no trace whatever of its hidingplace. When it is in a temperature near the freezing-point its own temperature is three-fourths degrees higher than that of the surrounding medium. When toads are found under frozen leaves, they are still able to move about. Mr. Gage has seen these creatures with feet and skin absolutely frozen solid, but with internal organs in good condition, and able to come to life perfectly.

Mrs. Smith—"The Jones' at last have a girl they hope to keep."

Mrs. Brown—"Absurd! Where is such a girl to be found?"

Mrs. Smith—"She was born yesterday."

In order to prevent raisins from sinking to the bottom of the cake during the baking heat them in hot flour before stirring them into the batter.

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L. GLADHILL,
jun-28-tf Westminster, Md.

AT THE PASTURE BARS.

Leaning his head on his brown, young hands,
He stands at the pasture bars,
A barefoot boy, with never a care,
Watching the still, clear stars
The mist drifts down on the river's breast,
While softly the shadows fall;
And all about him the mountains rise,
Pine topped, and dark, and tall.

He longs to know, with a vague unrest,
What the future will bring to him,
And wishes that he might cross the hills
That stretch so far and dim;
He pictures the country that lies beyond,
And sighs for the path, untried,
Which will lead him across the mountain top
To the world on the other side.

Leaning a gray and toil-bent head
On hands that are thin and worn,
Hands that have battled with bush and briar,
And broken the mountain thorn,
He sits and dreams of the years long fled,
When the world was as yet untried,
Ere he climbed the path to the mountain top
And crossed to the other side.

For although he has found the country fair,
And the skies have been blue for him,
His eyes they seek, with a yearning light,
The hills that stretch far and dim.
He dreams of the mist on the river's breast,
And longs for the old home stars;
And to be, once more, a barefoot boy,
Care-free, at the pasture bars.

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MAIN LINE AND CONNECTIONS

Taking effect March 12th, 1899.

TRAINS WEST.

LEAVE	1. A M †	11. AM. †	15. AM. †	23. PM †	29. P M †	53. AM. ‡	P.M. ‡
New York							
Philadelphia							
Washington							
Baltimore	4.30	8.11	10.17	4.08	6.10	9.39	9 35
Arlington		8.35	10.39	4.30	6.35	9.12	2 59
Mt. Hope		8.39	10.42	4.34	6.38	9.57	3 02
Pikesville		8.46	10.49	4.43	6.45	10.04	3 09
Owings Mills		8.57	11.02	4.54	6 58	10.15	3.21
Glyndon	5.11	9.10	11.14	5.07	7.09	10.28	3.34
Emory Grove		9.11	11.15		7.10	10.29	3.35
Finksburg		9.21	11.26	5.16	7.15	10.41	3.47
Carrollton		9.27	11.38	5.27	7.26	7.58	4 04
Westminster	5.40	9.52	11.53	5.42	7.58	11.12	4 19
Avondale		9.59	12.00	5.48	8.06	11.20	4.26
New Windsor	5.53	10.09	12.10	6.01	8.18	11.33	4.38
Linwood		10.15	12.16	6.06	8.25	11.40	4.42
Union Bridge	6.00	10.19	12.20	6.12	8 30	11.45	4.50
Middleburg		10.26	P M.	6.18	P M	A M.	P M
Bruceville	6.07	10.28		6.22			
D. P. Creek		10.32		6.26			
Rocky Ridge		10.40		6.34			
Thurmont	6.25	10.53		6.46			
Edgemont	7.04	11.42		7.31			
Waynesboro	†7.29	12.02		7.52			
Chambersb'g	†8.03	12.36		8.28			
Shippensburg	†			8.55			
Hagerstown	7.30	12.15		8.00			
Williamsport							
	A.M.	P M.		P M.			

TRAINS EAST.

LEAVE	22, P.M. *	4. AM. †	8. AM. †	12. P M. †	18. P M. †	52. AM ‡	54 P M ‡
Williamsport							
Hagerstown	4.15		7.02		2.07		
Shippensburg			6.00				
Chamb'rsburg			6.31		1.47		
Waynesboro			7.07		2.18		
Edgemont	4 40		7.36		2.41		
Thurmont	5.16		8.16		3.21		
Rocky Ridge			8.26		3.31		
D. P. Creek			8.38		3.38		
Bruceville	5.38		8.37		3.44		
Middleburg			8.39		3.46		
Union Bridge	5.45	6.05	8.46	12.50	3.55	5.45	4.05
Linwood		6.12	8.49	12.54	3.59	6.5?	4.09
New Windsor	5.52	6.20	8.54	12.59	4.05	6.55	4.15
Avondale		6.34		1.09	4.11	7.10	4.26
Westminster	6.06	6.47	9.11	1.16	4.24	7.28	4.34
Carrollton		7.04	9.25	1.30	4.39	7.37	4.49
Finksburg		7.18	9.35	1.41	4.52	7.5?	5.02
Emory Grove		7.30		1.49	5.00	8.0	5.14
Glyndon	6.35	7.40	9.43	1.50	5.02	8.3	5.15
Owings Mills	6.43	7.52	9.52	2.02	5.18	8.23	5.28
Pikesville		8.04	10.00	2.11	5.26	8.3	5.39
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Arlington		8.14		2.21	5.37	8.42	5.50
Baltimore	7.17	8.40	10.27	2.42	5 59	9.07	6.15
Washington							
Philadelphia							
New York	P.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P M	13	P M

*Daily. †Daily, except Sunday. ‡Sunday.

Passengers for and from Cherry Run, Williamsport, P. V. and intermediate points, from and for stations east of Hagerstown change at Hagerstown.

EMMITSBURG R. R. Trains East will leave Emmitsburg daily, except Sundays, at 7.5? and 10.00 A. M. and 2.55 and 4.50 P. M., arriving Rocky Ridge at 8.20 and 10.30 A. M. and 3.25 and 5.20 P. M. Trains west will leave Rocky Ridge, daily, except Sundays, at 8.30 and 10.40 A. M. and 3.31 and 6.34 P. M., arriving at Emmitsburg 8.56 and 11.10 A. M. and 4 01 and 7.04 P. M.

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Through Trains for Hanover and Gettysburg and points on Baltimore and Harrisburg Division leave Baltimore daily, except Sunday, at 7.32 A. M. and 3.32 P. M. Through cars for Gettysburg and intermediate points leave Baltimore also daily, except Sunday at 10.17 A. M.

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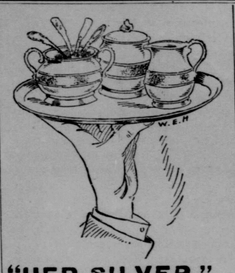
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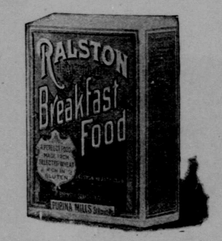
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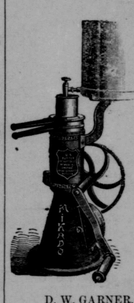


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