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"The old fellow forgot to take thekey," he muttered, as, opening the door, he emerged into a grand hall, hung here and there with mouldy old portraits. A handsome flight of stairs led to the story above, but he stood still, opposite the door facing that through which he had just come. Then he rapped. A glad cry reassured him.

"How shall I get in?" he asked.

"I don't know," was the instant reply. "There is a key that unlocks all these rooms, but my grandfather probably took it with him. If I were not so hungry, I could wait till you go and get help."

"I think I can find the key," he said, and hurried back the way he had come; bought wine and food from a shop near by, and returned with the candles and a covered basket. The key he found fitted the lock of her prison, and in a short space of time he was in the presence of the girl.

His first glance awakened all the pity and sympathy of his nature. Her eyes were hollow, her cheeks white to ghastliness. She looked, indeed, with that great mass of brown golden hair floating about her shoulders, like a spirit risen from the dead.

"How long have you been here?" he asked, after she had partaken of the food and wine, in such quantities as he allowed her.

"I have counted three nights," she answered. "He gave me a little bread and water—that was all gone yesterday morning. When he left me, he said, through the keyhole, with that terrible laugh of his: 'Goodbye, granddaughter. I shall not have the pleasure of using my great preservative fluid on you. I have done enough for science—science has done nothing for me.' Then he said something more about solids and fluids, and I heard him go down the stairs. I had been praying for release, but did not think he would leave me all alone to starve till I saw him go through the gate, then I realized it all—that I could get no aid, and should die imprisoned in this frightful house. Everything here was solidly fastened, but I worked at the window every day and prayed the good God to help me every night, and I had just succeeded in opening it when you came in at the gate. Then I knew that the good God had heard my prayers and sent you to liberate me."

"And those people in the room across the hall?" said Ormsby.

"What people?" she asked. "There have been none here save grandfather and I."

"The people seated at table," and Ormsby shuddered as he spoke.

"I don't know what you mean," she said. "There are rooms I have never been in. They were always locked, and grandfather kept the key."

"We must leave the house by that way, I suppose," he said, half aloud. "It will try your courage——"

"Grandfather said the rooms on the opposite side were haunted, but then his mind ran on such things. If we are to go that way, I don't mind, with you. I shall not be frightened. Only take me out of this house, where I have spent such terrible days! The laboratory upstairs must be worth something—enough, perhaps, to pay you for your trouble. As for me, I am not afraid, once I am out in the world, but that I can make my own living."

"We will see to that," said Ormsby, and led her to the door, opened it, and then came another surprise.

"Mother! father!" shrieked the girl; "how came they here? Oh, he has tried his terrible experiments on them! Oh, Heaven! and he told me they had died at home!"

It was all the young man could do to soothe her. He, too, was trembling with horror. "They are—oh! what are they? Yes, certainly they are dead! They do not move. See—here is one place—one plate left—for me!"

Ormsby noticed that there was an empty plate—a vacant chair to the left of the mother.

"We must hurry," he said to the half-fainting girl. "It is almost midnight. My only wonder is that he left you alive."

"He was frightened. I told him you would come and have the place searched for me. Oh, take me away or I shall lose my reason."

Ormsby hurried her through the door, which he had opened, down the stairs and out into the fresh air. Then it seemed, as he looked up at the frightful walls, as if he heard a faint laugh echoing all over the old house. At last they had safely crossed the threshold of the gate. Ormsby found a cab and drove directly home, trusting to the tender mercies of his landlady, who was still up, and who on hearing the girl's story, consented to take her under her roof.

The police were notified, and for weeks the old house was the objective point for savants and scientists, who grieved that the wonderful secrets of such marvelous preservation had not been left behind for the benefit of the world. The matter was kept as secret as possible, though it finally got into the papers, in a modified form, and was a nine days wonder.

No tidings were ever heard of the old chemist, and it was generally supposed that either he had left the country or destroyed himself.

Ormsby became very much in love with the pretty girl, whose name was Marie, and would have married her at once but for the counsel of his friend, who persuaded him to place her first at a good school, which he did, and at the expiration of two years carried her to America as his bride.

The old house had been deserted for years, and as the talk is of making a boulevard in that section of the city, it will probably be torn down. What disposition was made of the personages who figured at the round-table was never divulged.

The Twentieth Century Problem.

From the Scientific American.

To the Editor of the SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN:

I have just noticed an article in your excellent paper under the caption of "Some Calendarial Facts About the Twentieth Century." In this article you make the statement that, "of course, the first centuary began with the year 1 and closed with the year 100." This seems a trite statement, and yet even in this there is room for cavil. Some of those who have been discussing the question on this coast are prone to get mixed up on just what they mean. A child is not one year old until it has passed the last day of the twelve months since its birth, and yet it was in its first year during the whole of the time, up until it can be said to be a year old. The fact of its being one year old, or being in its first year, are two entirely different things. But the mistake of confounding these two ideas is what makes the difficulty in the minds of many in the application of the same principle to the counting time when we have to deal with centuries. A century is not one year old, if you will allow that expression, until the first year is passed; so likewise the hundreth year is not so denominated until it has also passed. When we write dates we write the time that has passed, counting from the supposed birth of Christ up to and including the day which is then in progress. For instance, when we write the present date we say that 1899 years have passed away, and that we are in the 9th month and the 26th day of that month, which month and day belong to the 1900th year. Or, in other words, we are now in the 1900th year; and the 1900th year will close on December 31, 1899. We do not begin to write our date (which refers to time passed) as 1900 until after the real year is passed.

As soon as we have passed into the 1901st year, we begin to write our date as 1900, and so many months and days. But the month and days belong to the new year. Hence, we can but conclude that we are now in the 1900th year, and that the year closes the century. If this be true then the 20th century will begin on January 1, 1900.

Will you please let me know whether I have your idea or not, and, if not whether my reasoning is correct? I would like to have this subject set clearly before your readers, for, although it is of minor importance, yet it is a question which puzzles many of them.

E. H. VAN PATTEN.

Dayton, Washington, September 26, 1899.

[The first century began on Jan. 1 of the year one. January 1st of the year 100 was still of the first century, otherwise that century would only have continued ninety-nine years. The second century began on January 1st of the year 101.

The same custom holds true with reference to numbering years that is in vogue with reference to naming months and numbering the days of a month. We name a month or number a month as soon as we enter upon it, and it retains that name or number during its entire term, so the moment we enter upon a new year, the year is identified with its own number in the series of years, which number it retains to the close of the year. Hence the date referred to is not the 26th day of the 9th month of the 1900th year, but the 26th day of the 9th month of the 1899th year. Putting it otherwise, we may say that the length of time from the beginning of the Christian era to the close of September 26, 1899, was 1898 years 8 months 26 days. It is evident, therefore, that the length of time from the beginning of the Christian era to the close of December 31, 1900, is just 1900 years, which completes the 19th century, this century having been so called ever since the first moment of January 1, 1801. The moment we enter upon January 1, 1901, we begin the 1901st year, which is the first year of the 20th century. That we really begin to write the number of a year as soon as that year has begun, and not after it has passed, as our correspondent maintains, is a matter not to be settled by logic of course. It is a simple matter of fact, universally recognized by historians and astronomers, such having been the custom from the beginning of the Christian epoch, and even the earlier times in other epochs. Whether we write "September, 26, 1899," or "9—26, 1899," we have simply an abbreviated form of writing in full "the 26th day of September in the year of our Lord 1899.—Ed. Scientific American.

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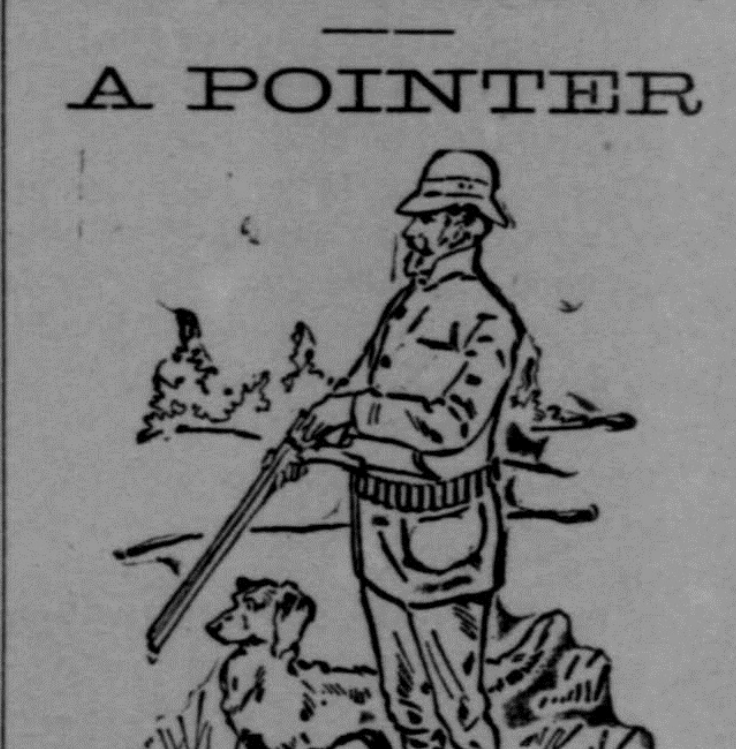

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ALBERT SCHAEFFER, } Judges.
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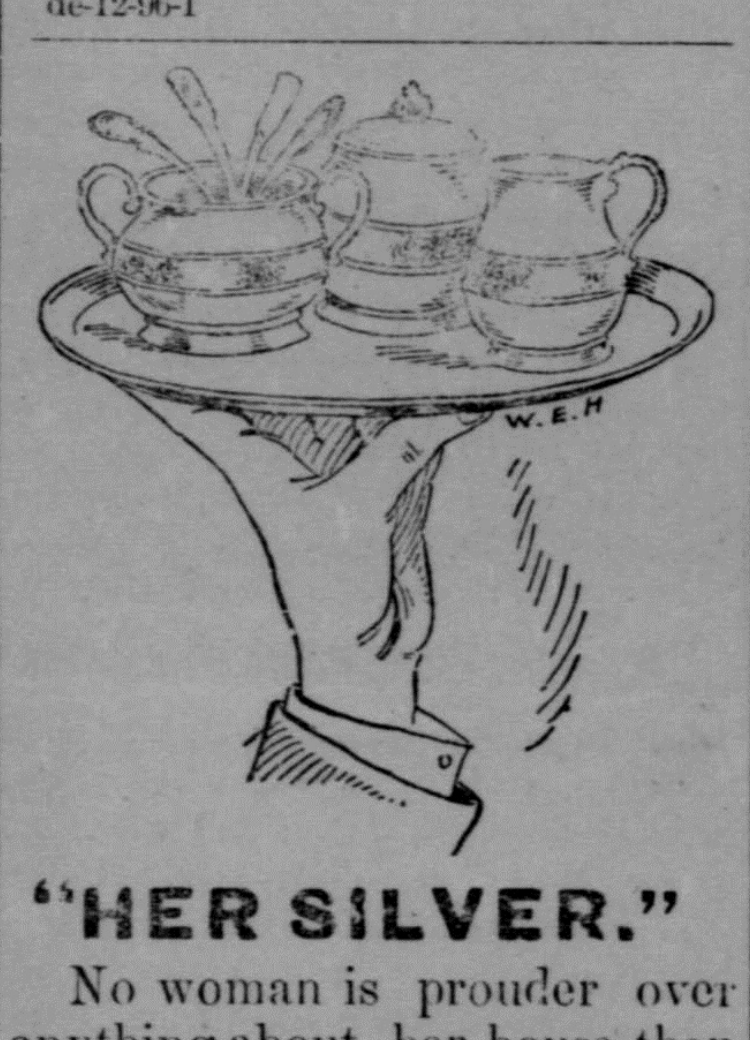

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Taking effect October 1st, 1899.

TRAINS WEST.

LEAVE	1.	11.	15.	23.	29.	53.	[illegible]
	AM *	AM †	AM †	PM †	PM †	AM ‡	[illegible] ‡
New York Philadelphia							
Washington							
Baltimore	4.30	8.23	10.17	4.18	[illegible]	[illegible]	2.35
Arlington		8.41	10.39	4.10	[illegible]	[illegible]	2.59
Mt. Hope		8.47	10.42	4.34	[illegible]	[illegible]	3.03
Pikesville		8.52	10.49	4.43	[illegible]	[illegible]	3.11
Owings Mills		9.02	11.02	4.52	[illegible]	[illegible]	3.21
Glyndon	5.11	9.12	11.14	5.03	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Emory Grove		[illegible]	11.17		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Finksburg		9.22	11.26	5.14	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Carrollton		9.36	11.38	5.25	39	9	[illegible]
Westminster	5.40	9.51	11.5[illegible]	5.40	[illegible]	[illegible]	4.17
Avondale		[illegible]	12.00	5.48	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
New Windsor	5.53	10.08	12.10	6.01	[illegible]	11.34	4.38
Linwood		10.14	12.16	6.06	[illegible]	11.40	4.45
Union Bridge	6.00	10.20	12.2[illegible]	6.12	[illegible]	11.45	4.50
Middleburg		10.27	P.M.	6.18	[illegible]	AM	PM
Bruceville	6.07	10.29		6.22			
D. P. Creek		10.33		6.26			
Rocky Ridge		10.40		6.34			
Thurmont	6.25	10.53		6.46			
Edgemont	[illegible]	11.42		7.14			
Waynesboro	7.23	12.02		7.52			
Chambersb'g	7.57	12.39		8.28			
Shippensburg	†	1.06		8.55			
Hagerstown Williamsport	7.30	12.10		8.00			
	AM	PM.		PM.			

TRAINS EAST.

LEAVE	22.	4.	8.	12.	18.	52.	54
	PM *	AM. †	AM. †	PM. †	PM. †	AM ‡	PM. ‡
Williamsport Hagerstown	4.15		7.02		2.17		
Shippensburg			6.00				
Chamb'rsburg			6.31		1.45		
Waynesboro			7.05		2.18		
Edgemont	4.40		7.35		2.41		
Thurmont	5.16		8.16		3.21		
Rocky Ridge			8.26		3.31		
D. P. Creek			8.33		3.38		
Bruceville	5.38		8.37		3.44		
Middleburg			8.39		3.46		
Union Bridge	5.45	6.05	8.45	12.[illegible]0	3.55	[illegible]	4.05
Linwood		6.12	8.49	[illegible]	4.0[illegible]	6.5[illegible]	4.09
New Windsor	5.52	6.20	8.54	[illegible]	4.07	6.5[illegible]	4.15
Avondale		6.34		1.09	[illegible]	7.11	[illegible]
Westminster	6.05	6.47	9.0[illegible]	1.16	[illegible]	[illegible]	4.30
Carrollton		7.04	[illegible]	1.30	4.43	7.37	[illegible]
Finksburg		7.1[illegible]	9.35	1.41	4.54	7.53	5.02
Emory Grove		7.30		1.50	5.06	[illegible]	5.14
Glyndon	6.35	7.40	9.43	1.51	5.07	[illegible]	5.15
Owings Mills	6.44	7.52	9.52	2.02	5.20	8.19	5.28
Pikesville		8.03	10.00	[illegible]	5.36	[illegible]	5.39
Mt Hope		8.11	10.06	2.18	5.40	8.38	5.46
Arlington		8.14		2.21	5.44	8.42	5.49
Baltimore	[illegible]	8.40	10.27	2.42	6.05	9.07	6.15
Washington							
Philadelphia New York							
	PM.	AM	AM.	PM.	PM		

*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.

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Through Trains for Hanover and Gettysburg and points on Baltimore and Harrisburg Division leave Baltimore daily, except Sunday, at 7.22 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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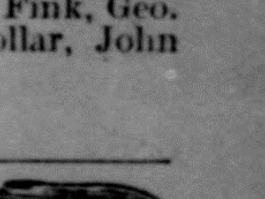

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