and a determination grew up within him which made his pulses beat.

As a plain matter of honesty he would tell her the truth. Far more honest not to marry a woman while every thought and heartbeat is for another than to hold to an engagement because the day for the marriage is set and the bride's trousseau made.

He would not write, but he would take the next steamer and run over and tell her. She would release him.

Then later Val would listen to him—Val, who was the embodiment of all that was lovely and perfect on earth!

"I kept you waiting an abominally long time; do excuse me. I had a letter to write. But we have time enough for a last stroll on the beach." Val said, coming up to him, while twisting some flimsy lace around her throat and over her magnificent hair.

Red? It was the most beautiful hair Harold had ever seen.

"To whom were you writing?" he asked gayly. "It must have been a volume. I've been waiting for you two hours at least."

Harold lingered while helping her to bring the folds of the flimsy sweet-scented gauze closer around a throat and shoulders of rarest perfection.

"Who?" Val said, with a slight pause and embarrassed laugh. "Why, to James Atherton, of course. You know—or perhaps you don't know—that i am engaged to him. He's coming down shortly, and I am to leave aunt this fall. What a pity you are going abroad! I would love to have you stay. Jim would like you so much, I know. But of course Miss Cameron is dying to see you.

"Come. Let us have one more pleasant chat and stroll by the 'sad sea waves' before you go. What an exquisite night! And how quickly the summer has flown! Do you know, Harold, you have made it very, very delightful for me."

Val turned, and looking at Harold a little wistfully out of her big honest gray eyes, placed her hand in his.

Slowly Harold raised it to his lips.

The last days of summer sometimes hold shattered hopes and broken hearts as well as scattered and dying rose leaves.—N. O. Times-Democrat.

HELPS TO MODESTY.

Two Stories which Max O'Rell, the Late Well-Known French Lecturer, Told of Himself.

The late Paul Blouet, better known by his pen-name, Max O'Rell, who told stories at the expense of others with delightful wit, never hesitated, says a London writer, to tell them against himself. It disciplined his egotism, he said.

When he first took up lecturing he was naturally nervous over his accent. But everything went well on his tour till he reached a certain town in Scotland. There, at the close of his lecture, he made the usual apology for "murdering the queen's English."

Then up got a brawny Scot, who in all but incomprehensible dialect declared that O'Rell spoke English as well as he did himself. One can judge how much that added to the lecturer's ease of mind.

On an Australian tour he was to lecture to some colonists who lived in the distant bush, remote from books and newspapers, in a small town of 700 inhabitants. Walking about on the afternoon of the lecture, he and his agent met a man who proved to be an acquaintance of the agent.

"Do you think you will get a good audience for your friend?" asked the man, who was a town councilor.

"Yes, I think so," the agent replied.

"Well," said the man, "all I know is that I've given lectures in this place many times myself, and I've never been able to get a house."

Rouge on Cheek Only.

Archbishop Ryan, of Philadelphia, has a delightful humor. His gentle and wise witticisms make Philadelphia laugh often.

A very young girl one day said to him:

"I have been told, sir, that a touch of rouge heightens a woman's charm wonderfully; but I have also been told that to use rouge is wrong. Will you give me your opinion on this matter?"

"Some," said the archbishop, "hold that there is nothing pernicious in a little rouge, while others regard the use of this cosmetic as vulgar. To me it seems best to steer a middle course between those two opinions, and I would advise you, therefore, to use rouge upon one cheek only."—N. Y. Tribune.

LITERARY LITTER.

Mrs. A. D. T. Whitney, writer of books for girls, is 79 years old. She lives near Boston.

The Countess Tolstoi, in her reminiscences of Turgenieff, says the latter had a great fear of death.

William Le Quex, the novelist, has received from the republic of San Marino the title and cross of chevalier, in recognition of diplomatic services rendered to the republic and to Italy.

Mrs. Rose Hartwick Thrope, who wrote "Curfew Shall Not Ring Tonight," is a native of Indiana and now lives in a cozy cottage at Lajolla, Cal. She has recently completed a novel, "Briarban," the scene of which is located in northern Indiana, which will soon be issued from the press.

In a letter to a London daily Sir Edwin Arnold bewails the impending destruction of the ancient Verona buildings which was the home of Shakespeare's Juliet. It is now being used as an inn, with stables attached, but the owner has decided to demolish it, as it is not a profitable possession. Sir Edwin makes eloquent plea for the preservation of this interesting structure, but it is pointed out that, inasmuch as Englishmen are allowing London landmarks to be removed to make room for modern buildings, his appeal is likely to fall on heedless ears. "This is a practical age," says one writer, "and Juliet has been dead 600 years."

SUBJECTS OF KING EDWARD.

Sir John See, premier of New South Wales, says he began to work for his living at the age of six years, and earned 37 cents a week.

Since Mr. Balfour became a pamphleteer, London political writers are making notes of how the premier continues to fashion himself on the model of Mr. Gladstone. His parliamentary manner has always been reminiscent of the late liberal leader in its courtesy, good humor and readiness to oblige the humblest of members in any quarter of the house.

A party of nine representative British journalists is making a tour of Canada for the purpose of collecting material for a series of articles in their respective papers, the aim being to acquaint their readers with the vast resources of the dominion. Before returning to Europe they will visit New York, Chicago, Boston, San Francisco and other of the larger American cities.

Lord Alverstone, who presided over the deliberations of the Alaska boundary commission, once charged a wealthy client $5,000 for a few pages of typewritten advice. The client ventured to suggest that this was rather a high price for half a day's work. "It's not half a day's work," said his lordship. "It is part of my whole education. All my years at the temple, all the years I have practiced, all the years of my experience. It is half a day out of the heart of my life."

The fact is brought out in connection with the resignation of Joseph Chamberlain that, although cabinet resignations have not been altogether rare in the history of English politics, it is very seldom indeed that a minister has figured in two resignations. Indeed, among modern politicians the distinction of having twice resigned belongs only to Mr. Chamberlain and the late Lord Carnarvon. Mr. Chamberlain's first resignation occurred when he left Mr. Gladstone's cabinet on the question of home rule in 1886. The two occasions on which Lord Carnarvon resigned his seat in the cabinet were in 1867 and in 1878, when he left Disraeli's cabinet.

INDUSTRIAL ITEMS.

The Atlantic transport line recently had four similar ships built—two in Belfast and two in Philadelphia. The American-built ships cost $1,875,000, while the Belfast ones cost $1,450,000.

Hundreds of electricians are at this moment striving to construct lamps in which nothing is consumed save the electrical energy applied to them—lamps that have the radiance of the sun, and the coldness of the moon.

Sir Charles Metcalfe, chief engineer of the South African Chartered company, has come to this country for the purpose of seeing how and to what extent Niagara falls have been harnessed. He hopes to apply such information as he may acquire in utilizing the energy of the Zambesi falls, which are nearly three times as high as those of Niagara, and several times wider. Sir Charles will also visit a number of mines in the west, where electricity is used.

Among those men who have been brought into prominence by the railroad development of the past few years President Burt, of the Union Pacific, takes front rank. The secret of his success lies in his extraordinary working capacity, and his intimate practical knowledge of railroad duties. Every detail connected with the system passes directly through his hands [illegible]

is Admiral Cotton, now commanding the European squadron, and a native of Milwaukee.

The last of Wellington's aides decamp passed away when the duke of Richmond died recently. He had the unique distinction of being a duke four times over, having the six titles of dukes of Richmond, in England; Lennox, in Scotland; Gordon, in the United Kingdom, and D'Aubigny, in France.

Cornelius Vanderbilt, lieutenant in the Twelfth regiment, New York national guard, showed up well as marksman and sharpshooter at Creedmore the other day. The weather was disagreeably cold and wet, with half a gale of wind blowing, but young Vanderbilt made eight points more than he needed to qualify, which was regarded as exceptionally good work, considering the circumstances.

PERSONAL AND PERTINENT.

President Dias has sent his portrait to Emperor William.

Senator Platt's sons have not, it is said, been on cordial terms with their father for many months past. They were much opposed to his second marriage and did their utmost to prevent it.

Only three of the 15 members of the famous electoral commission of 1877 survive—ex-Senator Edmunds, Senator Hoar and Gen. Eppa Hunton, of Virginia. All of the five justices of the supreme court who sat on the commission long since passed away.

Within the past ten years Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pitrowsky, of Cleveland have tried six times to be divorced. Only once did they succeed in freeing themselves from the hymeneal bond. Six months later they were remarried, but were trying for a divorce again inside of two years. Their latest attempt is now being made, papers having been filed in the common pleas court. In all but one case Mrs. Pitrowsky was complainant.

It was recounted recently that Mrs. Rozett Coulson had secured at Abilene a verdict of $3,000 against Randall Myer, a wealthy farmer. It was alleged that Myer had cast doubt upon Mrs. Coulson's connubial faithfulness in a sentence of just 20 words. The judgment amounted to $150 a word, and evidently Judge Moore regards this as an excessive charge for even that kind of conversation, for he has reduced the sum to $1,000 or $50 a word.

Hugh McLaughlin has been a powerful politician for more than a generation, but has rarely endeavored to make himself felt outside of Brooklyn. During that time Tammany has seen numerous leaders come and go, but has never seen the day when McLaughlin was not supreme in his party so far as concerns Brooklyn. He is now over 70 years old, with white hair and countenance seamed by age, but he is hale and vigorous, bright of eye and naturally alert as of yore.

Daniel Leroy Dresser, whose testimony in the shipbuilding company's case at New York has attracted much attention, was the organizer, president and managing owner of the Narragansett Web company, which has also failed, carrying with it a large amount of Newport money. Mr. Dresser's family and connections are millionaires many times over. Mrs. John Nicholas Brown is his sister and George W. Vanderbilt his brother-in-law. He is the grandson of one of the merchant princes of New York and made a brilliant marriage in his alliance with Miss Burnham.

WHAT THE NOVELISTS SAY.

Adam invented all the different ways in which a young man can make a fool of himself.—G. H. Lorimer.

The man who overestimates the foolishness of others is himself the biggest fool concerned.—Seton Merriman.

The very young men and the old are our hope. The middle-aged are hard and fast for existing facts.—George Meredith.

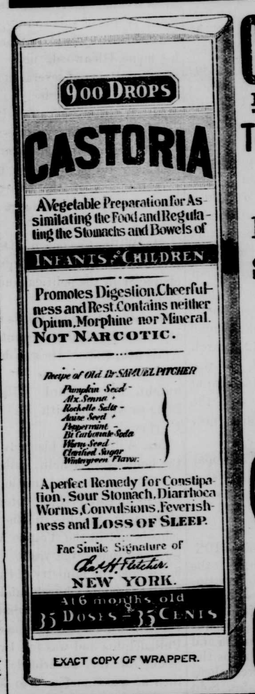
Tell the truth, live openly and stick to your friends; that's the whole of the best morality in the world.—Sarah Grand.

Every wrong brings with it its punishment. It may be added that it frequently leaves it at the wrong house.—Barry Pain.

With good luck one can accomplish anything, but good luck is just one of the things that cannot be arranged for, even by the cleverest people.—Frankfort Moore.

Really beautiful things can't go out. They may disappear for a little while, but they must come back. It's only the ugly things that stay out after they've had their day.—W. D. Howells.

Slow in forming, swift in acting; slow in the making, swift in the working; slow in the summit, swift down the other slope; it is the way of nature and the way of the human mind.—Anthony [illegible]



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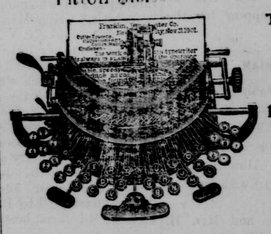

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