

The Making of a Man.

The story really begins with a woman, a beautiful Southerner. Coming north, she met the beau of a New England village, a man who lived on the family fortune and made himself more or less useful as a squire of dames at parties, picnics and balls. They fell in love with each other and were married.

The man would have been quite willing to continue to share his mother's bounty. The wife would not consent. "Don't be dependent!" she said. "Go to work!" The spark of manhood in him flamed at that, and he tried his best; but people who knew him only laughed at his application for employment. "What can you do?" they asked. He had to admit that he did not know how to do anything well. It seemed to him that he had no excuse for existing at all.

"Then," said the wife at length, "I will get work for you, and you must take what I can get." The only place that her only acquaintance, a millowner, could promise was one that had belonged to a boy who was to be promoted to a better. It was boy's work at boy's wages, but the grown man took it.

Now the wife showed her quality in another way. She insisted that they must live on her husband's earnings, such as they were, and the pair moved into one room, near the mill. The former belle wore cheap gowns and did her own housework. Probably she as well as her husband had learned something by experience. And how he worked! Promotions came to him, for he more than earned them. Now he is one of the proprietors of the mill in which he started as a thirty-five-year-old "boy," and his wife is the idol of his family and the admiration of the village.

This story is vouched for as true in every detail. It should have special interest for girls who long for a "career," for it suggests that, if no public way opens, they can have one at home. The world moves only as individuals advance, and the forward impulse is best aided by those who stand nearest.

Germany's Unemployed.

New York Post: A good deal has been printed lately about the condition of the unemployed working classes in Berlin. Some suggestive details on the same subject are furnished by the Kölnische Volkszeitung. Investigations made in one day among 150 applicants for work disclosed the fact that during the year 1900 of the men, members of the union of workers in metal, had been out of employment for an average period of nineteen weeks, and that before their dismissal most of them had had their wages seriously reduced. Saving had been out of the ques-

tion, as their earnings had been barely sufficient to provide for the immediate needs of their families. The burden of bread-winning has now fallen upon their wives, who have betaken themselves to needlework or factories. Members of the union of one year's standing receive relief at the rate of six marks per week for the first seven weeks after loss of employment, and those of five years' standing at the rate of ten marks per week. Figures supplied by the union show that whereas, in the period from July to December, 1900, only 16,000 marks were paid out for the support of unemployed members, the amount increased to 47,000 marks between January and July, 1901. Other figures show that since last April the officials of the union have received applications for work from 3,295 unemployed members, for only 450 of whom employment was obtained. Of the remainder some have supported themselves by borrowing money, others have pawned their possessions, while others have been compelled to beg. The state of the workmen who are not members of any trade union is described as being infinitely worse, as it might naturally be expected to be.

A Lesson in Music.

"Jones is a terribly ignorant man."
"What makes you think that?"
"Why, I was talking with him the other night on the subject of music, and it turned out that he actually didn't know the difference between a sonata and a symphony."

"He didn't?"
"It's a positive fact. And yet Jones had always impressed me as being a rather well-informed man."

"Oh, well, I expect there are others who don't know the difference between a sonata and a symphony. To tell the truth, I don't myself."

"My dear fellow! You must be joking."
"Never more serious in my life."

"Well, well. I should never have believed that possible. In the twentieth century, too!"
"Well, I don't, and I am not ashamed to confess my ignorance. What is the difference?"
"Well—er—er—it's like this. A—er sonata, you know—I mean a symphony—Great Scot! Is it twelve o'clock already? You must excuse me. Fact is, I'm in an awful hurry."

"So that editor's daughter refused you, eh?" said Kitson.

"Yes, answered Motts, wearily; and added that while I was not available, the declination implied no lack of merit, but that she had another article of the same kind already accepted."

His Sweetheart's Letter.

A Colonel, on his tour of inspection, unexpectedly entered the drill-room, when he came across a couple of soldiers, one of them reading a letter aloud while the other was listening and, at the same time, stopping up the ears of the reader.

"What are you doing there?" the puzzled officer inquired of the former.

"You see, colonel, I'm reading to Atkins, who can't read himself, a letter which has arrived by this afternoon's post from his sweetheart."

"And you, Atkins, what in the world are you doing?"

"Please, colonel, I am stopping up Murphy's ears with both hands, because I don't mind his reading my sweetheart's letter, but I don't want him to hear a single word of what she has written."

Describing Their Characters.

An honest old man, rather ignorant of the modern methods of abbreviation, on looking over his grocer's bill occasionally found charges like the following:—

"To 1lb. tea—to one pound ditto."

"Wife," said he, "this ere's a putty business! I should like to know what you have done with so much of this 'ere ditto?"

"Ditto—ditto!" replied the old lady, "never had a pound of ditto in the house in all my life!"

So back went the honest old squire, in high dudgeon that he should have been charged with things he had never received.

"Mr. B.," said he, "I shan't stand this! Wife said she hadn't had a pound of this ditto in the house in her life."

The merchant thereupon explained the meaning of the term, and the squire went home satisfied.

His wife inquired if he had found out the meaning of the ditto.

"Yes," said he; "it means that I am an old fool, and you're ditto."

In order to signify that a prominent cape drawn on a manuscript chart should have a designation the maker of the map scrawled—"Name." The chart was passed to a draftsman to be copied. He thought the question-mark was a capital C and the other word N-o-m-e. From the incident, according to enquiries recently made by Professor Davidson of the University of California, we get the name of our now famous gold field.

Windmills are coming more and more into use on the Great Plains, especially in Nebraska. They are used to pump water, to run machinery, and for other purposes.

Thought He Was Mad.

The late Count de Lesseps, famous as the promoter of the Suez Canal, was traveling on one occasion in a French railway train in a compartment with two commercial travelers.

"I beg your pardon, sir," said one of them, fancying that he belonged to their fraternity, "are you not a traveller?"

"Certainly I am," said the count.

"We thought so! What is your line?"

"Isthmuses."

"Wh-wh-what," asked the puzzled commercial—"what are they?"

"I am introducing ship canals," said De Lesseps, gravely.

The commercial travellers feared that they had fallen in with a lunatic, and were making preparations to escape when the Count handed them his card and put them at their ease.

The Difference.

Mr. Roosevelt's sense of humor is so well developed that he enjoys jokes even when they are at his own expense, and he had a right good laugh over the clever epigram coined by one of his closest friends, a Republican Senator, which another friend made bold to repeat at the President's dinner-table.

"President McKinley," said this Senator, listened to a great many men and talked to but few. President Roosevelt talks to a great many men and listens to nobody."—[Washington Correspondence Chicago Record-Herald.

Honesty the Best Policy.

Not long ago a ship-owner was negotiating with an insurance company with regard to effecting an insurance on a vessel overdue.

Before the policy was delivered the ship-owner heard of the vessel's loss and wrote at once to the insurance company thus:—

"Sir, if you have not yet made out the policy you need not, for I have heard of the ship."

"Oh!" said the manager, who discovered that the policy had not been signed, but immediately proceeded to have it executed and sent off, "the fellow wants to do us out of the premium."

So he wrote to the ship-owner:—

"You are too late by half an hour. Your policy has been posted to you."

When the claim was made the company had to pay, as to have refused would have brought out the real facts.

French Soldiers and Suicide.

The France Militaire publishes statistics showing that cases of suicide are very frequent in the French army, more so, perhaps, than in any other European

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force. Among every 1,000 deaths in the army from all causes, no less than an average of fifty (in 1896 exactly fifty, and in 1897 fifty-one) are caused by self-destruction; while of every 100,000 men on the rolls of the army no less than an average of twenty-seven commit suicide every year. Among the Colonial troops the number is even higher. In the navy the practice seems less prevalent.

The experiment, undertaken by German export merchants, of fitting out floating commercial exhibitions, has been remarkably profitable. Each of the exporters contributed a sum proportionate to the amount of space he desired to occupy. This went to defray expenses. In addition each promised a ten per cent. commission on sales. Ships were fitted out, with a staff trained in the technical and commercial schools. On entering a harbor a canvass was made of merchants, who were then invited on board or visited by salesmen with samples. At an expense of two hundred thousand dollars, goods to the value of five million dollars were sold. Germany has no patent on the plan.

NOTICE.

All persons indebted to the Estate of John Kirk late of the Parish of Richmond, deceased, are requested to make payment to the undersigned, and all persons having claims against the said Estate are requested to file the same duly attached with the undersigned.

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