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**THE RULING PASSION.**  
Husband, rushing into the room.—Come out, quick!  
Wife.—What's the matter?  
The house is on fire, and we will be burnt to death if we hesitate a moment. Run, run for your life!  
Yes, I'll be out in a minute. I've got to tidy up the room a little, so that it will look decent when the firemen get here.

## EDITORIAL NOTES.

Newspaper readers these days will notice that some of the crowned heads are doing a great deal toward the preservation of the world's peace. In an address made at Metz at the unveiling of a monument, William II. declared that the memorial stands "as the guardian of all the brave soldiers of both armies, French and German, who fell here, for the French soldiers who found a glorious grave at St. Privat also fought heroically for their Empire and fatherland." Two or three days ago Nicholas II. issued an order making Taitien-Wan a free port, and thus to a certain extent at least, has carried out the Russian promise for an "open door" in the part of China which that country controls. This is the same monarch, it will be remembered, who originated the peace conference recently held at The Hague.

All these things have a tendency toward preserving harmony among the nations. Evidences have been frequent in the past year or two that the Kaiser is earnestly desirous of a rapprochement with France, and the tone of some of the French newspapers shows that the feeling of rancor in France toward Germany is gradually but certainly diminishing. There have even been hints recently of a possible alliance between the two countries. The importance of the action of Russia in making its Chinese port free to the commerce of the world is manifest. The expectation that France, Germany and Russia would erect tariff barriers against all the rest of the world in those parts of China which they would control was the basis for the opposition shown in England and the United States to the partitioning policy in China. Russia's course at the outset of its appropriation of Chinese territory would seem to indicate that from that country at least there would be no menace to the maintenance and extension of trade. There is a reasonable probability that France and Germany will be influenced by Russia's example and that one of the factors which threatened that long-expected world conflict will be removed.

The principal reason, of course, for the tendency among monarchs to work in favor of peace is the growing influence of the people over public affairs. Even in absolutist Russia public opinion is now able to make itself felt. The desire of the people of every nation is for the maintenance of peace, and monarchs in these days are compelled to defer to the popular will in all their undertakings. It is no longer possible for a crown wearer to consult his own prejudices and ambitions solely, as was done by Louis XIV., Henry VIII., Frederick the Great and Bonaparte. The people, who fight the battles as well as pay for them, have a strong incentive to avert wars, and their wishes are coming to have a more and more decisive influence as the years pass. No monarch, not even the Czar of absolutist Russia, is the state in this day in the sense that the older Bourbon, Tudor or Hohenzollern kings were. Thus peaceful tendencies pervade the great nations to a degree never before shown in the world's history. William II. in holding out the olive branch to France, and Nicholas II. in throwing open the ports of his vast territory on the same terms to all the world as to Russia, merely voice the spirit of equality and fraternity which the rising tide of democracy sends surging round the world.

**SHE ALSO CHANGED HER MIND.**  
A young couple in a Lancashire village had been courting for several years. The young man one day said to the woman:  
"Sally, I canna marry thee. Hows that? asked she.  
I've changed my mind, said he.  
Well, I'll tell you what we'll do, said she. It folks know that it's thee as has given me up, I shanna be able to get another chap; but it they think that I've given you up, then I can get another chap. So we'll have tanns published, and when the wedding day comes the parson will say to thee: "Will thou have this woman to be thy wedded wife and that thou say 'I will.' And when he says to me, 'Will thou have this man to be thy wedded husband?' I shall say 'I wina.'"  
The day came, and when the minister said, "Will thou have this woman to be thy wedded wife?" the man answered:  
"Then the parson said to the woman: 'Will thou have this man to be thy wedded husband?' and she said: 'I wina.'"  
Why, said the young man, furiously, you said you would say 'I wina.' I know that, said the young woman, but I've changed my mind since.

**"GOD BLESS OUR HOME."**  
"In a home in the country, not far from town," says the Cattlesburg, Ky., Independent, "there may be seen quite a pile of sewing lying on the floor, nearly in the middle of the room; that has been undisturbed for more than six months. At that time the head of the house wanted a chair, and seeing but one handy, he dumped the floor, the sewing which lay upon it. His wife asked him to pick it up. He said he wouldn't do it. She told him as he threw it there, it could remain until he got ready to pick it up. She would never touch it, and there it remains, a memorial to an incompatibility of disposition."

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Wife.—What's the matter?  
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Yes, I'll be out in a minute. I've got to tidy up the room a little, so that it will look decent when the firemen get here.

**DIPLOMACY.**  
Will you love me when I'm old? she asked.  
Certainly, he replied promptly, if you will love me when I am bald.

## THE RETIRED BURGLAR.

**HIS UNFORTUNATE EXPERIENCE WITH A FLYING TRAPEZE**  
A Second Story Experiment That He Made On Only One Occasion—Made a Miscellanea and Went Crashing Through the Glass.  
"Once in the course of my experience, and only once," said the retired burglar, "I tried to get into a house by a flying trapeze. That was when I was young in the business, and young in years. There was a big comfortable-looking house in a town I had made a few visits to that summer that had a window that sort of fascinated me. It was always open, the lower sash thrown up back of the upper; but this window was in the gable end of the house, where there was a veranda roof to reach it by, where it seemed in fact perfectly safe to leave it broad open as they did, day and night, because nobody could reach it without a ladder. But I never looked at that window without thinking of what an easy way into the house it would be if one was only on the level with it. "Standing in the lawn about twenty feet from the end of this house there was a big tree, with stout, big branches. One of these branches was cut out toward the house had a curious sort of turn or elbow in it that grew in such a way that it had a nearly horizontal section running out a few feet from the house and about ten feet higher up in the air than the top of the house. That ten feet was practically straight up, and I was, as keeping people out was concerned, but one day it struck me that a man could swing into that window from the tree by a trapeze, and swinging in a straight stretch of limb. I'd just been seeing some circus stunts done on a swinging bar, and I didn't see why I couldn't swing on one well enough to land on that window sill anyway. "I climbed the tree one night with piece of rope and a weight, and made a NAIL FOR A WEIGHT, to make some little experiments and see just how long the trapeze would have to be to strike the window sill. I tied the string with the nail weight on the horizontal limb, and swung it from another limb back of it, further away from the house, the limb that I intended to swing from myself when I had the trapeze ready, and swung it to a length that would bring the trapeze just so that when I swung forward I could put my feet and legs through the window and bend my arms down and hold on by 'em there inside and slip off the bar onto the window sill. Then I was going to tie the rope to one of the other limbs to keep it there while I was exploring the house, and when I came back to the window, loaded up, I was going to tie the rope to another limb and swing back to the tree and go my way. "Well, I got the exact length that I wanted, and went out to the window from the under side of that limb to the window sill, and then I made, at home, a trapeze to carry me over. I got out of the house plenty of time to wind around the limb, and I had the hanging part measured exactly so I could make the trapeze fast just with the right length of rope. When the night came that I was to try it I shinned up the tree and made it fast. I had a twine tied to the trapeze, and then I climbed the other limb that I was to swing from, and pulled the bar up to me there and got on it, and grasped the ropes in either hand, and when I was ready swung off. "It seemed like a tremendous drop going down but I did not have long to think of it. I made just one swish down through the air and was going up the other side. "BEFORE YOU KNEW IT." But I didn't forget myself. I'd practised this and I kept my feet and legs straight out in front of me and ready to curve through the opening of the window when I came to it, and then drop 'em and clinch 'em there; but somehow I had made a miscalculation in trying the ropes, or else at the very last instant I was wrong with my feet, and instead of thrusting my feet through the open space of the lower window I jumped into the upper window, and the next instant I was hanging by my arms, and my feet were dangling down below me now with the strap around my neck. "When I smashed through those two windows I made as much noise as you'd hear in blowing up a crockery factory, and I knew, of course, that it would only be a mighty short time before there was somebody around, and I made a great effort to get free. I got out of the window, and down to the ground, but I wanted to take the chances on that rather than be caught, and I didn't hesitate at all about trying to get out of the window. 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