

A Woman Lion Tamer.

It is not often that the taming and training of ferocious beasts is adopted as a profession. Least of all does it seem likely that such an occupation would appeal to a woman as a means of diversion. Yet one of the most successful lion tamers in Germany is Miss Cora Benoit of Leipzig, who adopted this occupation as a source of entertainment rather than of income. Miss Benoit is of German. English extraction and was carefully educated. Her parents died while she was in her teens, and after their death she resided in the family of one of her father's friends, the director of the Leipzig Zoological Gardens.

Through Storm and Sunshine

Vivien Neslie was standing in the glial glow of the sunshine, and a cluster of gladioli, that formed a picture in themselves, all crimson and gold, stood behind her. She was looking at the gorgeous flowers, and still held one in her hands. There was no fairer spot in England than this sun-dappled garden where the helix of Lancelwood stood with thoughtful face and dreamy eyes. Look where she would, nothing but beauty met her eyes: marvels of color, wonders of sunshine and shade. It was a garden rather old-fashioned than otherwise, full of heavy, rich roses, orange and red, and many, many big clusters of hydrangeas, their blossoms of purple and white, and many, many purple and white carnations, and still held one in her hands. There was no fairer spot in England than this sun-dappled garden where the helix of Lancelwood stood with thoughtful face and dreamy eyes.

QUEBEC ONCE MORE.

A Young Lady of St. Justino Writes of Her Experience With Dodd's Kidney Pills. Miss Anna Choleto was a sufferer from Childhood-Doctors Gave Her Up as a Chronic Invalid—To-Day in Superabundant Health From Use of Dodd's Kidney Pills. St. Justino, Que., Feb. 5.—Miss Anna Choleto, of this place, has been an invalid, owing to Kidney Disease, all her life until quite recently, when she began to improve. Her many friends, who were delighted to see her, met with congratulatory and encouraging words on all sides. It was not generally known, however, that the cause of Miss Choleto's improving condition was due to Dodd's Kidney Pills, and it was not until the other day that it was given out. But such is the case and Miss Choleto acknowledges the benefit she has derived from Dodd's Kidney Pills in the following letter, giving full details of her case.

LOVE AND GENIUS.

Some men of genius have undoubtedly believed, with Thackeray, that it is better to love foolishly than not at all; that they have practised this philosophy is proved by their memoirs and biographies. Leigh Hunt loved a good girl whose spelling was unconventional, and whose chirography could not be called her chief accomplishment. Keats was wildly, madly in love with a commonplace girl named Fanny Brown. He married her, but she was incapable of appreciating his genius. He wrote her a letter which she never answered, and he said that "the rolling years of eternity would not fill up the blank that her failure to answer that letter caused."

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ON HIS TRACK.

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