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The Deacon's last conundrum; Heat, because you can catch cold.

a fluent speaker of it in a year.

done, and there's nothing new, and nothing to see or learn or profit by. I'm always open to new ideas, and like to understand things as go along. People think I'm an awfully narrow-minded, empty-headed johnny, but I'm not.

while I'm in the vein and have the details all fresh; but I don't for moment suppose vou'll believe it, because nobody ever believes anything nowadays, don't you know. It's bad form.

mean hound, don't you know.

because I was mentally chippy, as I

don't you know. Mine's simply cram- self that Soper might know all the religion-yes, really-and, of course, think it out for me.

a thing or two about Soper that isn't He said: "My boy, she's engaged at present to a chappie in the War Office; but that's nothing; she isn't very much gone. Cut him out. Marry her, by all means. It's a fair deal.

rather sick about it.

When they first came Mme. Kato did drag you to the top of the social ladnot know a word of English. She der, if you'll let her. You'll get your ETA SPECIALTY set to work to learn it and became money's worth, anyhow.'

she'd told me in so many words that

it good enough, it would be too im- of his walking-stick, or looking at him-

"Haven't you seen that I love you? and cleverer and more celebrated than Why, dearest, I love as I have never you ever can be. You admire him loved or thought I could love. It's but you don't like him; you don't want such happiness into my life."

bury-Percivals', I kissed her among the chrysanthemums; and my eyepiness, in fact. I shuddered even at I shall not repeat here. It was what Though I'm a devilish secretive chapthe sight of my dary toast; and if dry writing johnnies call a sort of idyl, pie as a rule, yet I always find mytoast makes you shudder, then you're don't you know-love's young dream, self talking openly to Triggs. He's got avialy near Windsor, to which she

ring and a brandy and soda. Symes dream got off the rails before we had hammer sort of johnny, and says just collection is a golden eagle, which knows what it is to be chippy him- been engaged a month. I ought to what he thinks. The third evening was captured 30 years ago in the self; but his is a mere animal chippi- have married her instantly be- after my arrival, Triggs and I dined Windsor Forest. There is a room atness, don't you know; mine's mental. fore we could change our alone, and when we had done he tackminds, because I still think we led me. He lighted a cigar and pourble. One was pink and scented with were meant for one another. Instead "Cherry Blossom": the second cama of that, I couldn't get the War Office from my tailor; the third-the really chappie out of my head, and I proimportant one-from Triggs. I burnt posed we should wait six months, to the pink note without opening it, see if our characters suited one an-What's the use of reading worrying other. It struck me that if they

Then the thing that made me so awfully chippy happened. I had never I have had from him. My tailor is a doubted myself for a moment. I wor-He shipped Edith, and felt that life would be a hollow tomb without her. No; my of the other joker, might possibly weary of me too. Well, she didn't weary of me; but I actually found myabsolute indifference. The girl was didn't want to marry her nearly as

> much as I used to. In fact, I didn't want to marry anybody. I went down and saw Soper. He is community." himself. Besides, he had known the girl before I did. But still Soper is

I told him everything. I analyzed a chappie's mind will hold at one time, my emotions, and simply dissected mymed with ideas about yachts and plays facts. I said. "Now, what on earth clubs and the Services and politics and He was good enough to say he would

"What's become of the War Office joker?" I asked. "Could we have him you can't keep them out. Chappies But Soper happened to know he'd

So I left him to think it out for me. up society, and sat and moped, like Three days later-upon the afternoon Triggs, the firmer grew a determineagles at the "Zoo," don't you know, I received the letters already men- ation in my mind not to decide too and worn their hair shirts next their tioned-I was to meet Soper again hastily. skin, and teetotalled and starved, and and get his ultimatum. Some of kept a skull to talk to when they felt the boys stopped me as I ascended our depressed; but it's been no good, celebrated marble staircase at the They've only chucked themselves "Vampires," and one and all declared away and lost their chance, and got that death was written on my face. I horribly self-righteous, and wasted knew they were right, too. I felt that their lives and missed being family if I didn't go away pretty soon and men. Every johnny ought to go in get tone, I should be lost to them. for being a family man, don't you! Hang it all, life isn't worth living if field, because they are usually comknow, after a certain time in life. But you're going to get aches and agonies. pelled by the force of circumstances the thing is to find the right woman. And mental agony is the worst sort. to do without any comforts, was ex- known she was considered a high-It's better to keep single than start People don't think I feel things deep- ploded long ago and to-day every class actress, with a promising fort of the wild-mannered native being a family man with the wrong ly; but I do, don't you know. I get horribly down, and have little blue devils dancing all over me, and hanging out of my tie, and swarming up the gold chain of my eye-glass, and swimming round and round in my firing line,is outpost duty, and any brandy and soda, and sitting astride on my cigarette. And when it's a girl,

Soper's appearance is simply paltry. front, and yet the South African room my deeply lamented husband We haven't got a footman who campaign has shown that even at the selected for me in the twenty-fourth couldn't give him any weight and beat him. He parts his hair at the side and and would be of inestimable value commanding a magnificent country boxing-matches. He fusses about, and hasn't any repose or bearing or style; and when he gets excited, his sharp black eyes look different ways-a thing I hate. I fancy there's a bit of Jew in Soper's blood, because he always has his knife into Jews; and he's a regular Shylock after money.

Soper said: "There's only one thing to do-you must let her down gently. Leave town and write her a letter. Say you feel you are not good enough ranged for horse or traction engine for her, and will never be able to make draft. her really happy, and all that stuff. She jilted one man; it's only poetic justice another man should jilt her."

doesn't understand girls, chiefly be- tern of forty gallons capacity. On cause they utterly bar him; but still, each side of the wagon are hinged there seemed to be some reason in doors, closing recesses in which what he advised, though he didn't put canvas shelter is kept rolled up. This So, after all, I accepted my friend's minutes and when held up by the

invitation to shoot things. I gave my | wagon at one end and by posts planted stall for the new burlesque to Soper; out at the side of the wagon at the I cared not who wore the gardenia other will form a rectangular tent for that was growing somewhere for me: and sought the sylvan retreat of can be carried on them when neces-Triggs, that I might there recover tone and get into a condition of robust

letter once posted, like a lie once told, Which is the quickest, heat or cold? fice. I put it quite plainly, down at is beyond control. I thought all this detachment on outpost duty or as band to come and speak to one of the Hurlingham. I said I was a johnny carefully out in the train, and deter- part of the equipment of a field bat- children. He did so. She locked the neither better nor worse than other mined to do nothing in a hurry. Peo- tery and with its tent shelter will door, and only gave up the keys to better get another music teacher for A noted lawyer having shaved off his full beard, the Judge remarked told her I liked her awfully—loved that lawyers another to be have a some one had just escaped through to be have a some one had just escaped through sary. She knows enough museek to get CHATHAM, NEW BRUNSWICK. that lawyers ought to be barefaced. her, in fact; and that if she thought Because a chappie's sucking the handle the transport wagons now in use. I the window.

self in a mirror, it doesn't follow he's

what she saw in me. It may have Concerning Triggs, I will merely been my cravat-an old-gold silk with say that he is the right sort. Some I've now come from seeing Soper. a diamond it it; it may have been enough. I never shall understand He is an utter fool. with a sort of my button-hole-gelder-rose and ver- johnnies are like light-houses, don't undercurrent of cunning-just enough bena; it may have been my mous- you know; brilliant and glorious to becunning to overreach himself, don't tache, or my money; it may have been hold, and bursting with brains, and you know. And that is what he's done all these things taken together; but, full of great and tremendous ideas. with me. But he laughs best who anyway, she said it was good enough. You admire that sort of man, because

> not money I want, but love. I'll to know him, and get chummy with make you a good little, true little him. You feel he's not your sort, and wife; and I thank God for bringing you don't care a groat if the brilliant johnny comes to grief or dies to-I laughed, don't you know. It was morrow. But other fellows are like rather a jolly sort of thing for a wood fires-ruddy, cheerful, pleasant. chappie to hear a girl say. And yet You won't get much light from them, I found myself wondering all the but you'll get eny amount of warmth. time what she'd said to the War Of- Most chappies want warmth, not light and you can warm yourself at a wood

A month afterwards, at the Pod- fire, but not at a light-house, don't Jimmy Triggs was a wood-fire kind glass fell out of my eye and hit her of man-always full of sympathy for on the nose. Then she laughed, and jokers in a fix, and a wonder at getinvented a nickname for me, which ting hidden troubles out of anybody. the trick of getting confidences; and But the worst of it was that, owing yet I don't see why he should, be- attention. It contains many kinds of gested a fragment of kippered her- to my awful idiocy, love's young cause he's an awfully blunt, sledge- English birds, and the pride of the

ed out a glass of port, and put his feet

"Now drop the sublime, old man, and take that thing out of your eye, and try and be human for once. What's bothering you? Tell me all about it. and if I can give you an idea I will. Then I laughed, don't you know, and told him all about it, as he suggested, and explained the painful nature of the position. He said:

"There isn't a shadow of reason for breaking it off-not a shadow. You counts. He whines and whimpers fear was that she, who had tired feel there isn't yourself. You've lots of sense, only you go and bury it under tion. You say she's a good woman; good at painting as at sculpture, while self getting a bit tired of her. It was then stick to her. They're not so frightfully rough on a chappie with common. Go back and marry, and my sensitive nature to discover a thing come down here and live in the counlike this. I couldn't understand it, try, and take up something rational. The old fascination gave place to an Grow roots, or study artificial manures or breed cattle-anything. But take just as affectionate as ever, but I my tip; give up this knock-kneed, hollow, masher foolery, and settle down and begin to realize that a man with your fortune owes something to the

> Of course no chappie living has sometimes help a cleverer man than | right to talk to me like that, but I can

stand anything from Triggs. The really strange part of it was that, since my arrival in the country, I had begun to seriously doubt if I had rightly gauged my emotions in the matter of Edith. I couldn't put them into words; they were shifting and indefinite, And that night, as Triggs talked, I half fancied that I still cared a little for the girl, after all. I knew one thing, she was the only woman who ever understood me. For I'm deep johnny, and take more understanding than people think. The longer I reflected upon the subject of Edith, and the longer I listened to

To be Continued.

A NEW TRANSPORT WAGON.

post Duty or Serve With a Battery. The old idea of taking few measures for the comfort of the troops in the good officer tries to bring his men condition as possible.

One of the most arduous duties, other than actual fighting on the means that will lighten this service in the field will be welcomed by the army. Wagon transportation will

The tires are eight inches wile to facilitate travel over soft ground, and the rear wheels are on a broader

Soper is a vulgar little johnny, and the platform floor is a water cis-Ritle or carbine racks are also part

Lady MacDonald, wife of the Bri tish Ambassador to Pekin, brought about the famous audience which the Dowager Empress of China granted to wives of the foreign Ministers, and read the address upon that occasion. She has lived in all parts of the world, and, although accustomed to Eastern servants before going to China, Lady MacDonald considers the Chinese as the very best of the servant class.

The German Empress is an enerretic woman, rising at 5 o'clock and riding horseback for two hours, and lrives in the afternoon. Her com panion in riding and driving is her sister, the Duchess of Glucksburg, who shares with her in all her tastes

In accordance with the wish expressed by her late husband, Lady Tate has presented to the National Gallery of British Art Millais's "Boyhood of Raleigh," exhibited at the Academy in 1870, and recently sold at auct on in London for \$27,500.

Queen Victoria has a wonderful takes pleasure in giving her personal! tached to the aviary containing a collection of stuffed birds which were shot by the Prince Consort.

Mrs. May Wright Sewall, of Indianapolis; Mrs. Dandurand, of Montreal Mme. Semetschkine, of Russia, Mme Meyers, of Denmark, received special municipal attention at Paris while attending the Woman's Congress, in connection with the Paris Exposition,

Of the Queen's daughters it is said that the powers of the Empress Frederick and the Princess Christian with he pen would get them a good living iny day; the Princess Louise is as the Princess Beatrice is one of the best amateur actresses. Taken together, the queen's sons and daughters are not wanting in versatility

Beatrice Harraden, it is said, wields a saw and plane with as much skill as her pen. While living on a ranch in California for her health's sake she became quite expert as a carpenter, helping upon occasions to build a She set out, with her own hands, a small orchard and attended to the grafting and pruning. It was also her proud boast that she could harness a horse as well as any cow-

Very musical, a composer of music Miss Harraden was the life of the ranch. She is an ardent suffragist. Although "Ships That Pass in the Night" brought her fame it added but book outright for a trifling sum. The story was rejected by Mr. Blackwood, of Blackwood's Magazine, in which her story was too sad to suit the public

The Countess Louise Erdody, who died in Vienna the other day, was the uncomplaining fortitude in the mat-

Jeanne Bernhardt, the youngest sister of Mme. Bernhardt, died recently in Paris. Although not generally away in a little old medicine chest. career. She accompanied Mme. Bernto the field of battle in as fresh a hardt on her first American tour, and then played minor parts.

Queen Victoria's boudoir at Wind mask and gold and is the most beautiful room in the castle. The door bears the inscription in Her Majesty's I found Soper in the smoking-room. not always be available far to the handwriting, "Every article in this outposts it can often come into play, vear of my reign." The bay window, in sparing the men unnecessary labor. view, is hung with medallion portraits A new military transport and shel- of all the Kings and Queens since the ter wagon is the direct outcome of conquest. The Queen has a great the late experience in the Transvaal. love for the natural song birds of It was designed by a volunteer ar- England and the bullfinch and lintillery Colonel of Sheffield, England. net, purchased by her some time since The wagon is built of wood and is are kept in this special boudoir unmounted on springs and four wheels. der the care of a special attendant.

INDEED HIS HELPMATES.

Twice the Dowager Empress of

Russia saved her husband's, Alexander III., life. One day, when in the emperor's dressing room, she observed The top of the wagon box is surthat on his dressing table lay a curious looking jewel case. Something side of which is the platform. Under about its appearance aroused her curiosity, and, taking it up, she became aware that it was extremely heavy. Without saying a word, she went into her room, and placed it carefully in a basin of water; then, sending for the prefect of police, whose duties kept him much about the palace, she begged him to have it examined, and it was discovered to be one of the most marvelous infernal machines ever invented by the ingen-I turned my back on the metropolis, of hanging steps, so that the men uity of man. The second occasion on which the empress was directly instrumental in stopping murder occurred in the Winter Palace, when she health before writing to Edith Mar- of its equipment. The wagon can heard a slight noise which indicated carry four tons of stores and would the presence of some stranger in the thus provide a detachment of forty czar's study. Without betraying the slightest anxiety, she begged her husdesigned either for the supply of a

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MRS. ROBERT L STEVENSON. Mrs. Stevenson accompanied her husband to Samoa and endured trials that would have crushed many women. An exchange gives this little

sketch of her: She was equally at home upon a well-appointed vacht or upon a "cockroach steamer," beguiling the the time with infinite resources when the ship lay becalmed, undismayed by tempests and sudden squalls; and whether upon a lonely atoll or unand a skilled player on the violoncello; der the palms in an island village, she would set up her household gods,

and make each spot a home. She has begun more than one vovage as an unwelcome passenger. The little to her fortune, as she sold the captain and crew wanted "no fine ladies" aboard. There was "no accommodation for ladies." In short. they were afraid of having to wear first published story, "The Umbrella their company manners every day. Mender," appeared. He said that the But invariably, the end of the voyage found every man on board, from the captain to the Chinese cook, her

devoted friend and servant.

originator of the modern scheme to | ter of rats and cockroaches, her calm make Latin the language of the acceptance of South Sea customs, called forth enthusiastic approval. She could cook like a French chef. bind up a wound as well as a surgeon, devise sports and invent games. and had invaluable remedies stowed She looked after the health and comsailors as kindly and unaffectedly as she taught Ah Foo to make bread,

Her courage in an emergency, her

drew out the captain or mate to talk of his home and family. A half-caste sailor once said: "Mr. Stevenson is good to me like my father, and his wife is the same kind of

with cocoanut toddy for yeast, or

King Tembinoke said of her: "She good; look pretty; plenty chench,"

Perhaps they both meant what Edmund Gosse, the poet, so well expressed, when he wrote of her as "dark and rich-hearted, like some wonderful wine-red jewel."

But her husband caps all praise to her in some stanzas ending: Teacher, tender comrade, wife, A fellow-farer true through life, Heart whole and soul free.

Gave to me.

The august Father

SEEMS TOO BAD. Of course I shouldn't want to stand in the way of anything that you feel like doing in the way of New Year's reformation, she said. But it does

seem too bad-What seems too bad, my dear? asker her husband. That you should feel obliged to stop smoking just after I have given you

those lovely Christmas cigars. DREADFUL ACCIDENT. Ethel-Oh, Emily, I had such a dreadful accident the other day. I broke two of my front teeth.

Emily-How painful. How did it Ethel thoughtlessly - They fell off the sideboard, and I accidentally trod

Mrs. Maternal-I am sorry you are going back to Germany. Had I not

married on.

The address slip pasted on the top of this page has on it. If the date of the paper is later than that on the is to remind the subscriber that he is taking the paper out paying for it. See Publisher's announcement. YEAR. If paid in advance the price is One

No. 12.

JOSEPH M. RUDDOCK

I'm not one of those stupid chappies who pretended the world's an empty egg-shell, and that everything's been

I may as well write this story out

Well, I came down to breakfast one properly chippy. My man Symes re- and all that.

letters when you're chippy? But I didn't, it would be better to find it out studied the tailor's letter, because his before than after, don't you know. communications always amuse me. This was a fac-simile of many others

a week or two at his place in Surrey. I laughed. We were within a week of the new burlesque at the Gaiety. My stall was booked; the gardenia I where; and yet Triggs wrote thus. But still, at another time, I should

said before, and wanted tone. The thing had weighed heavily on my mind for a month. It's quite too no judge of a woman, extraordinary the number of things and racing and money and society and is an honorable johnny to do?"

Girls get into every johnny's mind. They wriggle in, God knows how, and back into the hunt again?" have gone in for being monks and her- just married money. mits, and lived in caves, and given

A girl was worrying me and had been for an age. To explain the thing I must go back a bit. I'm a fairish judge of a girl, don't you know; and when I met Edith Marchant I got very keen over her from the first. I told Soper about it at the club, "The Vampires." Soper's a fool and hasn't any depth, but sometimes he'll say a good thing, and even a wise one, by accident. I know he's a liar. would sacrifice his best friend on the

play it low on me, because I know

Soper is a vulgar little cad, but what he says. I pointed out that I loved her, as far as I could judge, and considerations of talent or beauty. He replied that he didn't know anything about love, but that he knew a great deal about Edith Marchant; and he reckoned I might go in and win, hands down, if I cared to. He also felt sure that Edith was weary (of the War Office chappie, because he knew the chappie and the chappie was

He said: "She'll spend your money, you bet, and go the pace. But she's meant to shine pretty high up. She'll Well, I proposed one day, after chant.

I'm a soft-hearted beggar, and a

Prominent People.