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CHARITY'S SWEET WORK. | freely opened at the same time for vitaliz-HOW A RICH NOMIN HELPS FEI

LOW MEN AND WOMEN.

Assisting Poor but Intelligent Girls-Finding Work for M in Cleaning the Fronts of Palatial Residences and in the Woodyards-Happy Errand Boys.

A New York correspondent writes interestingly and enthusiastically of the works ot charity of Mrs. Frederick Vanderbilt One o' the worthiest of all-and one that has been kept shrouded in the deepest darkness-is the helping of young girls who have ability, but who are in temporary need of the almighty dollar. Mrs. Vanderbilt helps such as these every year to the extent of \$5,000. The beauty of this charity lery store, wholesale I quor store, a Roman is that every cent goes to those who actually Catholic church and parsonage and two need i'. And the way they are found is most curious.

In certain out-of-the-way corners of New York there are little churches, flourishing and well attended. but filled with people who speak a foreign tongue and who know scarcely anything of the ways and streets of the great city. They are foreigners recently landed, or long resident in the toreign " quarters" of New York. One of these churcaes is for Russians, another for French people, and there are Swedish churches, Swiss, Norwegian and Bohemian. The languages are too strange to permit their members to mingle with the city people; and when misfortune comes to them they are sa lly off.

The pastors of these churches know Mrs. Frederick Vanderbilt, or her secretary, and when a promising and able girl is in need of money the case is reported to her, and she sends immediately \$500- no more and no less. It is her sum for starting girls in occupations. On \$500 a girl can study limited at here, as one girl did, or The drygoods firm intend erecting a new she can attend a scientific cooking school as another girl did, where she learned to be a \$50 a-month cook; or she can support herself and attend training school and get an outfit of maid's black dresses to go at present on paper, are built this spring out when she gets a place as lady's maid or nursery governess. Of course the trained girls "helped by Mrs. Vanderbilt" have no diffi ulty in securing good positions, and so there are in the city of New York every | mense Market House. year at least ten enduring monuments to her goolness. Yet the world has not known of this particular charity Another charity is a very homely one, not nearly as interesting, but it gives relief to many a hungry and discouraged man. This is the purchasing of what is known as "woodyard" tickets for men who. with one of these in hand, can go to the woodyard. get supper, sleep all night and have breaktast. And then, so that it will not pauperize them, it is obligatory upon them to saw wood for halt a day to pay for what they have had. Atter a lunch they go forth to look for work. This form of alone woodyard charity is far from self-supporting, so that it is necessary to sell the tickets at twenty cents apiece. These are bought in large quantities by Mrs. Vanderbilt, and are sent to the St Bartholomew mission for distribution, or are given out by triends. Many hundred dollars go in this way. This winter the tickets for woodvard work have flowed treely from certain backdoors of Vanderbilt mansions. Among the recently organized charities of New York there is an association which plans to put all men who apply for aid immediately at work cleaning streets. Several wealthy people have mapped out portions of streets in front of their residences and Every day some poor deluded mortal araround their stables and lawns, which they are willing to have swept daily and scraped into perfect cleanliness. And among these wealthy people Mrs Frederick Vanderbilt is most conspicuous of all; for it was she, so the organizers say, who suggested the charity, and who gave it her support so that it started well and with plenty of patronage. At the church which Mrs. Vanderbilt attends there are a thousand and one charities, all local and all deserving, and to these there is offered an open pocketbook, so full and so widely stretched that its out pourings would trighten many a millionairthem out, and now there all "heap go.d ess with more money, even, than has Mrs. Vanderbilt. Tenement house needs, evict- Injins." ed terants, men out of work, sick parishioners, unclad children and, in short, all needy cases are reported to her and are quickly and quietly helped. As a pastor of a queer little mission said, "I sent word to her and next day came a check for \$500 and a "Hush!" Nobody must know these things. But the shouts of gratitude are hard to still. On all holidays, Mrs. Vanderbilt has a pretty custom, followed by Mrs. Whitney to the very week of her death, of giving presents to the errand boys of the merchants who serve the house. The errand boys of the florist who decorates the ballroom, the errand boys of the grocer, of the butcher, of the caterer, and all messenger boys are remembered. A week before the holidays a complete list of them is made, and then, when it is presented to Mrs. Vanderbilt, she runs over the list and known personage, he received within a few where 1 could not be seen tor the designates the presents that are to be days some sixty applications, much to his bought for each. The boys know of this annoyance. Suspecting who the culprit

ing oxygen? Better lar have such cases where the re is no fire ; for with soft blankets snugly wrapped to keep the entire surface warm. and hot-water bag or bottle near the teet, the inhaled oxygen of pure air will keep up the natural heat making process night. He was not awake. His intellect by oxygenation, and vitalize the nervous dangled downward over the back of his energies and help to dispel the disease.

REFLECTIONS OF "A CANUCK."

Life as He Sees It in Omaha-Practical Help for the Destitute.

OMAHA, Feb. 5 .- Saturday night this city was visited by a fire, that, for destruction of property in a short space of time, carries off the banner. It destroyed (total loss) one mammoth dry goods store, two large shoe stores, a truit store, jeweldwellings. Estimated loss \$400,000, be-

sides damaging several other large concerns to the extent cf \$100,000. Stores with plate glass windows suffered as far as two blocks away, so great was the heat. As near as can be ascertained 'the fire lasted one hour and forty-five minutes. Fortunately no serious accident happened. That was a great wonder, too, because, it being Sa'urday night, everybody was out shopping and the stores were crowded. The cause of the fire is supposed to be an incandescent light. The worst part of the fire is the number of people it will throw out of employment. The drygoods store alone gave employment to 150 people. I should fancy 250 will scarcely cover the

number of clerks. To show you the activity and general push of Omaha merchants, it is only necessary to tell you that three of the concerns turned out had new quarters reated before the fire was under control. building as soon as the insurance is settled. Every thing seems to be lightening up here and it all the new struc ures that are we will have quite a boom. For instance we are going to have a new Union depot, a new Post office, a large canal and an- im-

I am not advertising Omaha as a good place to look for work in the spring, be-

THE COLONEL'S SCAR. Souvenir of the Chance Meeting-Two Outfits in the Yellowstone.

Col. Jim. Struthers, alias "Montana Jim," was in the American House last chair : his teet rested leisurely on the table ; grew less strange. I recognized that his arms swayed limply at his side, and his those strange forms above me were men; mouth was open. His breath went and then it seemed as though I had seen them came in gurgles like the exhaust pipe of a before. Oh, yes, all was clear now; they wash tub. The Star man slapped him on were my triends. As soon as I had thor the shoulder, and the "Colonel" returned oughly regained consciousness the boys exto consciousness. He yawned a few times, plained what was wrong, and told me that and in the process of pulling himself to-

thus liting it from his brow, and exposing side on the edge of the trail, with their a long and lurid scar, which started on the ghastly features concealed by blankets. right temple and travelled backward till it got lost in hair.

tell me how you got this scar," said the Star. prospector for facts.

"This scar? Oh, yes, I recollect. Well, I got that mark from being too game. It all happened last winter. I was living on a ranch near Pease Bottom, Mont., and atter the regular tall wind-up three of the boys, Catfish Johnnie, Roaring Harry, and Yellowstone Joe proposed that we take a trip through the Yehowstone Park. This was largely because Joe, as his soubriquet indicated, had seen a good deal of experience in that tourist-haunted part of the country. He had been a professional guide therein at a period antedating our acquaintance, but with which period this story is in no wise concerned. It is quite probable that Joe wanted to revisit his old stamping ground so much that he was willing to have the expense of the trip divided up among three companions rather than to bear it all by himselt.

"But the story which I am now telling you must be more remarkable for facts than suspicions, After a long and delightful trip we came within the shadow of the Yellowstone Mountains and camped. It was a delightful spot. On one side ran the tracks of the Northern Pacific, and every tew hours trains rushed by. On the other side a little stream babbled and sparkled. It was about noon when we halted. There were high hills all around us and plenty of timber.

" After dinner we sat on the railroad waiting to see the overland express dash by, when from the brush down the track turee men came out. They strolled along in the direction of our camp. We were a good many miles from a station, and it was an unusually suspicious circumstance to see these fellows tramping along the ties. They were bad visaged, and their general ap-

located me to him. He replied as quick as thought; there was a blinding flash in my face ; I felt a whiff of cold wind ; something warm streamed over me; I knew that I was talling, and then all was blank.

"The next day I opened my eyes and saw strange people about me. I tried to think, but couldn't. Things gradually I had a close call. Then they pointed to gether combed his hair with his fingers, three grewsome objects ranged side by This is where that horse thief's bullet ripped open my scalp and ploughed a long

'Hello. Colonel! Come out of this, and furrow down my skull."-Washington

CLOTHES MADE FROM WOOD.

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Oil Stoves and Health.

gasoline stoves, is one of the evil inventions which are eausing anaemia, neuralgia, nervous troubles, throat and lung affections. The allurement of the oil stove is its convenience. They are burned in the open air of the room, have no connection with flue for smoke draught but, like the com-

cause there are more than enough destitute people in this city today, to build twice as many buildings.

I attended a recent meeting of the commercial club here, and they were discussing the relief business. One member made the remark that on the late investigation it was found that 70,00 heads of families were out of employment in the city limits

Every one is coming to the rescue, and I think no one need starve if they make themselves known. The farmers of this county sent in a car load of flour last week, and some bakers are donating jointly something like 3,000 loaves ever, day. Of course, every well-to-do family sends whatever they can, and the city has appropriated a certain sum for relief. In that respect, I say, everything is brighter; but there is suffering enough at its best. What bothers m : is the fact that emigratio 1 con inues. rives, only to find, in answer to his appeal for work, the same old story, "Have no

use for you." We have had two attempted lynchings and two juil deliveries in the last week, thereby keeping up a continual round of pleasure. Last night the Indian soldiers at the front drank more fire water than was good for them, and they had a large sized fight with the white soldiers. It looked very much like a scalping party for a few minutes but the whites finally laid

Socially, Omoha is dead, I fan y the people are particularly penitent this year and fear Lent is hardly long enough to repent in, so they commenced a little earlier. Let the good work go on, there is lots of room for improvement even in this model city. A CANUCK.

How He Found Her Out.

A young lady in the neighborhood of

Berlin has had to pay dearly for a practical joke of which she was guilty, and which was prompted by a spirit of revenge. She was on bad terms with a landed proprietor living in the same district, and in order to pay him out she conceived the curious idea of advertising him in the provincial paper as a matrimonial agent. Being a well-

means of a private arrangement, by which The paraffine oil stove, like the gas and she was to pay the sum of £25 to a certain charitable object.

Navies of the World.

In the navies of the world are enlisted 191,000 men; the commercial marine employs 692,000; coast trade and fisheries, 810.000, a total of 1,693.000, If marines,

pearance did not impress us very favorably. As they got within about 100 yards of us they halooed in tamiliar wild West style and approached us civilly enough. the spokesman said that one of their horses had either strayed or had been stolen, and he wanted to know if we had seen any horse answering the description that he gave. Of course we had not, and invited the strangers to eat dinner with us. They did not seem to be at all disturbed about the missing equine, and during the meal stated that a good many horses had been lost in that

country within the past year because of the dishonesty of certain people. "I'hey told us that their camp was down

the track in a ravine about a mile distant, and said that they would be glad to have us take dinner with them on the morrow. We promised to do so. However, there was some sneaking suspicion down in the sub-cellar of our minds that something was crooked about the whole business. This suspicion was not called in any way by the calculating glances which the party bestowed on our armament and stock. That atternoon it was decided that we should picket our horses and stand watch by turns throughout the night. It was a very common practice with expert horse thieves to simply swoop down and stampede the stock of an outfit in true Indian tashion, but this programme will never work where the stock is picketed. In a case of this kind the depredators simply sneak around the camp like coyotes and cut the ropes.

"In our outfit we had one very wild horse. He was as wild as a mountain goat. He would run if you'd point your finger at him. The only restraining influence which he acknowledged was that exercised by another horse. The wild horse was so absolutely stuck on his tour-tooted triend that he would eat and drink with him and never seem satisfied without being in his company. True, he would fly off at a tangent, but he would come to his mate, wagging his tail behind him. We picketed all the horses excepting this one. It was SNELL'S BUSINESS COLLEGE, Truro, N. S. between 12 and 2 o'clock when Roaring Harry, whose turn it was to stand guard, entered the prairie schooner and turn.d us all out quietly with the remark that something was up. The wild horse had run up

alongside his gentle triend and was puffing and snorting in a perfect fever of tright. "We reasoned that the thieves had ap-

proached the camp and run on the untamed animal. They would conclude from this that the stock was at large, and would most likely attempt to stampede it. With this theory in mind, we took positions along the trail which the thieves would tollow should they swoop down. My perch was under an overhanging bowlder, gloom, and from where by the faint light of the stars I could see pretty clearly all yearly generosity, and at midwinter are more than usually assiduous to the needs of the different departments of the household. Oil Stoves and Health. dead still but for the howl or cry of some wild beast in the timber. We thought that we heard something which sounded like hoofs away up the trail. Nearer they came and more distinctly they sounded as they struck the trozen ground, trom which the snow had been blown away. Then the

overcome by saturating the celluloid in a fireproof solution, so that perfect protection against igniting is guaranteed. We shall no doubt dress, therefore, in the future in wood and wooden material. Everything will be celluloid, from the handsome silk gown in which my lady promenades Bond street to the dainty molar with which she nibbles her bonbons.

Forty is the Age.

The passion of the young girl seems to be due to the increased importance of the danner table. No one thinks it worth while to invite a young girl to dinner. Only that fine appreciation that comes with experience is worthy such an honor. The mind of the young girl is yet too crudely developed for table conversation, and the finer achievements of the cook are wasted on her inappreciative palate. Men soon weary of the companionship of a young girl, however sweetly babbling at dinner. As dancing men are becoming more and more extinct and atternoon teas less frequent, the status of the young girl is much more uncertain. These are considerations that have been gathered up widely. They are usually accompanied by quotations. as from Plato, that women do not attain the zenith of their charms until 40 years of age. Balz ic is also a popular resource in support of the new cult.

The Usual Present.

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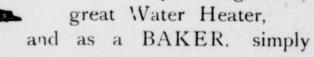
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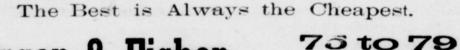
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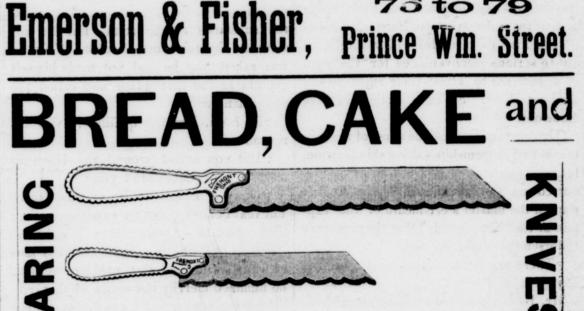


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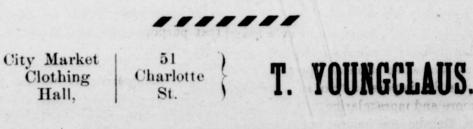
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