Fantastic Effects of Music.

She thanked a tune on her light guitar,
A low sweet gamut of tangled sounds,
As hitched as the voices of fairies are,
Dancing in the moonbeams dales and downs;
And the tinkling dip of the strange refrain
Ran o'er the rim of my soulike rain.

The great blonde moon rose in the midnight skies
Paused and poised o'er the trellis eaves,
And the stars in the light of her upturned eyes
Sifted their love through the rifted leaves—
Glinted and spinkered in crystal mist
Down the glittering string that her finger kissed.

Oh, the melody mad! Oh, the tinkle and thrill
Of the ecstacy of the exquisite thing!
The red rose dropped from the window sill
And lay in a long swoon quivering;
While the dying notes of the strain divine
Rippling in glee up my spell-bound spine.

—J. W. Riley.

The Open Sea.

With sails outspread, beneath the Northern skies,
Have stalwart men endured the stinging blast,
Whose freezing breath would hold the vessel fast
To icy coasts, from which are heard no cries
For aid, while each man heeds the mandate:
"Rise!
Cut through the barriers till we turn our mast
Toward the open sea, in which at last
We'll anchor as our ship in safety lies."

And so, earth-bound, shall thought on thought aspire,
Cleaving the frozen shores that hold the mind
By all the links, which in the flesh still bind
The truth, unknown in all its full desire.
But while I wait I hear the firm decree,
"My gates unclose toward the open sea."

—Virginia C. Filard.

The Trade in Modern Antiquities.

One of the chief delights of Continental travel, as every person of experience will admit, is the unlimited opportunities it affords for buying antiquities. The statuary, the coins, and the pictures that may be purchased in Italy are a source of never failing interest to English travelers and of never failing profit to Italian dealers. Andalusia, again, is a huge curiosity shop. Being once upon a time in Seville, we came across a retired British grocer or tailor, or something of that kind, who had just purchased a Madonna and Child—unhappily, unsigned—which he had picked up for a few pounds in a dingy back street. He was going to send it to the Exhibition of Old Masters, and, if he ever did so, he probably found that it was worth only a pound or thirty shilling at the outside. It is the same, indeed, throughout Spain. The altar cloths, the broken fans, the inlaid tables and cabinets, as resplendent as anything in the convent of the Cartuffe at Granada, the wonderful chairs, and the still more extraordinary scraps of ancient lace, upon which all who have ever traveled in Spain have spent much money—these abound from Malaga to Irun, and naturally one is inclined to speculate a little on the odd circumstance that the supply is more abundant than ever, although the demand is fairly brisk. Tangiers is, we should say, a hotbed of modern antiquities, and even Mr. Chamberlain bought some of them when he was over there a year or so ago. He ought to have known something about this class of goods, being a Birmingham man, but the childlike faith of the President of the Board of Trade in all things ancient is notorious. America, oddly enough, has taken to this business of manufacturing the antique Dutch cabinets that, with bronze panels, dingy and marked with the cracks of illfitious centuries, are turned out every day from Chicago furniture stores, and for some purposes they are quite as useful as if they had indeed belonged to some departed burgher in the dead cities of the Zuyder-Zee. New York experts in this sort of forgery make a specialty of Queen Anne chairs and tables, and the imitation is so perfect as to deceive all but those who have studied such things minutely in Europe. The explorer of furniture stores may come upon magnificent specimens of English Gothic chamber pieces or ancient-looking Chippendale and Sheraton chairs, which might have belonged to Queen Elizabeth but for the fact that they did not. It must be puzzling at first to discover in New York shops stamped leather chairs of the time of Louis Treize, plentifully ornamented with brass nails, whose heads are fully an inch in diameter, and the citizens of that enterprising city are invited to become the happy possessors of as many of those treasures as they like, on ridiculously low terms. If, however, the explorer is inquisitive, and the furniture venders are in a tolerably candid mood, the visitor may be conducted into some back yard where these gems of high art are produced. A Queen Anne's chair just made can, for instance, be supplied with worm holes by the simple process of tilting it bottom side up and firing a charge of pigeon shot into the bottom and front of the seat. Old armor, too, is a good line in this business, the drawings required for the purpose being made from the collection in the Grand Opera House, in Paris. It is said that Birmingham knows something about this branch of the trade, and that helmets, shields, casques, breast-plates, and complete suits of mail are regularly manufactured for the gratification of oil speculators and retired pill manufacturers. If a man starts a lot of ancestors, he likes to have dummies of them in his hall, rigged in their mediæval ironmongery. If Birmingham did not greatly aim, Germany would. It is astonishing how many tons of antiquities are annually sold along the Rhine, and it is even asserted that in Castle Colburg, where Martin Luther threw his ink stand at the devil—and unhappily, missed him—the original splash was cut up and sold long ago; but that as the timber is massive, the place is carefully reinked every night for the purposes of sale next day. We cannot say how much truth or falsehood there may be in this particular story. There might have been some excitement in seeing the original transaction if both the distinguished parties to it were present. There can be none in gazing on a patch of ink. The trade in modern antiquities, however, is a curious reality, as real as the sale of old clothes or toubstones. It is a fact calculated to weaken one's faith in life.

—The British Trade Journal.

"Lost In Wall Street."

He was Treasurer of a county in Indiana. The other night about 9 o'clock he made a call at the house of an honest old farmer, who was on his bond for $10,000, and after the first greetings were over he began:

"Mr. Thomas, I have some bad news for you."

"Great Scott! but are any of my relashuns over in Indianapolis dead?"

"I don't know about that; but you remember that you signed my bond?"

"Yes, I did."

"I am sorry to inform you that I am $14,000 short in my account."

"No!"

"Alas! it is true."

"And where did the money go to?"

"Lost in Wall street."

"Oh! that's it. Well, I wouldn't worry over that. My son Bill will take the lantern and go back to town with you, and if you'll show him Wall street he'll find the money if it takes him all night. Probably lost it out of a hole in your pocket, eh?"

Mr. Healey, the artist, now in Washington, once painted Daniel Webster. When the portrait had been finished Mr. Webster took a good look at it, and then said, in his deep, cheery voice: "I think that is a face which I have often shaved."

Sweet-Minded Women.

So great is the influence of a sweet-minded woman on those around her that it is almost boundless. It is to her that friends come in seasons of sickness and sorrow for help and comfort. One soothing touch of her kindly hand works wonders in the feverish child; a few words let fall from her lips in the ear of a sorrowful sister do much to raise the load of grief that is bowing its victim down to the dust in anguish. The husband comes home worn out with the pressure of business and feeling irritable with the world in general, but when he enters the cosy sitting-room and sees the blaze of the bright fire, and meets his wife's smiling face, he succumbs in a moment to the soothing influence, which set as the balm of Gilead to his wounded spirit. We are all wearied with combating with the stern realities of life. The rough schoolboy comes in a rage from the taunts of his companions to find solace in the mother's smile; the little one, full of grief with its own large trouble, finds a haven of rest on its mother's breast; and so one might go on with instances of the influence a sweet-minded woman has in the social life with which she is connected. Beauty is an insignificant power when compared with hers.

The Right to Commit Suicide.

In the ancient world it was held to be the right of individuals, under certain circumstances, to kill themselves, if they could render their country thereby a service, or even if they wished to rid themselves of care in this world. It was quite common in Roman history, for generals to sacrifice themselves in order to win victories or to accomplish a great patriotic or family end. The Stoics held that man was his own master, and if he wished to shuffle off this mortal coil there was no divine law, and no civil law human enactment, to say him nay. But the advent of Christianity taught a new doctrine on this point. This was the inviolability of human life. Men did not belong to themselves, but to his Maker, and killing oneself was an unjust fable as slaying a fellow-man. But several modern writers have advocated the old view. The most recent convert is the eccentric Alsacia corgyman, the Rev. Thomas K. Beecher. Writing to a newspaper on this subject, he says: "Every which is examined by an individual, with the approval of his friends, that is no longer worth while to drift along on this sinful planet, he is then justified in sailing into the hereafter by his own act." It is a question with some physicians, whether in some phases of human suffering, occasioned by terrible and mortal diseases, it would not be permissible to relieve the sufferer of a life that is so intolerable. A German actress named Gallmeyer was in such agony from cancer that she begged her physician to give her a dose of laudanum. But of course, the doctor, as she had anticipated with her, could not comply with her wishes. Death is no great terror to some people. Children have been known to call upon themselves candidates for capital punishment, as substitutes for their relatives, for small sums of money, to enable the comforts and provide for the necessities of their families. Death, in all nations, is often a relief to the suffering and afflicted.

—Democrat.

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Attorney for mortgagee.
Dated May 12, 1884.
May 18 to Aug 7.

MORTGAGE SALE.—Whereas default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage, made and executed by George W. Fay, mortgagor, to Benjamin Hughes, mortgagee, and bearing date the seventeenth day of March 1884, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, in and for the county of Oakland in the state of Michigan, on the fifth day of April 1884, in liber 96 of mortgages, on page 12, upon which said mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid, at the date of this notice, the sum of one hundred and thirty five dollars, for principal and interest, together with an attorney fee of twenty dollars, as provided for in said mortgage, should any proceedings be taken to foreclose the same; and no proceedings either in law or equity having been instituted to collect the same, or any part thereof. Notice is therefore hereby given that by virtue of a power of sale contained in said mortgage, and of the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed, by a sale of the premises described therein, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay said debt and the interest thereof together with the costs and charges of said sale and the said attorney fee, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door of the Oakland county court house, in the city of Pontiac in said county of Oakland, that being the house where the circuit court for the county of Oakland is held, on the *15th day of July 1884, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of that day.* Which said premises are described in said mortgage as follows to wit: Commencing at the southwest cor. cor. of the east half of the southeast quarter of sect. 1 twenty-one in township two south range eleven east in Michigan, and running thence south on the quarter line forty rods to a stake, thence east twenty rods to a stake thence south parallel with the said quarter lines, forty rods to the south line, thence west on the south line to the place of beginning, containing one acre of land together with the appurtenances.
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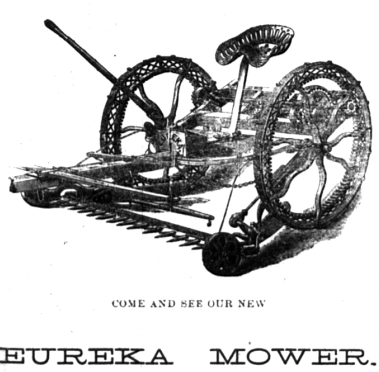

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