

LOVER FEARS WITHOUT CAUSE

Laugh Promises and Honeyed Tones Not for the Benefit of His Adored One.

Upon returning to the town of my boyhood days I decided to call on my well known old school friend, Elizabeth. Although 20 years had elapsed since I had sailed away to foreign shores, something seemed to tell me that I should find her at the old home, and I went there without inquiry. Time and wrought no change. The house and surroundings looked almost the same. The front door stood partly open, as was the count in summer.

As I reached out to touch the bell Elizabeth's voice came to my ear; my hand dropped, and I stood held in the enchantment of those soft, sweet tones. They were the tones of many years ago, made richer and more beautiful with the years of womanhood.

"Yes," she was saying, "you may have the use of the new car whenever you choose, and there is a large front room with private bath, at your disposal. Here are tickets for the matinee, which I purchased for you, and if there are any little things at the stores that you want just charge them to my account."

"It's her daughter," I thought. I did not even know that Elizabeth had married. My heart grew heavy, and my deep-drawn sigh I touched the bell button.

Elizabeth came to the door at once. She knew me instantly, first with a look which I have known her among a million. She put out both hands. "Oh, John!" she murmured, "you have come home!"

"I have looked for you these many days."

I took her hands in mine. My face was very white. "I heard you speaking just as I stepped out of the door," my daughter, I presume, I did not even know you had married. "How beautiful she looked—lovely, lovely, and still well worth winning. Why have you gone away?"

Elizabeth laughed abruptly. "Married," she replied, "to my own husband. Why, I'm not! You heard me talking to the new cook."—"Puck."

Not Looking for Trouble. In a New York public institution attended by many races, during an examination in history the teacher asked a little chap who discovered America? The boy was evidently confused, and hesitated, much to the teacher's surprise, to make any reply.

"Oh, please, ma'am," he finally stammered, "ask me something else."

"Something else, Jimmy? Why should I do that?"

"The fellow was talking about it yesterday," replied Jimmy. "Pat Mc-Clue said it was discovered by an Irishman."

"That fellow," said the teacher, "was Columbus; an' if you'd a seen what happened you wouldn't ask a feller like me—"Everybody."

Lions Are Cheap to Keep. There are eleven lions in the lion-house in the Central Park menagerie at New York, and the stork is hovering near "Bill" Snyder, the lion house rector, is anxious to swap two of the members of the lion colony for two valuable exhibits. City lions have never been "kicked down the road" before, but if the swap cannot be arranged the crowded condition of the lion-house will force the park department to auction the two lions which must go.

For the information of any person interested in acquiring a house-broken lion, Snyder says it is possible to keep a lion for 65 cents a day.

They Claim Even Shakespeare. Mrs. Beatrice Forbes-Robertson Hale, an enthusiastic member of the League for Political Education, believes Shakespeare was an ardent advocate of woman's supremacy in the world's work. She cites Imogen, Portia, Viola and Rosalind as proofs of Shakespeare's confidence in woman's ability, and calls attention to the fact that heroines are plucky and adventurous, self-reliant and successful, while his male characters lack of initiative in many instances.—New York Press.

Latest Wonderful Machine. A log of wood and a roll of paper are placed in a new machine-making machine, and when human hands touch the material it is all bound up in packages containing one gross of business cards, ready for the consumer. During the process the machine cuts the wood into strips, lengthwise, sulphurs the ends, coats the labels on the paper, prints the name on the paper, and packs them. The machine has been patented by a Norwegian match company.

Spring Training. Aggressive Manager—Here, you! Get out on the coaching bench and teach some of them youngsters the business!

His Answer—What? An' spoff me over for the vaudeville stage? I guess not!—Puck.

Wants Special Privileges. Howell—Imagine that he is a privileged character.

Howell—Yes, he thinks it is a violation of the game laws to make game of him.

Bluffs Arbitration. Mrs. Buz—These children are quarreling again. I'm going to arbitrate.

Mr. May—Don't you mix in. You sit right here and let them fight it out.—Exchange.

Wants to Know. "Did you like the party, huh?" "Yes, mother."

"What was the use? Couldn't you have done any better?"

MICHIGAN NEWS IN BRIEF

Joseph Ford, 60, head of the Fruitport Iron Works, is dead at Grand Rapids. He founded the iron works.

Plans were made for the convention of the Michigan State Bar Association to be held in Kalamazoo in June.

The proposition to bond Huron county for the 1936 election will be submitted to a vote at the April elections.

The regents of the U. of M. created 12 new faculty positions at Grand Rapids Thursday, to become effective in another year.

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Reveal Chinese Smuggling Plan.

The writings of a gangster credited with having lured a Chinese in San Francisco recently made it known that the gangster had a plan to smuggle opium into the United States.

As soon as it came possible the California state police were put to work to find out if the plan was being carried out. The state police were put to work to find out if the plan was being carried out.

When the launch entered the Golden Gate, nets and fish lines were thrown overboard. The nets were thrown overboard. The nets were thrown overboard.

14,000 Coal Cars in Big Blockade. With 14,000 or more hundred coal cars for Michigan points lying in the Toledo yards and with several em- ployees on strike, railroads are up against a terrible block in the north which is being caused by the zero weather.

Gov. Hiram Johnson, of California, advised the Ohio constitutional convention in Columbus in advance of the initiative and referendum and recall.

John C. Johnson, of South Dakota, was elected to the U. S. senate.

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Real Estate Exchange

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The following is a partial list of Farms, City and Village Lots, and Real Estate generally which we have for sale. As our list is constantly changing, we request our parties will write us if they do not see what they want in this list.

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