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### Extreme Courtesy.

"These French army officers are very polite people," said the girl who has traveled. "Yes," answered Miss Cayenne. "They will put an innocent man in jail rather than hurting a friend's feelings."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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"Never mind, dear," she said, smiling with wan lips and patting his thin hand softly. "I'm all right now! I couldn't bear to hear the children cry for food. But they're pacified now with the crusts, and I guess I can get something for them. I'll try, anyway."

A sob caught in her throat, but she went out with a cheery wave of her toil-roughened hand to her husband. In two hours she was by his side again.

"I have meat and bread, dear," she said. "The butcher's wife paid me with it for scrubbing her floors. Now, if I can only get some coal you and the children shall have a good, hot dinner."

She snatched up a small basket and went to the Hudson River railroad tracks to gather cinders and scattered coal. Her heart was light with hope again, and she was just lifting the well-filled basket preparatory to going home, when the rumble of a train startled her. The fast freight was coming, and she stepped off that track just in time to be caught and crushed by the express train from the opposite direction. The wardmen picked the quivering broken form up from the roadbed with careful hands, and soon she was in the ambulance on the way to the hospital. Once there, she lingered over her for hours, but when the blizzard came frostbiting in she whispered:

"Please, please—help me up. I want to go home and the children some dinner!" Then she drifted out again. And now she is waiting quietly in the little white hospital bed for the twelfth train to leave her swift and willing feet, so they can begin again their work for the four little ones who call "Mamma" through the day by hushes, and for the man who sits in helpless amazed whispering to himself the well loved name—"Mary."

"If there is anything I despise it is ostentation!" said the Alton dentist to the company of girls she had invited to run down for the day to break bonbons. "Ostentation!" was scornfully repeated by Vassar, Wellesley and Smith, their respective colleges. "It seems so foolish to undertake to undertake a task of a journey on Friday."

"Well, I am not superstitious as a general thing," replied Carrie Wise, "but I—I do hate to commence anything on that day."

Julia, who had been abroad, shrugged her shoulders and said, "Pour!" fetchingly. While Alma and her friend from the south compared notes.

"I reckon if you'd been nursed by a black mammy, as I was," said the girl from Mobile, "you'd worry about no ghosts and charms. You just helps when you hook the rice throughout the house, and it's no use talking of anything to hurt about the evil spirits. Why, they have lots charms—"

"Love charms!" the chorus expressed horror, delight and curiosity. "How terrible!" "How perfectly fascinating!" "How interesting!"

"But the white people never believe such nonsense, do they?" There was more disapproval in the question. The southern beauty pouted bewitchingly.

"Oh—I don't know!" she said.

"Hello, did you ever have a love charm?" the hostess demanded. "Did you?"

"Umhuh." (That canny word "umhuh" so ken it means yes.)

"How delightful! Where did you get it? How did you use it on any unlucky?" (eagerly).

"Umhuh."

"You did?" "Oh, Belle!" They were all talking at once. "What was it?" "A dried spider?" "Ugh!"

"Yes, I did! Old mammy gave it to me and I wore it in a locket, and the first time I met Charlie he fell in love with me. See here!" A diamond sparkled on her hand, and the muscles left her lips. The girls looked from

PICKED UP THE BROKEN FORM.

one to the other, then Lottie spoke up valiantly for all.

"Where—where can one buy dry spiders, dear?" asked she.—Chicago Journal.

### A TALE OF CARDS.

Jack Gray had a dim, hurt feeling at his heart. He had gone to the lawn party with the one desire that he might spend the day with Dorothy, but only a moment before he had seen her step lightly across the lawn with his rival.

He walked away and sat under a tree with his back to the direction in which she had gone. For awhile he watched the sports about him, and was about to return home when he spied near at hand a tent which was the conventional gypsy booth. An irresistible longing seized him to enter and learn his fate.

Rather doggedly and feeling like a school boy he sat down on the low seat before the fortune teller.

She bade him shuffle and cut the pack. Then she spread them out one by one before her.

"Let me see, you are not entirely blonde. I think I shall take for you the Jack of Hearts. Ah, yes! Wealth, health and advantage cards together. Rather pessimistically inclined. Yes, at times very pessimistic."

He looked up sharply at the gypsy, but she continued:

"Yes, your nature is a little unfortunate, a little unhappy. Lately—no—yes, lately you have loved. There is a blonde man and the jealousy card is between you and the blonde man. She is a brunette. Spades. Clubs. It is that unfortunate nature of yours again," she said, solemnly, putting her finger on a black card near the Jack of Hearts. "The card of imagination near it. You have imagined! And yet she—the brunette—you have no warrant for it. Only light cards surround her. You have misjudged her."

"How do you mean?" he was startled into saying.

"See!" she said, laying her finger

"THEN THAT MEANS SHE LOVES ME!"

on the hated Jack of Diamonds. "You have no cause for jealousy. There are no live cards between them. She does not love him."

"Are you quite sure?" asked Gray.

"Quite," said the gypsy.

"But she might, because he loves her," he insisted. "Do you mean that I've no cause for jealousy with that Jack of Diamonds so near my brunette of spades?"

"None," she replied, solemnly.

"No danger of her falling in love with him?"

"No," said the gypsy; "the love cards are not alike."

"Where are they, then?"

"Here they are—on the other side of the brunette—nine, five and seven of hearts."

"Oh, the seller!" he said, relieved, "Well, what does that mean?" He looked puzzled and then put his finger on the Jack of Hearts. "Isn't that myself that Jack of Hearts?"

"Yes," she answered, dreamily.

"Then the nine, five and seven are between the Queen of Spades and the Jack of Hearts, which is myself?"

The fortune teller assented.

"Then that means—she loves me!"

"Yes," said the gypsy, almost under her breath, "she does."

Jack thought a moment. "Well, that's just where you're wrong," he said, impressively, and rose. "You see, I knew before I came in, so you will excuse my saying it is rubbish. Here is your fee."

In a moment he was outside, leaving room for another adventurer to enter. He stopped just before the tent and listened to the conversation within.

It was not in the mysterious tones he had heard, but a girlish voice, which he knew only too well.

"Yes," it said softly, "and nobody guessed in the least that it was I."

He waited a few moments until the long robe and veil were thrown off and she fluttered out.

"Dorothy," he said, softly.

With a little cry she found herself face to face with him, and ere long the Queen of Spades and Jack of Hearts were walking together beneath the shade of an old tree, laughing freely over the success of the world-be fortune teller.—Ex.

### Popular Representation in Japan.

Reference has been made to sweeping innovations in the form of government in Japan. The most important change was proposed in the election bill, which was too heavily burdened with amendments to reach decisive action in the late diet. This bill, by reducing the amount of the property qualifications, increases the number of electors from 400,000 to 2,000,000, and the number of representatives from 300 to 440. Hitherto, under the scheme of popular representation, there has been but one member of the lower house for 240,000 inhabitants and this ratio has not been deemed sufficiently representative. The emperor, desirous of increasing the popularity of his government, and of bringing it more into accord with that of western countries, approved of the original provisions of the bill, but the house proved hostile to it, and it went over to the next diet.

It takes thirty-seven s[illegible] structed and equipped [illegible] keep the submarine tel[illegible] of the world in repair.


## A NATION OF DYSPEPTICS.

*From the Mountaineer, Walhalla, N. Dakota.*

The remorse of a guilty stomach is what a large majority of the people are suffering with to-day. Dyspepsia is a characteristic American disease and it is frequently stated that "we a nation of dyspeptics."

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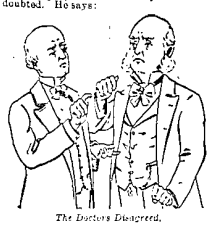

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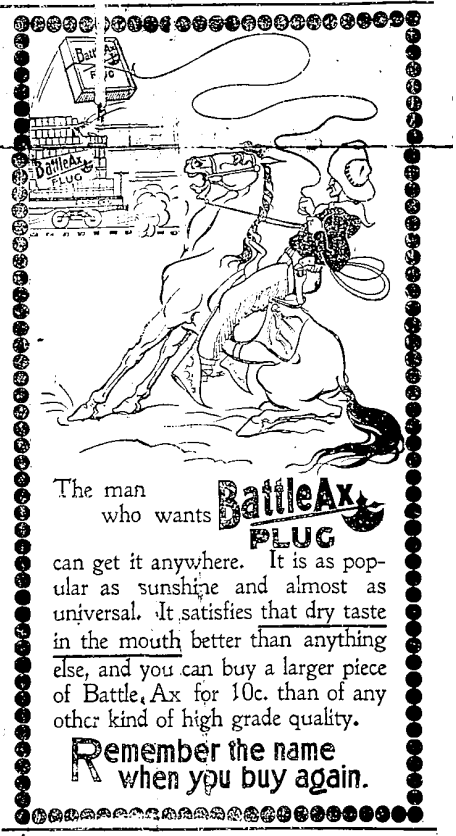


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