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The old university town of Cambridge, England, has established a college of carpentry for women, with the object of developing manual dexterity.

The December number of THE ECLECTIC, which closes the forty-seventh volume of the new series, is representative of the established character of this Magazine for sterling value and interest. The opening article is a striking story entitled "Aut Diabolus aut Nihil," which has excited great interest in England and France. It is claimed that the facts herein set forth were actually experienced by a Catholic abbe of free thinking tendencies in Paris several years since. Andrew Laag's article on "International Girlishness," discusses the extreme sensitiveness to mutual judgment which exists between England and America, though more intense on the side of this country. Prince Kropotkin's paper on "The Industrial Village of the Future" will be read with deepest interest by all students of socio-industrial problems. The author, of course, writes from the socialistic ideal. The Wagner theories and practice in Music are fiercely attacked in a paper called "The Wagner Bubble," by J. F. Rowbotham. Max Muller, under the head of "My Predecessors," has some interesting words to say on the work of those who have preceded him in special lines of investigation. One of the most interesting papers in the number to the student of history is that by Principal Donaldson, on "The Position of women in Ancient Rome." Karl Blind, in "Two Republics," compares the political status of France to-day with Switzerland, and makes some highly curious and suggestive reflections. Baring Gould tells us about the famous book "The Adventures of Baron Munchausen," and Blaze de Bury talks in a highly entertaining way about French Journalism and Journalists. In the article "Some Literary Idolatries" the author, Mr. William Watson, writes suggestively concerning the blind and unreasoning cant so prevalent in the worship of certain great names in literature. "Sketches of Indian Life," from Cornhill, contribute vivid pictures of the Hindu and the Government under which he lives. Canon Taylor's papers on "The Great Missionary Failure" is a trenchant attack on the current methods of religious propagandism in heathen lands, and asserts that missionary enterprise has totally failed in its mission. The number contains several very readable short papers and sketches, that on Paris at the Beginning of the Eighteenth Century being peculiarly suggestive.

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Secretary Mohler, of the state board of agriculture, has returned from a trip to Hutchinson, taken for the purpose of obtaining for his forthcoming biennial report, statistics regarding the salt industry recently grown up in that locality. He found the situation there really a wonderful one. Twelve plants have been established, though all are not yet complete and in operation, and many more are expected to start up within the next six months. Mohler visited the two largest plants and made a thorough examination of the machinery and process employed in turning out the salt. The deposit is situated from 200 to 300 feet below the surface, where there is a solid body of salt, ninety-nine per cent pure, 300 feet in thickness. There is no shaft sunk nor mining of the stuff, as one might imagine, but water is pumped down one pipe and brine pumped up another. The latter is then evaporated in a series of pans, beneath which are furnaces, and the result is a product as white and pure as snow, which is all ready to be shoveled into the cars. The various plants at Hutchinson are now shipping out an average of thirty-five car loads of salt per day, some in barrels and some in bulk.

The Christmas number of ST. NICHOLAS is a veritable Santa Claus in the way of good things for young folks' reading; stories, sketches, poems, jingles, and riddles. They may find in it a humorous account by Mr. Frank R. Stockton of "The Curious History of a Message" in which a Christmas gift and a telephone each has an important share; or, if they wish to have a glimpse of a Christmas in a foreign land they have only to read Professor H. H. Boyesen's account of "Biceps Grimlund's Christmas Vacation," a more exciting one than which it would be difficult to imagine; or, again, if the hearty merry-making of old England is more to the taste of the young readers, they may not only read, but also render, Mr. Charles A. Murdock's play, "A Sixteenth Century Christmas." The author of "Little Lord Fauntleroy" also begins a new story in this number, and although it will not be so long as that famous Chronicle, so one who read "Little Lord Fauntleroy" will care to leave unread Mrs. Burnett's new story, "Little Saint Elizabeth." A new candidate for the favor of ST. NICHOLAS readers is introduced in this number, Mrs. Mary Hartwell Catherwood;—the opening chapters of whose serial story, "The Bells of Ste. Anne," will at once enlist the reader's interest in the adventures of her young Canadian hero and heroine. Mrs. Holman Hunt, the wife of the English artist, contributes a story, "The Silver Heart; or, Faithful Leo," which is a tribute to the faithfulness of our friend the St. Bernard dogs.

The purely descriptive and practical paper of the number are Mrs. Mabel Loomis Todd's account of a stay of "Ten Weeks in Japan," in which the story of the total eclipse of August, 1887, is told from the experience of an actual participant in the observations. The instruments and the temporary encampment of the expedition, as well as many beautiful and strange sights of this interesting country, are presented to the reader by illustrations taken from photographs. Mr. Edmund Alton further describes "The Routine of the Republic"; and Mrs. Elizabeth W. Champney offers practical suggestions for making "Novel Christmas Presents." It is necessary only to mention the names of Miss Helen Gray Cone, Miss Edith M. Thomas, Miss Susan Coolidge, and Miss Clara G. Dolliver, to guarantee the quality of the poems in this number; and, the statement having been made that this is the Christmas St. Nicholas, it follows as a matter of course that the illustrations, the pictures, the jingles and the departments do not fall short in this issue of the standards which St. Nicholas has always maintained.

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Come, Fellow Farmers!

It is in the good things and the new things you want. Here is a Catalogue full of them! Do you want tested seed, raised from stock selected with extra care, grown from the best strains, got from the original sources? I aim to have mine just such. Do you want new varieties that are really good, and not merely novelties? I aim to have mine such. Do you want seed that the dealer himself has faith enough in to warrant? I warrant mine, as you can see. Do you want an exceptionally large collection to select from? Mine is such. Do you want them directly from the grower? I grow a large portion of mine—few seedsmen grow any. My Vegetable and Flower Seed Catalogue for 1889 is ready to be sent to you. JAMES J. H. GREGORY, Marblehead, Mass.

Literary Short Stops.
"Dunraven Ranch" is the name of the new novel which Capt. King contributes to the December Lippincott's Magazine. Capt. King improves with age; Dunraven Ranch is the best story he has yet produced.

"A Happy Combination" one might style "Peterson's Magazine" for December. Pictures, stories, fashions, work table designs, medical and household recipes, are all found among its contents.

The issue of Supplements with the always popular and reliable Domestic Monthly is a comparatively new feature; but every number for the past half year has contained one or more.

It is pretty well understood that the conductors of Harper's Magazine always intend to issue a Christmas Number, which shall be not only complete in itself but arranged on lines somewhat different from those followed during the rest of the year.

The American Bee Journal, Thomas G. Newman & Son, 923 Chicago, Ill., presents economical and practical methods of bee culture. Sample copy free. Sixteen pages weekly, at one dollar a year.

A Key to the Families of Insects by Noble M. Eberhart, C. S., Ph. D. published at Chicago, Ill., by the Popular Publishing Company, is the only one of the kind published, and therefore of more value to entomologists than if it was one of several. It has been carefully prepared, and is so carefully prepared that any observer can place any new insect and give his correct name.

Forward Forever! A Response to Lord Tennyson's "Locksley Hall Sixty Years After," with other poems by William J. Shaw, the poet hermit. Fowler & Wells Co., 777 Broadway. Twenty-five cents. Shaw lays no claim to being a great poet, yet he reads us in his quaint rhymes lessons of value in our domestic and secular life.

The New England Fireside for November, N. E. Fireside Co., 177 Fort Hill sq., Boston, is a bright and helpful number sure to make many a long evening pleasant by its visit. It contains a variety of stories, rhymes and varied selections, with hints on needlework, costumes and housekeeping in general. Its most useful selection this month is entitled "Go to sleep my darling Daisy." Price \$2.00 per year.

Two Gentlemen of Boston, Ticknor & Company, Boston, is No. 48 in Ticknor's Paper Series of Choice Reading. The book has been much read, and as the author's name is not given, the novel's success is won by its own merits. It is peculiarly impressive because of its intensity and strength. This series is certainly worthy of the high appreciation it receives. Price \$12 yearly, twenty-four numbers. Single fifty cents.

Nervousness, its Nature, Causes, Symptoms and Treatment, with Notes of Cases, by H. S. Drayton, A. M., M. D. 74 pages, 12 mo. paper. Fowler Wells & Co., 777 Broadway, New York, is a fresh contribution to popular medicine, and as it applies to a growing malady in America it is most seasonable. It sells for twenty-five cents.

The Magazine of Art, for December, Cassell & Company, Limited, 104 and 106 Fourth Avenue, is the first part of the twelfth volume. "The Painter," by J. L. Meissonier, is the finely executed frontispiece. The opening article is on Alfred Gilbert, A. R. A., by W. Cosmo Monkhouse; "Wells and its Cathedral" is described by Elizabeth Robins Pennell, and "The Liverpool Corporation Collection" presents many fine engravings. The Portrait of Dante Gabriel Rossetti is contributed by William M. Rossetti. Other articles are the "Insignia of Majesty" by Lewis E. Day; "Old Arts and Modern Thoughts," by J. E. Hodgson, R. A., etc., etc. Price \$3.50 yearly. Single number 35 cents.

The first cotton factory ever built in Iowa has just been opened at Des Moines with elaborate ceremony. The industry travels west as well as south, invading markets heretofore commanded by New England.

What Girls Should Read.
In connection with the proceedings of the Shawnee County Teachers' Meeting given in another place, we give the following from W. T. Harris, one of the leading scientific educators of the day.

Under no conceivable circumstances can the young girl learn to know the world as it is in a safer mode than through the window of a daily newspaper. She sees the moral spectacle of sinners pursued by the avenging demons of the law and of public opinion. If she contemplates too steadily the pictures of degradation and begins to be fascinated by them, she betrays the tendency to her mother, or to some member of the family, and a counter influence begins its healing work at once. If she grows up in ignorance until she encounters the vicious reality in later life, she is not prepared for it, and falls an easy victim to the allurements of sin. Such is the lesson of seclusion and restraint for young girls, and the abstract isolation of their schools produces the life of intrigue described in French novels. It does not follow from my theory of the newspaper that all newspapers are equally good. The Police Gazette species should be avoided as rank poison, for it gives one-sided views of crime, and often describes it from the criminal's point of view. It does not place it in the perspective of the events of the world, as does the good daily newspaper. Even the best journals find room for improvement in this matter. But as they are, as they have been, it is best, and it has been best, that young girls should have free access to them under the surveillance of the family.

A machine has been invented which husks corn, separating the ears from the stalks, which are at the same time cut up ready to put into the silo. This will prove a great saving of labor for the large class of farmers at the West who wish to store their corn apart from the fodder, or sell it. Husking of corn by hand this year especially, has been a troublesome job. We do not see, however, that this machine is needed where the corn, fodder and all, is to be fed to cattle; it can all be cut up together for the silo. In some of our western States a good deal of corn fodder has been stored in the silo without cutting up. It keeps well thus, though hardly as well as when cut; the advantage is that the expense of cutting in fall is saved. The disadvantage, which seems to us greater, is that the long stalks are not easily removed from the silo for feeding, and even then, need cutting in order to be eaten up clean.

Three twelve-pound cannon balls and one four-pounder were found in Rutland, Vt., by a workman engaged in excavating for the foundation of a new mill. They are supposed to be relics of the Burgoyne campaign, in 1777.

A Boston woman received an electric shock by striking her umbrella against the iron frame of an awning. The current was imparted to a frame by a stream of water running over a light wire and down the outside of a water conductor to the awning.

Karl Otto Von Bismark, D. D., has secured improvements in shoes for the footwear of the German army that are expected to make that item cost a third less. The reverend Iron Chancellor starts in with his accustomed thoroughness in the care of soles.

SOON WILL COME THE SNOW.

White are the daisies, white as milk; The stately corn is hung with silk; The roses are in bloom.

The Missing Pages.

"Have you a paper, Sir! Something to read in the train, ma'am? Times, Herald, Sun. All the magazines!"

was a ruddy, fat old gentleman, with a kindly, shrewd blue eye. Having nothing to do, he thought the occurrence over leisurely.

and ready for furnishing. The river rippled drowsily against its pebbly shore. The birds darted through the blue, sunny air.

The Man Who Possesses a Chest Expansion of Fifteen Inches. James Wilson is the name of an Irishman about 45 years old now astonishing New York.

HERE AND THERE. The greatest span of a cantilever bridge is that of the Forth Bridge, which will be finished in October, 1893.

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Christmas trees will soon begin to bloom.

Topeka has another paper, the Bulletin.

The NEWS asks for a corner in every household.

We suppose there are a few hoodlums in every town.

Watch these columns for something about Christmas gifts.

The December session of the supreme court commenced Tuesday.

It seems to be settled that advertisers are friendly to this paper.

Abilene having failed, Wichita now wishes to take a hand in moving the Capital.

The society column is getting to be the dearest to be found in our Sunday papers.

The Central avenue bridge, over Soldier creek in North Topeka, has been completed.

The new state house at Topeka, is cemented in blood. It has already cost half a dozen lives.

There is satisfaction in a good stove. Try Gold Coin, sold by Willis, 131 Kansas avenue, Topeka.

We ask you all to help us make the NEWS bristle with reports of local happenings.

A good heating stove is a joy all winter. The Gold Coin sold by Willis, 131 Kansas avenue, Topeka, is the best.

The wives of many members of the legislature will spend the winter in Topeka, with their husbands.

The colored people of the north are moving in defense of their southern brethren, who are subject of gross outrages.

The call for democratic club members to be on hand at meetings, may now be taken literally. It is seldom that more than a hand full can be gathered.

The scramble of the swine down the bluffs into the sea, was nothing to the scramble for the fat offices that are to be given away.

Where is Boston Corbet, the slayer of Wilkes Booth? When last heard from, he was leaving the Topeka Insane asylum behind him.

The Santa Fe route is running Pullman sleepers from Chicago into San Diego, Cal., making the longest continuous service in the world, being 3,200 miles.

The inventor Edison, has invented a talking doll. He puts small phonograph cylinders inside, and by that means the dolls actually talk, laugh and cry.

The bank clearings for the week past were \$288,309. The clearings for the corresponding week in 1887 were \$224,398. The clearings for November were \$1,410,043; for November, 1887, \$1,198,827.

The Atchison city council has accepted the proposition of the Missouri Pacific railway company to locate extensive car and machine shops there in consideration of \$200,000 bonds heretofore voted by the people for that purpose.

Charley Wolf is now slaughtering over one hundred head of fat cattle a day for the Topeka market. But little dressed meat is now coming from Kansas City.

The new order of things means a better quality of dressed meat at the same or less rates.

We have the fourth number of the National Passenger, issued by the Rock Island, or C. K. & N. railway company. It is a dangerous paper to read unless one is willing to get the Colorado fever. It is a great advertiser of Kansas, and the west. Samples can be had by sending to the National Passenger, Topeka.

The collection at Union thanksgiving service, in North Topeka, held in Presbyterian church, amounted to \$8.57 and upon motion it was decided to divide it equally between three deserving institutions of our city, viz. Christ's Hospital, Ingleside and the Orphans' Home. Mrs. A. J. Arnold was authorized to make the distribution.

Rev. Annie E. Shaw will give a free lecture on "Social Purity" under the auspices of the W. C. T. U., at the Congregational church, on the corner of 6th and Harrison, next Sunday evening. A collection will be taken up at the close of the lecture. She also lectures at the Library Hall on "Equal Suffrage" next Saturday evening.

It is a trite saying that nothing succeeds like success. We see it verified every day. It was recalled to us to-day when we noticed the opening of another store by the "O. K. Furniture Co." the old quarters becoming so crowded as to necessitate this move on their part. From the first week of their opening last summer at 215 Kansas avenue, they have known that they must have more room to satisfy the demands of their fast increasing trade, and now they have secured the large store room formerly occupied by R. W. Stowell's grocery, at 227 Kansas avenue, and will fill this also with beautiful and elegant furniture, which they sell at very low prices. The managers are wide-awake business men who pay close attention to their business, and get their goods direct from the manufacturers, thereby avoiding the middleman's profit, of which their customers get the benefit. They offer during this month, with every \$1.00 worth of goods, a ticket in a drawing to take place January 1, 1889. The prize is a \$25.00 patent Rocker, beautifully upholstered in crimson and old gold plush, and can be seen at 215 Kansas avenue. Their Parlor and chamber suits are the equal of any in the city, and are offered at much lower prices than asked elsewhere for the same grade of goods. Go and take a look through their rooms and you will see that half has not been told.

Any one who settled in Kansas before 1857, has been decided to be an early settler, and is entitled to all the honor and privileges thereunto belonging.

Topeka is not a very big city, but the city ordinances, just published, make a book of 439 pages. This is enough to make fun for the lawyers.

Kansas City meet has been driven from Topeka. If Topeka meat and flour and other necessities, were to be driven from all neighboring towns, would not Topeka set up a howl?

Captain Jack Downing of Heys City, is announced as a candidate for docket clerk of the state senate. So far he is the only candidate for this position. Captain Downing is an old Kansas pioneer, having resided in the state almost a quarter of a century, the greater portion of this time being actively engaged in the newspaper business. He comes from the northwest, a section of the state that has not secured its full share of political favors. Captain Downing will make a good docket clerk if chosen to that position.

The amount paid out by the local pension agency for the past week was \$58,456.91. The monthly statement shows that there have been 383 additions to the payroll in the last month, making a total on November 30 of 35,949. Of the additions 367 were original and the remainder were restorations and transfers from other agencies. There has been a loss during the month of 105. This was caused by death, remarriage, transfers, and minors by legal limitation. There is now \$1,600,000 in the treasury to the credit of the Topeka agency which will be used for December payments.

A young man of the Rock Island made an election bet with a State house stenographer, on which the latter won a box of cigars. The Havana were sent to the winner yesterday in care of the chief of the department. The name was not recognized and the chief, thinking there was some mistake about the matter, took a cigar for toll, and referred the matter to another state official, who likewise took toll and referred it to the next. In this manner it was kept going until it had been pretty near through the building, and was covered with endorsements and references, but was nearly empty as to cigars. The stenographer stood a good show of getting the box, in time.

"Woman Suffrage in Kansas" is the title of a pamphlet of 112 pages, prepared by F. G. Adams, secretary of the state historical society, and Prof. W. H. C. Smith, of the state university, and consists mainly of extracts from Kansas newspapers, bearing upon the Kansas municipal suffrage canvass in the spring of 1887. The extracts show the discussions in the canvass in the various cities in the state preceding the election, the course pursued in securing votes, and the comments respecting the result. Tables are given of the vote at the election of 1887 in nearly all of the towns, and in most of the towns in 1888. A brief sketch of the woman suffrage movement in Kansas is also given. The pamphlet contains data which will be of great use to all persons interested in the Kansas

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Among the orders received at the Bailey Canning Factory at Orleans this season, is one for 10,000 cans of concentrated clam water.

The old university town of Cambridge, England, has established a college of carpentry for women, with the object of developing manual dexterity.

80,000 cords of white birch wood have been used by L. Dwelley, of Foxcroft, Maine, during the fifteen years that he has been engaged in spool manufacturing.

The politicians are flooding Topeka looking after crumbs.

The payment of pensions for December quarter began Tuesday. Twelve additional employees will go on duty at the Topeka agency today to assist in paying the 36,000 or more pensioners on the rolls.

Rev. J. F. Sloan will resign as pastor of the Christian church of Topeka next Sunday. He moves to California on account of his wife's ill health.

At the last meeting of the Topeka city council, members engaged in a little pleasantry as to whether or not an ability to get hilariously drunk and to "lend a hand" around the polls, was a qualification desirable to a policeman.

W. P. Campbell, publisher of the Kansas Reporter at Wamego, says in his issue that "the poor little Sunflower of North Topeka, turned up and died. This leaves that end of the capital city without daily." Campbell was at one time connected with the old North Topeka Courier, afterwards the Sunflower, and that is why he is no more reliable.

The meat inspector estimates that it takes 1,000 hives, 1200 hogs and 800 sheep per week to supply Topeka in meat. The local packing houses and butchers are now supplying this demand exclusively, and the new order of things is working as well as could be wished.

John Brown, near Topeka, one of the heaviest apple raisers in the state, picked 4,000 bushels of apples this fall. He paid the expense out of the sale of apples, and after filling local orders, he has packed 2,500 bushels of winesaps and other keeping varieties for the spring market, when he expects to realize \$1.25 per bushel.

Literary Short Stops.

"Dunraven Ranch" is the name of the new novel which Capt. King contributes to the December Lippincott's Magazine. Capt. King improves with age; Dunraven Ranch is the best story he has yet produced.

"A Happy Combination" one might style "Peterson's Magazine" for December. Pictures, stories, fashions, work table designs, medical and household recipes, are all found among its contents.

The issue of Supplements with the always popular and reliable Domestic Monthly is a comparatively new feature; but every number for the past half year has contained one or more.

It is pretty well understood that the conductors of Harper's Magazine always intend to issue a Christmas Number which shall be not only complete in itself but arranged on lines somewhat different from those followed during the rest of the year.

The American Bee Journal, Thomas G. Newman & Son, 923 Chicago, Ill., presents economical and practical methods of bee culture. Sample copy is free. Sixteen pages weekly, at one dollar a year.

A Key to the Families of Insects by Noble M. Eberhart, C. S., Ph. D., published at Chicago, Ill., by the Popular Publishing Company, is the only one of the kind published, and therefore of more value to entomologists than if it was one of several. It has required years in preparation, and is so carefully prepared that any observer can place any new insect and give his correct name.

Forward Forever! A Response to Lord Tennyson's "Locksley Hall Sixty Years After," with other poems by William J. Shaw, the poet hermit. Fowle & Wells Co., 777 Broadway. Twenty-five cents. Shaw lays no claim to being a great poet, yet he reads us in his quaint rhymes lessons of value in our domestic and secular life.

The New England Fireside for November, N. E. Fireside Co., 177 Fort Hill sq., Boston, is a bright and helpful number sure to make many a long evening pleasanter by its visit. It contains a variety of stories, rhymes and varied selections, with hints on needlework, costumes and housekeeping in general. Its musical selection this month is entitled "Go to sleep my darling Daisy." Price \$2.00 per year.

Two Gentlemen of Boston, Ticknor & Company, Boston, is No. 43 in Ticknor's Paper Series of Choice Reading. The book has been much read, and as the author's name is not given, the novel's success is won by its own merits. It is peculiarly impressive because of its intensity and strength. This series is certainly worthy of the high appreciation it receives. Price \$12 yearly, twenty-four numbers. Single fifty cents.

Nervousness, its Nature, Causes, Symptoms and Treatment, with Notes of Cases, by H. S. Drayton, A. M., M. D., 74 pages, 12 mo. paper, Fowle Wells & Co., 777 Broadway, New York, is a fresh contribution to popular medicine, and as it applies to a growing malady in America it is most seasonable. It sells for twenty-five cents.

The Magazine of Art, for December, Cassell & Company, Limited, 104 and 106 Fourth avenue, is the first part of the twelfth volume, "The Painter," by J. L. Meissonier, is the finely executed frontispiece. The opening article is on Alfred Gilbert, A. R. A., by W. Cosmo Monkhouse; "Wells and its Cathedral" is described by Elizabeth Robins Pennell, and "The Liverpool Corporation Collection" presents many fine engravings. "The Portrait of Dante Gabriel Rossetti" is contributed by William M. Rossetti. Other articles are the "Insignia of Majesty" by Lewis F. Day; "Old Arts and Modern Thoughts," by J. E. Hodgson, R. A., etc., etc. Price \$3.50 yearly. Single number 35 cents.

Gen. Harrison is not giving some people satisfaction, because he is not consulting them about his cabinet. When he gets ready he will probably speak for himself, and we may rest assured that the people will be content.

Lecompton is preparing for a boom, and will be heard from in due time.

ARTIFICIAL LIMBS.

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"I wouldn't exactly say," remarked a manufacturer, "that people can get along as well with artificial limbs as they can with artificial teeth, but the art or industry is fast approaching that stage of perfection. Men and women can eat and drink, play the violin, write, and do various kinds of light work with artificial arms and hands, and they can dance, skate and run with artificial legs.

"The proportion of those whose misfortunes require the use of artificial limbs is about one in 12,000 of the population. Of these, 25 to 30 per cent are women. Of the limbs lost, the legs are in the large majority—about 75 per cent."

"A great many are under the impression that the war made most of the cripples now living. The fact is that for one person who lost a limb in the war twenty to twenty-four lost theirs through some accident on the railroads, or in some other manner entirely disconnected from warfare. The railroad is the great source of our business, probably one-half the cases that come to us being attributed to railway accidents."

"I suppose," said the reporter, "that you meet with some queer incidents in the course of your business?"

"Yes. I remember a customer coming to me not long ago for his second artificial leg. He has worn the first for a number of years. He said that he was in much trouble of mind. He was going to get married, and had been courting his intended for a year and a half, and she did not know but that he was entirely sound. The question in his mind was whether to tell her before or wait until after marriage. I advised him to inform her beforehand, as otherwise she might have legal ground to apply for an annulment of the marriage on the ground of deception. He told me afterward that he followed my advice, and the lady concluded that she loved him none the less on account of his misfortune. Another singular incident, but of a different character, was in connection with the collision of two steamers, one of which had just started from this port to Europe, and had to put back again on account of the damage. None of the passengers were injured by the accident, and a friend jokingly remarked in my presence that I would no doubt be greatly disappointed that there was no loss of limb, as I would therefore get no revenue from the occurrence. Strangely enough, the day following a man from Ohio walked into my office and said he wanted an artificial leg. He related that he had been a passenger on the steamer which had to put back on account of the collision, having started from his home in Ohio to pay a visit to Europe. When the vessel returned to port he concluded, on reflection, to give up his European trip and to expend the money he had reserved for the trip in providing himself with a new artificial leg in place of the one which he then wore. So it seems that the collision of those two steamers brought business after all."

"Who supply limbs for the soldiers?" "The business is distributed among different manufacturers, nearly if not all in the large cities of the Atlantic coast. No union soldier who has lost a limb in the war need be without an artificial one. Northern manufacturers also supply a good many artificial limbs to Confederate veterans on the orders of states of the south that have made provision for the maimed of the lost cause; but a great many of the southern veterans are unprovided, for the reason that the appropriations for their relief are not sufficiently frequent and adequate."

"Of private cases, do the greater number come from the city or country?" "I think the dangers of city and country life are about even, so far as the artificial-limb trade is an indicator. The mowing-machine is a fair set-off to the horse-cars."—New York Sun.

Only Practising.

They were sitting on the sofa in the dim twilight, when he gently stole his arm about her waist. There were a few minutes of silence, she probably waiting for him to make the long-looked-for proposition. It did not come, so he murmured:

"Did you think it right to put your arm about my waist?" "Yes, I see no wrong," he replied. "You have a purpose, then, in it?" she whispered. "A selfish purpose, perhaps," he returned. "I am practising, so that when I come to the proper person I will not be awkward." "You will remember, sir, that familiarity breeds contempt," was the angry retort.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

The bog in Washington society sought to be made to go.—Baltimore American.

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