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"We'll Hz It up assessed be.
"All right," said L. And from that minute I was almost silent. It was something in her tone and manner that silenced me. I suddenly realized that I wan't making as good an impression as I had been flattering my-

self.
When a man has money and is willing to spend it, he can readily fool himself into imagining he gets on grandly with women. But I had better grounds than that for thinking grandly with women. But I had better grounds than that for thinking myself not unattractive to them, as a rule. Women had liked me when I had nothing; women had liked me when they didn't know who I was. I felt that this woman did not like me. And yet, by the way she looked at me in spite of her efforts not to do so, I could lell that I had some sort of the state of t

I looked straight at her. "But you

our eyes met. Her chin came out a little, her eyebrows lifted. Then, in scorn of herself as well as of me, she locked herself in behind a frozen haughtiness that ignored me. "Ah, here is the carriage," she said. I followed her to the curb; she just touched my hand, just nodded her fascinating little head.

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"That party is off," said I, curtly.—And I littled my hat and strode away. As I had formed the habit of dismissing the disagreeable, I soon put her out of my mind. But she took with her my joy in the taste of things. I couldn't get back my former keen satisfaction in all I had done and was doing. The luxury, the tangible evidences of my achievement, no long-or gave me pleasure, they seemed to a long the she will be she will be

He smiled—my notion of bonesty always amused him. "As you please," he said, with a shrug. Then I saw a serious look—just a fleeting flash of warning—behind his smiling mask; and he added carelessly: "Be careful about your own personal play. I doubt if Textile can be put any higher."

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It must have been my mood that prevented those words from making the impression on me they should have made. Instead of appreciating at once and at its full value this characteristic and amazingly friendly signal of caution, I showed how stupidly inattentive I was by saying: "Something doing? Something new?"

But he had already gone further than his notion of friendship warranted. So he replied: "Oh, no. Simply that everything's uncertain nowadays."

My mind had been all this time on those Manasquale mining properties. I now said: "Has Roebuck told you that I had to buy those mines on my own account?"

"Yes," he said. He hesitated, and

own account?"
"Yes," he said. He hesitated, and again he gave me a look whose meaning came to me only when it was too late. "I think, Blacklock, you'd better turn them over to me."
"I can't," I answered. "I gave my

"As you please," said he.
Apparently the matter didn't interest him. He began to talk of the per-formances of my little two-year-old Beachcomber; and after 20 minutes

"Why not?" I saked.
"Oh—I don't know. You see—the fact is—well, they're a lot of old fogies up there. You don't want to bother with that push, Matt. Take my advice. Do business with them, but avoid them socially."
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"I tell you, it'd be no use," he replied, in a tone that implied be wished to hear no more of the matter.

"You put me up," I repeated. "And it you do your best. I'll get in all right. I've got lost of friends there. And you've roit three relatives in the committee on membrahip."

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giance—a little fright in it.

I laughed. "You see, I've been looking into it, Sam. I never take a jump till I've measured it."

"You'do better wait a few years, untill—"be began, then stupped and turned red.

"Until whait" said I. "I want you to speak frankly."

"Well object who've lost money in deals you've engineered. And they'd say all sort of things."

"I'll take care of that," said I, quite casy in mind. "Mowbray Langdon's president, inn't he? Well, he's my closest friend." I spoke quite honestly. It shows how simple-minded I was in certain ways that I had never once noted the important circumstance that introducing distance.

Sam looked surprised. "Oh, in that case," he said, "I'll see what can be done." But his tone was not quite cordial enough to satisfy me.

To stimulate him and to give him an earnest of what I intended to do for him, when our little social deal had been put through, I showed him how be could win \$10.000 in the land before. "I'll take care of that."

He stammered a refusal and went out; but the came back within an hour, but the and before. "I'll take care of that."

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and, in a strained sort of way, accepted my tip and offer.
"That's sensible," said I. "When

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To so, be drifted away. "I en'ry you will you attend to the maitter at the rating don appeal in my offered and a slow, bored way of talk ing. I had always said that if i had not been myself I should have wished to be Langdon.

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As soon as I saw that hely, I knew what it was that had been hiding at the bottom of my mind and rankling there.

here.

Luckily I was alone; ever since that
unch I had been cutting loose from Luckily I was alone; ever since that lunch I had been cutting loose from the old crowd—from all its women, and from all its men except two or three real triends who were good fel-lows straight through, in spite of their having made the mistake of crossing the control of the control of the con-trol of the

He glanced round, and when he saw

over and tapped Sammy on the shoulder.

He gianced round, and when he saw me, looked as if I were a policeman who had caught him in the act.

"Howdy, Sam?" said I. "It's been so long since I've seen you that I couldn't resist the temptation to 'interrupt. Hope your friend'll secuse me. Howdy 60, Miss Ellersly?" And She took It subsciantly. She was giving me a very unpleasant look—as if she were seeing, not somebody, but some thing she didn't care to see, or were seeing not somebody, but some thing she didn't care to see, or were seeing not somebody, but some thing she didn't care to see, or were seeing nothing at all. I liked that look; I liked the woman who had it in her to give it. She made me feel that she was difficult and therefore worth while, and Jhat's what all we human beings are in business for—to make each other feel that were worth while.

"Just a moment," said Sam, red sa cranberry and stuttering. And he made a motion to come out of the box and foin me. At the same time Miss Anits and the other fellow began to the same shaded in that fashion. I wanted to see her, and foompelled her to see it and to feel it. "Don't let me take you from your friends," said I to Sammy. "Perhaps they'd like to come with you and me down to look at my horsa. I can give you a good tip—he's bound to win. I've had my boys out on the rails every morning at the trials of all the other possibilities. None of 'em's in it with Mowghil."

"Mowghil' said the young lady—she had begun to turn toward me as soon as I sopoke the magic word 'tip.' There may be men who can resist there never the me who can resist there never sount name."

"What a causint name!"

"Won't you come?" I shid to his sie-ter. I shouldn't have been able to keep my state of mind out of my voice, if I had tried. And I didn't try.

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Trust the right sort of woman to
see the right sort of thing in a man
through any and all kinds of barriers
of caste and manners and breeding.
Her voice was much softer as ishs
said: "I think I must stay here.
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said: "I think I must stay here Thank you, just the same."
As soon as Sam and I were alone, I apologised. "I hope you'll tell your sister I'm sorry for that break," said I. "Oh, that's all right," he answered, easy again, now that we were away from the others. "Tou meant well—and motive's the thing."
"Motive—hell!" cried I in my angee at myself. "Nobedy but a man's God knows his motives; he doesn't even know them himself. I judge othere by what they do, and I expect to be judged in the same way. I see I've got a lot to learn." Thes I saddenly remembered the Thurelors see I've got a lot to learn." Thes I saddenly remembered the Thurelors sould be said the same way. I see I've got a lot to learn." They want to want to risk of an ugly croppes, Matt".

I turned him round so that we were facing each other. "Do you want to do me that favor, or don't you!" I demanded.
"I'll do whatever you say," he re-

do me that favor, or owner, demanded.

"Til do whatever you say," he replied. "I'm thinking only of your is terests."

"Let me take care of them," said I. "You put me up at that club temoryow. I'll send you the name of a seconder not later than moon."

"Its zoose your name," he said.

seconder not later than noon."
"Up goes your name," he said.
"But don't blame me for the conasquences."

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## Illinois State News

Recent Happenings of Interest in the Various Cities

CHARGES MADE ARE SERIOUS.

Peoria.—Charging that officials of the Dupont Powder commany have offered to the German government the secret of the manufacture, of the powder and dynamite used on American boats and by the United States army, President Robert S. Waddell, of the Buckeye Powder company, of this city, mailed a lengthy communication to President Rosevett and to the senators and congressment. The matter is expected to come up before congress at this session. "Infraudry the expected to come up before congress at this session." Infraudry the expected to come up before congress to the Dupont last year by Mr. Waddell, congress tools up the matter and appropriated to the manufacture of profession to the manufacture powder for the profession of the company has arranged for a powder factory to be located in Brazil te manufacture powder for that government and that patent rights which were given government officers will be usely in the work. Peoria.-Charging that officials of

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In proof that the Dupont people have attempted to sell American powder to the German government there is produced a copy of a letter written by Henry C. Watts, wice present of the Dupont come of the powder factories at Spandau, Germany. In this letter the writer says that he will be in Germany and will conduct experiments in German guns with American powder, and will give them all the information desirable.

NEW LIVE STOCK MARK.

Business at Chicago Yards in Yea Greatest in History.

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Chicago.—Figures on the business transacted at the Union stock yards in 1906 show the valuation of all live stock bandled to be the largest on record. Receipts for the significant of the state of the stat

cents higher; lambs five cents higher

Mystery of Fatal Shooting.
Decatur.—Boy Watkins, the Isyearold son of a banker, was shot and fatally wounded while passing through
an alley in the heart of Arthur, a village 20 miles south of here. The shot
penetrated the young man's stomach
and passed through his body.

There is no clew. Bloodhounds from
this city were ordered at once and two
private detectives were engaged. The
young man was prominent socially and
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Ask Pardon for Ween.

Bloomington.—A very sumerously signed petition has been sixed and now is in the base of the property of the party of the property of the pr

post Office Work Increases.
Chicago—The annual report for the post office reveals a general lacrease in business. The volume of money order transactions shows the greatest gain—22 per cent. In 1906 \$200,538.
096.06 was transferred in 11,425,431 transactions. The increase in number of pieces of mail handled was \$1,311, 591 pieces, weighing 2,858,488 pounds.

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Macklin Verdict Set Aside.
Rock Island.—The verdict declaring
Invalid the will of Father Thomas
Macklin, the Catholic priest, who left
an estate worth \$150,000, was set
aside by Judge Gest on the ground
that the verdict was not in accordance
with the evidence.

Want to Purify Politics.
Paris.—A banquet under the appices of the Commercial club is to result in a civic league for law enforcement and the reformation of Edgar county politics.

WESLEY STRONG KILLED.

Decatur.—Wesley Strong, a prominent business man in Stonington, eighteen miles southwest of here, was struck and instantly killed by Wabash train No. 11. The train was running at the rate of sixty miles an hundred sixty

ning at the rate of sixty filles an hour, and Strong was hurled sixty feet in the air. His body was crushed horribly.

The accident occurred a mile west of Stoniarton. Strong was walking to the station to take the train to Taylorville. No. 11 came up behind him suddenly as it rounded a curve and before a signal could be given the train struck him. Strong was forty-two years old, and well known all over Christian county, where he had been engaged in business for years.

Baby Brother Puts Burning Infant Into Closet and It Dies.

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Kewanee. While the three small children of Albert Soderlund were playing with matches in an upstairs room of the family residence here the clothing of the 17-month-old boy caught fire. His brother, six years old, frightened by the flames, dragged the child into a closet and shut the door. The mother, having smelled the smoke downstairs, investigated and found the child surrounded by flames when she opened the door. She was frightfully burned in getting the child out of the closet, but her act was too late, as he died soon after.

Captures a Strange Bird.

Carlinville.—Henry Davenport captured a very queer looking bird on West Main street in this city. It is rather a large bird with plumage like a quall, a beak about five inches long, and its legs are about eight inches in length. It is undoubtedly a water fowl, but no one is ready to say of what species. L. P. Daley of Plainview, who is considered an authority, examined the bird and pronounced it a bittern.

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Domestic Drowns in Bathtub.
Chicago.—While in the bath. Miss
Pauline Hirsch. 22 years old, drowned
at the residence of Carl Hupfield, 459
Barry avenue, where she was employed as a domestic. The girl was
feeling ill and is believed to have lost
consciousness after stepping into the
bath. An hour passed before her employer, thinking something was
wrong, broke open the door and found
the body.

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Orders Reinsurance Test.

Freeport.—A suit to determine the legality of the reinsurance deal of the defunct German Insurance Company was ordered by Judge Heard of the circuit court. A petition was presented to him on behalf of the San Francisco policy holders and he decided to ask the receiver to proceed against the Royal. The receiver is the Chicago Title and Trust Company.

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Macoupin County Farmer Injured.

Girard—Jacob Miller, a farmer living three miles northwest of this city,
was injured by his team running
away. As he was driving by the Liberty school the team became frightently school the team became frightend, when the tongue of the wagon
dropped to the ground. Mr. Miller,
seeing that he could not hold them,
jumped and broke his left leg above
the ankle.

Oppose State Aid to Roads.
Urbana.—Pive hundred Champaign
county farmers opposed standing to the county farmers opposed standing to the compenients on roads by the state highway commission after its allotted two years. The meeting also declared itself in favor of a reciprocal demurrage law designed to protect shippers.

Moweaqua Asks Law and Order.

Moweaqua.—The citizens held a mass meeting and passed strong resolutions favoring a law and order league. One hundred and twelve men signed them.

They were the outgrowth of recent arrests for gambling and a determination of the citizens to stop this evil in the town.

Eats Poison for Candy.
Chicago.—Belleving that the strychnine pills were candy. Theodore Halversion, three years old, North Fortyseventh and Wilson avenues, climbed
on a chair, took a bottle containing
the poison from the top of the dresser
and ate several of the pills, dying
shortly afterward.

Noves Goes to Illinois University.

Noyes Goes to Illinois University. Urbana.—William Albert Noyes, editor of the Journal of the American Chemical Society, and chief chemist of the bureau of standards at Washington, D. C., has accepted the position of professor of chemistry and director of the chemical laboratory in the University of Illinois.

Republicans Choose Judge.
Princeton.—Edgar Eldridge, Republican, was elected a circuit Judge from this district to succeed the late Judge Charles Blanchard.