

NELLIE'S RUSE.

Nellie Nash had two lovers. One, Ernest Crauford, was a boarder at the only hotel in the little village and was from the city. He had come early in the month of January, and although he had previously intended to return in February, he was still in Eastlake, for the reason that he had been attracted by Miss Nash's beauty and the wealth of the prosperous Mr. Nash. But of course this reason was known only to himself.

WHERE MEMORY FAILED.

The Man's Hobby Was Dates, Excepting Those on Which His Debts Fell Due. "I understand," said our friend Reilly to an old acquaintance whom he happened to meet the last time he was in the city, "that you have a great memory for dates."

THE KITCHEN STOREROOM.

Should Be Fitted Up with Shelves for the Various Kinds of Canned Goods. If the larder is light and airy jam will keep very well. If jam will not keep in any special larder there is something wrong and other foods will go bad in that place also.

DEATH IN TERRIBLE FORM.

Skeletons of Men Who Perished from Hunger and Exposure in California Valley. "More evidence of the unspeakable suffering and horrible deaths of some 20 men from starvation were found in the clearing of the land in the Imperial valley of California," said A. H. Heber, president of the company which has reclaimed 500,000 acres of the former desert, according to the Mexican Herald.

INTERNATIONAL RIVERS.

Great Watercourses Through Which Foreign Craft Are Permitted to Pass. Several months ago a woman in Iquitos, Peru, who wished to join her husband at Callao, on the other side of the Andes, went by way of the Amazon, New York and Colon, and reached Callao about as quickly and with less discomfort than if she had gone over the mountain passes, says Youth's Companion.

Queer Currency.

Dewarra, a currency of New Britain, is an instance of how the spots of the chase may be turned to account as the outward and visible sign of wealth. Dewarra is made by stringing the shells of a dog-whole upon the ribs of palm leaves. These strings may be sold at so much a fathom, usually the price is equivalent to about three shillings a fathom length—or they may be made into various articles of personal adornment to be worn on great occasions.

AMERICAN GOODS IN FRANCE.

Our Consul at Rheims Gives Valuable Advice and Points of Interest to the Trade. The best way to sell American goods in this part of France is to establish a general agency at Paris and work the surrounding territory by means of traveling or local agents, says a report from United States Consul William A. Prickett, Rheims, France.

AMUSING SICK CHILDREN.

Suggestions Which May Be Helpful to Weary Mothers and Attendants. Those who have had the care of a sick child through long, weary weeks of a slow recovery will understand why most mothers are glad of suggestions which may help to pass the hours pleasantly and profitably, and yet not tax the little invalid beyond his strength, says Woman's Home Companion.

A Scheme.

Mrs. Subbubs—For goodness' sake! Why do you want to call on the Horrens to-night? Mr. Subbubs—Because if we don't they're certain to come over here. It will be more pleasant to go home when we're tired of them than to ask them to go home.—Philadelphia Press.

MANDATES OF FASHION.

A Variety of Dress Details That Are Seen in the Season's Costume. Drop ornaments of cotton ornament some of the new shirt waists of heavy vesting. The monotone costume idea is so universal that always glove and often shoes match the costume.

MEANING OF TRUE FACT.

Is Not Merely an Appearance of Thoughtfulness, But a Real Interest. The secret of that marvelous influence persons possess over both men and women is usually to be found in their utter frankness of heart. And that means that they do not put an appearance of it, but a real interest, a quick sympathy, is revealed in the grace of word and deed. We are all influenced by that charm, so deeply and so unconsciously, that it may be said to be their spirit power upon others. For, although it has its own selfishness, and an only goal of its own, it is a matter of cultivation. It may be said that it is a matter of habit. Those who proclaim, "I haven't a particle of tact," simply acknowledge that they are utterly self-absorbed. It need not develop into business, which is tiresome; it should avoid inquisitiveness while it shows regard. It should not manifest itself in open flattery, though mere praise should be generously given. In speech tact avoids argument, contention, contradiction, unless truth itself is at stake, and then it may be gently uttered. Neither does it ruthlessly shatter ideals or dispel illusions. It represses egotism, feeble joking or still irrelevance, the flippant, the profane, the coarse, the cynical and the sneer. It does not parade while far from effecting its own's personality; it never teases, nor "quizzes" as the English say, nor to go from speech to act, does it ever penetrate a practical joke. Tact involves consideration and yet more than that. It means neither soaring above nor sinking below the situation. It has a show of ease, hiding fatigue, neglect or watchfulness. In short, a coarse-grained person is hard to teach some of its ways, as the high-strung find it difficult to display yet other qualities.

THE NEWEST IN RIBBONS.

Combination Colors in Rainbow Weave Is the Rage at Present. The predominating feature in the autumn offering of ribbon is the shaded effect, and in no way can such artistic color combinations be obtained for trimming as in the case of this rainbow weave. Fabrics and trimmings may be combined to give good color effect, but in the rainbow ribbon the tints merge imperceptibly into each other, producing a soft, lush and an artistic trimming. The rage for ribbon is pronounced, and many of the season's stylish hat models are trimmed entirely with ribbon, reports the Washington Star.

Green Tomato Mince.

Chop the four quarts of green tomatoes, drain off all juice, cover with cold water, let come to a boil and boil for 30 minutes, then drain well. Repeat all procedure three times. Add two pounds of brown sugar, one pound of dried raisins, one-half pound of chopped citron, one large half-cup of finely chopped suet, one tablespoon of salt and one-half cup of strong cider vinegar. Stir well together and cook till thick. When cold add one teaspoon each of ground cinnamon and cloves and one tablespoon of grated nutmeg. Stir thoroughly and keep (while it lasts) in a stone jar.—Good Housekeeping.