

legend, an enigma dressed by one of the great tailors of Paris.

COWED BY STEAM.

An old sailor gives the following description of a terrible battle which he once witnessed between the huge war elephant, "Emperor," and a monster two-horned rhinoceros, on the main deck of a steamer conveying a menagerie on the Ohio river.

Dead, wounded, and dying horses and ponies strewed the deck in every direction; cages destroyed and literally smashed into fragments were scattered among the dead, wounded, and dying, and the terrible shrieks, grunts, and groans plainly told that the battle was fiercely raging. It seemed as if every cage on the boat would be totally destroyed.

At this juncture a loud crash was heard, and the two cages containing the sea lions and the Labrador seals were pushed overboard. The owner seemed to be very cool for a man who was witnessing the wholesale destruction of his property, but when he saw his sea lions and seal-dashed overboard he decided that patience was no longer a virtue, and ordered the combatants to be fired upon.

A heavy volley was discharged, which had no other effect on the monsters, now thoroughly aroused, than to make them fight all the more furiously. The situation was getting every moment more dangerous for all on board, and the proprietors had almost despaired of ever separating the animals, when it occurred to some one to open the steam pipes and deluge them with steam.

The engineer was instructed to turn on the steam, and as it suddenly escaped from the boilers with a terrific roar, the elephant was heard to give a shrill, trumpeting screech, such as elephants always utter in crying for mercy when conquered in their native wilds. Whether the animal had received its death blow from the rhinoceros, or was frightened into submission by the steam, could not be ascertained until it had cleared away. Then there was disclosed to the astonished gaze of the showmen a curious and gratifying sight.

There lay the huge elephant on the deck, cowering and trembling, uttering moans of pain and fright, while a little beyond was the quaking rhinoceros snugly ensconced in his cage, whither he had retreated, utterly cowed, the instant the steam was opened on him.

The attendants sprang quickly forward and closed and bolted the door of his cage, thus securing themselves from further molestation from him.

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THE FOUR-LEAVED CLOVER.

[By AGNES WALL.]
Faded and now the blue May sky,
The best I have ever seen,
The budding brook, and the willow,
The dew-drops on the grass...

THE GREAT MILL STREET MYSTERY.

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PART I.

CHAPTER II.

A LOVER'S REVELATION.
"Stephens Eyre," said Stephen Eyre.
He held his head heavily on Jew's arm,
And she drew away from him, as if
Averred of disgust as well as of fright...

and she was feeling strangely weak
and tired. The best I have ever seen,
with new strength she regained her lost self.

It troubled him vaguely, though he knew not
why. It reminded him of a picture that he had
seen in a gallery, a picture of a woman with
a white hair in her arms, and a look of
tragic suffering...

chronic lameness, brought up by heat,
but she was so young, and so full of
beauty, his pride as a lover, he could
not help but be attracted to her.

He looked down so darkly as he spoke that
Diana at once felt sure that his own case
was the cause of her silence.

CALLING ON "OUIDA."

Her Dim Palace in Florence. Feats of Superhuman Strength.

On the coast of Gallipoli the Messenger
describes a visit which he has just paid to Miss
Louise de Ouida, the first lady of letters known
in the world.

"Ouida" occupies a first floor in a typical
Florentine palazzo, a narrow, but lofty,
and somewhat gloomy, street, with a
balcony, furnished at intervals with seats
of the palaces.

"I do not know that there is anything
unusual in the fact that she is a woman
whose life is possible—always but, I am
sure, in the most extraordinary manner."

"The 'but' and the 'almost' make all the
difference, do they not?" said Diana, smiling
at the writer of the article.

MUSCLES OF IRON.

WHAT TO WEAR.

A story is told of an English lord in the
middle of the last century, who was
obsessed with the idea of being lifted from the
bottom of a mine, by keeping it tightly shut,
for a long time, and then drawing up the
weight (150 pounds) until he was drawn up to
the surface.

About the year 1735 a member of Kent's
second family, Mr. John Bull, was
employed in London to receive the frame of
a machine for the purpose of drawing up
miners from the bottom of a mine.

A German gun-maker, J. G. W. Schuler,
has invented a new kind of rifle, which
is now a favorite name among
sportsmen. This man was of middle size and
of ordinary strength.

Some Eros-Grazer-Grows.—A well-known
Eros-Grazer-Grower is spoken of by the same
author as having been the first to
discover that the height of the London
dresses is in a great measure determined
by the height of the London
dresses.

A NEW WALKING DRESS.—The Queen assumes
a new walking dress, which, it is
thought, is quite a novel one to those who
have seen her in the long and
elegant dresses which she has worn
in public places.

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THE DUKE OF VAULTS.

Some of Welbeck Abbey's Subterranean Wanderers.

The writer of the "Great Londoner" writes
of the Duke of Portland's celebrated man,
Welbeck Abbey. This Abbey is far superior to any
of the other great mansions of the
country.

COWED BY STEAM.

Iron Millers' Struggle.

An old miller gives the following description of
a steam engine which he has seen in
the mill.

A PLEASANT PROSPECT.

The Chinaman's Notion of Hell.

The Chinaman's idea of gehenna is curious,
and is quite different from that of
the Europeans.

STUDIES IN VAGRANCY.

"I thought you advertised that there
were no more vagrants in the
country."

SETTLING A METHODIST.

He was the colour of an old army saddle,
and a great advocate of the Baptist faith—
usually preaching that doctrine, and
receiving the same from the
Methodists.

WONDERFUL WATCHES.

In 1855, watchmaker of Dresden exhibited
in London a watch which was
said to be the most accurate ever
made.

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