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70 inch bleached table linen 50c
72 inch satin damask 75c, napkins to match \$2.45
72 inch mercerized table damask 55c
Mercerized napkins \$1.50
54x81 inch fringed linen table cloths 75c
36 inch lunch cloth, red border, fringed, 50c
Doilies 6 to 16 inches 5c each. Tray cloths 25c.
Lunch cloth 50c to \$2.50
50 dozen linen napkins 30c dozen.
54 inch table padding 30c.
Colored crochet quilts, fringed \$1.00.
White crochet quilts, 48c, 65c, 75c and up.
17x32 inch huck towels 4 for 25c,
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"But the beautiful women are not," he answered.
Then she looked soulfully up into his eyes and told him she had said it just to be contrary and not because she thought it for a moment.—Household Ledger.

Faithful to the Law.
"Why did you let him get away from you?" thundered the chief.
"He—er—took a mean advantage of me," replied the green detective. "He ran across the grass in the park, and"—
"Well?"
"Well, there was a sign there. 'Keep Off the Grass.'"—Philadelphia Press.

Erskine's Retort.
Erskine, appointed lord chancellor, was offered at a low price the official robes of the retiring lord, but said: "No. It should not be said that I had adopted the abandoned habits of my predecessor."

Changed His Mind.
"I thought it was a case of love at first sight."
"It was, but he concluded that second sight was best."—Brooklyn Life.

The Penalty.
"In your bachelors' club what is the penalty for marrying?"
"Marriage."—Town Topics.

An indiscreet man is an unsealed letter. Every one can read it.—Chamfort.

Story and Everett.
Chief Justice Story attended a public dinner in Boston at which Edward Everett was present. Desiring to pay a delicate compliment to the latter, the learned judge proposed as a volunteer toast:
"Fame follows merit where Everett goes."

The brilliant scholar arose and responded:
"To whatever heights judicial learning may attain in this country, it will never get above one Story."—Success.

Exercise For Both.
"Does your wife go in for athletics?"
"Um—yes, in a way. She went out yesterday to take exercise; said she was going to walk up a long hill."
"And did she?"

"No; she got into the dry goods district and ran up a long bill instead. You can easily see that I am the one who was exercised."—Kansas City Journal.

Answered.
I heard a good story the other day about a matrimonial agency. An elderly man had three daughters who ruled him with a rod of iron. Weary of their tyranny, he advertised in a paper for a wife. Next day he received three replies—one from each of the daughters.—Exchange.

Wasted Effort.
Some people spend a good deal of time figuring on what they would do if they had an immense amount of money. That is the reason they have not got an immense amount of money.

SUFFERING OF CATTLE

Charged That Live Stock
Were Exposed for Five
Days Without
Food.

THIS MAY BRING ACTION

Humane Society Investigates Charge
That Pere Marquette Allowed
Dumb Brutes to be on
the Road Penned up for
Days.

Cattle buyers in the county and those interested in the work of the Humane society say that the Pere Marquette railroad has been guilty of gross cruelty to live stock while in transit to Chicago, and by correspondence that has passed between authorities in the case, action will be brought against the company for their negligence in allowing cattle to remain exposed to the cold and without food or water for at least three days. This is charged against the company by Engelbut & Boyle, dealers in live stock near Berrien Springs.

It is alleged that this firm shipped out a lot of cattle from Berrien Springs Tuesday afternoon in a regulation cattle car. Wednesday the car was brought to Benton Harbor for transfer to the Chicago route. Saturday afternoon the dealers claim the car had not reached the Union Stock yards in Chicago and they have sustained a heavy loss.

The matter was reported to Henry Kephart, who is interested in Humane society work at Berrien Springs and in a strong letter he laid the case before Capt. Lloyd Clark of St. Joseph, who has been in charge of the work of this county since the disability of Mr. Whitehead. This charge was investigated and it was learned that the cattle had suffered terribly on the road and that they had been delayed for several days before delivery at their destination.

In turn Capt. Clark asked the assistance of James J. Shortoff, president of the national humane society and a leading Chicago attorney and in answer he has his opinion that there has been a flagrant violation of the interstate law regarding the transportation of cattle.

It is claimed that suits will be filed against the railroad company within a short time.—Benton Harbor Evening News. Jan. 28.

Poor Place For Thieves.
Bermuda is not accustomed to thieves. No experienced Bermudian will enter the profession of pilfering, at least of taking things that cannot be immediately eaten. For what can be done with them? If any property is taken the officers of the law have only to watch the steamship docks. The stuff cannot be disposed of on the islands. They are too small, and everybody knows everybody.

It is a Bermudian legend that once a bicycle was stolen. It was the talk of the town. The next ensuing problem of the thief was how to get any good of it. He did not dare use it; he could not send it out of the country. That he finally "gave it up" was proved when six months later a fisherman brought up the missing wheel from fairly deep water upon his hook.

Wild Parrots.
Parrots when in their native wilds live in flocks and guard themselves by a complete police system which enables them to marshal their collective force quickly when any animal or bird attacks one of their number.

They seem to be disciplined and trained in fighting together, and all other birds and animals are afraid to attack a parrot unless the bird can be caught alone. Even then a shrill call summons the parrot army to the rescue.

It is said that in the forests all parrots die of old age and that none is ever killed by birds of prey or other wild animals.

"De man dat kin profit by good advice," says Uncle Eben, "has to be about fo' times as smart as de man dat gives it."—Washington Star.

TEACHER'S MEETING.

Program to be Carried Out Jan. 30 at
Watervliet.

Music, Institute; The Scholar and the School, Spencer Barnum; Discussion, General; The Teacher Out of School, Willis Emerson; Discussion, General.

1:30 p. m.

Piano Solo, Claud Pelton; The Head and the Hand, C. D. Jennings; Vocal Solo, Jennie Lepper; Symposium,—The School, From the Patron's View, Mrs. A. N. Woodruff; From the School Board's View, Leon D. Case; From the Teacher's View, W. H. Marsh; Vocal Solo, Nina Wolcott.

The ladies of the Congregational church will serve chicken pie dinner

STRICKEN WITH PARALYSIS

J. W. Schermerhorn of the J. I. Case
Company Dies Suddenly at the
Home of S. D. Moody.

The following article, taken from a recent number of the Oshkosh (Wis.) Times, contains the account of the sad and untimely death of Mr. John Schermerhorn, brother of Mrs. S. C. Cook, of Clear Lake:

After a severe illness of only a few hours' duration, John W. Schermerhorn, manager of the branch office and distributing house of the J. I. Case Threshing Machine company, in this city, died very suddenly yesterday morning at 9:45 o'clock at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Moody, 169 Church street where he and his wife made their home.

Paralysis was given as the cause of his unexpected demise. Up to Monday evening he was enjoying his usual good health but in the evening while at a table playing a game of whist with his wife and Mr. and Mrs. Moody he suddenly threw his hands to his head and complained of a sudden, severe pain. He was advised by those present to get up and walk around the room, but he grew exceedingly restless and the people became alarmed. Every known home remedy was used to relieve his distress. A telephone message was sent to summon Dr. Gage but she could not be found. Dr. Titus was sent for and he arrived in a short time. Dr. Clark was also summoned. The doctors could do nothing and at 9:45 the patient lapsed into unconsciousness. He remained in this condition until his death which occurred the next morning at 9:45 o'clock. The deceased had suffered a severe attack of headache on a previous occasion but the illness showed no sign of paralysis. It is said that the attack, Monday evening which resulted in death, was the first he had had so far as was known.

His death has prostrated his wife. Mr. and Mrs. Schermerhorn came to this city last April when the decedent took charge of the local house of the J. I. Case company. During his brief business career in this city he has made a large number of friends. His home is at Springfield, Ill., and relatives there have been notified of his death. The decedent was a Mason and belongs to the Knights Templar and Mystic Shrine.

Butler Took the Case.
An old gentleman, a native of Wakefield, Mass., tells this story of Ben Butler:

"I had an important law case on, and I felt no one could win that case for me but Ben Butler. He was in Washington at the time. I went to Washington and after hard scrambling for two days got an audience with him. He said he wouldn't take my case for \$1,000 a day. He had more work on his hands now than he could attend to, and he went about his work right then."

"General," I said, "I was born in the same town with you."

"He grunted, but wasn't otherwise affected that I could see."

"Do you remember little Miss —? And you remember the boy who used to send notes to her and the boy who used to take them? I am the boy who took the notes."

"And I am the boy who sent them," said the general. He held out his hand. "I guess I'll take your case after all," he said, and he did and won it."

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64 by 68 inch all linen half bleached cloths, heavy weight \$1.25

64 by 84 inch all linen half bleached cloths, heavy weight \$1.45

2 yards square all bleached cloths heavy double damask \$2.50

Scroll, poppy, chrysanthemum and rose patterns

2 yards wide by 2½ long, heavy bleached damask cloths beautiful pattern \$3.00

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22 inch napkins to match \$2.85

This lot of cloths is positively the best values ever offered from this store.

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Mail orders will receive prompt attention.

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113-115 NORTH MICHIGAN ST.,

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Monday Club.

The M. L. Club met with Mrs. Emery Monday, Jan. 25; called to order by the President, opening exercises consisting of reading of 46 Psalm and repeating of Lord's prayer, conducted by Mrs. Emery. Mrs. M. Dodd had a good report as critic. Mrs. East read the secretary's report in the absence of Mrs. Roe. History lesson was conducted in a spirited manner by Mrs. Phelps. Mrs. Graham read an article on Cathedrals, also bringing out the life of Thomas a Becket. Mrs. C. Crotser read a good paper on the life of John Wycliff, the forerunner of the reformation. Mrs. Smith read a paper, the Famous Schools of England.

After recess Mrs. E. S. Dodd sang a solo "Jerusalem." Mrs. Graham at the piano, which was received with much applause; Mrs. Howard had an excellent paper on Printing, bringing out the vast improvements that have been made; Mrs. E. S. Dodd read a paper giving an account of the House of Stuart; King Henry IV.—Shakespeare by Miss Samson brought out the main points in both parts of the

play and sketches of the principal characters. Recreation by Mrs. Williams, assisted by Mrs. Blake at the piano, was a welcome change. Roll call, quotations from Pope.

Club to meet with Mrs. Kent for annual banquet Wednesday, Feb. 3, 1904.

Low Rates on Big Four.

Feb. 9 to 15 inclusive the Big 4 R. R. will have especially low rates for round trip, Niles to New Orleans, La.; Mobile, Ala.; and Pensacola, Fla. Tickets will be good returning until Feb. 20, with an extension until Mar. 5 by payment of fee of 50 cents. Rates given on account of Mardi Gras.

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Use Chase and Sanborn's high grade coffee. W. H. Keller.

SPIRO'S INVENTORY SALE.

After Christmas we take an inventory of our stock. The holiday buying naturally leaves many odds and ends, broken lots, and overlooked patterns, everything in fact that is left from a big season's selling.

We make it a rule never to carry over these remnants. Every year at this time we sort over, pick out and arrange certain patterns and sizes that we wish to move rapidly and cut the prices.

Here and there are groups of overcoats that have not moved as rapidly as we thought they would—we'll just take \$6 off the price of every one of them. That's one instance. On another lot the reduction is \$4, and so on.

Here's a fine suit of underwear that was overlooked—we'll mark that \$1.00—it was \$1.50.

In suits you'll find bargains galore—reductions that mean savings of \$2.50 to \$6 on a suit—and a selection that is almost as extensive as at the height of the season.

A splendid chance for you to save wisely and shrewdly on every article you need in the wearing apparel line and an opportunity not to be overlooked.

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RELIGIOUS THOUGHT.

Gems Gleaned From the Teachings of All Denominations.

True Christianity is found in the church and not elsewhere. The church is the form of the religion of Christ, which thus becomes historic, permanent, consistent with itself.—Rev. O. N. Jackson, Catholic, Atlanta, Ga.

Essential Christian Doctrines.
The universal fatherhood of God and the universal brotherhood of man are great Christian doctrines which Jesus gave the world, and when they are realized heaven will have come down to earth.—Rev. Dr. George Baker, Presbyterian, Philadelphia.

Following a Definite Idea.
God is a vague idea until we look at God and think of him through the life and teaching of Christ. So every man's life ought to be the definition and the practical working of some noble idea. Men fail when they do not know what they are here for and let other people know it.—Rev. Frederick E. Hopkins, Congregationalist, Chicago.

Truth Stronger Than Error.
Today there is a splendid and growing confidence that truth is stronger than error, light than darkness, love than hate. The doctrine that prophesies the victories of the armies of God and the final reconciliation of all men to himself is the evangel that is gladdening the world and nerving all good men in their conflict with evil.—Rev. R. E. Sykes, Denver.

Living in Two Worlds.
Where there is joy in heaven there is joy on earth. We are living in two worlds at a time—in the world temporal and the world spiritual. This is the lesson. Let us take it to ourselves with the thought that neither height nor depth nor principalities nor powers can separate us from the love of Christ and the power of the resurrection.—Rev. Dr. W. H. McGladin, Universalist, Atlanta, Ga.

An Index of the Soul.
We have all seen faces that were benedictions and looked into "eyes that were homes of silent prayer." It is the glory of our common humanity that it can suggest in the flesh the lineaments of the Master. It is possible to be so full of his spirit as to have a face from which meanness and impotence have fled, a face that declares a calm and sustaining virtue, a face written over with purity, strength and love messages more potent than words.—Rev. C. L. Kloss, Congregationalist, St. Louis.

The Magnet of the Cross.
Let us carry the magnet of the cross, charged with the resistless energy of love and sacrifice, if we would win men back from paganism and materialism, and not waste our time in trying to change men with the elements of culture and enlightenment, that so they may have affinity with the cross when it is presented. No! Sin is its affinity; sorrow and want and woe are its affinity. Hold the cross up, clear and uncovered, and men will come to it and find healing and hope and life.—Rev. Dr. W. W. Boyd, Baptist, St. Louis.

The Christian Message.
If the Christian church is to keep alive and be a power there must be an enthusiastic following. The church will retain thoughtful men and women only as long as they receive help. Mankind must be fed. There are certain sensational and temporary efforts made by preachers which cause a ripple in public attention, but it is poor stuff in the long run. Nine-tenths of the people want a personal message to their souls about God, sin, salvation, courage, hope, immortality and comfort.—Rev. W. A. Bartlett, Congregationalist, Chicago.

Christ's Definition of Neighbor.
Christ's meaning of "neighbor" was any man who needs our help. He may not be of our social set, among our friends or relatives or even of our acquaintance, but if a man is in trouble, in distress or is helpless he then becomes our neighbor. Love thy neighbor as thyself is a doctrine that every one is obliged to believe. The spirit of love should overstep all conventionalities. It alone can make our lives sublime. Work without ostentation; serve with simplicity. "Duty turns to privilege when prompted by love."—Rev. Milton F. Negus, Baptist, Philadelphia.

Waiting on God.
Absalom failed because he did not learn the master secret of life—to wait on God, to wait until God approves our plan of life, to wait until he leads in its execution. Saul failed because of his self will and impatience. David won the crown of divine and human glory because he enthroned God in all things. The heart of youth throbs high with dreams and aspirations. These are God given and light the way of life. Obedience to the divine counsel will lead to abiding dominion. Rebellion against it will bring ruin and judgment. Life truly centered will in due time find all.—Rev. Dr. N. Luccock, Methodist, St. Louis.

The Last Straw.
The old proverb that it is the last straw that breaks the camel's back was never truer than today, never found more frequent application than now. It is not the burden of duty that breaks down so many men and women before their time, but the something extra, the added weight tagged on to the burden. It is not the allotted bundle of duty which God lays on the shoulders of every man that kills, but it is the plusses which our own foolish ambition or senseless worry or the selfishness of other people create which wear out so many travelers in the great caravan of human history. The lone desert life is strewn with the bones of many who would have borne bravely to the end their allotted burden, but who failed by the way because something extra was added, and the poor soul staggered to its fall before the journey was half accomplished.—Rev. Dr. Donald Sage Mackay.

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JANUARY 29, 1904.

Ingratitude.

What do you think of the person whom you have befriended in material things, forgetting all about your help and perhaps, even using that which you have helped him to get, in doing you an injury?

We believe there are few people if any, who will read these words who would be guilty of such base ingratitude as to use the material benefits derived through the help of a friend to do that friend an injury; but, just stop and consider a moment and see if you are not indifferent of some friend's good efforts for you. Have you shown the appreciation you ought for some of the things you now enjoy through the kindness of some friend?

There are many people who are very careful about how they treat their friends, but oh, how indifferent they are to the Friend who bestows on them the most of all.

Our attention has been attracted to this very forcibly quite lately, and the words of earth's greatest Teacher have come to us with more force than ever, (Luke 14: 10-20 inclusive) as He looked down through the ages He saw that the lands, the cattle, and even the wife that He had so generously bestowed on mankind would be the very means to prevent them from doing His will. Go into the meeting of the different churches during the week and see how few men you will find at the services, and ask those who are not there why they are not, and they will make the same excuse as they made two thousand years ago, either lands, oxen or wife.

This America of ours has been most bountifully blessed by an all wise and merciful God, but those very blessings are made the excuse by men for neglecting the meetings to honor Him.

Dear friends some of you who will read these lines no doubt are making some of these excuses now. We would not dare say you are not good men for we know that some of you are, but consider for a while and ask yourselves the question: Am I allowing lands, cattle or family to prevent me from doing service for Him? We believe that according to the teaching of Holy Writ we ought not to allow anything to stand in our way of the service of God's house.

Christian business man, are you not fearful that the God you have vowed to serve will withdraw some of the business he has so graciously bestowed on you when he sees that it takes all your time to attend to it so that He, and sometimes your family are neglected?

Christian farmers, are you allowing the bountiful harvests and the increase in cattle to so engross all your time as to prevent your getting out at least one evening in the week to a service of praise and worship? Remember that all our blessings come from God and that when he sees that they so absorb us that we can not give the thought to Him we ought to, he will remove them and bestow them on others more appreciative of them.

Young men you may have married a wife and all the world may be to you a round of pleasure, but do not forget God, for he has said "For all these things I will bring you to judgment." Use lands, cattle and home to bring you closer to God and not to forget Him.

PRESENTS TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS

Don't Forget That We Are Just Beginning to Give Presents

Our desire is to give every RECORD subscriber a present, but it must be done in a limited time. We expect to give out more presents in the next week or two than we have so far.

If your subscription is due, or will be due inside of three months, come in and renew and get a present. If your subscription is not due for three months or more, come in, pay 25c for which your can have the RECORD three months longer and a present. If you are not a subscriber now is the time to subscribe and get a present. Everybody gets a present. Blame no one but yourself should you not get a present.

The following presents were given out the past two days: Bible, W. H. Hess, Galien rural 2; \$1.00 cash, D. W. Boon; Farmer's Friend, J. H. Snodgrass.

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Read the Record.

Solving a Great Problem.

Some years ago a tobaccoist discovered the utility of tinfoil for wrapping tobaccos. Theretofore paper had been exclusively used for the purpose, but it did not serve to keep the moisture of the atmosphere away from the tobacco nor preserve the natural moisture of the tobacco from the effects of a dry or heated atmosphere. Paper also absorbed the aroma of the weed and was not sufficiently lasting; therefore tinfoil was used for wrappers. But it became costly and could only be rolled to a certain thickness, beyond which the ingenuity of man seemed to find it impossible to go. The fact was that no rollers could be made to sustain the pressure necessary to mashing the tinfoil to a leaf sufficiently thin to suit the manufacturer.

Many ingenious inventors struggled with the proposition for months and gave up the problem as unsolvable, when a simple workman about the shop one day, after rolling two sheets to the customary thickness, put the two sheets together into the rollers and made both half as thin as they were before. This was as simple as standing an egg on end, but it created a revolution in the manufacture of tinfoil for tobaccoists' use and made a mint of money for the discoverer.

How Heavy a Brick May Be.

Some years ago one man bet another that he could not move an ordinary brick tied to the end of a cord two or three miles long. A straight and level road just outside Chichester, N. Y., was selected for the trial. The brick was not moved, and the man lost his bet for a large amount. It was stated by some one present that the brick, although weighing only seven pounds; would from a distance of two or three miles represent a dead weight of nearly a ton.

Brutally Tortured.

A case came to light that for persistent and unmerciful torture has perhaps never been equaled. Joe Golobick of Colusa, Cal., writes. "For 15 years I endured insufferable pain from rheumatism and nothing relieved me though I tried everything known. I came across Electric Bitters and it's the greatest medicine on earth for that trouble. A few bottles of it completely relieved and cured me." Just good for Liver and Kidney troubles and general debility. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by W. N. Brodrick, druggist.

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When in need of the best sack of Buckwheat in town, come and see us.
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OUR WASHINGTON LETTER

A plan has been proposed in congress for the employment of retired army officers. At present they are occupied, on full pay, as pall-bearers, guests at teas and devotees at clubs. Congress will be requested to order 250 of them to recruiting stations, to serve in connection with state militia, and upon courts martial and inquiry. This, if accomplished, will relieve a number of officers on the active list and permit them to attend strictly to military duties.

Graham Bell, inventor of the telephone, arrived in this city this week with the body of James Smithson, philanthropist, transferred from its resting place in Genoa, to the Smithsonian grounds in this city. Natural son of the Duke of Northumberland, and thus out off from his aristocratic connections, he deliberately chose the life of scholar, philosopher, philanthropist. In the revolutionary war he opposed his countrymen and sent a caustic letter to his cousin Percy who was suddenly missing from his command during the battle of Bunker Hill. Smithson gave half a million dollars to found the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, prophesying that the results of the gift would bring him the fame he coveted. "after the Northumblands are forgotten." It is hoped the scientist and scholar will not be give an unfamiliar seat on horseback, in the statue they are erect on the Smithsonian grounds in this city.

The National Board of Trade, in session in Washington, asks congress to discontinue the coinage of silver dollars, and to direct the Treasury to exchange gold for them when presented; to provide for a merchant marine; to adopt the metric system; to provide for a parcel post; to reduce letter postage to one cent; and to protect the flag from being used for advertising purposes.

Enjoys Trip in East as Reward For Work

Miss Georgia Emery, formerly of this city, who is now the superintendent for the state of Michigan in the woman's department of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, is at present taking a trip in the east which was awarded to her on the strength of her record in her insurance work.

During the month of December the company held a competitive trial in insurance writing, offering as a premium this eastern trip to all its underwriters who succeeded in writing a certain number of policies.

The party of winning underwriters in the contest, left Detroit, January 19. It traveled in a special car at the expense of the company and was taken directly to Springfield, Mass., for the annual meeting and banquet. Miss Emery was one of the speakers at the latter.

Since the annual meeting, Miss Emery has remained in the east, visiting at Boston and other points. She will return to Michigan sometime this week.—The Muskegon Daily Chronicle.

Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

Never try to discover the age of a gift lion by looking at its teeth.

The course of true love runs smooth when a smooth man courts a rich girl.

It used to be "Ho, for Kansas!" but now it is necessary to take along a twine binder.

Even the adulterations to the adulterations are sometimes adulterated in this commercial age.

Can a one armed man only love a girl half as much as a fellow not thus afflicted?

It is foolish to lose sleep because the man next door is living beyond his income.

Oh, Woman!

Oh, woman, in our hour of ease
 You always break the spell
 By saying, sweetly, "Will you please
 Fetch water from the well,
 And chop some kindling wood
 up fine,
 And bring the clothes in off the line."

More Than They Claimed.

"Say," said the irate victim, "you advertised that the house was five minutes' walk from the station."
 "Well?" replied the agent.
 "Why, it's nearly thirty minutes!"
 "Ah, then, as we said farther on in the advertisement, it is more than we claimed."

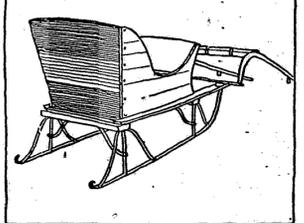
FARM GARDEN

A HOMEMADE SLEIGH.

It Can Be Constructed at Small Expense and Answers Well.

In some parts of the country there is seldom sufficient snow to justify the average farmer in buying and keeping a high priced sleigh. Yet when there does come sleighing, if it is only for a few days, he needs one, or at least his boys do, and then it is too late to buy, even if he so desired, as every sleigh is in use. In view of this, a Farm, Field and Fireside correspondent tells the boys how to make one themselves at little expense.

The first cut shows a homemade sleigh constructed in the farm work

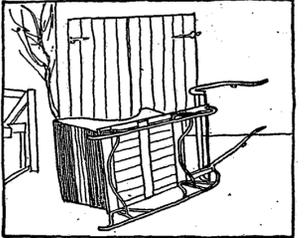


A HOMEMADE SLEIGH.

shop at a cost of \$1.50. The second cut shows the arrangement of the braces and other parts. Two pieces of one-half inch (three-quarters of an inch on the outside) pipe eight feet six inches long are bent the desired shape for runners. Four pieces of three-eighths inch pipe are cut five inches long for the lower part of the uprights. One end of these is hollowed out so as to fit over the top of the runner. Threads are cut on the other ends, and tees are screwed into each piece. Next four more pieces are cut seven inches long, and one end of each is threaded and screwed into the tees, thus forming four rods twelve inches long for the uprights.

One-quarter inch holes are drilled into each runner twenty-seven inches from the rear end and another three feet three inches from these. The uprights are bolted to two 1 1/2 by 4 inch oak scantling two feet six inches long. Four three-eighths inch rods are then cut eighteen inches long, threaded on the end and bent the desired shape, as shown in the second cut, after which they are screwed into the tees on the uprights and bolted to the crosspieces. If no dies are at hand, this upright could be made in one piece and the braces bolted to it.

Four old rake teeth are bent the desired shape and fastened to the crosspieces and runners to prevent the uprights moving endways. Two pieces 1 by 1 1/2 inches by 5 feet 6 inches long are bolted to the top of the crosspieces. A three-eighths inch rod as long as the shafts are wide is fastened to the front end of the sleigh and braced with quarter inch rods bent so one end



ARRANGEMENT OF BRACES.

will extend through the shaft iron into the end of the pipe, while the other end of the rod is bolted to the top footboard. The sleigh bed is made from the lumber from boot boxes and can be formed in any style desired.

A sleigh constructed in this way is light, will run easy and last a long time.

International Live Stock Show.

The handsome steer Silver Crown, fed and exhibited by the Iowa Agricultural college, was the winner in the Shorthorn class of fat cattle at the recent Chicago live stock exposition.

Challenger, the champion fat steer of 1903 at the recent international show, was fed by the Nebraska experiment station; weight, 1,734 pounds; breeding, one-fourth Holstein, one-fourth Shorthorn and one-half Hereford.

In its comments on the recent international, National Stockman says the draft horse exhibit has probably never before been equalled.

Good authorities say that some of the best stock ever seen on this continent was exhibited at the international.

There was a fine showing of registered Percheron horses.

The shows of hogs and of sheep were not extensive, but good, especially in the latter.

What Bacteria Are.

Bacteria are plants. Although they were formerly classed as animals, it is now universally conceded that they are plants. They are single celled and of simple structure, being composed almost entirely of protoplasm. They differ from higher plants in that they contain no chlorophyll (green coloring matter). They resemble more closely the yeasts and molds. There are many different varieties of bacteria. About 1,200 different kinds have been isolated and studied, and new varieties are being found every day. Bacteria are very small, being invisible to the naked eye. It would take about 10,000 average sized bacteria placed end to end to make an inch in length, or it would take about 1,500,000 in a cube to make a mass large enough to be seen with the unaided eye.—Mayo and Kinsley.

The Only Difference.

The waiter was a colored man and was anxious to please. After looking over the bill of fare at the lunch hour I concluded that I wanted a slice of ox tongue, an article which I found among other things to be ordered. Accordingly I told the waiter to bring me a piece of tongue. He returned without any unnecessary delay and shoved the dish out in front of me. I looked it over. It was not tongue at all. The waiter was hanging around the back of my chair, for he knew an explanation would be in order in a few minutes. "Say, old man," I said to him directly, "this is not ox tongue at all." He smiled. Picking up the bill of fare, he said: "I know it ain't ox tongue, boss. You see, the steward done made a mistake. It ought to be ox tail. Dat's the only difference." "The only difference," I repeated, and the humor of the thing dawned on me. "Well," I added directly, "if the difference should be any greater I'll be darned if you wouldn't have to get off the ox." The waiter caught the humor of the situation and snickered his way back to the kitchen.—Galveston News.

An Elastic Appetite.

The American black bear has an appetite that may be appropriately termed elastic. He will kill a thousand pound steer or capture the tiny field mouse for a meal with equal indifference. If a pig or a sheep is not handy to his reach he will dine on a colony of ants or a nest of wood grubs.

He will feast on dainty birds' eggs or sweet stores of wild honey and on the foulest carrion with like gusto. He will fish for the savory trout, but at the same time snap any warty toad or slimy lizard that may happen along that way. He will seek the luscious wild plum when it has ripened or the wild grape among the branches where the vine clammers and bears its fruit, but will not miss the opportunity to make food of any snake that may lie in ambush there for birds that come to peck at the plums or grapes. The bear has a comprehensive palate. There is scarcely a thing in the animal or vegetable kingdom that will not tickle it.

A Haitian Glass Eye.

Some years ago a Haitian general wrote to a Paris optician to supply him with a glass eye. The optician, flattering himself that a successful eye would secure for him a Haitian decoration, devoted his utmost intelligence to the production of a splendid glass optic. Six months elapsed. A small box reached him from Haiti. A cross glittered in his imagination; but, to his horror, within folds of cotton, was his original eye, accompanied by the following note: "Sir—The eye you forwarded to me is of a tint that resembles that of the Spanish flag, and I am too patriotic to wear any but the color of my country." The optician proceeded at once to the admiralty, there ascertained the colors of the Haitian flag and then manufactured a scarlet and green eye, which he forwarded.

Successful Reminder.

A small church was sadly in need of repairs, and a meeting was held with a view to raising funds for the purpose. The minister having said that \$500 would be needed, a very wealthy and stingy member arose and said he would give \$1. Just as he sat down a large piece of plaster fell from the ceiling and struck him on his head, whereupon he jumped up, hastily and said that he had made a mistake, that he would give \$50. This was too much for an enthusiastic deacon present, who, forgetting of everything, called out fervently: "O Lord, hit him again! Hit him again!"—Mount Morris (Ill.) Index.

In a Minute.

We do a good many things in a minute. For instance, we are whirled on the outside of the earth just thirteen miles and have gone around the sun 1,039 miles; a ray of light has traveled 11,100,000 miles; the lowest sound your ear can catch has made 990 vibrations; the loudest tone 2,228,000 vibrations; twenty-four barrels of beer have gone down 12,096 throats; 6,873 cigars have been made; 300 tons of coal have been mined, and \$66 worth of gold has been extracted from mother earth.

St. Martin and the Dictionary.

St. Martin when he divided his cape with a naked beggar at the gate of Amiens gave also two words to the English language. The oratory in which this torn cape was preserved as a sacred banner acquired the name of "chape" (from the French "chape"), the custodian being termed "chaplain," and thus our English words "chapel" and "chaplain" are derived.—Westminster Gazette.

Her Conclusion.

"Do you think your father has any idea that I have serious intentions concerning you?"
 "I heard him telling mother the other day that he didn't think it would cost any more to have you at the table regularly than it does for me to feed you from the pantry shelves every night."—Chicago Record-Herald.

How to Meet Strange Dogs.

If a strange dog chances to cross your path speak kindly to him instead of using the boot. The magic power of the voice may save you from a bite. And never shrink from a dog that jumps toward you. That would be an exhibition of fear that he is apt to take advantage of. Stand your ground, greet him kindly and, above all things, never run away from him.

How to Make Mock Sausage.

Soak dry bread in water. Take as much cold meat, chopped fine, as you have bread, mix and season with salt, pepper and sage. Make into small cakes and fry.

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Estate of William H. Long, Deceased.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, the Probate Court for the County of Berrien.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of St. Joseph in said County, on the 11th day of January A. D. 1904.

Present: Hon. Frank H. Ellsworth, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of William H. Long deceased, Bell Long, having filed in said Court her petition praying that a certain instrument in writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, now on file in said court be admitted to probate, and that the administration of said estate be granted to Bell Long or to some other suitable person.

It is ordered, that the 5th day of February A. D. 1904, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, he and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Buchanan Record, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

(A true copy) FRANK H. ELLSWORTH, Register of Probate, Judge of Probate.

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BENTON HARBOR.

Patrician Court No. 1 gave a box social and dance Tuesday night.

The Degree of Honor held a necktie social last Saturday night.

Miss Hester Dalrymple has been visiting her niece, Mrs. Rufus Walters in Detroit.

John W. Needham of St. Joseph, has been having an attack of asthma.

The mercury has been as low as 4 below zero the past week.

The Elks gave a minstrel show last week Friday and Saturday evenings.

Sickness prevented our sending a communication last week.

Capt. Wilson of St. Joseph has a set of nets frozen in the ice a few miles southwest of this port.

The parlors of the Universalist church are being fitted up for living rooms and will be occupied by the pastor, Miss Haight and her mother.

Harry Getz's eighteen months old child has been in a critical condition with diphtheria. Last Saturday doctors inserted a tube in its larynx and it now stands a chance of recovery.

On account of the severe cold Sunday evening, services were suspended in Baptist, Congregational and M. E. churches. In St. Joseph the only service was in the Methodist church.

Miss Grace Dewey, teacher of Latin and Greek in the high school has resigned her position and will go Thursday to take one in the schools of Portland, Oregon. Her place will be filled by Miss Eva Morris, of Ypsilanti.

John L. Taylor, of Chicago, has bought the Farwell factory and will soon put it to use in making a reaper attachment and other hardware inventions which he has patented and has been having made at other factories. He will now make them himself and we wish him success.

Miss Nellie Cushing, a Chicago evangelist, is conducting interesting and successful revival services at the Rescue Mission. Similar meetings are being held at the S. D. Advent church by Evangelist Kelley and his five young sons. The boys dress in uniform and sing, recite scripture and play on cornets, a banjo and mandolin.

DAYTON.

One hundred and twenty-five attended the leap year Patrician banquet Tuesday evening. About forty-five from Buchanan and a number from the Niles court were also present. After a short program the ladies found the gentlemen who had a number corresponding to their own and ate supper with him. The supper was fine and every one seemed to have a good time.

Vanlew's show at the school house Saturday night.

A. C. Weaver was in Galien on business, Monday.

Ferdinand Smith of Baroda, was in town Monday.

Burton Martin is home.

Mrs. E. Parkinson of Buchanan, visited Mrs. A. C. Weaver, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Weaver and baby visited in Buchanan, Saturday. Will Richter of Michigan City, was home over Sunday.

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FARM AND GARDEN

THE WOOD LOT.

Farm Forestry in Southern New England—Successive Cuttings.

The method of successive cuttings for the reproduction of timber described by Professor H. S. Graves of the Yale forest school in the Woodlot, a handbook for owners of woodlands in southern New England, holds points of interest for any one interested in good forestry. This method consists in cutting and at the same time providing for the reproduction of a mer-



A FIFTY-YEAR-OLD WOOD LOT.

[This is to be reproduced by the method of successive thinnings. The picture was taken immediately after the first thinning.]

chantable stand by a series of rather heavy trimmings. A period of ten to twenty years elapses between the first thinning (see the first cut) and the time when the last old trees are cut away from above the new crop of seedlings. It is a good method for those owners who do not wish to cut their woods clear at one time, but prefer gradually to transform them into a new and thrifty crop of desirable trees. The method of successive thinnings is also applicable to stands of such kinds of hard woods as bear heavy seed, like hickory and oak, because the seed will then be dropped in abundance all over the ground, whereas, if the land is cut clear, the seed must be brought by animals, and a longer time will be required for reproduction.

This method is well suited to tracts belonging to water companies, where a constant forest cover is required for the protection of the watershed. It may be used also by owners of country estates who maintain woodlands as parks, and therefore prefer, as soon as the woods become mature, to have



A DENSE STAND OF HARD WOOD.

[About forty years old and in need of improvement cuttings.]

them cut gradually rather than all at once. After the first thinning a young growth of new seedlings and sprouts from the stumps of the old trees will come in. As soon as the ground is covered with this young growth the remaining trees can be removed in several successive cuttings, stretched over a period of ten to fifteen years. The method is particularly applicable to hard wood stands which are relatively even aged, like old sprout woods sixty to eighty years old.

The woodsman would make the cuttings in the following way: In the first thinning he would take out the dead, dying and defective trees. Defective trees include those having frog stools or canker scars on their trunks, hollow trees, those partly girdled at the base by fire, those whose trunks have been attacked by borers, top dry trees and those badly broken or bent by ice and snow. Suppressed trees and those crowding more thrifty trees are also cut, just as in improvement cuttings. Very small trees are cut because they are usually suppressed so badly that they would never recover, and it is therefore better to remove them and make way for a new crop. The largest crowned trees are also cut, because later on they would injure the new seedling undergrowth much more than the trees with smaller crowns. The removal of all these classes of trees would take away about 30 per cent of an average second growth hard wood stand and leave about 125 to 150 trees per acre.

The woodsman would make the second thinning as soon as the young growth is well established and begins by retarded height growth to show the need of more light. In the second thinning some small growth would necessarily be broken, but with care the damage would be very slight and undoubtedly would be remedied by new growth from the seed of the trees still standing. The young growth might be so far advanced at the time of the second thinning that the whole stand could be cleared. On the other hand it might be desirable to make a third thinning before the removal of the last old trees.

Guesswork will not do in the dairy and is the cause of keeping more "cow boarders" than all other things combined.

UNION STATION.

A New One Completed at Benton Harbor.

The new union depot at Benton Harbor is all completed, it was built by the Pere Marquette railroad, but will be used by both it and the Big Four. The Pere Marquette took formal possession of the new building Thursday, but the other road will not be able to get in until the old depot is removed so its tracks can be run into the new building. Supt. Place, of the Pere Marquette, and Supt. Blizard, of the Big Four, were both there to attend the finishing details of the work.

The new depot is a thoroughly modern fire proof structure costing \$15,000. It is arranged so that all trains come in on one side and is built with an idea of giving the greatest possible convenience to the patrons of the two roads. Its erection will dispense with the services of several men who have been here for years. George Haight, who has been ticket agent for the Pere Marquette for a long time, will be ticket agent in the new station.—St. Joe Press.

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A Forgiving Spirit.

In his reminiscences General Gordon tells a characteristic anecdote of an eccentric southern divine, the Rev. Robert J. Breckinridge, who was one of the most eloquent and fervid not to say bitter advocates of the Union cause. His trenchant pen and lashing tongue spared neither blood relatives nor ministers nor members of the church, not even those of the same faith with himself, provided he regarded them as untrue to the Union. On his deathbed his family and some of his church members were gathered around him. They were most anxious that he should be reconciled to all men and especially to a southern sympathizer of his own church, Dr. Stuart Robinson of Kentucky, before he died, and they asked him, "Brother Breckinridge, have you forgiven all your enemies?" "Oh, yes; certainly I have." "Well, Brother Breckinridge, have you forgiven our brother, Dr. Stuart Robinson?" "Certainly I have. Didn't I just tell you that I had forgiven all my enemies?" "But, Brother Breckinridge, when you meet Brother Stuart Robinson in heaven do you feel that you can greet him as all the redeemed ought to greet one another?" "Don't bother me with such questions. Stuart Robinson will never get there!"

Box and Its Meanings.

The word "box" has a great many different meanings. Here are some of its uses as a noun substantive: First, a case of any size or material, akin to pyx, from pyxus, the box tree; second, the driver's seat on a carriage, which often has a lid covering a receptacle for small parcels; third, a present, especially a gift at Christmas time; fourth, inclosed seats in a theater or in a court of justice; fifth, a box drain; sixth, a snug private house, as a shooting box; seventh, a cylindrical hollow iron in wheels, in which the axle runs; eighth, a trough for cutting miters in carpentry; ninth, the space between the backboard and sternpost of a boat; tenth, an awkward position—e. g., "in the wrong box"; eleventh, the box tree; twelfth, the box iron of a laundress. Box is used also as a verb (thirteenth), to fight with fists or gloves; fourteenth, to go over the points of the compass in order, describing its divisions; fifteenth, to strike with open hand upon the ear; sixteenth, to open a vessel to turn on her keel, to box haul. Other uses also are consequent upon these.



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House's bus line to Niles will be discontinued till the first of April, then will run twice each day. A single rig to Niles and return \$1.00, if stabled while there. t. f.

A fine lot of primroses, primula obconica, cinerarias all colors now in bloom, also raffia in natural and colors, for basket work, now on sale at River street Greenhouse.

A joint installation of officers of Royal Neighbor Camp 896 and Modern Woodmen Camp 886, will be held at camp hall, Friday evening Jan. 29, 1904. All Royal Neighbors and Woodmen are invited.

Funeral services will begin in the church on Sunday evening, Jan. 30, 1904. These services will be conducted by the pastor for one week, after which they will be conducted by the Rev. E. C. Avis, of Chicago.

The Michigan Central have issued a very handsome folder about the St. Louis World's Fair illustrated by views of the buildings and a ground plan of the fair grounds that will be extremely helpful to visitors wishing to find the proper location of the different buildings. The folder also sets forth the advantages the M. C. R. F., offers in the way of transportation to St. Louis.

BUCHANAN MARKETS

Week ending Jan. 29. Subject to change:

W. H. Keller reports the following:
Butter 20c
Lard 33c
Eggs 28c
Potatoes 40c
Apples 25 to 40c
Onions, 75c
Retail price of Flour is as follows:
Pillsbury Best \$5.60
White Lily 4.40
New Troy Straight 4.40
Durkasco Pat. 5.20
Home Rule 4.00
Golden Medal 5.60
Graham 12 lbs. 30c
Corn Meal 12 lbs. 25c

The Pears-East Grain Co., report the following prices on grain to-day:
Wheat No. 2 Red and White. 87c
Corn, yellow 70 lbs. 40c
Oats No. 3 white. 37c
Rye; 56c
Clover Seed 5.00

Closing of Mails.

GOING EAST

9:15 a. m., 12:15 and 4:45 p. m.

GOING WEST

7:45 a. m., 12:15 p. m., 3:15 p. m., 6:00 p. m.

GOING NORTH

7:45 a. m., 5:45 p. m.

Mrs. Neal Fuller is ill.

Good sweet pickles. W. H. Keller.

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Mr. George Bedee is on the sick list.

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This is "Carnation day," the anniversary of the birthday of Wm. McKinley, his favorite flower being carnation.

'Tisn't safe to be a day without Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil in the house. Never can tell what moment an accident is going to happen.

The ladies aid society of the Larger Hope church will meet with Mrs. J. Blodgett, Feb 3, at 1904, at 2 p. m. A large attendance is desired.

S. C. Cook is putting up ice at his Clear Lake farm for next summer. He has also purchased the large refrigerator of G. E. Smith & Co., grocers. Those going to Cook's next summer will no doubt fare well.

Rev. and Mrs. Marvin, who formerly resided here, announce the arrival at their home in Mt. Carmel, Ill., of a little daughter, Mildred Lucile Marvin. She came Monday of this week. Rev. Marvin is pastor of the Presbyterian church there.

Mrs. Michael, mother of Mrs. John Hamilton, narrowly escaped being cremated Tuesday evening. Mrs. Michael, who was appareled in a dressing saccue of eiderdown, struck a match, the head of which flew off and lodged in the folds of the lady's garment, which was almost instantly ablaze. Mrs. Hamilton and her sister rushed to their mother's assistance and with great presence of mind, succeeded in smothering the flames, doubtless preventing a fatality.—Niles Star.

U. B. Church.

Quarterly meeting services will be held in the U. B. church on Saturday and Sunday January 30 and 31, 1904. Business meeting on Saturday afternoon at 2:30.

Preaching Saturday evening at 7 o'clock.

Sunday services will begin with the love feast at 10 o'clock, preaching at 10:30 followed by the administration of the sacrament. Sunday school at 12 o'clock. Y. P. C. U. at 6 o'clock. Preaching in the evening at 7 o'clock.

Rev. W. D. Stratton, A. M. Ph. D., of Grand Rapids, Mich., will conduct these services.

Mrs. E. S. Roe is in Chicago.

Dr. B. F. Koons was called to Gailien Thursday.

Rev. W. H. Parsons, of New Buffalo, was in town Thursday.

Don't overlook but lookover the change of add for the Buchanan Cash Grocery

Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Wells and little son Robert are spending a few days in Chicago.

Mrs. Jessie Van Meter is suffering with a badly broken wrist, and sprained elbow. Dr. Curtis is attending her.

Dr. Peck had a runaway about 3 o'clock this afternoon; the sleigh was overturned, throwing Dr. out and spilling the contents of his medicine case.

B. Parker confidently expects to secure a contract for lighting the streets of Buchanan, at a meeting of the village board of trustees, to be held tonight.—Tuesday's Niles Star.

S. C. Cook is the possessor of a pair of mittens, which some one generously supplied him with, probably unintentionally, as he found them in his sleigh when going home Thursday.

The Christian Endeavor of the Presbyterian church met Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. C. Brown, and after the business meeting enjoyed a social hour. Refreshments were served.

Notice

The Christian church will be open Sunday for meeting at the regular hour of morning service, and S. S. directly following.

Apples Wanted.

Another car-load of good sound fruit for which I will pay highest cash prices delivered at Buchanan, Mich. J. C. Royer.

Special Council Meeting

The village council met in special session Tuesday night and passed the ordinance granting Bascome Parker of Niles right of entrance into the village with gas pipe line. The matter of lighting the streets was not decided. A special meeting was also held last evening but no decisive steps were taken.

Served to 80 Persons.

Yesterday was Milton Bliss' 34th birthday and much to his surprise a large number of his friends and neighbors came to spend the day with him and help him celebrate. A sumptuous dinner was served, their being 80 persons who partook. Hospitality reigned supreme that day and a most delightful occasion it proved to be. The guests left a beautiful rocking chair for the host.

Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

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IT IS HIS TRADE.

Behold the villain in the play,
The gentleman with cunning low
Who, plotting dark to have his way,
To any length or depth will go.
He keeps the heroine at sea
Till thwarted by the hero keen
And shows how mean a man can be
When he is paid for being mean.

For three long acts and maybe four
He works his underhanded game,
Keeps gentle folk in an uproar
And quite lives up to his bad name.



But do not censure him or say
He merits final overthrow.
Remember, he is drawing pay
For being mean and vile and low.

For when he hires by the year
The manager doth specify
That he shall every night appear
A villain of the deepest dye.
Some fellows you may chance to know
Are just as cruel every whit
As any villain in the show
And do not get a cent for it.

Had Inside Information.

"It is nonsense to say that the shoe factories have shut down because of overproduction. There could not be such a thing."
"How do you figure that out?"
"I know without figuring. I am the father of thirteen children."

Changed Her Mind.

Before the two were married
She couldn't stand a pipe;
She rather liked a good cigar,
A fragrant ten cent snipe.

When they had settled down to bliss
She changed her point of view;
Now she was helping spend the cash
She thought a pipe would do.

CREAMING MILK.

A Supporter of the Cold Water or Gravity Process.

There are two ways of successful creaming of the milk—the separator and the cold water, gravity process, says C. L. Peck in Tribune Farmer. I give the latter for the reason I have tried it the most thoroughly and like it the best. As the result of experiment I discovered that a double setting in the Cooley can or others of like process would cream within one-half of one-tenth of 1 per cent, which is as close as is practicable with ordinary work with the best separators. I have a box with two compartments made deep and large enough to contain the cans needed in my dairy, the size to be proportioned to the amount of milk to be set. I have a stream of spring water running into the one apartment and water with plenty of ice in the other. The spring water stands about 45 degrees in warm summer weather. When the milk is strained the cans are set in the apartment containing the spring water for about two hours. It is then carefully lifted and immersed in the apartment containing the iced water, where it remains for about twelve hours longer. This process saves about one-third of the ice, and the double shock occasioned by first immersing in the spring water and then in the iced water results in a thorough creaming of the milk.

It is claimed by the separator people that the separator takes out more of the impurities than the gravity process. I do not believe this is true, for the separator takes it out because it is the heaviest material in the milk, and the same reason would put the impurities at the bottom of the can, to be drawn off with the skim milk, while the cream rises to the top because it is the lightest. I know of no person that has ever given a scientific test to learn which takes from the cream the impurities the most thoroughly.

A Wise Lawyer.

The statutes of Wisconsin relating to adulterated or unclean milk provide that exception shall be made in prosecution concerning milk that has been pasteurized. Dr. Mitchell, the former state chemist, tells a good story in this connection.

A farmer was prosecuted for adulterating his milk. The lawyer employed in his defense said to the court: "Your honor, this complaint is defective. It does not conform to the statute which makes exception of all milk which has been pasteurized, and, sir, we can prove that the cows of this defendant have been on pasture for two months."

The lawyer smiled a ghastly smile when he was shown his ignorance of the term "pasteurization."

Had In Blacksmith Shop.

"I had a good joke played on me out in Watonwan county, Minn., the other day," said E. K. Slater to the Creamery Journal. "I did not learn of the joke until next day, but it is good nevertheless. One creamery patron with a fear of the pure food law lurking in his bosom upon reaching the vicinity of the creamery and learning that the inspector was on hand proceeded to a nearby blacksmith shop, where he concealed his milk, hid his shopping, loaded it up and hid himself back to the farm. By so doing we presume he was perfectly immune from the laws, as if I had become informed of the facts in the case there is no law on the statute books of Minnesota decreeing against delivering milk or cream to a blacksmith shop."



Since 1899 the American Guernsey Cattle club has conducted home butter competitions, during which the cows competing have been visited by a representative of an agricultural experiment station and the work and records made by their owners checked and verified by these parties, and we find in this competition the following yearly milk records of over 10,000 pounds: Lilyta 7241, 12,812.7 pounds; Lily Ella 7240, 12,288.7 pounds; Glenwood Girl VI. 9113, 12,184.3 pounds; Glenwood Girl VIII. 10,830, 11,310.1 pounds; Lucretia's Daughter 11,256, 11,084.6 pounds.

Guernsey admirers do not claim for the breed the greatest aggregate production of milk, but they were gratified in finding the Guernseys standing in quantity in the pan-American model dairy next to the breeds that have been regarded as special milk producing animals. From the facts here given it will be seen that the claim that the Guernsey cow can produce a reasonable quantity of rich and the best colored milk and cream is substantiated. As the merits of the breed in this respect become more thoroughly and generally known there will be a great demand for registered and high grade Guernsey cows.—William H. Caldwell, Secretary.

Ayrshires at the St. Louis Fair. Chief Coburn of the live stock department of the world's fair has advised from leading Ayrshire breeders of an intention to enter that breed in the world's fair cow demonstration. The Ayrshire men at the Illinois state fair held a meeting and passed resolutions requesting the Ayrshire Breeders' association to take early action toward inviting breeders to furnish cows for the demonstration. The breeders present pledged their services and cattle toward making Ayrshire participation a success at St. Louis. The Ayrshire Breeders' association has already made an appropriation of \$2,000 in aid of the world's fair Ayrshire exhibit.

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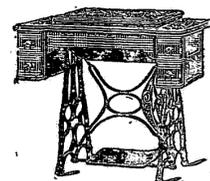
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The Blazed Trail

By STEWART EDWARD WHITE

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Daly considered carefully, fixing his flint blue eyes unswervingly on Thorpe's face. Evidently his scrutiny advised him that the young man was a force to be reckoned with.

"It's like this," he said abruptly; "we contracted last fall with this man Radway to put in 5,000,000 feet of our



The mill owner leaped to his feet, timber, delivered to the main drive at the mouth of the Cass branch. In this he was to act independently, except as to the matter of provisions. Those he drew from our van and was debited with the amount of the same. Is that clear?"

"Perfectly," replied Thorpe. "In return we were to pay him, merchantable scale, \$4 a thousand. If, however, he failed to put in the whole job the contract was void."

"That's how I understand it," commented Thorpe. "Well?"

"Well, he didn't get in the 5,000,000. There's a million and a half hung up in the woods."

"But you have in your hands three million and a half, which under the present arrangement you get free of any charge whatever."

"And we ought to get it," cried Daly. "Great guns! Here we intend to saw this summer and quit. We want to get in every stick of timber we own so as to be able to clear out of here for good and all at the close of the season, and now this condigned jobber ties us up for a million and a half."

"It is exceedingly annoying," conceded Thorpe, "and it is a good deal of Radway's fault, I am willing to admit, but it's your fault too."

"To be sure," replied Daly, with the accent of sarcasm.

"You had no business entering into any such contract. It gave him no show."

"I suppose that was mainly his lookout, wasn't it? And, as I already told you, we had to protect ourselves."

"You should have demanded security for the completion of the work. Under your present agreement, if Radway got in the timber, you were to pay him a fair price. If he didn't, you appropriated everything he had already done. In other words, you made him a bet."

"I don't care what you call it," answered Daly, who had recovered his good humor in contemplation of the security of his position. "The fact stands all right."

"It does," said Thorpe unexpectedly, "and I'm glad of it. Now, let's examine a few figures. You owned 5,000,000 feet of timber, which at the price of stumpage" (standing trees) "was worth \$10,000."

"Well?"

"You come out at the end of the season with three million and a half of saw logs, which with the \$4 worth of logging added are worth \$21,000."

million and a half which Radway appropriated would be only three thousand. But for the sake of argument we'll take the actual sum you'd have received for saw logs. Even then the million and a half would only have been worth between eight and nine thousand. Deducting this purely theoretical loss Radway has occasioned you from the amount he has gained for you, you are still some four or five thousand ahead of the game. For that you paid him nothing."

"That's Radway's lookout."

"In justice you should pay him that amount. He is a poor man. He has sunk all he owned in this venture, some \$12,000, and he has nothing to live on. Even if you pay him five thousand, he has lost considerable, while you have gained."

"How have we gained by this bit of philanthropy?"

"Because you originally paid in cash for all that timber on the stump just \$10,000, and you get from Radway saw logs to the value of \$20,000," replied Thorpe sharply. "Besides, you still own the million and a half which, if you do not care to put them in yourself, you can sell for something on the side."

"Don't you know, young man, that white pine logs on skids will spoil utterly in a summer? Worms get into em."

"I do," replied Thorpe, "unless you mark them, which process will cost you about \$1 a thousand. You can find any amount of small purchasers at reduced price. You can sell them easily at \$3. That nets you for your million and a half a little over \$4,000 more. Under the circumstances I do not think that my request for five thousand is at all exorbitant."

Daly laughed. "You are a shrewd figurer, and your remarks are interesting," said he.

"Will you give \$5,000?" asked Thorpe. "I will not," replied Daly; then, with a sudden change of humor: "And now I'll do a little talking. I've listened to you just about as long as I'm going to. I have Radway's contract in that safe, and I live up to it. I'll thank you to go plumb to blazes!"

"That's your last word, is it?" asked Thorpe, rising.

"It is."

"Then," said he slowly and distinctly, "I'll tell you what I'll do. I intend to collect in full the \$4 a thousand for the three millions and a half Mr. Radway has delivered to you. In return Mr. Radway will purchase of you at the stumpage rates of \$2 a thousand the million and a half he failed to put in. That makes a bill against you, if my figuring is correct, of just \$11,000. You will pay that bill, and I will tell you why. Your contract will be classed in any court as a gambling contract for lack of consideration. You have no legal standing in the world. I call your bluff, Mr. Daly, and I'll fight you from the drop of the hat through every court in Christendom."

"Fight ahead," advised Daly sweetly, who knew perfectly well that Thorpe's law was faulty. As a matter of fact, the young man could have collected on other grounds, but neither was aware of that.

"Furthermore," pursued Thorpe in addition, "I'll repeat my offer before witnesses, and if I win the first suit I'll sue you for the money we could have made by purchasing the extra million and a half before it had a chance to spoil."

This statement had its effect, for it forced an immediate settlement before the pine on the skids should deteriorate. Daly lounged back with a little more deadly carelessness.

"And, lastly," concluded Thorpe, playing his trump card, "the suit from start to finish will be published in every important paper in this country. If you do not believe I have the influence to do this you are at liberty to doubt the fact."

Daly was cogitating many things. He knew that publicity was the last thing to be desired. Thorpe's statement had been made in view of the fact that much of the business of a lumber firm is done on credit. He thought that perhaps a rumor of a big suit going against the firm might weaken confidence. As a matter of fact, this consideration had no weight whatever with the older man, although the threat of publicity actually gained for Thorpe what he demanded. The lumberman feared the noise of an investigation solely and simply because his firm, like so many others, was engaged at the time in stealing government timber in the upper peninsula. He did not call it stealing, but that was what it amounted to. Thorpe's shot in the air hit full.

"I think we can arrange a basis of settlement," he said finally. "Be here tomorrow morning at 10 with Radway."

beyond expression, insisted on Thorpe's acceptance of an even thousand, and with this money in hand the latter felt justified in taking a vacation for the purpose of visiting his sister.

For the purposes he had in view \$500 would be none too much. The remaining \$500 he had resolved to invest in his sister's comfort and happiness. He had thought the matter over and had gradually evolved what seemed to him an excellent plan. He had already perfected it by correspondence with Mrs. Renwick. It was, briefly, this: He, Thorpe, would at once hire a servant girl, who would make anything but supervision unnecessary in so small a household. The remainder of the money he had already paid for a year's tuition in the seminary of the town. Thus Helen gained her leisure and an opportunity for study and still retained her home in case of reverse.

Thorpe found his sister already a young lady. After the first delight of meeting had passed they sat side by side on the haircloth sofa and took stock of each other.

Helen had developed from the school child to the woman. She was a handsome girl, possessed of a slender, well rounded form and deep hazel eyes, with the level gaze of her brother, although a figure rather aloof, a face rather impassive, but with the possibility of passion and emotion and a will to back them.

"Oh, but you're tanned and—and big!" she cried, kissing her brother. "You've had such a strange winter, haven't you?"

"Yes," he replied absently. "Things came a little better than I thought they were going to toward the last, and I made a little money."

"Oh, I'm so glad!" she cried. "Was it much?"

"No, not much," he answered. The actual figures would have been much better. "I've made arrangements with Mrs. Renwick to hire a servant girl, so you will have all your time free, and I've paid a year's tuition for you in the seminary."

"Oh," said the girl, and fell silent. After a time, "Thank you very much, Harry dear;" then, after another interval, "I think I'll go get ready for supper."

Instead of getting ready for supper she paced excitedly up and down her room.

"Oh, why didn't he say what he was about?" she cried to herself. "Why didn't he? Why didn't he?"

The days, however, passed in the main pleasantly for them both. They were fond of one another. The barrier slowly rising between them was not yet cemented by lack of affection on either side, but rather by lack of belief in the other's affection. Helen imagined Thorpe's interest in her becoming daily more perfunctory. Thorpe fancied his sister cold, unreasoning and ungrateful. And yet this was but the vague dust of a cloud. They could not forget that but for each other they were alone in the world. Thorpe delayed his departure from day to day, making all the preparations he possibly could at home.

Finally Helen came on him busily unpacking a box which a dray had left at the door. He unwound and laid one side a Winchester rifle, a variety of fishing tackle and some other miscellanies of the woodsman. Helen was struck by the beauty of the sporting implements.

"Oh, Harry!" she cried. "Aren't they fine? What are you going to do with them?"

"Going camping," replied Thorpe, with his head in excelsior.

"When?"

"This summer."

Helen's eyes lit up with a fire of delight. "How nice! May I go with you?" she cried.

Thorpe shook his head.

"I'm afraid not, little girl. It's going to be a hard trip a long way from anywhere. You couldn't stand it."

"I'm sure I could. Try me."

"No," replied Thorpe. "I know you couldn't. We'll be sleeping on the ground and going on foot through much extremely difficult country."

"I wish you'd take me somewhere," pursued Helen. "I can't get away this summer unless you do. Why don't you camp somewhere nearer home, so I can go?"

the excelsior. She picked it up. A glance showed her a total of figures that made her gasp.

"Here is your bill," she said, with a strange choke in her voice, and left the room.

"He can spend \$60 on his old guns, but he can't afford to let me leave this hateful house," she complained to the apple tree. "He can go way off camping somewhere to have a good time, but he leaves me sweltering in this miserable little town all summer. I don't care if he is supporting me. He ought to. He's my brother. Oh, I wish I were a man! I wish I were dead!"

Three days later Thorpe left for the north.

CHAPTER X.

FOR more than a week Thorpe had journeyed through the forest. His equipment was simple in the extreme. Attached to a heavy leather belt of cartridges hung a two pound ax and a sheath knife. In his pocket reposed a compass, an air tight tin of matches and a map drawn on oiled paper of a district divided into sections. Some few of the sections were colored, which indicated that they belonged to private parties. All the rest was state or government land. He carried in his hand a repeating rifle. The pack, if opened, would have been found to contain a woolen and rubber blanket, fishing tackle, twenty pounds or so of flour, a package of tea, sugar, a slab of bacon carefully wrapped in oiled cloth, salt, a suit of underwear and several extra pairs of thick stockings. To the outside of the pack had been strapped a frying pan, a tin pail and a cup.

He had not met a human being or seen any indications of man excepting always the old blaze of the government survey. Many years before, officials had run careless lines through the country along the section boundaries. These latter stated always the section, the township and the range east or west by number. All Thorpe had to do was to find the same figures on his map. He knew just where he was.

The map he had procured at the United States land office in Detroit. He had set out for the purpose of "looking" a suitable bunch of pine in the northern peninsula, which at the time was practically untouched. Access to the interior could only be obtained on foot or by river. The South Shore railroad had as yet penetrated only as far as Seney, Marquette, Menominee and a few smaller places along the coast were lumbering near at home, but they shipped entirely by water.

Thorpe, with the farsightedness of the pioneer, had perceived that the exploitation of the upper country was an affair of a few years only. The north would not prove as accessible as it now seemed, for the carrying trade would some day realize that the entire waterway of the great lakes offered an unrivaled outlet. With that discovery would begin a rush to the new country. He resolved to anticipate it and by acquiring his holding before general attention should be turned that way to obtain the best.

He was without money and practically without friends, while government and state lands cost respectively \$2.50 and \$1.25 an acre, cash down. But he relied on the good sense of capitalists to perceive from the statistic which his explorations would furnish the wonderful advantages of logging a new country with the chain of great lakes as shipping outlet at its very door. In return for his information, he would expect a half interest in the enterprise.

Thorpe was by no means the first to see the money in northern pine. Outside the big mill-districts already named cuttings of considerable size were already under way, the logs from which were usually sold to the mills of Marquette and Menominee.

But work was on a small scale and with an eye to the immediate present only. It was accomplished by purchasing one forty and cutting a dozen. Thorpe's map showed often near the forks of an important stream a section whose coloring indicated private possession. Legally the owners had the right only to the pine included in the marked sections, but if any one had taken the trouble to visit the district he would have found operations going on for miles up and down stream. The colored squares would prove to be nothing but so many excuses for being on the ground. The bulk of the pine was stolen from unbought state or government land.

This in the old days was a common enough trick.

Thorpe was perfectly conversant with this state of affairs. He knew also that in all probability many of the colored districts on his map represented firms engaged in steals of greater or less magnitude. He was further aware that most of the concerns stole the timber because it was cheaper to steal than to buy, but that they would buy readily enough if forced to do so in order to prevent its acquisition by another. In his exploration, therefore, he decided to employ the utmost circumspection. He would pose as a hunter and fisherman.

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