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Hedley Drug Store.

here from Amarillo visiting his cannot rest. All night he rides Located about 8 miles south of brother, C. O. Preskitt, and without sleep, food or water. It family.

#### The Call of The Bugle

By Roxie Sibl y Lewis

Following our usual custom of It was the day before Christ- thrown open. He is come! Past was thought to have a splendid taking one week's vacation dur mas eve, a true December da", quarrels, neglects, differences chance to recover when Mr. question as to ing the Christmas holidays, there dark threatning couds hung low are forgotten, as the three bear Crawford left. Donley county will be no paper next week. Be- over the snow covered earth. But, him triumphantly to Billy and Is. Monday ginning New Year's Day we will the chill December, weather had a wake him with the news that, Lively will save be back on the job for another not kept these rugged mountain Daddy is come! The four make your grocery bill. 15,000 worth year of news dispensing. We folk from the little village of their way down stairs, all talking ork in this county wish one and all a very merry Stanton, far out in the New Mex at the same time as is our when Harris of Tyler Christmas and a happy New ico hills. Stanton was the only happy. village for miles and miles about As Walter distributes their and the people of the hills had gifts he tells them how the call Be on hand at Lively's in Dec come here to buy their Christ of the bugle came to him in the

mas supplies. whose expression of weary, in bun. different hopelessness, proclaim ed him a sojourner in a strange HAD A NAR-Subject, Our Work in the West ence is dropped as a mask, as the clear call of a bugle is waited thru the chill December air. A little golden haired boy of four Roll call-Respond with a verse bugle, stopping to asie "Mamma by a through freight at Main making crops to which same is many of the pictures is the Review of Bible Study .-- Mrs. to the stranger of his own golden Saturday. He was driving a the production of the numerous ma and his brother Arch Woman's Privilege and Duty to ask in his own sweet way reason, did not see the train ap-duced generally prosperous con of Claude. Mesus and the Children-Mrs. "Darling I don't know." A feel- it. The horses were barley miss still available for those whom it ready for you to pay quarrel and his abrupt leave, his away with harm. Buy your Xm is candies, nuts, his harshness towards his par bitter denunciation of Helen and ents because they defended her. He knows they were right now. Mr. Cook, a railroad man of He is a man and is not ashamed Alabama, visited his relative R. to beg forgiveness. With a smile B Johnson last week. He was on his face he rushes into a store enthusiastic about Jack rabbits, nearby, asking the keeper the King's Barber Shop where you we will be glad to send you the how they could run-what long distance to the nearest railway can get fresh shaves, wet baths booklets desired free of cost. ears how much like young station and if he knows at what and clean clothes. Satisfaction

in five hours, you must hurry" was the reply. He mounts his norse which stands just outside Fresh and Fancy Candy at the the door and rides in hot haste over the rough snow covered path. He arrives just as the train is ready to pull out from Dolls! Both American the station, throws the reins to a porter, telling him to keep the horse until he hears from him. He is so sore and tired and so Charley Preskitt, and wife are anxious to be at home that he is three o'clock in the afternoon of the next day when he arrives in the little city nearest his home. He buys a large, loud sounding bugle for Billy, with many other things beautiful, costly gifts for

Helen, and useful, comfortable

ones for his parents. It was

seven o'clock when he was ready

to go home, a distance of ten

miles and it was very dark. Around the hearth in the old farmhouse knelt tie gray haired parents and the young wife while the father sent up his nightly petitios Oh God, if it be thy will bring our prodigal home, let not the anniversary of our Saviour's birth be ck uded by his absence. Great terrs course down the care worn cherks of the sorrowing father, and the mother and wife sob pitifully in his arms The mayer is over and they till to everflowing the lovely little sock et the mantle and place other gifts in places where Billy will look first. The father sighs "if he were only bere" the two who heved him nost answered with a sob. Out-ide a familiar foutstep is t a d, the door is

little mountain village bringing Apart from these rugged moun- him home as fast as trusty horse tain folk stood the stranger, and steam engine could carry

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veloping and upbuilding the ter- buil was killed by "C ritory through which their lines the same Indian who are operated, the Fort Worth & fatal arrow through the Denver City and Wichita Valley the buffalo in the Octo Railway Companies have issued This built is being mo ROW ESCAPE an attractive thirty page booklet Jack Miles of Denver entitled "Prosperity Pointers be used as the chief ad For Farmers" and containing feature of the show. Mr. Conner of Lelia Lake valuable information regarding While the killing was or thereabouts is blowing his barely escaped being run over soil conditions and the money of the Indians, the re where is papa?" A vision comes street crossing in Hedley last best adapted as proven through work of Alex Watson of haired boy as he stops his play cross the track, and for some bumper crops which have pro- of Claude, sons of J. O. mother's eyes as she answers wagon and completely wrecked ers. A few of these booklets are ing of shame, almost guilt, comes ed by the train, but when the may be possible to interest in ley Independent Schame, over him as he remembers the wagon was knocked loose they the question of locating in North taxes at the Grant trivialties that led to their sharp immediately proceeded to run west Texas. If, therefore, you Bank. have any friends that you desire 3t to interest, and will send us their names and addresses, we will find pleasure in mailing them sold his place !copies of the issue referred to. ed to Clarend If you have friends to whom you of his wife's would like to send copies your For the best of service go to self, instead of having us do so.

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RUN across Max Paikes yesterday afternoon," Louis Birsky the real estater said one morning "He was telling me that you spent Sunday with him at his place

in Sand Plains." "He ain't lying to you," Barnett Zapp the waist manufacturer admit-

"What kind of a property has he got

ring and luncheon bolony, as Mrs. Paikes didn't know the neighbors good enough to borrow a loaf from them on account of only living up there three years."

"But ain't the air elegant up in Westchester County?" Birsky insisted. "Say!" Zapp exclaimed, "after a feller escapes with his life from the subway at 42nd Street, v'understand, and travels up to Sand Plains Every night in a combination baggage and smoker along with five or six dozen decent, respectable, hard-working Italiener ash cart drivers, understand me, when he arrives in the country, Birsky, the air must got to be elegant, otherwise it wouldn't be too much to expect there is waiting for him a couple of soda water tanks full of tygen like they give it to pnet tients with a rating of A to C, gredit

at are you talking nonsense, Birsky said. "I bet you wasn't rain half an hour. Sand ne of the most convenient

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Zapp," Birsky said.

"I think I've got a pretty a d idee," ng like Zapp retorted. "It's some being southern salesman for u line of different town each day. The distance you travel is the same the railroad accommodations ain't to better, but instead of getting ever hight a city just so much as in the country. but instead of getting ever hight a rotten dinner and a good game of pinochle afterwards at do ar-and-a half day hotels, American inn, you go home and get a good doner and no game of pinochle at all from one steam heat was invented, except that he ain't so handy to a delicatessen store. The bread run out at lunch time, Birsky, and for supper we had to eat Fig Newtons with dried hering and luncheon bolony, as Mrs.

but instead of getting ever hight a rotten dinner and a good game of pinochle afterwards at do ar-and-a half day hotels, American inn, you go home and get a good doner and no game of pinochle at all from one year's end to the other. Yet Birsky, it's very unjust the way the world looks at things. For instance, once in five years Mr. Roosevelt makes a rotten dinner and a good game of pinochle afterwards at do ar-and-a half day hotels, American inn, you go home and get a good doner and no game of pinochle at all from one year's end to the other. Yet Birsky, it's very unjust the way the world looks at things. For instance, once in five years Mr. Roosevelt makes a rotten dinner and a good game of pinochle afterwards at do ar-and-a half day hotels, American inn, you go home and get a good doner and no game of pinochle at all from one year's end to the other. Yet Birsky, it's very unjust the way the world looks at things. For instance, once in five years Mr. Roosevelt makes a feller which leaves his home in grups wick Beach ain't nothing against it. trip of about 10,000 miles,

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I had to do who A many cubic to get bath was to think or \$11,500?" Zail demandou would read to Sunday
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cost, if such a house originally cost
\$25,000 and changes hands six times,
y'understand, the last owner gets it
for nothing with a bonus of \$5,000
thrown in. And even then it is welcome to the house for all o me."

"That's because you don't know
what it is like to live in the country,
Zapp," Birsky said.

feet I was saving, ad if it was six
below zero even I got a pleasant glow
all over. Later on it got to be such
a habit with me to take cold plunges,
Birsky, that the second summer we
was there when they had that bad
bottled water as long as I could get
the spring water companies to send
me trial samples. For over a month
there we done the week's washing
with artificial vichy and my wife had
to get rid of the wash lady because
for every siphon she put in the tubs
she drank one herself."

"You were lucky it was only vichy,
Zapp," Birsky said. "It might have
been ginger ale or root beer, in which
case she would of took it home to the demand- feet I was saving, ad if it was six

case she would of took it home to the children."

"Joke if you want to, Birsky," Zapp retorted. "But what I am telling you goods where you've got to make a now is facts from living in the coun-

> "Rats, Zapp!" Birsky said. "You could have shortage of water in the

under- Brunswick Beach at seven o'clock



"Along With Five or Six Do Decent, Respectable, Hard-Working Italiener h Cart Drivers."

he says to me on the stand, and when he comes by fallwenty minutes by trol- ing over themselves that Mi. tically never takes it velt should accept five thou d dolle is waiting for him lars apiece for an article tellianctically every night, these here ten thousand miles about travhis home in ten min- eled; he writes a book abou we got out of the sky, and gets paid at the walked another ten dollar a mile, or \$10,000, for st we reached the gives a lecture about it in t; he negle ou go up to Sand hall and six people sends lette to the s and the oltermo- papers and complains of the lly not be at the the box office because he says right couldn't miss he's a liar then, when he to eep to the right two hours after the advan-tie tracks and it's opened that the entire house colonial house with da For Sale sign on se for sale?" Birsky office man but Mr. Roosevelt, and he sale tracks and it's opened that the entire house was colonial house with sold out and they said he was a liar. The Explorers' Union Local No. 1 suburbs has got more than fellers which lives in the city."

"Well," Zapp admitted, "there's one thing that fellers which lives in the city."

which lives in the city."

"What's that?" Birsky asked. was pp replied. "What kes is such a close makes an after dinner speech (Copyright T. Roosevelt, 1916) about it and realizes another \$2,500 or o, and that's the way it goes. But you take Max Palkes which in five years travels 75,000 miles to Mr. Roosev it's 10,-000, Birsky, and what is it? asks him to write about it; wants him to talk about it, and if take part in somebody blows him on account of it good result to a rye bread tongue sandwic package of all-tobacco cigares it would be big already."

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| would arrive in his office at eight fifteen only often enough, Birsky, sooner or later on his account the conductor would got to go from car to car asking is there a doctor on the train,'

"Well, if everybody felt the way you do about living in the country, Zapp, Birsky said, "who would buy suburban real estate?"

"Nobody," Zapp replied. "But you admit that there's a whole lot of people living in the suburbs, Zapp," Birsky sald, and Zapp nodded.

"Then there must be some advantage in it," Birsky insisted. "Well," Zapp admitted, "there's one

"Mileage," Zapp concluded.

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The table is the ideal place for family interchange of thought, and the children who are old enough to come to the table should by ncouraged to ersation. One , is that it helps to nd a keep p com eating too fast. children's chatter, is s, is most annoying when present. In one home it the rule that the children cake part in the conversation

guests were present, provided e children could contribute some hing of interest concerning the subject under discussion. This taught the children to listen carefully to what was being said. This, in itself, is of untold advantage to the child, for, in a home where people with bright ideas concerning all the questions of the day gather around the table, the general conversation is of great educational value to the child. The child cannot fail to become a good conversationalist with this early training.

The Penalty.

Senator Fall was talking in New York about the Mexican situation. 'his imbroglio," he said, disgust lluding to an earlier phase to absent-mindedness. Well, dedness in affairs of state hed as sharply as in affairs

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will wash? girl gave a sudden start. "'No, George,' she hissed, "it won" vash, and I may as well tell you, toc hat it won't cook, or sweep, or dars ocks, either. Good evening!"-Vashington Star.

Shocking Affair. Police Magistrate-What is the pris ner charged with, officer? Officer-Electricity, your honor, Police Magistrate-How's that? Officer-He stole a buttery.

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Practical Sports Clothes Have Been Designed by the Leading Parisian Modistes, of Which This Skating Suit Is a Sample-Bridesmaids' Hats That Have the Sanction of Recognized Leaders of Fashion.

tion of exquisite materials to sports the season

A skating suit, shown in the picture, s made for real service. It is a middy

made of the same plain cloth.

trimming matches the predominating in any season. The largest hat, with color in the middy, and the skirt is wide, graceful brim, is of light gray velvet faced with pale rose satin. The For real utility sports clothes, soft, ever-present metallic touch appears in lightweight but warm materials. like the lacing of silver cord across the

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Massa The Republican 1 ands two ex-preside. candidate for the presidency, erable number of repudiated a few who are still in the say badly cemented cleaverr where the split came in 1912. be foolish to deny that it also he capable men of progressive ten who will try to strengthen th and make the coalition between wings of the party a genuine

four years hence. So far as party tactics are co the method by which these . be met and benten is easy. It will co sist in giving the country the benefit the same sort of progressive legisla tion as that which was given in the last four years. Time after time th Democratic majority in congress con-pelled progressive Republicans to vot with them, and a progressive Repub lican who has to vote with the Demcrats cannot attack the result of h

As for the old-line Republicans, the more they show their teeth the better for the Democracy. They have bee repudiated in the West and they he all but lost their hold in New Engla If they dominate their party for fo years more the Democrats Massachusetts in 1920.

Not Wilson Who Is on Trial. There can be no question as to !' verdict of the coming years upon standministration of Woodrow Wilso Posterity will honor him as the les er in the wholesale reconstruction an outworn currency and banking stem. It will accord Wilson the of having been the first presi see that farming was that the failure of the business nee it had long consid chant and manufi ening the foundat vitality. It will honor him great series of acts which are emancipation of agriculture.

Opportunity for Good Work, Under the present administration team-work in legislation has been most successful, even when a sturdy mi-nority in house and senate had to be overcome, remarks the Washington Post. Even better teamwork can now be obtained by an administration and a party secure in four more years of power. The three months of existence of the present congress should be and without a doubt will be fruitful of good work for the interests of the people.

Why Democratic Victory.

As far as the Republican party of the East is concerned, it is bankrupt. It has no dieas, no ideals, no principles .- New York Tribune (Rep.) Yes, but it has the votes. The Republican party of the West, headed by Cannon, Watson, Fordney, Smoot, Crocker and Otis, is just as deficient in ideas, ideals and principles, and vastly more so in votes, which is why Mr. Wilson was re-elected.

Country's Trust Justified. Unquestionably, Mr. Wilson and his party have given the country the most

constructive and useful administration ever had in the course of one four-year period. The republic has been placed upon the strong and, we believe ing basis of solicitude for the of the masses of the people, a. the highest ideals have been formed and enacted into legislation, setting the stride, so to speak, that will be maintained for all time to come and to the immense benefit of all the people.—Mo-

There are plenty of practical sports | with tassels of vari-colored worsteds clothes for those who really take part | Any month in the year is the best in winter pastimes, and there are just of months for a wedding-if the bride as many sports clothes de luxe for chooses it. An Indian summer setting, those who dress with an eye to placing or a snowclad little world as a backthemselves in harmony with their en- ground, may seem a happier choice vironment. These are made to be than June when all the details of the looked at and are marvels of adapta- great event show a reckoning with In the three hats shown in the illustration prevailing styles in picturesque millinery give the bride a choice for blouse of a special knitted material herself or for her maids, that cannot in Scotch colorings, trimmed with a go wrong. Each one of them repreplain knitted material. The plain sents a type recognized as appropriate

SKATING SUIT, DESIGNED FOR SERVICE.

fersey and camel's hair cloth, are | crown and in a heavier cord of silver sets of hat, scarf and bag, or cap, scarf and muff. The convertible scarf is something new, in a long scarf which may be made into scarf and cap in one. heavy yarns and worsteds in contrast-

Eiderdown is a familiar material that serves the purpose for making in-

most satisfactory. The sweater goes on the brim. Large, full-blown metalwithout saying as the most important lic roses, in pale rose color, harmofeature in the sports outfit, and some of the smartest ones have wide belts, and silver cord, for they have a sheen while practically all of them have of silver over their color. If the best pockets. Matched sets include man, or some other good fellow, is sweater, cap, and scarf to match, or not made captive by those rose-adorned ropes of silver he is a hardened and hopeless bachelor.

Next appears an enticing poke bon net, covered with olive green velvet. All sorts of sets are trimmed with It has a soft puffed crown and a brim cut away at the back. There is a collar of gold ribbon finished with a bow. at the back. On the front a little basket is outlined in gold thread, filled expensive sets. In white trimmed with | with tiny gay-colored silk flowers, set white yarn it makes a cap, scarf and flat against the coller. A similar modbag for the skates, of much distinction. I el trimmed with narrower ribbon tied

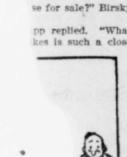


The heavy yarn is used for overcasting | in seams and edges and for tassels which shade more demure. It was worn at finish the scarf ends and decorate the a morning wedding by a maid in a cap and bag.

These yarns are used in the same way on hats and bags of silk for sports wear. One of the handso evelties is a set of hat and bag of blue still lined with gold. Blue and gold yarn overcasts all the seems in the bag and in the crown of the hat. The tassels, of the same yarns, are fastened to the top of the bat and the bottom of the bag with snap fasteners and may be removed so that the se may be worn either side out. Mustard colored fabrics look particularly well

redingote dress of olive velvet carrying a big bouquet of yellow chrysanthe-mums. No man beholding it could call his soul his own.

The third hat is a shape of the h made of light-colored panne velve, with an extension border of chiffon about the brim. Picot-edged ribbe and a brilliant fancy feather herald it as strictly up to date.



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#### NO PAPER

NEXT WEEK

Following our usual custom of taking one week's vacation dur ing the Christmas holidays, there will be no paper next week. Be ginning New Year's Day we will be back on the job for another year of news dispensing. We wish one and all a very merry Christmas and a happy New

The best money maker on the farm is the hen. She turns grass into greenbacks, grain into gold, and from the sand and gravel she coins silver. There is no thing else on the place to com pare with her. The cattle and horses are heavy consumers, and to get their value we must part with them; but not so with the hen. In her small way she is a gold mine on the face of the earth; a mill that grinds that which others overlook or refuse.

The Paducah Post says a man came to town recently with three dogs. It was learned that he did not even own a hog. The Post thinks that it is better to raise hogs. Generally speaking the Post is right about it. But perhaps there are some people who can not raise hogs and who can raise dogs. Let everybody raise something, and let that something be that for which each is hest suit. There is no argucod to eat. There is no argu ment in the claim that a how is good to eat. A dog is too, and he ests about as much as a hog. Foard Cknoty News.

FATING HISTORY

Folks are complain. high cost of living w they dont know what of living is as compared 1867. We have before us a re ceipted bill of merchasdise bought by Wm L Sims of Ark ansas in February 1867. We quote a few of the items and and Fruits of all kinds. what he paid for them: 13 yard. domestic \$1.50; 12 yards calice \$3.00; dress pattern \$.5; pair brogan shoes \$3.00; 8 hauderker chiefs \$2 00; 3 sk si k 50c; fine comb 75c; bottle hair oil \$ ...

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#### ATTRACTIVE IN EVER WAY

Placing the Building With Its Wide Side to the Street Is an Advantage, Both in the Matter of Looks and Conservation of Space -Porch Made Feature.

By WILLIAM A. RADFORD.

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There is often found a condition, in laying out the streets of a town or city, which necessitates the formation of several lots which are not of standard depth. Such a condition might exist where two streets intersect at an angle other than 90 degrees. In such a case lots are laid out on two sides of the triangle as near to the apex as they may be carried without cutting trimmed with down the depth to a value which will ra cotta. De alls are carefully worked hamper the sale of the lots. If the out to produre a nicely balanced apangle of intersection of the streets is pearance. small, there will be a rather large piece of land which is usually not suitable for residences. That the size of this strip can be cut down by making the front porch c ostruction is the manner in which the rick columns are carried up through t a roof and capped with a white stone or terra cotta slab. Ortots wider near the apex may be real- namental vases may be placed on these ized by properly designing the houses columns and built on the shallow lots is a certainty. in the summer The shallow lots would be preferred the windows ca property if assurance could be given ney is covered that the houses would look well in used on the retheir peculiar positions.

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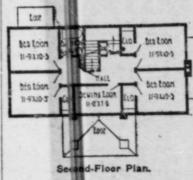
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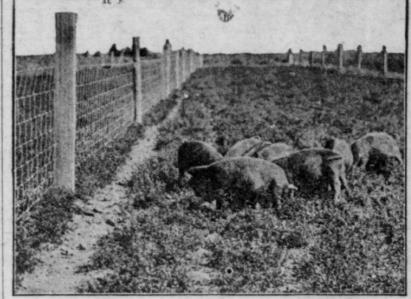
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HOGS GRAZING ON WESTERN RECLAMATION PROJECT.

(Prepared by the United States Depart- | early part of the season the pasture By pasturing hogs on alfalfa on the Truckee-Carson Reclamation project farm in western Nevada, greater returns were received in 1915 than could be expected from the same alfalfa made into hay. The gains made by the hogs, on the other hand, were much cheaper than could be expected from keeping the animals in feeding

The hog-raising experiment was be gun in May, 1915. One quarter of an acre of alfalfa was used; this plot was subdivided and the pigs were changed



Alfalfa Rack in Use

from one pasture to the other each were of fair quality, but three of the lot did not do well. While on the pasture the pigs were fed daily a supplementary ration of rolled barley at the rate of two pounds of grain 17.2 tons. for each 100 pounds of live weight. They also had access to a mixture of

May 16 to September 18. During the when applied separately.

produced more feed than the pigs could that after September 1 the growth of the pigs was retarded materially. The pigs were each weighed every week throughout the season. In the summary the value assigned to the rolled barley is \$30 per ton, and the value of the increase in Eve weight of the pigs is assumed to be 7 cents a pound. The results are computed on the basis of the acre unit, though only a quarter of an acre was actually used.

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Results of Pasturing Hogs on Alfalfa With a 2 Per Cent Ration of Barley on the Truckee-Carson Experiment Farm, 1916.

	Hogs on Alfalfa. Poun
472	Initial weight per acre
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	Grain fed for each pound of gain

The same report gives results of ests with eight varieties of wheat, five varieties of barley, eighteen varieties of tomatoes, and four varieties onions.

The experiment with two varieties of mangels indicated that the Golder week. Ten pigs were used in the ex- Tankard variety gives larger yields in periment, five of them being grade the section than the long red mangel, Durocs and five grade Berkshires, and that barnyard manure is very valuable in growing this crop. On manured land the Golden Tankard gave a yield of 27.5 tons per acre, while on unmanured land the average yield was

In the onion experiments a fertilizer test seemed to indicate that a complete condiments, including slacked coal and fertilizer composed of all three gave better results than potassium sulphate, The pasturing period extended from ammonium sulphate, or acid phosphate

#### SOLUTION OF SOME PUZZLING PROBLEMS

ural Peculiarities of Soil by Experiment Plot.

(By P. K. EDWARDS.) One way of solving the many interesting and puzzling problems in the soil and plant kingdom is by an experiment plot. Here light may be obtained as to the natural peculiarities of soil, or the special effects of fertilizer on certain crops, or in what degree to supplement stable whom e for fertilizer, or under it. In sed conditions the gn, and the serving meals are especially well handred than in the dled, since the dir no room may be entage. Antered from both he kitchen and the latest and sts weres. In starting this miniambitious rule the lover may obtain

winter potatoes, for example, On farmers have come to see that this plot 1 spread 10 pounds of dried blood disease may be controlled and that it and 15 pounds acid phosphate mixed is worth while to take all possible (where the amount used is so small it measures to control it. The experican be distributed more evenly by ment station has been in touch with mixing it with its weight in earth); on plot 2 spread 71/2 pounds sulphate hopes by extending its activities with of potash and dried blood mixed; on the co-operation of farmers to reduce plot 3 use no fertilizer; on plot 4 use the present million-dollar loss to a 7½ pounds potash and 15 pounds acid phosphate mixed; on plot 5 use 71/2 pounds potash, 15 pounds acid phosphate and 10 pounds dried blood, and DUCKS PROFITABLE on plot 6 use only stable manure. Take great care not to sow any fertilizer on

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3. where no the department of agriculture, "No, George, she hiszed, "it word leid on plot 1 ed as a source of income to average wash, and I may as well tell yo. Held on plot 2 ed as a source of the so hat it won't cook, or sweep on plot 2, 160; on locks, either. (a 5, .... With these numbers washingtont kencoved each of the three fertilizers is benedicial, for were it otherwise Vashingtont handowed each of the three fertilizers is beneficial, for were it otherwise the yield on plot 5, where all the fer-Police Mailizers were used, would not have breeds of ducks which are good lay-

er chargeseen greater than on plots 1, 2 and 4, ers should be profitable on farms, par-Orner-En each of which only two fertilizers where where used. It is always of importance land containing a stream or any runsity and state of the plots (such as measuring each separated that insisting on pretend that containing an information gained seen enables the experimenter to buy green ducks.

the exact fertilizing elements neces

## DISEASE OF SWINE

Kentucky Farmers Formerly Lost \$2,000,000 on Account of Deadly Hog Cholera.

Hog cholera used to cost Kentucky \$2,000,000 a year. Last year losses from this disease in the state were only half that sum, according to Dr. Robert Graham, head of the department of live-stock diseases at the experiment station. For six years this face. And the department has been conducting a pantry. The latter from is a model of convenience. A wide shelf is built under disgainty 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, leaving state of the window with that dee that's the oil vegetable with that deep that's the oil vegetable form feeding on the other. Make each which a business man vito raises his furthermore you think the horn in the course. A wide shelf is built under disgainty 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, leaving said to prevent the plants on one plot told a from feeding on the other. Make each which a business man vito raises his horn in the course with the course of the plot and mark inder disgainty 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, leaving state for the distribution of serum, 22 of which were established in the last two years. Due to the rise in hog prices and the demonstrations in cholerance of the plot and mark inder disgainty 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, leaving state for the distribution of serum, 22 of which were established in the last two years. Due to the rise in hog prices and the demonstrations in cholerance of the plot and mark inder disgainty 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, leaving state for the distribution of serum, 22 of which as business man vito raises his a horn feeding on the other. Make each plot told a from feeding on the other. Make each plot told a from feeding on the other. Make each plot told a from feeding on the other. Make each plot told a from feeding on the other. Make each plot told a from feeding on the other. Make each plot told a from feeding on the other. Make each plot told a from feeding on the other. Make each plot told a from feeding on the other. Make each plot told a from feeding on the other. Make each plot told a from feeding on the other. Make each plot told a from feeding on the other. Make each plot told a from feeding on the other. Make each plot told a from feeding on the other. Make each plot told a from feeding on the other. Make each plot told a from feeding on the other. Make each plot told a from feeding on the other. Make each plot told a from feeding on the other. Ma department has been conducting a less than half the outbreaks, and much smaller figure.

## ON GENERAL FARMS

Fowls Can Be Raised With Success and Profit, Says Government Poultry Expert.

Ducks can be raised with succes and at a profit on general farms, says Alfred R. Lee, a poultry specialist of they serve to add variety, both of ticularly where there is good pastur

Red-Polled Cow. practically maintained herself duced milk upon succulent

HOUSE-CLEANING IS NEEDED

Theroughly and Systematically Clean

Barn Before Dairy Cow Is

Taken From Pasture.

Before the dairy cow is taken from

the pasture, the barn should be thor

oughly and systematically cleaned. All

cobwebs should be brushed down and

the walls and ceiling should be white-

washed or painted some light color.

Either whitewash or paint will give a

clean surface and make the whole sta-

ble look lighter and brighter. It might

be well, too, to put in a few extra

The dairy cow has had the freedom of the pasture and the fresh air of the

fields for the last five months; she has

windows.

will soon be returned to the ba she will spend the greater part day. It should be the aim o keeper to see to it that his co housed as comfortably as pos provided with a goodly quant variety of palatable feed that wi ish her abundantly and help be duce an even flow of milk.

The right kind of a cow will with interest every cent invest her comfort-for warmth, light lation, and feed. If she is fortably housed her returns cut down in proportion to he

#### CUTTING HAIRS FROM UDDER

From Sanitary Standpoint and Com fort to Cow While Being Milked, Filaments Are Detrimental.

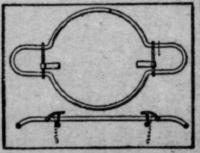
It is not at all uncommon among dairy cows to find the udder covered with a thick growth of long hair, which may be of some protection to the udder in some respects, but from a sanitary standpoint and a comfort to the cow while she is being milked, these hairs are detrimental. Under the usual farm conditions this growth of hair is commonly covered with filth, and even in well-kept dairies this hair, unless kept well clipped, will collect more or less dirt and trash.

In many cases, too, these hairs will persist in falling into the milk pail. To prevent occurrences such as these least twice each year, and in this way prevent the accumulation of filth.

#### PAIL HOLDER QUITE USEFUL

Ends of Device Rest on Knees of Milker and Support Vessel During Milking Operation.

The ends of this holder rest on the knees and support the pail during the



Milk Pail Holder.

operation of milking. It is made of single piece of stout flexible wire,-Wisconsin Agriculturist.

FILTHY HABIT OF MILKERS Practice of Wetting Hands With Milk Is Liable to Cause Cow's Teats to Chap in Winter.

Milkers should be allowed to milk only with dry hands. The practice of wetting the hands with milk is a filthy habit and is liable to cause the cows

teats to chap in the winter time. Milking should be some quickly and thoroughly, with no violent jerking of the teats. After each cow is milked the milk should be removed immediately to the milkhouse.

#### PRICES FOR DAIRY PRODUCTS

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#### INDIAN NAMES FOR WA SHI

Suggestion Made That Vessels of United States Navy Be Called After Famous Red Men.

Times advocates Indian names United States warships. "How name the ships of our vastly extend navy is an interesting question. glance down the list of the name. our naval ships does undoubtedly gi the impression that 'they had been cepted by a weary man as a choice of

of the race longest identified with history-the noble red men-and fr their tribes, most befitting thes co be found for applying to o foremost Indian chieftains have spired intense admiration in Am cans. They are the ideal embod! of the greatest naval brite les of their time.

of their time. "What names of bankaply the of indomitable filson g force in American minifirst ally with or Pontiac, "the Red Non of the Ottawas; celebrated fighte tor; or Black E.

Preparedness "Mamma, I wish I had a crut mplained Johnnie,
"What in the world does a boy with

two good straight legs want with a "Well, mamma, it's a good thing to practice on in case you get hur an have to use it some time."

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and more people are turning from coffee to

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# QUARTERBREED

The Story of an Army Officer on an Indian Reservation By ROBERT AMES BENNET

#### have inherited their gentlemanly man-| troubling to close either the door or

he first installment of this story how Capt. Floyd t back in the States from the Philippines where he avage uprising of Moros, arrives at Lakotah Indian Northwest. He finds a party of angry Indians firing sons who have sought shelter in the canyon. The ake Dupont, a trader, his beautiful daughter, Marie, and her named Vandervyn. They are ill-mannered toward but he risks his life and routs the Indians. He becomes whites and learns that Vandervyn, nephew of a United ad expected to get the agency appointment, following en, the regular agent, by an Indian. Also, he dis-is a great granddaughter of Chief Sitting Bull, and educated in a French-Canadian convent. This installme revelations of conditions on the reservation.

HAPTER III.

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ing halfbreed in o othes. As they sto to water their pong the big, rangy m Charlie, Tardy

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hem I am a captain of the ldiers—the Longknives. I have ent here to be the agent." ar interpreted in musical Laccompanying his words with sons. The swarthy policemen

e approvingly, and their leader ed /8 t a sonorous reply. The halfed i erpreted mechanically: "He lys your eye is straight. He says ney are ready to trail and fight the Inlans whose hearts are bad."

"They are not to pursue the party," dered Hardy, "I shall call a cou of the chiefs, and ascertain the use of the tribal unrest. Tell them." Redbear hesitated, and looked uncerinly at Vandervyn. The chief clerk oke to him in sharp reproof: "Do as u're told, Charlie. Captain Hardy is w in command of the reservation." The halfbreed stared in astonish-

ent, but hastened to interpret. At the faces of the policemen behe stolid. They cast covert glances Vandervyn. Without seeming to noudden change of manner, ed four to act as escort to trader and his daughter. the party followed him

the first the mare walked out he would soon have left dervyn's quick-steper rider happened pinto ha n on the ger man's face. cited for him to come along-valy remarked: "I wish t, Mr. Vandervyn,

nouth curved but softened to a Meable expression as he met other's gaze. "You admit it?" he

has deprived you

"Having accepted the detail, I cannot ask to be relieved," said Hardy. But the extra pay was not one of the ducemer. Permit me to suggest at angements can be made to diyour salary the amount in exces of my regular compensation as an

was generous. Vandervyn flushed, bit his lip, and replied half inaudibly: "You needn't think just because—No, that's not quite- You may mean well, but that's no excus

"My fault, sir. Pardon me," spolo-

Vandervyn looked ahead at the mountains, considered, and turned to his companion with what seemed a "I am not used to be ing patronized, captain; but as you did not mean it that way-

"Not at all." x Vandervyn nodded. "You now un derstand that I'm not one of the com on run of Indian service employees, was slated for attache to our emnon run of In sy at the Court of Saint Jamested the coming event with some friends, and wound up by heaving a brick through a window of the White House. Uncle shipped me out here un-til the storm should blow over."

dy may have recalled the hazings ch he had shared at West Point. comment was: "You were

fortunate to get any appointment."

"Oh, I don't know," carelessly replied Vandervyn. "I didn't wake the president, and I had some of my wad left. The watchman sent me home in a taxl. But the infernal grafter must have

peached. I got this instead of Lon-

"Best thing for you." You think so?" said Vandervyn, his

in this God-forsaken jump-I wouldn't have stayed I it hadn't been for Marie." Dupont seems to be a very in the m young woman," dryly com-Hardy.

ill you see her put on dog. three or four years at a con-Ottawa. They must have her out as a parlor-maid in lect British family. She can erfect imitation of a real lady she chooses. said Hardy.

d take it for the sure-nuff arshe took a course in domestic ds, one of her paternal ances- ried." a French chef. French, that's The way she has with men!

as halfbreed Redbear thinks the running. Nogen was mad over her. He even would have married her. But he was not a man of family or culture. Fancy Jake Dupont



"I'm Not Used to Being Patronized,

for a father-in-law! Only thing, his squaw died five or six years ago. That of it? Talk about Siberian exile! That was when he sent the girl to Ottawa." Hardy looked at the mountains and

changed the subject: "May I ask you to give the particulars of the killing of Mr. Nogen?"

Vandervyn's eyelids drooped low and and Redbear were riding into the mountains. We met the murderer. He and Nogen quarreled. He shot Nogenkilled him. Then Redbear and I fired, and one of us got him-we don't know which of us it was. That's all. You'll find it in the coroner's report. I kept

a copy in the office at the agency."
"Strange that an Indian should attack a white man that way," observed

Hardy. "Was the cause ascertained?" Vandervyn twisted the tip of his talk, but I gather that the trouble was over this ore-buying. Nogen thought it a good thing to encourage. The chiefs felt ugly because the goods were not paid to them instead of to the laborers—the bucks and squaws who dug the ore, you know. The chiefs stirred up "Your quarters? May I ask you for ore, you know. The chiefs stirred up a lot of bad blood. No doubt they instigated the murder. They want to oss the tribe their own way.

"Let us trust that we shall have them in hand before fall." "Fall?" echoed Vandervyn. "You ex-

pect to stay all summer? That shuts me out of my promotion."

"You may receive the appointment of "Perhaps I don't want it just now

You forget Marie." The gravity of the officer's face hardened to sternness. "Mr. Vandervyn, kindly bear in mind that, as agent of

this reservation, I am in charge of the moral as well as the material welfare of every member of the tribe," Vandervyn quivered like a thorough-bred flecked with the lash. His voice

shook with passion:
"Damn your impudence! I'll have you understand you're not talking to ne of your rough-neck recruits, My ancestors were gentle were ever heard of."

"I regret that you do not s

ners," came back the cool rejoinder.

Vandervyn's reddened face went crimson. The veins of his forehead began to swell. But with a strong effort he repressed his anger and forced a fice when Redbear came in and started smile. "You went me one better, Hardy. to shuffle around to his desk, on the I throw down."

The officer responded with instant sympathy:

the good of the tribe." "It's a go," agreed Vandervyn, and as

if cleared of all ill temper by his out- marked Vandervyn. burst, he began a lively conversation on official society in the national capi-The party topped the rise between nals?"

the river and Sloux creek, and rode willow-fringed bank to the crossing of it." eyelids drooping. "I've been the stream. As they rounded the spur ridge on the far side, Redbear rode up know," predicted Hardy. "Come!" on Hardy's right, and pointed to a Vandervyn lingered behind the oth-small cabin among the quaking asps ers, and followed them only to the in the mile-wide curve of the stream to rear corner of the warehouse. When

"See my house, sir," he said. "Looks well built," remarked Hardy, his fieldglasses at his eyes, "Quite new, I see. You have still to put dirt and carefully sorted over its conon this corner of the roof."

Vandervyn.

The halfbreed's jaw muscles twitched, but he did not look away from Hardy. "I got a letter from my ent on Vandervyn. "And that's sister Oinna. She says she can't stay She can cook like an angel. at school. She says she will die if they make her stay at school. I want her the pines on the mountainside to the But it must be hereditary. I'll to come and cook for me till I get mar-

"How old is she?" "More than seventeen. She is sick to come. She says she will die."

"Very well. But you must take good care of her until she is married."

"Yes, sir. I've got a lot of money," replied the halfbreed, with the proneness of a weak nature to boast. "I've

got almost-" "-Almost enough to buy you two squaws," cut in Vandervyn.

Hardy did not notice this. They had rounded the toe of the spur ridge, and he was gazing up the green valley that lay outstretched in a circle of hills Hardy's inquiry. larger and far more picturesque than the Catskills. Sioux creek swirled out of a canyon at the far end, to meander down a winding channel fringed with bushes and aspens and other small trees.

On a natural terrace, or "bench," two miles up, the glasses showed the log to Redbear's cabin but across the creek was a large post-and-rail corral. Vandervyn had resumed with zest his talk about the social galeties of which he had been deprived for half a year. Hardy said little, but his eye was busy taking in the natural features of the beautiful valley.

When they came to the slope of the bench, or terrace, Vandervyn noticed the intent look of his companion, and inquired: "Well, what do you think is the Dupont place over here."

Hardy glanced at the large double cabin a hundred yards off to the right of the road. The broad front porch gave it a homelike appearance. The two cabins before him were very small. opened again in a wide, guileless stare. Beyond them stood the big agency "There's little to tell. Nogen and I warehouse. Its overhanging upper story showed that it had been built for use as a blockhouse, but the many windows had rendered it less defens ible than one of the cabins. The only persons in sight were the two Indian police who had been left in charge by Redbear.

"Well?" repeated Vandervyn. "Not an easy place to defend," so Hardy. "Where is the office and the

"The office is in the near front corblond mustache. "Well, it may be all ner of the warehouse. The police quar-talk, but I gather that the trouble was ters are in the other end. You see the white tepees over there across the creek? Most of the relations of the

a bite of lunch as soon as I have

"I board with the Duponts, but I can scare up a cold lunch," said Vandervyn. As they dismounted, Redbear came up and successfully curried fayor with the new agent by offering to curry his nare. He led her away to the low

brush stable beyond the warehouse.

After lunch, though still weary from his long ride, Hardy put in the rest of the day inspecting the agency property and examining the accounts of the two clerks. With the exception of two or three small items on Redbear's books, everything checked accurately.

Vandervyn brought bacon, coffee, crackers and canned food, and the new agent cooked supper with the skill of an old campaigner. After they had eaten, the chief clerk produced cigars in anticipation of a social evening. But Hardy was so drowsy that he asked to be excused. The moment he was alone, he laid his rifle and automatic pistol in the bunk, blew out the candle, and tumbled in on his blankets, without

the one small window.

The next morning Hardy and Vandervyn were seated in the agency ofother side of the office partition.

"Wait!" said Hardy. "I wish the chiefs and headmen of the tribe sum-"I see no reason why we should not become friends and work together for as possible."

"It is a day's ride to the camps farthest back in the mountains," re-

Hardy considered, and looked up at Redbear. "Does not this tribe use smoke sig-

"Not for a long time, not since I was down the winding road that skirted its a boy, sir. I never learned how to do

"That old sergeant of police will he had seen them ride off across Sloux creek towards the highest of the mountains that encircled the valley, he went back into the office, opened the safe, tents. All letters addressed to the late "And to put a squaw inside," added agent and to himself he took out and locked in his desk.

Meantime Hardy and Redbear with the police sergeant passed through the camp of the families of the police, where they added two old bucks to their party. A pony trail led up through bare granite crag of the summit. Midafternoon found the Indians standing around a greenwood fire, alternately covering it with a blanket and permitting puffs of the dense smoke to rise in the still air.

In less than half an hour Hardy's glasses showed him an answering smoke on a peak fifteen or twenty miles distant. When he called attention to it, the police sergeant pointed out still another smoke signal off to the left of the first and several miles far-Redbear started to speak, caught the ther away. The old bucks turned from other's eye, and reined in his pony. the fire and started down to where the mare and ponies had been left.

"The chiefs will come tomorrow," Redbear interpreted their answer to

The jaded buckboard ponies were tugging their load up the slope of the terrace when Hardy came down the line of agency buildings at a gallop. Marie Dupont was driving; but on the seat beside her was a brown-eyed. olive-skinned girl, who averted her handsome face with childish shyness buildings at the agency. Midway down as Hardy wheeled his mare and reined up alongside.

Marie fushed under the officer's him with a level glance, quietly remarked: "Good afternoon, Captain the Indians?"

Hardy. I have brought your luggage." "That was very kind of you," said Hardy as he glanced at the other girl. Marie smiled in instant appreciation of the fact thippen had spoken to her as to an equal. Seed her comas to an equal. S. ed her companion's work-reddened by with her gloved fingers. "This from. No Redbear's sister Oinna. They aher well at school, so she ran

come home. I want her to ler hun, me; but she says she must be w. brother. You will not send her be hid-The young girl looked at the no agent with a smile of timid appeal, and as quickly drooped her head in bashful

embarrassment. Hardy's gaze softened, and he answered reassuringly: "Redbear spoke of his sister. It will be all right." "You are most kind to say it," ap-

proved Marie with the condescension of a gracious young queen. "Captain Hardy, we shall expect you to dine with us this evennig. I shall send over your luggage in a few minutes. You need not dress for dinner."

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looked up and smiled in boyish enjoy-

ment of the new agent's surprise Dupont grunted "Don't think I'm plumb crazy. It's all Marie— Sald she couldn't live here unless she had things just like in Ottawa. Cried till I had to give in."

"Don't you let him con you, captain," chuckled Vandervyn. "It was Jake who wept because Marie sent off the mail order and he had to foot the bills."

"Well, anyway, there wasn't nobody she could hire to do the work, and I had to go out on roundup." Dupont sought to cover his discomfiture. "She set to and done it all her own self. I didn't have to pay a cent for that. Sit down, Cap. Make yourself to home. Hey, Marie! you there? Here's Cap Hardy. Bring in that bottle me and

Mr. Van was sampling, will you?"
Hardy picked the stiffest chair in the room, sat down-and promptly rose to a position of polite attention. A young lady had appeared in the doorway at the side of the room-a young lady in a samidecollete gown, of lines irre-proachable, the creamy whiteness of her full, round throat displayed. Her mass of coal-black hair was dressed in the very latest mode. Her cheeks were as highly colored as if rouged.

Vandervyn gazed at her with the brand of admiration that passes over the footlights from the first-row seats to the prettiest girl in the chorus. Hardy bowed as he would have saluted his colonel's lady or the daughter of a Moro chief, if either had been his hostes

The girl's eyes sparkled as she noted his change of dress, his immaculate linen, and clean-shaven chin. His bow won a smile that may have been due either to gratified vanity or to a commendable self-respect. She greeted him in a tone that caused Vandervyn to him in a tone that caused Vandervyn to straighten in his chair. "It is a great pleasure to have you dine with us." "You sure pleasure to have you dine with us." "The pleasure is mine, Miss Dupont,"

declared Hardy. "You've hit it, Cap," put in Dupont "You can just bet your bottom dollar on it you won't kick yourself for com-

ing when you git to her feed-trough." The girl's sable-black eyes dilated and her perfectly molded chin rose a fraction of an inch. She placed the tray on a tea table, bowed composedly, and left the room. Vandervyn looked at Hardy with an ironical smile. The silent mockery was wasted. Hardy was watching Dupont uncock the

whisky bottle. "One moment, Mr. Dupont," he said. a side thrust "As you are my host, the question is an awkward one to ask-yet is there not a law or a rule of the Indian bu- your company, reau against bringing liquor upon a

reservation?" Dupont stared around at the in- in no hotel," v could find words to answer. Vandervyn ion, she d'd not seek to avoid it. He replied for him: "According to the raised his hat with punctillous polite- strict letter of the law, captain, you ness. She bowed, and, gazing back at are right. You can't fancy that Jake would be fool enough to sell liquor to

"By Gar, you bet I don't-not when it's ten-year-old rye," qualified Dupont.
"You can't git no better stuff out of Canada. Marie made me buy some wine, too, to celebrate your coming. She said it was up to us to loosen up, seeing as you had shooed off them

"Ah, since you put it that way," Hardy accepted the explanation. must ask you, however, not to bring anything more of kind across the



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Mask, and taking a shortcut across the

fields, soon came in sight of the old

beaten dwelling she saw Davy com-fortably sprawled in a fringed ham-

mock slung between two gnarled apple

trees. Suddenly he sprang out of

the hammock and, after an irresolute

glance toward the house, set off at an

easy pace down the road in the direc-

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folded square of paper, which she con-

sluded was the note Davy had so nar-

rowly saved from the ruthless clutches

of Captain Brackett carrier in the day.

But instead of the periciled lines of

the Laughing Mask she saw a rough

diagram of a great bowlder with a star bisecting its base-line. Under this

star were the words : "Press at this

point until epening appears." The significance of the puzzling sketch

suddenly flashed into the mind of the

quick-witted girl. She knew that at

one time extensive coal mining opera-

tions had been carried on a. Seven

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Then he slowly from his pocket a folded square ofe paper. "I had almost fo puten to give this "I had almost for other to give this to you," he said, enending the paper to the wondering thit. "I found it flustened on the than bush near the great bowlder on S ven Ooks hill. It is addressed to you had I think it must be from the Laughur Mask, for he has been seen around there a number of times."

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As Margery hastive glanced at the penciled note she say that Davy was right in his conjecture, and he regained much that he had lost in her affections as she exilted what a struggle it must have east him to act as message bearer for his masked rival.

as message bearer to his masked rival.

"I'll trouble you to hand over that tetter, Miss Golden," demanded Captain Brackett in nutwritative tongs as he stepped from his place of conceniment. "I'ye had i'r doubts about your wantin' to lan that masked criminal in the cell were he belongs ever since you steere us wrong the time he made his his rathway, an perhaps this little dock ment will help throw some light on the subject."

His beefy paw suderally shot out and firmly clutched her sender wrist. But the resisting girl fund a timely ally in the person of twid Manley, who perceived that for casons of her own Margery did not wall to surrender the note, and, with a quick movement snatched that objett of contention from her fingers are stuffed it in his pocket. his pocket.

The belligerent captain now advanced threateningly up in the new factor of this unexpected reistance to

the majesty of the law.

"Come across with that aper, young man," he bellowed furiously, "or I'll show you what it means to interfere with an officer performin his duty."

Then as the calm-face Davy ex-

hibited no indications of complying with this demand, the irat policeman attempted to decide the issue by physical force. Roughly throwing a pinioning arm about the deflatt Manley, he made a vigorous effort to extract the much-coveted paper from his prisoner's pocket.

As the struggling figures thrashed and tramped over the order flower beds, Enoch Golden and two of Cap-tain Brackett's men, who led heard the sounds of the unequal combat, came hurrying upon the sce The sight of these enemy r enforcements acted upon the nerty exhausted Davy like a rowel of spur upon the flanks of a jadel With a supreme effort, he nched losse from the grasp of his heavy-handed captor and darted across the stretch of velvet lawn toward the spacious countryhouse, with the despacious countryhouse, with the termined officers close at hi in Up the steps and through the door he scurried, and, gain to the gunroom at the end of the hall, slammed and bolted the heav of that sanctuary in the very his pursuers.

"Don't be foolish, Davy," call out Golden sharply, "you are m grave mistake in resisting the lar you will have to suffer the constraint ces unless you open this door a diately.'

As though in compliance with this stern warning, the key gratet in the lock and the door swung s inward. With a quick eclab the sieging forces chaining room to face. Antered from both the kitchen pantry. The latter room is a post of artistic convenience. A wide shelf is her der the window w ting-back

hould, of course, side. The For that figure en-whouding mask of ye "c and gripped in one red in disconcerting fashion

that startled group. "I think Davy must be well bey ill by this time," he said as he wly backed toward the door, whetwider he stopped, and then, apparation's satisfied he was free from obill now leave you to your own

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ments of the young man, who was now

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the ridge. As he neared the isolated

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ing tones, "for David Manley did come born a plen, uncertain and hazard through that window and I saw him ous in its nature, but werth attempt ing as a last resort. Cathering al For a moment the heavy-featured her strength for a flual effort, sh police officer stared at her in appurent disbeller, but Margery felt she headed directly for the lone bowlder standing on the ridge-top some had twisted the truth in a good cause. twenty yards above her. She cov and presently he turned from her ered the intervening distance with a clear, level gaze with the attitude of frenzied burst of speed and threw a man who has completely lost his herself, penting convulsively, at the oase of the massive rock. After lunch she slipped away from

Then her braised flagers came in entact with a slight projection, on thich she saw painted the faint outne of a red star, She Instantly pressed with all her strength against this projection and, with a sharp elick of releasing bolts, a slab of wood se closely resembling the rock as to defy detection suddenly dropped in its grooved guides, le' ving a narrow aperture in the face of the bowlder.

Even as Legar, his cruet face aflame with evil passion, rushed upon the defenseless girl, she slipped through the strange opening, and as she stumbled onto a rude wooden platform some ingenious mechanism sent the heavy pairel shooting into

place bigind her.

Beneath the platform on which she was standing the gloch was broken by flickering tallow dips fixed against the wall, and Margery saw, as she expected, the labyrinthian galleries of the long-deserted coal mine. Then as she discovered a ladder which led down into the wavering shadows the heavy barrier suddenly dropped and silhouetted against the outer light she saw the leering face of Legar.

As he came twisting through the narrow passage the harried girl sprang for the ladder and groping her way downward found herself in a sloping tunnel from which opened a series of exhausted coal pockets.

Margery could now hear rough roices and the shuffling of feet on the platform above her head. After a



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> she now found herself had no outlet. Against one side of that tomblike chamber the miners had left an ascending series of rocky ledges upon which they must have stood to reach the higher coal deposits, but this rouch stairway offered no hope of

heard a startled oath, followed by the rocky flooring. A long silence ground labyrinth, which he had appar lying unconscious where he had knife blade.

She did not know that the sudden Black Tony had proved too much for | was to even the iron nerve of those crime of Black

"Tony must have fallen down an en earn old shaft, but that's no reason for othy your throwing a fit," Legar said in a es he voice that was a trifle unsteady, kissed a "maybe the girl's down there, too. Get one of those lights off the wall

the property of the control of the c with fearful bened. Suspended high over his head and concealed with the wall bracket y a slender wire, invisible in the er Tkness, was a massive iron rowbar, its beveled edge sharpened o a rasorlike fineness. The coarse Angers brushing against an ingenious rigger had instantly released that endly weapon hanging in midair. t dropped straight down like a plummet and catching the unsuspecting tuneran squarely on the head, split

is skull like an eggshell. But the supernatural horrors of those subterranean vaults were still to be exhausted. For a momen Dutch Frank, the blond gangster. stared in white-faced consternation at that ghastly figure stretched before him. Then, with a sudden bleat of terror, he turned from the ap palling sight and fled blindly along the dusky tunnel toward the ladder leading to the upper world. In his mad rush to escape from those ill-omered vaults of death he blundered heavily against an old and decaying mine

The age-rotted timber crumbled like paper under the forceful blow from the shoulder of the racing blond giant, and with the suddenness of a cloudburst, a great section of deep-fissured rock, which roofed the tunnel, fell with a suffen roar onto the strugglas 50c and \$1.000 gungster, crushing out his like blocking up the passage. As the tering echoes aroused by that a slide slowly subsided, Legar reallz

that the hand of death had robbed he of the last of his will followers to his savage courage entirely for him. Obsessed with a mad desire escape from the encompassing stows, he frantically fore at the rewhich now checked his egress.

It was with new misgivings th the girl crouching in the styglan gloo of the walled-in crypt on the low level of the abandoned mine, heard th muffled roar accompanying the ca ende of rocks into the tunnel. He he had fallen now gave unmistakable signs of returning consciousness.

But these appalling conjectures w suddenly banished by a danger wh threatened dire and immediate resu Her enemy lying under the trap of sage he had effected, and staggesus where he had fallen now gave up sage he had effected, and staggesus like a dampker was forward the lader takable signs of returning conscious-

Presently he would commence to explore his surroundings, and the girl, separated by only a few feet of enshrouding darkness from the merci-less criminal, felt her blood turn cold at the thought of those groping fingers which would eventually find her. But as she waited, scarcely daring to breathe for fear of betraying her presence, she heard a low exclamation of satisfaction come from the Italian gunman, and even while she wondered what it could mean, a small shaft of light suddenly pierced the ebony black-

That exclamation from her enemy meant he had found his pocket flashlight unbroken, and now a little circle of light traveled over the jutting walls, slowly approaching the spot where Margery Golden crouched, waiting her inevitable discovery with all the courage she could muster. Nearer, and yet nearer, came that betraying beam of light. Suddenly it rested full on the white face of the girl, while from the lips of Black Tony came a startled oath of wonder.

Then the light was quickly extinguished, and Margery heard the soft ad of stealthily approaching footfalls. Into her distraught mind came the memory of those shelflike ridges she had seen at the farther end of the chamber, and, feeling her way along the damp wall, she stole r o'dly toward them. Even as she stumbled against the lowest of those stone protections she heard the sudden spring of the gangster, followed by his cry of baffled fury as he clawed at the empty air where he had last seen her.

Then came a little click to her ears, and again that circle of light commenced its exploration. It suddenly glared into her eyes, and the shadowy form behind it came rapidly under the ledge.

With drawn breath and tumultuous ly beating heart, she waited, waited until she saw the bullet-shaped head of the gangster just beneath her. Then with a mighty effort she lifted a heavy lump of coal, and with all her strength sent it crashing onto the hairmatted skull of the Italian.

She now had nothing but her bare hands with which to repel that gangster, more dangerous and vicious than a mad dog. As she lay flat on the narrow ledge momentarily expecting a Then, with a faint flash of light, fresh onslaught, she knew there was the trapdoor swung open, and she but one possible chance for her salvation. If her masked protector should the thud of a heavy body as it struck by any chance return to this underfollowed and the alarmed girl reai- en 'y utilized as a terribly guarded ized that her unseen enemy must be hiding place, she might yet escape that

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He made his way through the open ing and stood confusedly blinking the the bright flood of sunlight. The nice moment a running figure bore dos upon the outlaw from the other s of the rock. There was a sudden pact of colliding bodies and Jules gar and the Laughing Mask stood in dazed uncertainty, staring into each other's eyes.

By warily evading the menuce of that terrible claw of iron, the masked mystery, with a sudden trick of Jaj. anese origin, sent his heavier opponent toppling over backward. Then, before Legar could regain his balence. the Laughing Mask slipped through that still open passage into the tantider, the panel closing sharply as he stepped on the platform. The next instant Legar found himself face to face with Captain Brackett and the two detectives, who had been hot on the trust of the Laughing Mask.

Before Legar could draw high those three heavy and resolute di avalanched themselves upon him ing him under their combined as he crashed to the ground

To Margery Golden, still lying open that narrow rocky ledge, show Wilso every moment an attack for him as the h the dark, the passing tingle peacemed like a fearful eternity and heard Black Tony creep nations, below the in an apparently suffic search for est

Then came a low cry of a thin streak of light her. She saw the siniste of the swarthy Italians steadily nearer. She a a long against the rough wall as a long pering knife, clutched in sinewy gers, came reaching toward her. It seemed certain that nothing short of a miracle could save her. But even as the knife was raised to state, the mirocle happened.

The apparently solld wall behind to suddenly gave way and Margery fell herself quickly pulled through an opening by strong, tender arms. She vaguely conscious of being borne up ladder and presently a gentle br fanned her cheek. When the fresh air had revived her and she became accustomed to daylight she saw the Laughing Mask bending over her.

"I had a feeling up to the very last that you would save me," she murmured gratefully.
"It was lucky I knew about the old

ventilating shaft connecting all til galleries in the mine," he modestly replied; "it will be quite safe for you to go home now, for I happen to know that Legar himself is captured and his men have all met the final punishment, they so richly deserved."

But Margery fixed a pleading look

upon her masked savior. "Can't you see how I am tortured by this terrible uncertainty," sie said in supplicating tones. "If you really love me, you will tell me who you are.' For a moment the Laughing Mask hesitated, then he slowly raised the yellow visor which so long had pre-served the secret of his identity.

Transfixed with wonder, Margery ood gazing upon the face of nion. A little cry broke fr ner lips, a cry that might have als fied either joy or sor

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moment's hesitation she darted into one of the shadowy chambers, hoping to find some place of concealment in its dark recesses. But she was suddenly threatened by new and unexpected dangers, for in the center of that vaultlike room her hurrying feet suddenly slipped from under her, and with a startled outcry she plunged through a hidden trapdoor, which sprang back into place when

When the badly shaken girl sat up on the uneven stone flooring where she had landed with considerable force, she realized she had fallen into another of those spectrally lighted chambers on a lower level of the abandoned mine. But there was this difference—the murky cave in which

escape to the apprehensive girl.

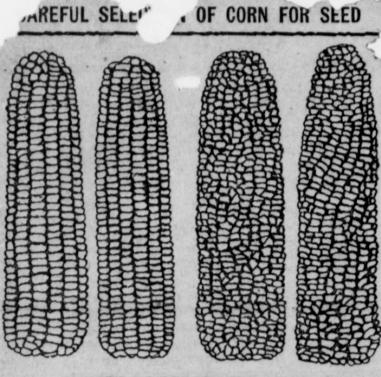
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Good Arrangement of Seed.

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the field the selection should be made by taking a row at a time and picking only those ears which come up to a certain standard fixed beforehand.

In the selection of the standard the farmer must make up his mind in ad- in place by driving a staple over each vauce whether he wants a large, coarse stalk with the ear high from the board and make a groove in it near ground, or a smaller, stout stalk with the center, but with the end to rest

If he desires a large ear with coars grains, or a medium-sized car with the grains compactly set, he must make his

Right here, however, the selector is warned against a very common mistake -that is, picking ears of abnormal size or appearance. If he wants a large ear with coarse and loosely set grains he may find an occasional ear bearing these characteristics in a very marked degree, abnormally so in fact, but it would be a mistake to select such an ear because the tendency will be to increase variation, and when these variations run to excess they are pretty sure to produce undesirable quali-

It would be just as great a mistake if the selector is looking for a medium-sized ear with closely set grains to select an undersized ear with the abnormally-sized grains, for the reason

ways wise to stick to the medium specimens having the characteristics de sired, as better results will always follow such selections.

It is a good plan to select seed from stalks of stout, healthy growth which have made uniform progress during ason and that are well provided with leaves so as to provide plenty of fodder. It is important to observe the tassel of the stalk to see that it is strong, symmetrical and is well deoped and free from any evidence of

The stalks from which the ears are row thoroughly aken should be well rooted in the will manure the

year's corn crop will depend very and any evidence of disease or abnorupon the selection of seed-not mal growth should at once condemp

th time, place and man- Only ears that are well sliked and that are thoroughly covered with the until just before plant- husk from tip to tip should be selecnext spring and then run ed. Here again it is a mistake to he corn crib and pick out lect ears bearing abnormally developed to be likely seed, we are ces of about eight to one developed.

If the ear contains an unusual to select seed corn is in amount of husk it is a sure sign of after the grain is thoroughly coarseness and will show up badly in

1. This method enables one The shank bearing the ear should actly the kind of stalk which be short and not over an inch or an a book agent. the ear and to avoid those inch and a quarter in diameter, and ch, although they may have those ears pointing downward are the good ear, indicate by their most desirable. These shed the rain appearance that they would and thus preserve the grain while those oduce a perfect stand next sea- ears which stand upright, or nearly so naturally catch moisture which trickles orn selection is one of the down into the grain and causes it to

ist be undertaken in a sys- As to the number of rows and grains ner, because slipshod and on the ear, these will vary with the thods will only result in variety, but in most standard varieties they run from 16 to 20, although they Really seed corn should be raised on may run as high as 24 and still conform to standard.

If the number runs below 14 the ear should be discarded. The rows should run straight from butt to tip and those ears containing wavy rows or rows that become mixed at any point and lose their identity are not to be taken.

The seed ears should be stored in a rat-proof room, not too cold nor warm enough to start germination in case of damp weather at any time during the winter. After the ears have dried a few days they should be husked and placed in racks, that they may cure uniformly. A very simple rack for this purpose can be made by driving wire nails into a stout board at intervals of about four inches and impaling the ears through the butts on the nails. In this way the ears can be num

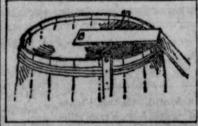
bered and classified as desired. Of course, in the spring, two or

three weeks before planting time, the seed must be thoroughly tested for germination power. This is as important as selection and even more so because it is useless to go to the trouble of preparing ground and planting seed unless you know it will grow.

#### CHEAP RAT AND MOUSE TRAP

Ordinary Barrel With Balanced Board Attached to Rod on Top Will Prove Effective.

Secure a barrel of any size. Fill half full of water. Get a light iron rod. Place it across the top of the barrel as shown in the illustration and hold end of the rod. Get a short, straight



#### Trap Resets Itself.

on the edge of the barrel slightly heavier. Fasten the board to the rod with staples, but allow it to move freely on the rod. Set a board against the edge of the barrel to make it easy to get on the balanced board. Put bait on the end of the board extending over the middle of the barrel. If the board is balanced properly the weight of a rat, or even a mouse, tilt it and drop the rodent into the water, where he will drown, and the board will at once reset itself for the second victim.—Southern Agricultur-

#### FOR BEST ALFALFA RESULTS

Fields Will Last Indefinitely, Provided Good Stand Is Secured-Cultivate With Disk.

Get your alfalfa seedbed in the best possible state of tilth; learn that alfalfa fields will last indefinitely, proairaifa fields will last indefinitely, pro-vided you get a good stand, will culti-vate them with a disk or alfalfa har-row thoroughly, after each cutting and will manure them.

# DODSON'S LI

New Discovery! Takes Place of Dangerous Calomel-It hats Your Liver To Work Without Making You Sick—Eat Anything—It Can Ist Salivate—Don't Lose a Day's Work!

I discovered a vegetable compound that does | a day's work. I want to see a bott of this wonthe work of dangerous, sickening calomel and I want every reader of this paper to try a bottle and if it doesn't straighten you up better and quicker than salivating calomel just go back to the store and get your money.

I guarantee that one spoonful of Dodson's Liver Tone will put your sluggish liver to work and clean your thirty feet of bowels of the sour bile and constipation poison which is clogging your system and making you feel miserable.

I guarantee that one spoonful of this harmless liquid liver medicine will relieve the headache, biliousness, coated tongue, ague, malaria, sour stomach or any other distress caused by a torpid liver as quickly as a dose of vile, nauseating calomel, besides it will not make you sick or keep you from ous calomel -Adv.

Dentist-I think I'll remove the

Patient-Don't do that, doctor. I'm

-For Headaches-

aches in back and limbs also-Assists

Nature to get right and stay so. It's

"Here's a reason given why Ger-

"The chemists provided the people

for infants and children, and see that it

Bears the Signature of Chart Hillichies.
In Use for Over 30 Years.

Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

"Dat man done made an election bet dat leaves him 'bliged to eat a gallon

of 'lasses wif a toothpick," remarked

"Well," remarked Pickantnny Jim

"De toothpick makes it slow work, but

THIS IS THE AGE OF YOUTH.

Consistent Economy.

proper effort to avoid wasting paper,"

People are undoubtedly making a

"I just bought one of those Fliv-

You will look ten years younger if you arken your ugly, grizzly, gray hairs by sing "La Creole" Hair Dressing.—Adv

many is not so much affected by the blockade!"

Liquid-easy to take.-Adv.

"What is it?"

Mr. Erastus Pinkly.

de 'lasses is wuth it."

remarked Mr. Chuggins.

vord autos and the mr

wanted it wrapped up."

Dr. Peery's "Dead Shot" is por prompt but safe. One dose only is to expet Worms or Tapeworm. No-oil necessary. Adv.

A Denial.

"So you got lost while deer hun-

"No! I wasn't lost. I was only hid-

"How do you know?"

with sympathetic foods."

Try it and be convinced. Good for

CAPUDINE

derful liver medicine in every home

Calomel is poison—it's mercury—bones, often causing rheumatism. O gerous. It sickens—while my D miel is dan-Tone is safe, pleasant and harmle Eat anything afterwards, because it can not it to the children because it doesn't u ach or shock the liver. Take a spo ful tonight and wake up feeling fine and read for a full day's work.

Get a bottle! Try it! If it doesn do exactly what I say, tell your dealer to hand our money back. Every druggist and store keeps here knows me and knows of my wonderful di over of a vegetable medicine that takes the cla what I say, tell your dealer to hand our money back. Every druggist and store keeps here knows me and knows of my wonderful di overy of a vegetable medicine that takes the place of danger-

JACK FROST BAKING POWDER

"Jack Frost Powder came to stay-Buy and try a Pound oday"

TURKEYS

GLOBE PRODUCE CO. 305 West Weatherford

The P. P. "I put my faith in the wisdom of the plain people," said the statesman.
"Yes," replied Senator Sorghum.

"The wisdom of the plain people is all right. The only thing I fear is that some of them are getting so that they know too much."

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, that famous old remedy GOOD FOR HUNGRY CHILDREN

Children love Skinner's Macaron and Spaghetti because of its delicious taste. It is good for them and you can give them all they want. It is a great builder of bone and muscle, and does not make them nervous and irrithat your heart's all sure. Take "Renovine" table like meat. The most economical and nutritious food known. Made from the finest Durum wheat. Write Skinner Mfg. Co., Omaha, Nebr., for beautiful cook book. It is sent free to mothers .- Adv.

Food Product They Overlooked.

largest rice crop in its history, and alnow enjoy much higher range of values than normal, rice is the exception, it selling this season, due to large crop and limited demand, only about on a level with the average of the past ten years.—Vicksburg Herald.

Surface Judgments.

President T. V. O'Connor of the International Longshoremen was talking to a reporter about a labor dispute. "You are judging too much by surface conditions," he said. "Judging a ed me if I labor dispute by surface indications is as bad as judging a man by his clothes and, as to that, an aviator just back om France told me the other day: he handsomest v' rms and richrms and rich-

'als are p

"Why, this portrait is ing portrait of your wif "I'd rather have it tha

Cause for Prefe

Men who speak befo

have occasion to mak

nerve tonic. Price 50c a

Boscher German

ing so that none of the other hunters would get close enough to shoot me by mistake."

a "coa but a good, old-fashioned a for regulating the stomach, the liver a the bowels. Get a box and try them. Adv.

"Jim always manages to say the wrong thing." "What's he been saying now?" "When he saw auto, which had turned turtle, he said; 'Well, Jems, this is laughed

Anyway, a woman's tears float her out of a lot of difficulties.

Uric Acid Poisoning?

PROMPT RELIEF
can be found in cases of Colds, Coughs,
LaGrippe and Headaches by using
Laxative Quinidine Tablets. Does not

affect the head or stomach. Buy your winter's supply now. Price 25c.—Adv.

The most eminent physicians recognize that uric acid stored up in th system is the cause of rheumat that this uric acid poison is pres the joints, muscles, or nerves, perimenting and analysis at t valids' Hotel and Surgical Instit Buffalo, N. Y., Dr. Pierce disco combination of native remedi he called Anuric uric acid from the s way the pain, swell tion subside. If v rheumatisn there, you can o

drug store and get pains and ills brought apout by acid; or send Dr. Pierce 10c for treat pkg. Anuric which you will find many times more potent than lithia and the sugar. A short trial will convince you. H EXAS WOMAN d tried doctors could not get relief. My lo-octor said he

BUSI



your grocery bull

Mr. Dobbs went to Gib last Friday for a few weeks sit with his daughter.

Brick

day for Bowie and Giptown to where he went last week to t visit relatives during the boli tend the funeral of his sister-

Bay your Xmas candies, n ts oranges and apples from Livel -special prices.

J. R. Cox and family left Fir the week from Grayson cour y

Get some Buffalo meat for Christmas dinner. Believing the people of Hedley will appreciate Buffalo meat I have ordered some which will be here Friday or Sat-

Lynn Meat Market.

slight stroke of paralysis Tues day. Report at this writing is that she is improving some

ey, and H. A. Bridges moved to McKnight. he house vacated by Stewart

FOR SALE Bay horse, 7 yrs old, good work horse single or a short visit. He was on his double driving. Will sell for eash way from his home in Oklahoma or good note on fall time. Call

Mrs Joe Kendal arrived Sat urday morning from San Antonio daughter left Wednesday for man gin the last C. Branlett has moved to the and Mrs. W. A. Kinslow, and at Ranger. Her brother. Mr. her stay in Hedley e in Windy Valley vacated other relatives.

FOR SALE-4 mares, plow tools, feed, wagon, and 3 hogs for L. F. Stewart moved this week the cash to some one who will nto his new home in south Hed- rent my place, 31 miles north of

> L. G. Brown, brother of W. A Brown, stopped off this week for

Mrs. A. A. Nipper and little popular bookkeeper! visit with her parents, Mr. a few days visit with her parents and made many Taylor, returned home with her | much happiness

Keeple Spero

# The Dixie

Meet me there on Thursday, Friday and Saturday and see a Clean-up of a Nice Clean Stock of Holiday Goods that is now almost unbroken.

Daily Shipments of nice Gift Goods are still arriving by Express.

for restd Many lines of Staple Goods in Furnishings, Novelties and Notions are thrown into this SPEC AL CLEARANCE SALE, and make nice Presents at that the hour than their value.

bere are a things will go at almost Half Price.

placed prices on many things that will ou, and they will not last long.

y in the morning and we will see that aited on promptly. In order to help us grade we will present all our morning with a nice Christmas Souvenir.

people have visited us this week and ay arm loads of nice goods. Other have taken their place.

asit us and see a Real

#### Holiday Sale

mas Cards Free and package taken care of

## TALLSWORTH

of artistic convenience. A wide stelf is built under the window way neck door

ould, of course, side The OffRIS I meet

y mordsday 10:80 a m. and preaching every first rdsday morning and right.

PHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sunday School every Sunvitation is extended at my he broughveek.

R E Newmaov PRESBYTERIAN Preaching every resti at 11 a m ary lamps and at The First with the mains the mains the art Freachind

hes at all times. Claude Mills and family are spend-

will call for and deliver your

J. B. Gambill.

he holidays with relatives estover, Texas.

ench Ivory Toilet Sets, hes, Combs, Etc. Hedley Drug Store.

P.W. Cash and family have to Dalhart where he will work for J. I. Steele.

et me do your tailor work ction guaranteed. - Claude Strickland.

T. F. Brown left Wednesspend the holidays with rents at Haskell.

Hings, Lavaliers, Watches and inds of jewelry. Hedley Drug Store.

M s S. C. Buckalew of Perne Sunday to visit her daughter, Mrs. J. L. Tims.

Dr A. L Johnson and family spent Sunday with his brother, C. E Johnson, and family.

Get a Camera for that Christmas present Prices from \$2 to \$5.00 Hedley Drug Store.

D. P. Everett came in Tuesday from Alard to spend the holidays with his brother, J. M.

Be on hand at Lively's in Dec. ourself some money and save on grocer

nt steb icCarroll left Thursda inder for Poolville for tisit with relatives.

residences in east e worth the money. L. L. Cornelius.

M. N. Perker and family have moved to Carendon and leased their farm vest of Hedley to Jess

Miss Estic Alexander of Wheel v at 10 a. m. at the Prest aminagis, and family a few days

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## To Our Frie and Custo

We thank you, one and all, f trade you have given us during the ing to a close. We trust it has been and happy year for each and all.

For the incoming year we was you to come to see us when in town; we want you to feel at home with us; we want you to make our store your store, and call on us when we can be of service to you.

We will in a few days have a complete line P & O Implements---beyond question the best implements that are sold in the Panhandle.

We handle the Bain Special Wagon. you buy this wagon you buy the best. You don't have to trust to luck to get a good wagon when you buy it. The Bain Wagon looks right, wears right, runs right. It is a finished product; one you can depend upon absolutely.

Again thanking you for past favors and wishing you a Prosperous 1917, we are sincerely yours

## Hedley Hardware & Implement 60:

The Misses Risley have gone to their home at Clarendon to spend the holidays

Mo. to attend the graduating ex- White and wife. ercises of their daughter, Miss illed for, cleaned Jessie, who graduates as doctor

> Worsham had bought some acting business. nd near Lubbock and would ove to same to the spring, we ed in the time he was to move.

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M. E. Church Il attended

A. L. Miller.

Mrs. S. A. McCarroll came up E. R. Clark and wife will leave from Memphis Saturday morn Baptist Sanitarium at Dallas last last of this week for Kirksville, ing to visit her parents, W. T. Saturday night. He was accom-

J H. White of Canyon City was here several days this week In stating last week that A. meeting old friends and trans-

> Earl Reeves left Tuesday morncaria, N M. after a short visit and save "money and get a square he will not go ing for the ranch near Tucumhere with his parents, W. E. deal." Reeves and wife.

We have opened a Real Estate

the number office over the Dixie Store, if not showed you want to sell list your lands as I will not be allowed to hold of the with us. See our proposition any tickets. onlication on before you buy, Kinsey & Pierce Real Estate Co.

Paul Pyle was a visitor in McDougal some Sunday.

Clint Phillips was taken to the panied by Dr. J. B. Ozier. Mr. Phillips is afflicted with stomach trouble of some sort.

Hand Made Candy Fresh and Fancy Candy at the Busy Bee Cafe Confectionery. West side main street

NOTICE

Chas Boles. Wellington, Texas.