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The Texas Spur

DICKENS ITEM

able to the owner and the community than an oil gusher.

A well tilled farm is more valu-

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SPUR, DICKENS COUNTY, TEXAS, DECEMBER 7, 1523

MRS. RUCKER WON THE COUPE

Mrs. J. R. Rucker was the wirner Spur and Dearborn Independent

The standing of votes received by Seymour. the three contestants remaining in race to the end, is as follows:

Jewell Barnett, Girard, ___357,350 Mrs. Roy Arrington, Spur __ 337,100

The Ford Coupe was awarded to Mrs. Rucker Saturday morning, she driving it from the floor of the sale room of Godfrey & Smart, . It was a close race. We congratulate Mrs Rucker in winning this handsome prize, but we sympathize with those who lost. We wish it were possible to give each one a car.

We have not yet had time to run over and tabulate the large number contestant, but hope tohave the pa Harkey at Red Front. pers going to each one by next week. We intend to give a percentage of the amounts turned in by the indi vidual contestants, as a second and third prize, just as soon as we can get toit We certainly appreciate the large number of subscriptions as result of the contest. The Texas Spur now has the largest list of paid up readers of any other paper in the

Trade in Spur— NOTICE

We are putting in a small line or Army Goods, new and second hand stuff. Our prices are as good as you will find elsewhere. If you are needing anything in this line come to Midway Hotel, Spur, phone 61.

Marion Jordan, 15 years old son of Mr. and Mr. A. W. Jordan, underwent an operation Wednesday at the Nichols Sanitarium. Again on Thursday, their daughter, Miss Cre ola, 13 years of age, suffered an at tack of appendicitis and underwent an operation. We are glad to note that they are both now doing nicely: and recovering.

Miss Thelma Maples, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Maples, under went an operation Friday of this week at the Nichols Dani

I. B. Alexander, a good citizen of southwest of Spur, dropped in on us Thursday, renewed his subscrip tion to both the Texas Spur and the Dallas News.

-Trade in Spur-C., D. Copeland spent several days of this week in Albany on business. W. G. Mayfield, me chant and cot tion buyer of Girard, was in Spurone day this week. He was lament ing the rapid drop in price of cot ton, he having a number of bales on hand. The price of cotton has drop ped about lfteen dollars a bale the past week.

W. A. Craddock, who has been in the Nichols Sanitarium some time for treatment, last week underwent an operation, having a portion of the bone removed from his arm. He is now reported doing well and re

covering. Judge Brummett underwent operation Saturday at the Nichols Sanitarium. He is now reported do ing alright, andit is hoped that he will soon be out.

___Trade in Spur-Robt. Nickels was here Monday from McAdoo. He says the plains country is in an almost impassable resulting from the rains ast week.

Trade in Spur-Willard Chapman and infant of Rails, are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Rob Davis and other friends of Spur.

-Trade in Spur-NOTICE-Hunting, hauling wood or otherwise trespassing in any way is forbidden in my pastures .- T. A. Johnson, Spur, Texas.

-Trade in Spur-COAL ON TRACK ALL WEEK P. H. MILLER.

IN SUBSCRIPTION CONTEST DISTRICT COURT WILL CON VENE MONDAY AT DICKENS

District curt will reconvene Mon in obtaining subscriptions to Toxas York. During the intermission Judge tern District. Milam spent the time at his home ir

> There are two important cases to summoned in the rape case, and hun Womans Missionary Society.

ing at a very low price.

J. T. McCULLOCH, Proprietor. -Trade in SpurATTEND AUTOMOBILE MEET ING IN AMARILLO THIS WEEK

Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Gorham r

-Trade in Spur-SNOWED UNDER.

We have been "snowed under" be tried: One a rape case, and also this week, andas a result the paper Mrs. Rucker, Spur. _____386,950 the Arnold Copeland case charged is late and short of news. We have with shooting Loyd Barber about a had the biggest job in the worldyear ago. A special venire has been a cook book being issued by the with her sister through an operation unable to attend the funeral. performed at Nichols Sanitarium rf the hole.

SHERIFF COLE CRITICALLY ILL NOT EXPECTED TO SURVIVE

of the Ford Coupe given away by day after a recess of two weeks on turned Wednesday from Amarillo and not expected to survive. He the corner to see if all the children Godfrey & Smart and the Texas account of the absence of District where he attended a meeting of the for some time has been sufferin of are a sleep. You say you are not go Spur for the largest number of votes Attorney Bell who has been in New Star and Durant Agents of this Wes cancer of the liver, taking Xray and ing to buy much Christmas for the Radium treatments until becoming kiddies this year, but you don't real too weak to stand them longer:

> who ever lived in West Texas, and kiddies happy now and how soon they his friends everywhere are hoping will be grown and gone? Better do that he may yet live through this all you can for them now. critical stage of his illness.

-Trade in Spur-

We MRS.PATTON DIED IN SHERMAN selected stock of durable, as well as dreds of men will attend these trials promised the books to them Satur Mrs. Ned Hogan received a mes- mechanical toys, well made toys not CALL AT CASH VARIETY STORE
FOR YOUR XMAS GOODS

day. Our linotype broke down, every belt in the house broke loose, of the death of her mother, Mr. patton, which occurred that morn. Lots of games, noth Have just received a big shipment homestretch our linotype operator, ing at her home in Sherman, Being ing better to keep the kiddies at of Variety Goods which we are sell Miss Ruth Maples, hadto quit to be also ill at the time, Mrs. Hogan was home nights than good games and if

Trade in Spur-Friday. We regret the disappoint Have you seen the Christmas Wouan. Keep young by enjoying FOR SALE—C melody saxophone ment and delay, but we are still Goods at Bryant Link Cos. Some what young foks enjoy. of subscriptions turned in by each cost \$165, will take \$85. See Roy working and laboring to get out of of the most novel mechanical toys ever invented.

BRYANT LINK COMPANY

Don't your feel the Christmas spirit getting in your bones. Not Sheriff H. P. Cole is critically ill 'til old Santa will be peeping roun! ly mean it. Did you ever stop to Handy Cole is one of the best men think how little it takes to make the

> We are featuring Toys for the first time. We think we have a well you will play with them they are not so apt to call you the Old Man and

See our display of Christmas goods in our Hardware Department. Buy early so you can get what you want.

Dolls! Dolls! Dolll, that talk, and Dolls that walk and Doils that go to sleep, Dolls that are fine to play with and Dols that are pretty to keep. See our Doll Window. Every little girl in the Great Big World loves and wants a Doll. If you don't have a little girl of your own, find some poor little girl and buy a doll for her, see how much happiness it will bring her and how it will reflect back to you and make you happy.

What would be a better gift for the boy than a good suit? We are giving a Good Base Ball and Bat with each Boy's suit as long as our stock of Balls and Bats last. Better hurry boys.

How about giving your husband a freal present this Christmas, a Hart Schaffner & Marx suit. This would make hima look better, feel better and maybe be better.

How about a nice Dress or Coat for your wife or daughter. We are making some special prices in Ladies Wear and Millinery. Yes, we are getting new Hats

every week, have a shipment coming this week. See the new things in millinery.

Our Grocery Department will be full of fruit, nut and candies. want your business in these lines. Remember Fants Fairy Flour mad: exclusively for Bryant_Link Com pany. We are sure it is the best flour milled in Texas. Just the flour you will need for your Christmas bac ing. Every sack guaranteed, Not just a good, but better.

Gold Plume coffee sold in Spur ex clusively by Bryant_Link Company. And we sold 1880, pounds nearly a ton of this coffee last month. We have never had such demand for any brand of cocee as for Gold Plume. One cup makes a customer. Uncle Bill Perry is our special Gold Plume salesman, he sod more cocee last month than any retail salesman in Texas. "Gold Plume."

Come on folks the "sun is shining' we are glad so are you.

Make our store your store and bring the kiddies. Santa Claus will be at our Store from now till the 25. BRYANT_LINK COMPANY

Trade in Spur—Full blood Buff Orpington cocker els for sale .-- Mrs. P. E. Hagins, Gilpin, Texas.

-Trade in Spur COAL ON TRACK ALL WEEK. P. H. MILLER.

See the Dolls that Taln at Bryant Link Cos.

Cryus Crow attended the foot ball game between Simmon and Howard Payne last Thursday. The score be ing 3 and 3.

Mrs. E. A. Rusell and children re turned from Anson last Friday, they were accompanied home by Mrs. Fogleman who will visit for a while in Spur.

Andy Morgan and Mrs. C. R. Mil ldr returned Friday from Anson, where they were called to attend the funeral of an uncle.

C. A. JONES, President

W. T. ANDREWS, Jr., Cashier W. B. LEE, Active Vice President F. G. COLLIER, Asst. Cashier

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SPUR, TEXAS

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The time to prepare for comfort, in old age, is in youth.

We have noted, with much pleasure, the splendid progress made by a number of our excellent Club Boys and Girls, who have opened small accounts with us dur ing the past few years. They have not only acquired the Thrife and Saving Habit, but they have, in many instances, accumulated real nice balances with us, and are becoming quite familiar with the various business transactions, by reason of their connection here.

Our observation of the progress made by the Club Boys and Girls, prompts us to extend a hearty invitation to every school boy and girl in Dickens County and arjoining communities to open an account with this bank, so that they may encour age them in Thrift and Saving, and help to teach them the underlying principles of husiness.

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spent quite a sum of money for 1000 nice, and useful, presents, to be given, abso-Intely free, to the School Boys and Girls, who open accounts with us on the above dates, and to those who have accounts with us, by reason of deposits made previous to those dates.

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We urge the parents to cooperate wit hus in seeing that their children are here, with a deposit, even tho it be a small one, on Friday and Saturday, December 21st and 22nd.

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YEAR

SACRIFICE BY SORREL PETE

Rancher on Western Prairie Marries Cranky Cook to Oblige His Old Chum.

In the door of his ranch house on a western prairie, Pete Harker-known as Sorrel Pete-sat idly when his old chum, Mac Towles, rode up the trail. "Whoop!" shouted Pete. "Jest look

who's here! Haven't set eyes on you since you saved my life back yonder." "No," agreed Mac; "and speaking of that, I'm here right now to remind you of the promise you made then; but I'm most afraid I'm asking too

"Sho, I'll bet you ain't, no such

"Well, my wife and I want you to come over and marry our cook."

"Jest listen to that! She awful homely-lookin'?" "Not so bad."

"Kin she cook?"

"Fine."

"Well, I'm a bachelor man. I like women folks and good cookin' as well as any other lonesome old critter does, but where's the favor I'm doing

"Pete, she's the worst-tempered My wife don't dare go into the kitchen when the cook isn't feeling amiable, and I wouldn't hanker to, either. And she won't let us discharge her; we've tried that, but she just simply wouldn't have it. Our only hope's in marrying her off, and we thought of you-but I guess the sacrifice is too much to

"Sacrifice nothin'!" shouted Pete. "I'll hike right home with you and marry the gal immejiate, if she'll say the word. Things have been pesky quiet here lately; no fights nor nothin' And anyhow, Sorrel Pete never goes back on a promise. If an old chum that saved my ornery life at the resk of his own makes a p'int of me marrying a cranky cook, I'll do it. Come on !"-Exchange.

FREAKS OF THE FISH FAMILY

Flounders and Soles Have Both Eyes on Same Side of the Head.

In flounders and soles the head is unsymmetrically formed, the cranium being twisted and both eyes being placed on the same side. The body is strongly compressed, and the side possessing the eyes is uppermost in all the actions of the fish. This upper side, whether right or left, is colored, while the eyeless side is white, or very nearly so. It is well known that in the very young flounder the body rests upright in the water. After a little while there is a tendency to turn to one side, and the lower eye begins its migration to the other side. In the tropical genus the movement of the eye is easily followed, as the species reach a larger size than do most flounders before the change takes place. The larva, while symmetrical, is in transparent

He Belonged.

William P. Knappes had just taken office as the clerk of the United States District court for the district of Indiana, succeeding Noble C. Butler, and was not as well known to some of the out-state attorneys as Mr. Butler had been. One of such attorneys came nto Mr. Knappes' office, saw Mr. Knappes sitting at his desk and, in an irritated tone, asked:

"Do you belong here?" "Yes."

"Do you stay here all the time?" "Oh, no," Mr. Knappes told him reassuringly, "I go home at night."

The old lawyer walked huffily out of the office, remarking to a deputy clerk that "that young fellow in there was pretty smart. Acted as if he owned the place."-Indianapolis News.

Exactly Described.

At the end of the season the huntsman of a famous pack of hounds went round paying for any damage done to fields, and so on

In one farmhouse he found only the wife at home. He explained his errand to her. "Has your husband made an exam-

ination yet?" he asked. "That he have, sir," replied the

'Rather a cursory examination, I suspect?"

"Oh, dreadful!" exclaimed the womn, with hands upraised in horror. ich language I never thought to r-never !"-London Answers.

Makes It Easy to Oil Floors.

An oiler for hardwood floors has been developed for use any place where it is desirable to lay the dust and preserve the wood. The appliance, shown in Popular Mechanics Magazine, is operated by air pressure. It has a cylindrical tank in which an air pump is incorporated, and a springtension attachment that controls a tiny aprayer. In use, a gallon of oil is placed in the outfit, a few pounds

pressure pumped into the tank, after which the operator is enabled to spray any floor rapidly.

Safety Demanded It. "Whom do you love best, Willie dear," asked the fond mother, "your father or me?"

Willie pondered for a minute, and then replied, "Dad!"

"Well, Willie," said his mother, "I am surprised at you! I felt sure you

loved me best." "Sorry," replied the young hopeful, "but we men must stick together."

-Trade in Spur-FOR SALE-My farm 3 miles west of Dickens on highway, 165 What is it? Come, right out acres, 90 acres in cultivation. See or write C. C. Cobb, Dickens, Texas.

> -Trade in Spur-For Sale-3 Rhode Island Reds and 2 Barred Rock Roosters, \$2 and \$1 each.—J. F. Crump.

> > -Trade in Spur-THE HOME GUARDS

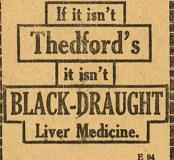
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"I have had trouble with an inactive liver," wrote Mrs. S. Nichols, of 4412 Spencer St., Houston, Texas. "When I would get constipated, I would feel a light, dizzy feeling in my head. To get up in the morning with a lightness in the head and a trembly feeling is often a sign that the stomach is out of order. For this I took Thedford's Black-Draught, and without a doubt can say I have never found its equal in any liver medicine. It not only cleans the liver, but leaves you in such a good condition. I have used it a long time, when food does not seem to set well, or the stomach is a little sour."



FOR SALE or Trade-One half in terest in the Spur Electric Shoe & Harness Co.-Lester Ericson. tf

——Trade in Spur—— FOR SALE—Purebred Buff Orp ington hens, \$1.00 each .- Mrs. P. F. Rogers, Spur.

——Trade in Spur——Good as new 1922 Dodge Car. cheap. See S. R. Bowman.

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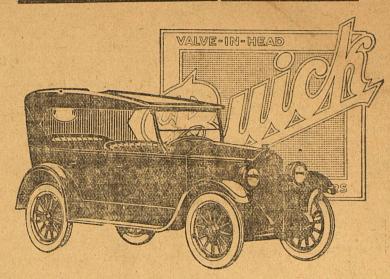
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BEFORE SHE COULD STOP HIM

Bride's Husband Thoughtlessly Reveals Hidden Unwashed Dishes to Her Mother-in-Law.

my husband was proud of my good housekeeping. As he came home from his work tired at night, I decided not to let him help me with the dishes, and yet I wanted to remain fresh and dainty for him in the evening. I solved the problem in this way.

The stove in our kitchen contained two ovens-one large, and, my husband thought, useless. However, I was of a different mind regarding it, for after I had washed the pots, pans, silver, and glassware, I rinsed the remaining dishes and surreptitiously shoved them think of Gold Plume

into the large oven-which we never used. The next morning I washed them with the breakfast dishes, and friend husband was none the wiser.

My husband's mother was the last word in housewifely neatness, and I had often heard George laud her sys-I had been married only a week, and tem in the kitchen. One evening she came bag and baggage to pay us an unexpected visit. The next morning at breakfast, my husband directed her attention to our dainty kitchen-and then before I could stop him opened the large oven door to exhibit its spaciousness-revealing the hidden unwashed evidences of my sloth!

The look of housewifely horror on the face of my mother-in-law is never to be forgotten .- Chicago Tribune.

When you thnk of Coffee, just

WATER-OUSEL UNUSUAL BIRD

Dives to Bottom of Stream and Walks About In Search of Food.

The name water-ousel might suggest to the unfamiliar mind something in the nature of a fish. But it is a bird, closely related to the European blackbird, although possessing strikingly aquatic habits for a bird. The waterousel either dives or sinks quickly to the hottom of a steepam and walks about or enters crevices in search of

It is a remarkable fact that a Passerine bird should have adopted this aquatic mode of life, says a bulletin of the American Museum of Natural History. It illustrates again the attempts made by birds to avoid competition with other forms of bird life by a definite change of habits which leads them into a less frequented area of nature. Exactly how this bird keeps under water has not yet been learned. When it rises to the surface it shakes its heavy plumage dry in an instant. Its song is strangely sweet, probably owing to its relation to the thrush family.

The water-ousel is found over the greater part of Great Britain, Eurone, northern Asia, Algeria, Asia Minor, the Himalayas, and in the Americas from Alaska to Peru, along the Rockies, Sierras and Andes. They live only along torrents and rapid mountain streams.

SOCIAL STATUS OF TUAREGS

Strange Sahara Tribe Is Divided Into Five Classes, Headed by the Nobles.

Socially the Tuaregs of the Sahara are divided into five classes-thaggaren or nobles, marabouts or priests, imghad or serfs, tregenatten or cross breeds, indicating the contempt of the Tuaregs for impurity of blood, and the slaves. The nobles are all pure blooded and supply the tribal sheiks. They do no manual work, living in the saddle always. Their only occupation, if such it may be called, is providing safe convoy for those caravans that have paid blackmail to the chiefs or attacking caravans that have not placated them. The imphad or serfs are hereditarily in this position and cannot rise above it. Their condition is very much like that of the serf class of Europe in the Middle ages.

The cross breeds are mixtures, and they are considered to be below the dignity of serfs through the fact that they are of mixed breed, even though their fathers might be of noble stock. The slaves are of Sudanese Negro stock and are well treated, being considered members of the family. Intermarriage with them is, however, forbidden very stringently.

S.ie's a Heating Engineer.

Another field of endeavor which up to the present has been deemed exclusively masculine has now been "invaded" by a member of the feminine sex. It is the heating and ventilating field, and the "invader" is Miss Helen R. Innis, whose official designation is 'heating and ventilating engineer" and who is meeting with great success in her chosen line of endeavor.

She began her technical career in an office, but later became a student at Pratt's institute, where she was the only girl in the class. Her aptitude for the career soon became so apparent that she was enabled to start an office of her own, which she now conducts with efficiency and happy results .-New York Herald.

Idle Rich to Aid Science.

Science has developed a new method of financing costly explorations to faraway places-the scheme being to take along rich idlers and let them foot

This plan will be put into practice as announced, when the schooner St. Georges leaves London for a ten months' cruise among the little known islands of the Pacific. In addition to eight scientists, about thirty passengers will be aboard, each of whom will pay £900 for the trip. Sale of motion pictures and descriptions of the explorations will aid in financing he expedition.

The party will travel more than 20,-000 miles, covering a period of about 170 days at sea and 140 days ashore.

Grandfather Was Right.

Grandfather had been down town all day, staying rather late on account of a whist party. Consequently, he did not know the dressmaker was staying overnight. The following morning he went around waking his daughters, as was his custom when feeling unusually fine by singing and telling them the time of the day. When he went into one of his daughters' rooms he noticed she was "playing possum" with the covers over her head. So with much gusto, singing "'Pon my word, 'tis a lady," he threw the covers back. It WAS a lady, the poor dressmaker, not his young daughter. Grandfather left for town before the dressmaker came

Find Tail-less Rabbits and Rats. Just south of the Isle of Man is a little island called the "Calf of Man." The original owner received from Queen Elizabeth a grant of this island, which was declared to be forever free from taxation. No one can live there, or even on its shores without the consent of the owners, says the Detroit

News.

The late owner was so engrossed in his books and lived so retired a life that years would sometimes elapse between his visits to the neighboring Isle of Man. Only a small part of the land is cultivated and the whole is overrun with rabbits and rats, both of which are tail-less. This island kingdom was sold not so long ago for

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THACKERAY AND THE MOVIES

Member of School Class Says His still centering round Harlequin and the Novel "Gives a Picture" of Time of Queen Elizabeth.

A class in a certain school in the city was reading the biography of William Makepeace Thackeray. The lesson was an intensive one, and the object was to read a paragraph, then give every point it contained.

One boy had recited in full supposedly, when Clifford became much concerned as' indicated by his wry face and an eagerness to be heard.

"He left out a very important point,"

The class members registered disapproval on their countenances and negative nods here and there. Clifford bristled slightly at the idea of disagreement.

"He did leave out an important point," he urged, insistently.

"What was that?" asked the teacher. "brand as related. "That Thackeray was in the moving picture business," replied the boy. The class snickered in spots, and it was necessary for the teacher to intercede. "Where did you read that, Clifford?" she said.

With flourish and decision he promptly opened his book and read: "Thackery's novel, 'Henry Esmond, gives a picture of the time of Queen

WAS JUST LIKE THE REST

Teacher in Small Town Finds Every One Related to Every One Else.

I went to a small town to teach school, and found that every one seemed to be related to every one else. That cut me off from all chance for friendly gossip, for one could never tell when she would be gossiping in front of some adoring aunt or cousin.

I was explaining this, laughingly, to a girl in the town who had been nice to me.

She remarked: "Yes, that is so, but I am one exception-we have no relatives here outside our immediate famlly-you may gossip to me about any

"Well, the people I want most to gossip about are some newlywedsdon't know their name, but she calls him 'darling Donnie dear,' and they are too silly to be around sane people.

"Oh," replied my friend, "I had forgotten about my brother Don and his wife—they've been married about a quiet one is usually a rip snorter? month, but we don't think they are * * that the day you go to the siller than anybody else."-Exchange.

Pantomime 22 Centuries Old.

The word "pantomime" is about twenty-two centuries old, says the Cleveland Plain Dealer. It originally meant an actor and not the act. Literally, the word means the "mime" or everything the old Greek and Roman actors could and did. Their plays were chief art.

Later, the pantomime -which now has come to mean the act-was continned into the Middle Ages in the form of the play of Pantaloon, Columbine and Harlequin-Clown was a later addition-who are supposed by some scholars to represent the ancient

deities of the original pantomime. A little later still, pantomime had turned into a ballet, still without words and

Origin of Word "Brandy."

The original name of the liquor known as brandy was brandywine. from the fact that (in the countries where it is not prohibited by law) it was, and still is produced by the distillation of wines. The word lost its "wine" part because the English language has the happy faculty of dropping unessential parts of words to save time.

"Brandy" traces its origin to the word "brand," as it "trand from the burning," for the sir we reason that the product known as "brandy" or "cognac" was produced by the process of burning, which in all the Germanic languages is designated by some form of the word "brand." To the word "brand" as in "brandy," the word

HEROISM OF AFRICAN CAT

Missionary Tells How Mother Feline Saves Her Kittens in Fierce Hail Storm.

A missionary to Africa tells this interesting story of the unusual heroism of a cat he once owned. One day a terrific hail storm came, the sort concerning which English and American people know nothing. In a quarter of an bour hail covered the ground to a depth of two feet. Before the storm began the missionary's three cats were outside playing; they were all mother cats and had their kittens with them.

Immediately two of the mother cats ran to shelter, never troubling about the little ones, but the heroine of the story stood her ground. As soon as her master managed to go to her he found that she had gathered not only her own four babies, but all the others as well, nine in all, and had stood over them, keeping them warm and safe, while she was nearly frozen. She had nearly died in saving them, her poor sides were terribly bruised by the heavy hailstones. Carefully did the missionary wrap her in blankets and then he nursed her till she had recovered.

Why Is It-

That the evening you planned for a country it always rains? * * that all plans made between 1 and 6 a.m. never materialize? * * * that every time you are taken to the theater you have seen the play be-fore? * * * that after you have given the waiter the order, you always discover on the menu a far more imitator of everything, and imitate appetizing dish? * * * that yesterday's newspaper seems ages old * * * that you can never remember the usually in dumb show, and movements singularly brilliant thought that struck and gesticulations formed the actor's you the other morning in the bath? * * * that whenever you are in a hurry every thoroughfare turns out to be a one-way street of the opposite direction? * * * that you can never tell what a woman is going to do next?-Life.

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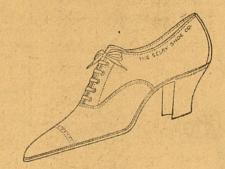
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Our Favorite Recipe.

"How may we evict the skunks from under our house?" is the somewhat startling question asked by a reader of an agricultural magazine. Another reader, from the depths of a wider experience, answers the question thus: See that the wall is tight where they live, but leave an opening for them to go out. Take a bottle of household ammonia, pull out the cork, slip a long stick in its place, and shove the bottle into the skunk's habitation. Raise the stick and smash the bottle. The skunks will all march out, saying: "Our odor may be a little disagreeable to our enemies, but here they are using poison gas on us! We call that low down!" They dislike the fumes so much that it is said they never come back .- The Outlook.

Nickel Plating.
The object to be nickel plated is made the cathode of a battery or dynamo delivering a current of about six volts. A piece of nickel is made the anode. The electrolyte between the poles of the dynamo is a solution of soluble salt of nickel. The passing of the current from the anode through the solution to the cathode causes & deposit of nickel on the object.

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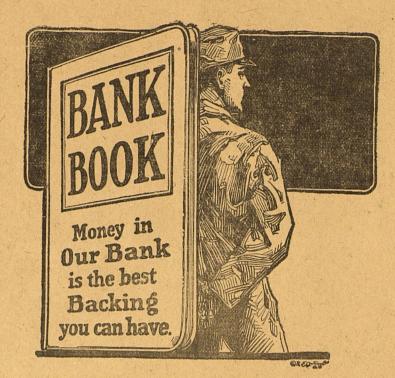
A crusty banker who had risen to af-Auence from an humble start on a farm had half promised a boyhood friend to give the latter's son a place in his office. The old farmer came in to talk the matter over and was rather timorous about the boy's qualifications, explaining that he was just a country lad who knew how to plow, take care of pigs and milk. He wound up by stating: "The boy knows enough to keep his mouth shut. That's about all

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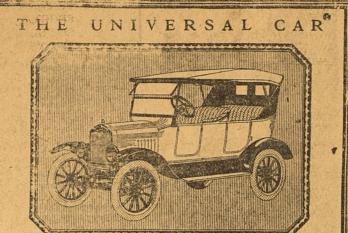
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When Washington turned the tables on the English in the Revolution, he took by surprise the rich royalists of New Jersey and Maine. Many of the latter, finding they had no time to get their treasures safely away, buried them. Money, rare china, silverware, jewelry and other articles of value were concealed here and there under a foot or two of earth,

The greater share of it has never been recovered. In Connecticut, however, are several families who owe their rise to wealth to finds of the royalist treasure troves buried on their

During the time between the Revolution and the War of 1812, many Tory families left Maine, New York, New Hampshire and Vermont and set out for the lower part of Canada, oftentimes pursued by Indians or colonial troops. In their flight they sometimes buried their belongings. Recently, a landowner in New England came upon a cask of silver, unearthed by the spring freshets.

In the Civil war, some landowners of the South fled before Sherman on his march to the sea. They buried their money and valuables, what they had left, and much of this property is still under the earth.

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South Africa More of Tea Drinking Nation Than England, It Is Said.

South Africa is known as a nation of tea drinkers—even more so than England. If one is living at a hotel, tea is brought to his room at 7 in the morning-just tea, nothing to eat. Then at 11 o'clock tea is served again. All the business houses have tea served to their employees at that hour, and in Cape Town one may see the carrlers running along the street from the tea houses to the banks and other 4tp business buildings. The heads of firms go out to some tea room for their tea. Fants Fairy Flour, milled exclu At 4 o'clock tea is served again as Not well as with the regular three meals each day, and then in the evening between 9 and 10 o'clock. Lemon with tea is unusual there. They serve milk and sugar; no cream, as cream is almost an unknown quantity and very expensive. There is no night life in Cape Town, and no cafes. Life is We are featuring Mens and Boys quiet and conservative, and if a party Christmas Baking just what want it Clothing this week. Bryant Link goes out after the theater at night, they go to a tea room. These close

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