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Fire Department Fire Department
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Better study the cauthbibet
So brush up on the alphabet,
$\qquad$Interest Great In
Martin Well As
Drill Goes Deeper

THE RED ROOSTER AND THE

$\qquad$ ot starving. But then, it matters not what business conditions may ant to win on a fluke, that kind living, but who never realize hat they are a liability on this hey are even too darn lazy to he living, but who never realizes hat they are a liability on this hey are even too darn lazy to the living that they believe the ways have those who spend so nuch time complaining about
tough digging that they have any time to dig. following peom. We pass it on for believing that many our readers, ers will get a kiek out of it. We it may, in at least some hope measure act as a tonic and stim-
ulant to thove who hold payable against the world for
their living:
 The old black hen who heard him
didn't grumbie or complain; She'd gone through lots of dry
spells and had lived through So she flew up on the grindstone, and she gave her claws a whet,
As she said, "'ve never seen the As she said, "'ve never seen the
time there wasn't worms to get." She picked a new and undug spot;
the earth was hard and firm.
The little rooter The rete roster jeered "New
ground, that's no place for a Worm."
The old black hen just spread her
feet. she dug down fast and free. I must go to the worms free.
she the "the worms won't come to The rooster vainly spent the day,
through habit by the ways, Where fat, round worms had
passed in squads back in the rainy days.
When nightfall found him supper-
less, he growled in accents rough,
"Tm hhungry as a fowl can be-
conditions sure are tough." He turned then to the old black
hen and said "It's worse with For you're not only hungry, you
must be tired, too. I rested while, Io. watched for
worms, so I feel fairly perk: worms, so I feel fairly perk;
But how are you? Without worms
too? And after all that work? The old black hen hopped to her
perch and dropped her eyes to sleep,
And murmured in a drowsy tone
"Young man, hear this and Yoeng man, hear this and
r'm full of worms and happy, for I've dined both long and well,
The worms are there as always
but I had to dig like hell."




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