You

LOCAL BREVITIES

Fred Niles is on the sick list. Edith Wise is recovering from the

and

Our

Basket ball here tomorrow night. See ad.

work, Dec. 27.

Free movie Saturday and Monday evenings. * Fay White was detained at home

with the flu last week. Estus Leversee and Glenn Smith

were kept home Monday by illness. Christmas program and tree at

Community church Sunday evening at seven. The M. E. Ladies Aid will meet

in the church basement on Wednesday, Dec. 26. To accommodate Christmas

shoppers our stores will be open evenings until Christmas. 🗥 Christmas page, camera news and

a good story, also the weather forecast on inside pages of this issue. Free moving picture Saturday

night at L. & C. Chevrolet sales oom at 7, 8 and 9 o'clock. Good medy and local views. Also Mony evening.

Christmas next Tuesday. As this is our busy day in getting out the News the same may be delayed a day in reaching you. So do not worry if it does not reach you in

J. V. Wise has sold his building to S.R. Powers andheis preparing it for occupancy. Sure glad that this last business building will be filled and we hope they will help bring more trade to Gobles.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Messinger annotince the marriage of their daughter, Ethel to Geo. L. Pearson of Marcellus, Dec. 10, 1928. Mr. Pearson is with Mr. Oscar Romig in the undertaking business.

Vern Hudson had his automobile stolen while at church in Paw Paw Sunday. The car was found abandoned Monday with an empty gas tank. Some one had the use of a full tank and Vern does not care to have the experience repeated.

Oh, boy! but we are proud of our stores and few towns many times as large have as large and well selected stocks as ours. All home owned too and we hope they may ever be. Do you appreciate the advantage of these stores in our midst?

Our independent basketeers are showing some speed and have already won from Hopkins and the fast Otsego team. Captain Walker promises a game or two on the home floor during the holidays and if you want to get thrilled right off your feet don't miss these games.

Many of you read about the prize fat steer selling for \$7 per pound, but Al Wauchek, our prize leghorn breeder has an imported rooster for which he paid \$12 per pound at the head of his flock. By the way he has the most home sales ever already booked and mostly from farmers who have tried others first. Speaks well for this Gobles industry which is no longer an experiment.

The Mattawan-Gobles game last Friday night started pretty slow with both teams apparently afraid of each other, with a 6 to 6 tie at the end of the half. However Coach Ojala must have said a few words for the last half developed a real game with some real playing, the locals finally winning with a 19 to 11 score. Our boys show some real training when they wake up and we are sure they will be awake in the future. Attendance good and full of pep. (4)

Community Church

Sunday school at 10 a.m. Morning service at 11 a. m. We welcome any who desire to

worship with as. · Rev. Mark Penoyer

Just as we go to press Wednesday word comes of the death of Judge Killefer at his home in Paw Paw. This news will be learned with deepest regret by all our readers.

Advertisers

The Rebekah lodge entertained the Past Noble Grands to the num-Masonic installation and degree ber of nineteen. The address of welcome was delivered by Mrs. Beals, the response by Mrs. Messdressed in pink and green presented games and an oyster supper.

Frank Phillips sold the 80-acres where he lives to a Mr. Schultz of Chicago. This farm is well located team stands a good chance for the on the west side of M-40, near town | Class D Championship, if they will and a good produce market, has only keep the drive they had durbeen well cared for with modern ing that second period. The work of conveniences, making it a most desirable farm home. Mr. Schultz also takes five good cows from Mr. Phillips herd so he will start right back of Carpenter in the second and we think he will be well satisfied. He plans to move here in February.

The Junior play proved another pleasing production for our theater going public and those who missed it, missed an evening of pleasure well worth the price of admission. We are justly proud of these players and we believe that these plays are a feature of school life that should be encouraged. They are a change from the regular school work and give the pupils one more chance to appear in public, which must react to their benefit. While movies and other things have a tendency to detract from the attendance we feel that they should not The welfare of the community demands that we attend everything possible in the way of entertainment by our schools and other home talent and we have yet to see a Gobles home talent entertainment that was not worth the price of admission and of few other things can we say as much.

WAGERTOWN

Grange Thursday evening. Everybody bring for the grab bag.

Wager school will have a Christmas tree and program Friday evening at Grange hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Woodruff spent Friday and Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Wm Jacobs.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Enos spent Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs.

Jean Eastman of Chicago spent the week end with her grandmother,

Ethel Eastman. Mrs. George Bell visited two days

last week in Kalamazoo. Mrs. Haven spent Tuesday with

Christmas Day in 1928

her daughter, Blanche Healy.

By Arthur Nash

I am old Santa Claus so they say, I have reindeers and a sleigh And every year about this time I clean them up and make them

shine; I polish the runners so they make

no noise, And then I visit the girls and boys Big and little, old and young, And I just have the most'est fun, Climbing chimneys with this big

pack, You would naturally think it would break my back;

But I don't mind, you see, my boys, For they are light, these Christmas toys.

Our duty today is give and forgive, Our motto should always be-live and let live,

For little deeds of kindness done Shine in our souls like dew in the sun.

Years and years I've made this trip I want you boys to take this tip-When I have fallen by the way, Just grab the reins and drive the sleigh,

And I'll be on the other shore. Goodbye St. Nicholas forever more.

Gobles Wins

Wish

Congratulations to the coach and basketball team for winning the Anna Blanchard DeFriest, sole survivor first association game from Matta- of James K. Blanchard and Anna Blanchwan last Friday night. There isn't ard of Pine Grove township, Van Buren much to say about the first period. County, Michigan to Elbert I. Barker, of Generally speaking it was poorly gust, A. D. 1925, and recorded in the office played. The lack of timing in pass- of the Register of Deeds for the county of ing and fumbling of the ball, as well Van Buren and State of Michigan on the as the complete lack of drive seem. 10th day of August, A. D. 1925 in Liber inger. The evening talks were given ed responsible for the score of 6 and 122 of mortgages, on page 367 on which by Dr. and Mrs. Foelsch, with very 6 as the whistle blew ending the chosen words. Three little girls half. However, the second period interest, taxes and insurance paid the sum was a different story. The boys hit of One Thousand Two and 32.100 the pins, which was a pleasing fea- their real stride and played a brand (\$1002.32) dollars, and an attorney's fee ture. The evening closed with of basketball which made us forget all about the first half. While there is still a great deal of room for improvement we believe that the James Clement at forward was responsible-in no small degree for the outcome. The brilliant come period was a surprise, but it was surely welcomed by everyone Mattawan had a good team and every point had to be carned.

Methodist Church

Sunday School.10:00 o'clock Morning Worship, 11:00 Epworth League 6:00 Evening Services, 7:00 All services on entral time. A welcome to all

Rev. S. W. Hayes.

Tax' Notice

Will be at Gobles Bank every Friday and Bloomingdale Bank every Saturday until January 10 to collect Bloomingdale township taxes, after that four per cent will be collected.

John Daines, Treas.

Sweetness Found in Life's Little Things

It is as great a mistake to expect too little of life as to expect too much. No one is immune from trouble and no one has a monopoly of it, even if self-pity-a most insidious form of mental indulgence-sometimes appears to suggest it.

So many of the sweetest things of life come almost unnoticed. We look forward, says the London Chronicle, all the year to our holidays, but often despice the hours of leisure which perhaps, are really more important to our well-being

Retrespection will sometimes make clear how ruch quiet pleasure single day has brought-a letter by The morning's post, a word of encouragement which has formed an under tone of lairmony to the melody of toll, a child's gratitude for some triffe, even the welcome of our dog "with the sou in the shining eyes of him."

There are, of course, days when duties pall, when friends seem to fall re when we grow weary of ourselves rimes 🗠

Throughout

An Indiampolis family was moving to a new location and the father in describing the house he had rented among other things, said it had "hard wood floors throughout."

Five-year old Paul repeated the de scription to a neighbor, but ended by saying: "I guess we will have to wait till we move there to see what kind of floors we will have because dad says they had all the hardwood floors threw out." - Indianapolis

Army's Staple Food

The common field pea, which was one of the mainstays of the Southern people, was known as "speckled Jack" in Civil war days. General Lee is said to have called it "the Confed eracy's best friend."

Saskatchewan

Saskatenewan. the name borne by the great flyer which rises in the Rockles in Alberta and flows through Saskatchewan and Manitoba into Lake Winnipeg, is an Indian word meaning "rapid" or "swift-flowing."

Derivation of "Ambition"

The word "ambition" comes from the Latin ambitio, which meant a going around, especially of candidates for office in Rome, to solicit votes. Hence, a desire for office or honor.

Rock Classification

Sedimentary rocks, one of the main petrographic divisions, comprise all those rocks that are of secondary origin and have accumulated by the action of water or of the wind.

Mortgage Sale

Default having been made in the con ditions of a certain mortgage made by mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and of Fifty (\$50 00) dollars, as provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceed. ings at law having been instituted to re. cover the moneys secured by said mort

gage, or any part thereof. Notice is Hereby Given, that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, on Monday, the 24th day of December, A. D. 1928, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, the undersigned will, at the North Front Door of the Court House in the Village of Paw Paw, Michi gan, that being the place where the Circut Court for the county of Van Buren is held, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, the premires described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount so as afore. said due on said mortgage, with seven per cent interest and all legal costs, together with said attorney's fee, to wit:

The Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter and the North Half of the South east Quarter all on Section Number 21 Township Number 1 South and Range 13 West; also the North 26 acres of the South Half of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 21, containing 146 acres of land, more or less

Cassius T. Barker, Frank W. Barker,
Administrators of the Estate of Elbert I.
Barker, Dec'd, Mortgagee. Earl L. Burhans, Attorney for Mortgages and Admrs of said Estate. Business Address: Paw Paw, Michigan.

Tax Notice

will be at Kendall Fridays and Go bles Bank Wednesdays to collect Pine Grove township taxes.

David Gilbert, Treas.

School Notes

Miss Hughes' room banked 100 % for the first time this year. Congratulations! Mrs. Lugar's boys and girls turned in the usual 100 per cent, and Mrs. Niles' lacked onper cent column In other words all but one banked money last Friday. This is a record to be proud of, and we hope that it will be 100 per cent all the way through this week.

Quite a number of students have been out this week with the flu. We hope that this unwelcome visitor will soon pass from our midst and will cause no serious damage.

Kitty" was a complete success. All played their parts well and each put so much action into their part the outcome and rest assured that the hard work necessary in putting on a play was justified. A large crowd turned out to see the play.

Six new chairs have been bought for the school.

Our Christmas vacation is from December 22 to January 7. We wish all a very Merry Christmas.

plan on reading at least one good book during the vacation period. The Tuesday night game with

We would suggest that everyone

Lawton was postponed due to the fact that the Lawton schools are

Notice of Hearing Claims

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Cour or the County of Van Buren. In the Matter of the Estate of Sarah E. Cofinger, deceased,

Notice is hereby given that four months from the 16th day of D cember A. D. 1928, have been allowed for creditors to present their claim against said deceased to said court for examin-ation and adjustment, and that all creditors of said dreeased are required to present this; claims to said court, at the probate office. In the village of Faw Paw in said count, and the village of Faw Paw in said count, on the village of Faw Paw in the village of Faw Paw in the village of Faw Paw in the probate office. In before the 15th day of April, A. D. 1929 and that said claims will be heard by said court on Monday the 15th day of April, A. D. 1929 at ten octook in the forenoon.

WM. KILLEFER Jadge of Probate eal calves wanted. See or phon

Lester Woodruff. Indian relics wanted. See Var

Business Locals

Merry

Buy Miller tires at Dorgan's fill

ing station. Hunting licenses at News office.

J. E. Twitchell-Decorating. For good taxi service. Call S W. Haves.

Registered Duroc Jersey stock hog for service. A. C. Blakeman.

Albert Keller will install a saw mill at Clement yards in the spring. Bring your logs any time. Tire chains, alcohol and car

heaters at Gamboe's. Fur Wanted-Let me price it before you sell. Will call. See or

phone Will Pullin, licensed buyer. About 50 white leghorn yearling hens and pullets for sale. Guy Lindsley, first house east of North Point church.

Registered Guernsey bull for ser vice. See Harley Graham. 13-5t

2 good cows, one fresh, for sale. Robert Klachek, mile east of Gobles, by Turkey lake.

Buy Goodyear tires at Gamboe's

Dry cook stove wood for sale \$3.50 cord, at I. Coffinger house in Gobles. See or phone Bert Coffinger.

Get your Christmas candy at Beals' store. We have all kinds of fancy dishes, towels, stockings and fancy socks for men.

Few onions cheap at Nursery.

Will F. Young, registered optometrist of Detroit, will be in Gobles Dec. 23 and 24 at Al Wauchek's Eyes examined free. Special rates to school children. Phone Al Wauchek for appointment.

Notice of Mortgage Sale

Whereas, Maxwell M. Benton and Car. rie A. Benton, husband and wife, made and executed a certain mortgage bearing date the 29th day of October, 1923, toMrs. Carrie L. Benton, which was recorded in the office of the register of deeds; Van Buren county, Michigan, on the 31st day of October, 1923, in Liber 128 of Mortgages on page 358, and whereas the amount ly one of being 100 per cent. Mrs. dlaimed to be due upon said mortgage at Niles' room is usually in the 100 the date of this notice is the sum of eigh hundred and forty eight dollars and elev. en cents and no suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured thereby or any pyrt thereof and whereas default has been made in the payment of the moneys se cured by said mortgage whereby the power of sale contained therein has become operative.

Now Therefore, Notice is hereby given that by virtue of said power of sale and in pursuance thereof and of the statute in such case made and provided the said The Junior play, "The Arrival of mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises at public vendue to the highest bidder at the north front door of the courthouse, at the Village of Paw Paw, Van Buren county, Michigan that the audience was kept laughing that being the place of holding the Cir. the biggest share of the time. The cuit Cour. within the said county of Van Junior class can well feel proud of Baren, on the 2nd day of March 1929, at ten o'clock in the forenoon (central standard time) the description of said premises contained in said mortgage is as follows:

> The following described land and premses s ituated in the viliage of Gobles, county of Van Buren, State of Michigan, viz commencing forty-five rods, fourteen and one-half feet East and thirteen rods South of the Northwest corner of section thirty town one south, range thirteen west; thence south twelve and one-half rods; thence East forty feet; thence North twelve and one-half rods; thence west forty feet to place of beginning.
> Dated November 19, 1928.

MRS. CARRIE L. BENTON,

Carleton W. Benton, Attorney for Mortgagee. Business Address, Lawton, Mich.

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting and election of officers for the Gobleville Milling Company will be held in the directors' room of the Gobles Bank, Tuesday, January 15, 1929, from 1:00 to 3:00 p. m.

Wm. J. Davis, Sec. Dated Dec. 19, 1928.

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work. Bring it in today,

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FREE BATTERY charging an radio repair work. Luther Howard. Ivo Radiator Glycerine and Alco

hol. Dixie Service Station. Ordered fruit trees yet? If no better see me for best quality stock. Albert Hosner.

Dry cleaning and pressing. Wi call for and deliver Call Max Brown

Have prospects for good farms in this locality. Write description of yours and I will see you personally C. L. Richardson, Jr., P. O. Box 39 Gobles, Michigan.

Model A Ford Tudor, and truck for sale at Gamboe's.

O. I. C. stock hog for service Lester Clark.

Time to order that new Reming ton Portable for Christmas KAny color at News office. 10 Gobles grown apple with spire

\$1 bought now. Nursery. Washings, Mrs. C. Lamphere Pine Grove Corners.

If you are planning on an Au tion Sale, will be pleased to cry it for you. Rates reasonable, Glenn

E. Woodruff, Gobles, R.1. Ford battery \$8.00 and your old battery. J. C. Gamboe.

Fire Insurance—I have the agency for the Dowagiac City and Village Mutual and will be glad to care for your needs in fire insurance Charles S. Howard.

Alemiting service for all makes of cars J. C. Gamboe.

Doing a bigger and better business than ever. Quality goods at Lowest Prices possible, See us for prices before buying. The Quality Store, J. M. Gilbert, Pine Grove-

Two good stock hogs for sale Leslie Ayres, Gobles. Old New England mince meat for sale. Mrs. H. E. Smith. 2t

Few onions cheap at Nursery. 1927 Ford roadster with 1929 lic-

ense for sale at Gamboe's. Full blood Jersey bull 11 years old for sale. See Charley Leversee on J. B. Russell farm north of Ken-

dall. FOR SALE-Violin, 2 saxophones, player piano, 7-tube Atwater Kent 1 dial control, \$65 complete installed. Luther Howard

3 lots in Gobles, north of Community church for sale. Bert Coffinger. 🔻 🔻

Horses, cows and hay for sale See or phone Sage Bros. / 14-5t

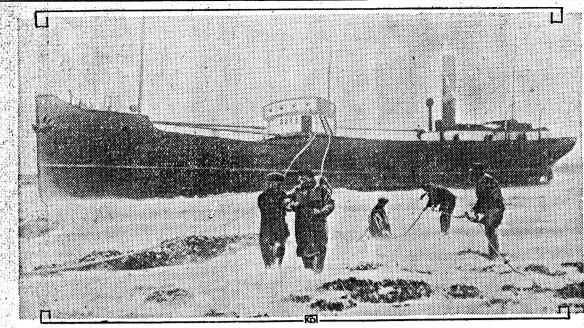
Load of good corn and reed baby carriage in fine condition for sale Warren Sanford.

For Sale or Trade for live stock or poultry: Ford ton truck with stake body in good running condition and tires, Ford roadster with box in good condition, Ford coupe in running condition, Overland touring in good condition, Ford touring in running condition, Chevrolet touring in running condition. Arthur Earl, half mile north of Bloomingdale, on east side of road.

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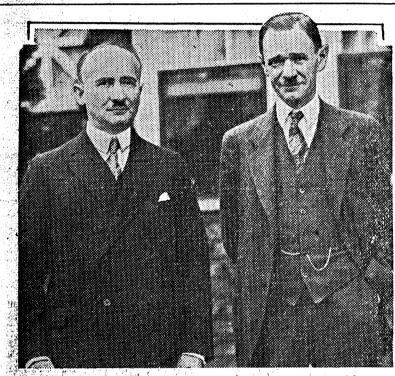
CAMERA NEWS

Breeches Buoy Rescues Sailors From Stormy Seas



An unexpected "shore leave" holds no joys for these sailors of the steamer Kentish Coast, disabled near Plymouth Sound, England, as storms swept northern Europe. Above, they are being taken to land with the aid of a

Plan German U. S. Steel Merger



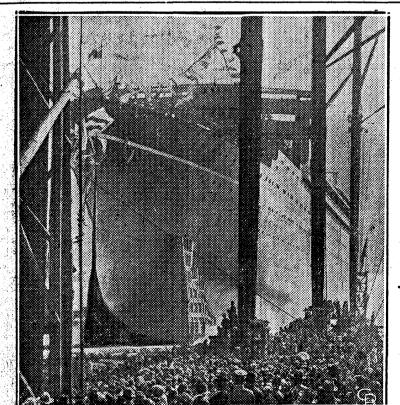
A steel-producing combine of international proportions with assets of more than \$250,000,000 may result from negotiations being carried on by officials of the Fried-Krupp steel works of Germany and those of the Ludlum Steel Company of Watervliet, N. Y. Dr. Benno Strauss, left, above, chief of research for the Krupp works, and Dr. Henry DeFries, right, who came to the United States to complete arrangements, have awaited the decision of U. S. Attorney General Sargent, regarding the anti-trust laws before completing the merger. They are shown at Albany, N. Y.

As Calles Neared Retirement



This photo was taken as Plutarco Elias Calles performed one of his last duties as president of Mexico, the opening of an agricultural school at Teneria. At his left is Ambassador Dwight B. Morrow, and at his right, Luis Leon, secretary of agriculture.

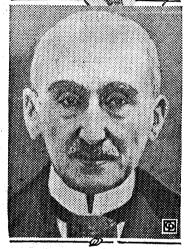
Launch Big Japanese Steamer



The largest ship built in Japan, the Asama Maru, has just been launched at Nagasaki, for use in the California-Oriental service. Ancient Shinto rites were combined with the modern bottle-breaking ceremonial at the Mitsubishi dockyard as the big ship left the ways, above.

Noble Prize Winners





Among the recent Nobel prize winers are Prof. Heirrich Wieland, top, of Berlin, Germany, awarded the chemistry prize for 1928 for his work with gall acids, and Henri Bergson, below, French philosopher, who won the 1927 prize for literature.

Ileana Dresses Up



This is the most recent photo of Princess Heana of Roumania in the uniform of a naval captain.

A Taft Honored



Walbridge S. Taft, nephew of Wiliam H. Taft, chief justice of the supreme court, a Berlin, Germany, lawyer, has been elected president of the American Club of Berlin, succeeding the late Lincoln Evre.

Ten purebred Holstein bulls averagng eight months old, sold for an average price of \$135 in the second annual bull sale held recently at the Armada fairgrounds by the Macomb County Holstein association.

Four of the bulls went to St. Clair county, two to Huron and the rest stayed in Macomb. The top price bull, consigned to Gabel Creamery Farms of Washington, sold for \$215 to John W. Card of Goodells.

According to Clare Shue, secretary of the Macomb County Holstein association, it is planned to continue the bull sale as an annual affair. The sale offers a chance for the discriminating buyer to secure a bull selected on a pasis of good type and record backing. Donald Dove, Goodells, from George E. Bench, Aramada, \$110.

Eugene Ames, Romeo, from Ervin Burman, Armada, \$145.

Priehs Bros., St. Clair, from Detroit Creamery Farms, Mt. Clemens, \$210. Austin A. Haley, Bad Axe, from Detroit Creamery Farms, Mt. Clemens,

John W. Card, Goodells, from Gabel Creamery Farms, Washington, \$215. Henry Siglow, Romeo, from E. A. Hardy, Rochester, \$75.

J. J. Brackenberry Bad Axe from Arthur Plagens, Armada, \$130.

Joseph Neal, Jr., St. Clair, from William Schoof, Washington, \$130.

J. G. Isbister, Memphis, from Chas. Themm & Sons, Armada, \$95. C. H. Wondero, Mt. Clemens, from

August Zienert, Mt. Clemens, \$125.

Preparing Bees for Winter

Now is the time to prepare your bees for the rigors of the coming cold weather. In Michigan the problem of protection is not one of winter alone, but includes fall and spring as well, and during fall and spring bees actually need more protection than during winter itself. It is this fact that makes it advisable for bee men to attend to their colonies promptly in the

The first essential for successfully wintering bees is that they be healthy. If any colony is badly diseased, the safest procedure is to burn the hive and its contents in order to eliminate danger of contaminating other col-Colonies not badly diseased should be treated.

Weak colonies should be united with strong, queen-right colonies, as it is impossible to successfully winter them alone. Colonies which may well be united are those light in bees, colonies not having sufficient stores, queenless colonies, colonies with undesirable queens and colonies in a one-story eight or ten frame hive which should be in two hive bodies to nsure room and stores for spring.

Sufficient stores to last the bees through cold weather must be supplied. No colony can be given enough stores in one hive body to go through the winter and build up during the following spring, except where the large hive is used. Either a shallow super of honey called the food chamber, or better, a hive body of sealed honey should be given to every colony. It is possible to make up a deficiency by giving the bees a syrup made up from a good grade of white sugar in the proportion of six parts of sugar to four parts of water.

Wanted by State

Duck hunters are being asked to forward to the department of conservation, game division, the crop and gizzards of the birds which they shoot. The contents of these organs will be examined in connection with the duckfood survey which the game division is making and will help answer the question, "What do wild ducks eat in Michigan?"

When this question is answered, real progress can be made in the planting of suitable vegetation to increase the supply of duck food in countless lakes and marshes.

Sportsmen sending in such crops and gizzards are asked to keep them chilled until they can be sent by parcel post. Stomachs of the different duck species should be kept together and should be labeled so as to show the species, and where, when and by whom the ducks were shot.

If hunters are in doubt as to the correct name of any of the ducks which they shoot, and if they will send in a wing of the unknown bird, it will be identified by the game division, department of conservation, Lansing.

Demand for Bulbs Exceed Supply In Holland

Holland should inaugurate its first tulip week next year most auspicious-The consignment of 250,000 tulip bulbs imported from The Netherlands has been sold to gardeners and most of them have been set in beds of various shapes to make them more attractive when in bloom.

Fifty thousand bulbs have been planted in the city parks and the rest have been set in beds on curbs and front lawns. Park Superintendent Open Fruit Belt Fowl John VanBragt states the demand exceeded the supply.

Sunflower Seed Crop Is Larger This Year

Sunflower seed production is expected to be slightly larger than last bureau of agricultural economics. The as smaller than usual.

Holstein Bulls Sell for \$135 ALMA SUGAR FACTORY

one of the shortest runs in the history There are numerous recipes and sugof the plant, 30 days. In this period gestions given for the treatment for

is usually the case. The average is 16 in attempting to stop losses in a flock and the purity has been good. All of through worms unless care is taken to the Michigan sugar plants close this clean up the premises regularly, dis-week with the exception of the infect them and clean out the drop-Owosso plant, which will handle the pings from the roosting place to a balance of the beets.

The Alma plant of the Michigan quented by the flock. sugar plant employs 365 men during the campaign and aids the community advocated by the Kansas Experiment greatly through the wage money distributed by them.

The bureau of biological survey, department of agriculture, as the re- in the morning followed by Epsom sult of an investigation of strychnine- salts at the rate of one-half to threepoisoned baits to control rodent pests quarters of a pound for every 100 full has concluded that the form of pois- grown birds. oning is not injurious to quail and other game birds.

The full text of the department's

statement follows: Complaint is frequently made that quail and certain other game birds may be injured by the exposure of once daily for three weeks, then it baits poisoned with strychnine, which should be discontinued for three are used in the control of injurious rodents and other mammals. Investigations made by members of the Biological Survey of the United States department of agriculture and other feeding it Epsom salts should be adinterested organizations have shown that such destruction is unlikely to occur. It has been definitely established

that gallinaceous birds as a group possess a certain immunity from strychnine poison. This group of birds pheasants, wild turkeys and domestic

strychnine-poisoned baits exposed for a red heat so as to prevent cutting ground squirrels, and, so far as the inside of the bird's mouth or known, not a single individual has been killed. Prairie chickens have been known to eat without ill effects enough poisoned grain to kill 100 proportion of the bird's mouth or throat. For the individual treatment the Kansas Experiment station has recommended one part each of turpentine and olive oil at the rate of one-half to one toometal. ground squirrels. A sharptailed grouse in Montana ate 400 kernels of strychnine-poisoned wheat without any of the strychnine symptoms developing. Experiences such as these indicate that complaints regarding the destruction of gallinaceous game birds by strychnine-poisoned baits are founded upon suspicion rather than upon facts.

To Trap Surplus

decided to hire several skilled trappers to take the beaver alive and permanent laying ration, however, but lands where their dam building opera- the new corn crop is drying enough to tions will not become a public nuis- be ground for feed. New corn can ance or to establish a state beaver be fed in the ear if the birds are startere the surplus will be taken ed on it gradually and from there sold to beaver farm- increased from day to day. Even after

fall found many old roads they have been accustomed to travel under water as the result of beaver opera-Township officers report the beaver are greatly increasing the cost in many sections of the state and are numbers for relief.

The trapping of the surplus beaver will begin shortly and will continue until the experiment has been well tested.

Michigan State Student May Get Eaton Post

Don Shepard of Kalamo township s being considered, it is said, for the appointment of county agent to succeed Clair C. Taylor, who loses his position at the end of the year because of the failure of the board of supervisors to grant an appropriation for the county agricultural extension work.

Shepard is a young man, now a has won the highest marks in any types of club and group work.

Sell Ewes with Bad Teeth, Poor Udders

Although recent good prices for ambs and mutton are incentives for Michigan farmers to increase their flocks as rapidly as possible, there is no profit in keeping ewes which have bad teeth or defective udders, according to animal husbandry specialists at Michigan State college.

Show January 10

Plans for the annual show of the Fruit Belt Poultry association was is designed to utilize the heat of waste completed at a meeting in Hartford gases from the exhaust. recently. Appropriations for prizes were made and a judge selected. The year, according to the United States ary 10, 11, 12. The show will be supcarryover in all sections was reported Farmers' Club. An exhibition of pets ble dirt and bacteria, aiding in the will be included this year.

Poultry

RUN IS SHORT SOME REMEDIES FOR WORMS IN **TURKEYS**

One of our subscribers wants to Slicing operations at the Michigan know of a good method of treatment sugar factory at Alma ceased after for tapeworms in a flock of turkeys. 42,000 tons of beets were sliced. Last worm in poultry, turkeys included, but the first thing to notice is that year the plant sliced 65,000 tons.

The sugar content this year has been found better, on the whole than ises. That is, there is not much use portion of the farm that is not fre-

A flock treatment which has been station and which has been tried with success and without danger, consists of feeding a cooked mash of one pint Strychnine Tested on Birds wheat, one pint oats, and one teaspoonful of lye. Use enough water to cover the mixture and cook it for two hours. This should be fed to the flock

The California Experiment station has suggested a simple remedy for the control of worms, consisting of two pounds of tobacco dust mixed with 100 pounds of ordinary dry mash They say that it should be fed weeks, following which it should be weeks. After the first week of feeding and again after each period of ministered at the rate given previously.

Individual treatment of infected birds is sometimes practical sometimes they are fed with a teaspoon, but there is difficulty in doing this includes grouse, partridges, quail, well. A glass tube 15 inches long and about % inch in diameter, which can well. A glass tube 15 inches long and be purchased at a drug store, will hold about three teaspoonsful of the Quait in California have been ob- mixture to be used. One end of the erved to feed to a large extent on tube should be rounded by heating to one-half to one teaspoonful in the been shut up all night. An ordinary mash may be fed to them two or three hours afterwards containing one-half

FEEDING WITH NEW CORN

Where there is a shortage of corn that is dry enough to grind, a mash that will serve quite well for a short Beaver Alive period of feeding can be made up of the following ingredients: 100 pounds Beaver are increasing so rapidly in of ground oats, 10 pounds tankage or ome sections of the state that Direc- meat scraps and one pound of salt. If tor George R. Hogarth and P. S. Love-joy, head of the game division, have using oats alone.

This mash should not be fed as a either transport them to state-owned just as an emergency ration while the birds are accustomed to the new Hunters going into the woods this corn, old shelled corn should be fed once a day if it is possible to secure it.

Moving pullets from the range to the laying house is delicate work in so far as the pullets are concerned. ${f R}{f e}$ of the maintenance of township roads member that they are going into strange quarters and will receive new appealing to the state in increasing management from now on. Sudden changes are often disastrous to egg production. Move slowly about the laying house as quick movements startle them-they are accustomed to running wild on the range.

Frozen Milk May Now Be Avoided

When the milkman leaves the bottles of milk and cream early on a winter morning, all too often the contents are frozen hard and the bottles cracked when the householder goes to bring them in.

To prevent this, an electrically heated container has been developed which it is said, operates successfully on a small amount of current. The box student at Michigan State college, but of the container is similar to a fireless cooker, being heavily insulated to hold heat. In it is a small resistance coil which is put in circuit when the bottles are placed in the container. When the interior heat reaches a point at which the milk and cream will be kept from freezing, a thermostat closes a switch and cuts off current.

Gas Engine Heats Water For Washing Milk Cans

Water for washing milking machines and other dairy utensils can be heated cheaply and easily by means of a new water heater attachment for gas engines. This attachment, which holds between three and four gallons of water, and fits practically any engine,

A device of this kind is particularly helpful on farms where water heating annual exhibition will be held Janu- facilities are limited. Frequent use of hot water helps to keep milking ported by the Hartford Commercial- machine, pails and cans free from visiproduction of clean, high quality milk.

BUS LINE MAY CARRY U. S. MAIL

A petition asking that the Battle Creek-Sturgis bus line be granted a charter to carry U.S. mail has been presented to the post office department at Washington, D. C., by Congressman Joseph L. Hooper of Battle Creek, and Congressman J. C. Ketcham of Hastings. Officials of the department have replied that they will give the matter preferred attention, and a special inspection will shortly

The Battle Creek chamber of commerce has been instrumental in having the petition drawn up and presented to the postal department. The Battle Creek-Sturgis bus line makes two daily round trips, through Athens, Burr Oak, Colon and Sherwood, and in some of these towns there is but one delivery of mail each day. Elliot Mosher, a business man of Colon, obtained the support of the towns of Colon and Sturgis, in an effort to have the bus chartered to carry mail. The matter was brought to the attention of the Battle Creek chamber of commerce, and the board of directors on October 31 approved the suggestion and a petition was drawn up. Signatures of local business men were obtained, in addition to those of business men of all the towns concerned.

Congressmen Hooper and Ketchum agreed to take the petition to Washington, where further action awaits the investigation of the postal author-

Michigan Mines Reopen

Michigan coal miners have ratified an agreement providing for a wage scale reduction in the Saginaw Valley bituminous field. The terms cut wages of day men from \$7.50 to 5.92 % a day, that of loaders and titters from \$1.20% to \$1 dividend, 3 cents for loaders and 17 cents a ton for the cutters. The old rate was 98 ½ cents for loaders and 22 ½ cents for cutters. The scale is effective to April 80, 1930. Mining operations, which have been at a standstill for six weeks, are expected to be resumed shortly. This will mean the return to work of between 1,400 and 1,700 men, if orders warrant.



SAME PRESCRIPTION HE WROTE IN 1892

When Dr. Caldwell started to practice medicine, back in 1875, the needs for a laxative were not as great as today. People lived normal lives, ate plain, wholesome food, and got plenty of fresh air. But even that early there were drastic physics and purges for the relief of constipation which Dr. Caldwell did not believe were good for human beings.

The prescription for constipation that he used early in his practice, and which he put in drug stores in 1892 under the name of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, is a liquid vegetable remedy, intended for women, children and elderly people, and they need just such a mild, safe bowel stimulant.

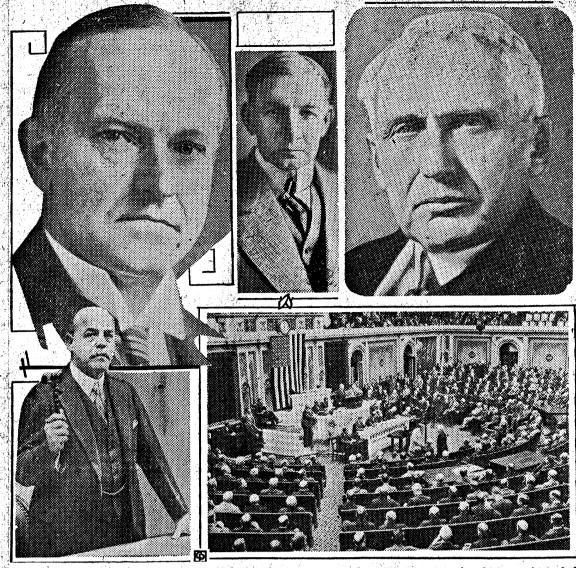
This prescription has proven its worth and is now the largest selling liquid lexative. It has won the confidence of people who needed it to get relief from headaches, biliousness, flatulence, indigestion, loss of appetite and sleep, bad breath, dyspepsia, colds, fevers. At your druggist, or write "Syrup Pepsin," Dept. BB Monticello, Illinois, for free trial bottle.

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Kellogg-Briand Pact to Occupy Senate Attention



Attention of the upper house of congress, as the nation's legislative bodies open the short session of the sev entieth congress, is focused principally upon the Kellogg-Briand agreement to outlaw war, one of President Coolidge's pet projects, and one which he desires ratified before the close of the session. Photo above shows President Coolidge, left; Vice President Dawes, center, who presides over the senate, and Secretary of State Kellogg. Below, left, Speaker Nicholas Longworth, of the lower house, in a characteristic pose, and, right, a view of the opening session of the seventieth congress with Clerk William Tyler Page calling the roll in the house of representatives.

COMMISSION BANS FREE LOT SCHEME

An order which has just been issued by the Michigan Securities Commission indicates its opinion of what is commonly called the "free lot scheme" for promoting real estate sales, a device which has been emchatically condemned by the National Association of Real Estate Boards.

The Michigan commission, which administers the Michigan real estate license law, has issued the following

"It is hereby ordered that any licensed real estate brokers or real estate salesmen practicing in this state what is commonly called the "Free lot scheme' in selling real estate, acthe commission to show cause why the int their licenses should not be revoked." the int The penal law of the state of New

York "utterly forbids use of the free lot' scheme' in selling real estate, according to an opinion given by Albert of the Battle Creek station December 20. Some indication as to Ottinger, attorney general, in a letter whether freight service will be altered Ottinger, attorney general, in a letter to A. C. MacNulty, deputy secretary of state, in charge of the administration of the New York real estate license law, indicating the extent of power of the New York real estate license officials to may against firms.

We wether freight service will be altered in the future/is expected. The sale in the future/is expected. The future is expected. The sale in the future/is expected in using "free lot" bait in disposing of passenger service, Mr. Collins showed license officials to move against firms their tracts.

no deceit in the particular case, it be- division were \$116,814, while operation the temperance movement among ing the evident purpose of the legis- ing expenses were \$121,831, before Finnish people throughout the United lature to forbid the use of such methods because of the probability that deficit of more than \$10,000. they would "be accompanied by deceit," the New York attorney general Registers Speed says.

Fremont's Chamber O. K.'s 13-Month Year

At a meeting of the Fremont Chamber of Commerce the organization passed a resolution favoring the new calendar calling for 13 months of 28 days each. The committee reporting on the matter was composed of Harry Reber and Frank Gerber. Advantages of the new plan were outlined by the committee.

for Farmers

561 Discoveries

Improve Jackson-

Twenty-four motor busses will be operated between Jackson and Kalamazoo by the Michigan Railroad company to take the place of electric passenger interurbans which have been discontinued on the lines. There will be both limited and local service.

which will be continued, according to John F. Collins, receiver. Others will be used in the operation of busses. to submit bids next week for the pre-About 22 men are affected by the liminary work required. A satisfac-

Mr. Collins would not discuss th probability of discontinuing freight service on the lines later. It has been hinted for some time, however, that freight motor busses are to replace the interurban freight cars in the

The sale of equipment to satisfy claims of creditors is to be held in

In asking permission to halt the after a long illness.

Of Car Closely

The speedometers of the new Model 'A" Ford cars have shown remarkable accuracy in the measurement of speeds.

Designed and built to maintain an accuracy of within three miles fast at seventy miles per hour, these speedometers of the new Fords thus far have shown, in tests, an average accuracy of not more than one and a half miles fast at seventy miles per hour, or just one-half of the tolerance allowed.

The allowed tolerance of three miles fast at a speed of seventy miles per hour means, translated into terms of average driving speeds, that if the speedometer on the car indicates a speed of twenty-four miles per hour the actual rate of travel of the car at that time is not less than twentythree miles per hour, or that if the speedometer shows a speed of fortyseven miles per hour, the car actually is traveling at a speed of not less than forty-five miles per hour.

Whatever the speed limit allowed by law, the driver of one of the new Fords may be certain that he is with in the limit if his speedometer indicates exactly that figure which is the legal limit.

The speedometer which is standard equipment on the new Fords is one of the best known and finest of makes. It is driven from a gear on the drive shaft and measures speed from the revolutions per minute of the shaft. meter, which in turn is checked with sport classification. an integrating revolution counter, minute.

Kazoo Bus Service CHARLOTTE WORKS ON DISPOSAL PLANT

The city of Charlotte has taken the first step toward the erection of a flour and chips, according to A. H sewage disposal plant in conformity Breese of Lansing, secretary of the Employes affected by the discontin- to the requirements of the state. Repuance of passenger service were given resentatives of a number of engineerseniority rights in the freight service, ing firms have discussed the matter with the members of the city council.

The engineers have been requested tory plan then will be accepted and ork started.

The cost of the plant cannot be estimated accurately until the engineers complete their preliminary surveys and make their recommendations with regard to the type and size of the plant required.

Finnish Leader Dies In Upper Peninsula

He devoted his 47 years' residence that from June 19 to Oct. 31, last, in America to Finnish colonization "This is true even where there is total gross earning on the Southern projects and was a recognized leader ers of the Upper Peninsula Development Bureau.

U. of M. Tests Timber

New equipment is being installed in the timber mechanics laboratory of the School of Forestry and Conservation of the University of Michigan, William Kynoch, associate professor of wood technology, has announced.

A new machine of the Riehle universal testing type, with a capacity of 60,000 pounds, has been received for the laboratory. It may be operated either by electricity or by hand. The machine is equipped with accessories for timber testing in accordance with methods developed by the leading timber research laboratories of the world.

Propose New Route from Battle Creek to Six Lakes

Plans for a new trunk highway from Battle Creek to Six Lakes, passing through Ionia, were presented to business men by R. H. Kernen of the Battle Creek highway department at a recent meeting in Ioraa.

Battle Creek, join M79 at Nashville, go northwest of Woodbury over a new route north to Ionia on M43 and then to Stanton and Six Lakes, where it is to connect with M66.

Claims State Owes Him \$5,000 Back Pay

Suit to obtain \$5,000 in salary has

1929.

Detroit Phone Directory 1,500 MILES OF Lists \$16,000 Subscribers

No longer will the old and homely type of telephone directory be an eyesore on the desks of Detroit business men. The December issue is dressed in a new cover that has the appearance of fine leather.

There also are several other imsified business listing section and the the Michigan state highway depart-more frequent use of trade mark ment announced.

city, but close to 400,000 directors. mileage this winter. which weigh four pounds each and

Ferndale, Fraser, Garden City, Grosse roads are cleared. Roads open to traf-lle, Halfway, Hazel Park, Huntington fic will be omitted. Woods, Inkster, Mt. Clemens, Oak Improved snow removal equipment Park, Pleasant Ridge, Pontiac, River has resulted in clearing of blocked view, Rockwood, Roseville, Royal highways in the shortest possible time. Oak, St. Clair Shores, Sibley, South In addition to large 10-ton tractor Rockwood, Trenton, Warren, Wayne plows, rotary plows and scrapers, and Wyandotte, in Michigan, as well from 10 to 20 heavy automobile as Ford City, LaSalle, Ojibway, Petite trucks equipped with plows are main-Cote, Riverside, Sandwich, Walker-tained by counties to help removing ville and Windsor, in Ontario.

Local Owosso Group To Erect New Hotel

Announcement was made recently by the Owosso Hotel Company, made up largely of local capital, that a mod ern five-story hotel building would be erected on the site of the Nationa hotel, one of the landmarks of Owosso Wrecking operations on the Nationa have been statted. The cost, includng the site and furnishings, will be \$405,000. The general contract has been let to the Realty Construction Company of Flint and calls for completion of the building in six months

Plan Big Rapids Refinery

Big Rapids may get a refinery for the manufacture of artichoke sugar Products Company. Big Rapids business men are offering to help finance farmers in the purchase of seed so that they may start in the production of artichokes next year. Seventy-five farmers have signed contracts with the new company to produce arti-chokes. W. D. Fast of Big Rapids is temporary president of the National Artichoke Products Company, which was organized recently at Edmore.

The New U-Boat Must Make Good

It has been learned at the navy re cruiting station at Detroit, that the U.S. S. V-4, probably the world's haustive inspections. She will receive her final official trials off Province town about January 9, before being formally accepted by the navy.

Alligator Caught In Clinton River

A three-year-old alligator which was seen sunning himself in the Clinton river near Mt. Clemens, has been captured and is now the property of Wylie Wilkinson, former candidate for sheriff. It is about a foot long and was seen on a log by a small boy. The reptile is believed to have escaped from a Florida visitor, who brought day, mentioning this paper. Address Indianit north as a curiosity.

U. P. HIGHWAYS WILL BE OPENED

Fifteen hundred miles of upper provements in the book, according to peninsula roads, or about 150 less Lou Burt, Detroit commercial super- than the miles of trunk lines open intendent of the Michigan Bell Tele-during the summer, will be plowed phone company. These include a this winter for automobile traffic. H. more handy arrangement of the clas- L. Davies, district superintendent of

headings for dealers in trade marked Last year the majority of state and goods. In addition, the classified defederal roads were open, but the inpartment lists physicians, surgeons creased use of the automobile in the northern peninsula influenced the There are 316,000 telephones in the highway department to open a greater

Road condition bulletins again will cost upwards of 75 cents apiece to be issued by the state highway department here, Mr. Davies said, and will In addition to listings for Detroit, be similar to those prepared last winthe new directory contains names and ter. Each day the department will numbers of telephone subscribers in send telegrams to newspapers in the Berkley, Birmingham, Bloomfield upper peninsula telling what roads are Hills, Brightmoor, Centerline, Claw-snow-blocked, whether there is "heavy son, Dearborn, Eloise, Farmington, going" on some stretches and when

> tained by counties to help removing snow and widening roads.

> Last year there was a large increase in the use of cars over the winter of 1926-27 and this year it is believed that a still larger number of cars will be on the highways. Five years ago few cars were used during the winter, even in the cities.

Paper Manufacturers To Discuss Pollution

The executive committee representng the paper manufacturers of Michgan met in Lansing for the purpose of reorganizing and making more active the study of efficient mill waste disposal. The committee has completed a general study of their probem. However, it seems necessary to subdivide this committee for detail tudy of individual problems.

R. E. Olds Buys Up More Property in Charlevoix

A real estate transaction of considrable importance to Charlevoix, re cently made known, is the purchase by R. E. Olds of Lansing of 200 feet of Round lake frontage on Belvedere ivenue and occupied by the Eckinjer Fish Co. and the Brady Boat Co. This purchase adds materially to Mr. Olds holdings at Charlevoix as he already had adjoining lake frontage, the building on which houses his palatial yacht. He also has several tracts on Lake Charlevoix, the largest being Oldswood lodge, which is used as his summer home and consists of 119 acres on Pine Point.



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NEWS

Soot Settles on Cities

Enough soot and dirt float over American cities in one year to bury every street on Manhattan Island to a depth of 21 feet, according to estimates published in Popular Mechanics Magazine. Or, if dumped in one pile, it would make a pyramid 1,500 feet high and five miles across at the base.

thiopian Decoration

The decoration of the Order of the Seal of Solomon is an Abyssinian or der with two classes, founded by King John in 1874. The decoration is a six-pointed star, formed by two engaged triangles, bearing a jeweled cross and surmounted by the crown of Ethiopia.

The "Thunderer"

In London (England) on January 1 1785, John Walter started a newspaper entitled the Daily Universal Register at 21/2 d. a copy. The subtitle of the Times later supplanted this name and is the present title of the journal issued from Printing House Square since 1788.

First Lead Pencils

The earliest mention of what are known today as lead pencils appears in records dating back to 1565. This was shortly after the discovery of the noted graphite mine at Borrowdale, England, which furnished the material for the first pencils.

Tramp as Man of Leisure

A tramp is the American equivalent for the English "sturdy beggar." He is commonly defined as an able-bodied man without visible means of support, wandering aimlessly, begging and refusing work, kindling fires and camp-

Left Name in History

One of the most brilliant statesmen of the Western continent, Alexander Hamilton, was born in the island of Nevis, West Indies, January 11, 1757. When he was appointed to the staff of Washington his rivalry with Aaron Burr began.

Umbrella Reverenced

The natives of India regard the umbrella or "gamp" as being a powerful mascot. This is because it came from the canopy of state, the symbol of power and good fortune.

Safety in Distrust

There is one safeguard known generally to the wise, which is an advantage and security to all, but especially to democracies as against despots. What is it? Distrust.—Demosthenes.

Women Favored Secession

Civil War and Reconstruction in Alabama" says that in 1861 the women were well informed in all ques tions of the day "and especially in the burning sectional issues that affected them so closely. They were strongly in favor of the secession after the event, if not before; they were even more unanimous than the men, feeling that they were more directly concerned in questions of interference with social institutions in the South.

Wasps in Wood Leg

A wooden leg now reposing in the Natural History museum in London, England, has a queer history. was worn by a wounded soldier. It began to irritate him. At last he took it off-and out came a dozen wasps. Analytical-minded experts discovered that eggs, from which the wasps hatched, lay in the wood before it was made into an artificial limb.

Early Sealing Wax

Common beeswax was first used as sealing wax, being mixed with earthy materials to give it consistency. The Venetians brought the Indian sealing wax to Europe. The Indian wax was made only of shellac, col ored with vermilion or some other pigment, and this has been found su perior to all other materials.

Time Measure in Music

There is no difference between common time and four-four time. Common time is the old name. Four-four s a more specific way of expressing the same thing. We have so many species of time in modern music and four-four is more in keeping with the other forms.

Merely a Belief

The public health service says that the popular idea that a drowning person rises to the surface three times is apparently incorrect. Some persons never come to the surface at all while some struggle to the surface many times.

Genius

Genius is intensity of life; an over flowing vitality which floods and fer tilizes a continent or a hemisphere of being; which makes a nature many. sided and whole, while most men remain partial and fragmentary.-Hamilton W. Mabie.

Name of Scottish Klan

It is not possible to say who was the first person named Jones. Jones is a Scottish klan name. It is derived from the Christian name, John, which is of Hebrew derivation and means "Grace of the Lord."

A Trimming for Three

By PAULINE DELMAY

00000000000000000**00** S HE seems to be the unhappiest girl!" remarked Mrs. Deems, the minister's wife. Eshe would be much and if she was a fittle plumper lets the village dressmaker build all of her things! Way, as poor as we are, I do manage to have one smart dress a year, and I make the rest of my clothes to sort of harmonize with that dress from a smart shop in town! I am very fond of Nan Marsh, but sometimes, she does get on my nerves!" She smiled ruefully as she let herself out of the parish house door. Miss Lethbridge followed her. They were both thinking about poor Nan Marsh -whose father was the richest man in the village-while Nan herself sat on a stool in the basement library of the parish house, working over the Sunday school books returned the day before, which she had not had time to record. She was sitting opposite the little dumbwaiter shaft which car ried books up and down to and from the Sunday school room upstairs, and she had heard every word of Mrs Deems' discourse.

Now, Nan was crying as she finished up the books. She picked up her hat, jammed it down on her brown hair and in ten minutes she was home

Mrs. Deems had spoken as though all Nan Marsh had to do was to spend some money, exercise some taste, to be good looking. Nan ran upstairs and immediately gave her expensive felt sports hat to Susan, the second serv-

Finding that she still had an hour before dinner, Nan took a bath, put on a simple little white frock, brushed her bright brown hair until it gleamed and then twisted it around her small head. "A coronet braid," she murmured softly. Then she went down to dinner, where her mother sat at one end of the long table, Mr. Marsh sat at the other and Nan between them. They talked like people who led dull lives. It was Mrs. Marsh who threw the first bombshell.

"James," she said complainingly "I have had so many of these terrible headaches that I believe that I should have my hair cut off."

"What did your mother and your grandmother do when they had headaches?" inquired Mr. Marsh.

"They suffered! But I am not going to, James Marsh, I shall have my

"Then I had better have my beard shaved off," declared ultraconservative Mr. Marsh. "I have often told you that you

would be a very handsome man if you only would, James," said Mrs. Marsh. Then Nan spoke. 'I thought 'it would be nice, mother

if I could go to town with you. I want to buy something new-all my things look so dowdy and so much out "Perhaps Nan contemplates having

her hair bobbed," remarked Mr. Marsh. regarding his daughter with softened "Would you mind very much, fa-

ther?" asked Nan, turning toward her "Anything to make you happy, my

dear. Of course, you couldn't be prettier in my eyes." "You deserve a kiss for that, sir!" And Nan got up and kissed him on the cheek like a dutiful little daugh-

The next morning when Mr. Marsh signed a check for their day in town, he added fifty dollars to the sum that his wife had asked for, "That Marcla," he said with a twinkle in his eyes, "is for you to spend the night in town if you miss the train. Or, in case the servants do not recognize either of you, you can stop at the Wellmouth Inn right here in the vil-

That day in New York was the most glorious day Nan had ever spent in town. First they went to a famous hairdresser's and, when Mrs. Marsh came out looking like a full blown rose, with her gray hair cut short and with a permanent wave to beautify it, little Nan was shorn of her bright brown hair, and what was left curled delightfully about her small head. They were to send, the lovely mass of her long hair home to her Then they went to the shops and spent all their money, and madly planned to come again and buy more things. And then, while they lunched in a smart hotel, who should come up and speak to them but Ralph Weed, who spent his summers in the village. His fine gray eyes rested on Nan's charm ing face under its smart little hat and they lingered there, and came back again and again, as if he found what he had been searching for in the cool quiet of his charming girl's contented face.

"I hope you will not object if come soon—and often," he whispered in Nan's pink ear. "I do feel so free," sighed Mrs.

Marsh as the train rumbled on its What Nan thought no one knew,

but she was smiling happily all the way, and when they reached the home and discovered that Mr. Marsh had had his beard shaved off, they looked at each other amazedly.

"We are rather a good looking family after all," said Mr. Marsh cheerfully, but Nan, upon whom both parents gazed adoringly, was lost in dreams of Ralph!

SKIPPY: On the Christmas Seal



CHRISTMAS SEALS

When Health Is Play



Health truths, when taught by "Cheerio from Laughterland" and her talking and acting puppets, are not only pleasant but have far more permanent value than the cut and dried facts of physiology books, say teachers and pupils who have witnessed the puppet show "Know-Naught, the Witch of Ignorance.'

The puppets and their mistress have appeared before thousands of Michigan children within the last few months, under the auspices of the Michigan Tuberculosis Association. A portion of the funds raised in its sale of Christmas seals is devoted by the M. T. A. to educational work of this nature.

The tale of how the witch Know Naught, her children Thoughtless and Careless, and her pet dragon Tee-bee are vanquished by the School Nurse, aided by boys and girls who observe the rules of right living, holds never ending interest for the school children before whom the show appears

The mission of the Christmas seal is to spread the doctrine that tuberculosis is preventable and that, provided it is discovered early and treated properly, it is curable.

Radio Solves Problem

"De radio has brought happiness in de home," said Uncle Eben, "by set-tlin' de competition bcut who's gineter be recognized as de loud speaker."-Washington Star.

Business Hint

Make up your mind that your goods will have to be sold this year—they won't sell themselves .- Forbes Maga-

Hep! Hep!

Most folks never take the trouble to find out which is their best foot so they can put it forward.-American Magazine.

Proof of the Pudding

If you think women better qualified than men to pick the best candidates, look what they marry.-Memphis News-Scimitar.

Heavy Meal, We Call It Maine paper—Master Talbot H.

Crane recently celebrated his sixth birthday by a luncheon of seven boys and girls.-Boston Transcript.

Flour Absorbs Odors

Flour quickly asborbs the odor of kerosene. It is, therefore, wise to keep kerosene where it will not come in contact with foods.

Reader's Troubles "We read much," said Hi Ho, the

sage of Chinatown, "and are troubled

chiefly in deciding what to forget."-

Washington Star. Financial Note

Problem is to make money first and then to make it last.-Wall Street

Need An Examination?



Young people between the ages of 14 and 40 are the objects of special attention at the free chest clinics of the Michigan Tuberculosis Association. Statistics show that tuberculosis is still the chief killer in this age group in Michigan, although the 'White Plague" has been driven from first down to fourth place as a cause of death for all ages.

Chest clinics, supported by funds raised in the sale of penny Christmas seals, were conducted by the Michigan Tuberculosis Association last year in 41 counties. Of the 1811 patients examined at these clinics, 207 were found to have active cases of tuberculcais and 328 were diagnosed as suchicious cases.

She Teaches Health



'And now I hope you will remember to bathe often, eat wholesome food, sleep long hours in fresh air, and play out of doors as the Indians did. so that your bodies will be safe-guarded against the dangers of disease."

That is the advice Princess Watassa gives to her school child listeners when she has related to them the last of her Indian health legends. Watassa, whose name translated into English means "Bearer of Happiness," visits Michigan schools to tell the children the value of good living habits.

Princess Watassa is a member of the staff of the Michigan Tuberculosis Association. Her health education work is made possible by the sale of Christmas seals.





Carol Singing Will Be

The club recently received a com-

house and will render these numbers. The club has been training under

prohibited from being hung in church

buildings. But it was never ousted

from the homes, and the mistletoe tra-

a sprig of mistletoe and not be kissed

by some nearby man, she must live out

the whole of the ensuing year without

continue being pretty and men con-

engine. Will wire details later.'

Five minutes ticked by. Then:

"Superintendent's Office-Every

A Glimpse of Santa

Four small pajama-ed forms crept

The street lamp shone in on the

four, as one, turned back again

Scrambling past one another in mad

'Don't anyone go down!" Tom panted,

His heart was beating in his small

saw him plainly, coming down

We saw the buttons shining on his

with spots of light.

"Santa's there!"

Slim throat.

the stair

coat!

to flee.

flight.

The tradition has held and girls

the direction of Arthur Williams.

almost every household.

Revived in Calumet



Mistletoe as Aid To Santa Claus

Mistletoe season is at hand once more. The mistletoe area of the southwest, which, roughly speaking, forms a circle some 600 miles in circumference about Austin, Texas, has begun shipping great cratefuls of the festive parasite to northern and eastern cities to supply the demands of holiday markets.

In the southwest the shrub blossoms in early October and the white berries are ripe by or shortly before December 1

Altogether, there are some eighty varieties of mistletoe in America. While the southwest is its principle home it is found in forests along the Pacific coast, in New Mexico and Arizona, and occasionally on the Atlantic

northern limits for mistletoe in the put in old cans or cartons, put upon United States are New Jersey, southern Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri through year to refresh and give spicy his plan, but they said he might have the tree, and Johnny went to bed feel-Dr. C. C. Buchholz, professor of bot tang to air in your nouse. After contant the tree, and Johnny went to bed teer and Johnny went to bed teer, and Johnny went to bed teer and Johnny went to be teer and Johnny went to bed teer and Johnny went to be teer and Jo

winter and germinate the following spring. If the seed happens to have been pasted in a wound in the tree bark, or to have been situated where thing O. K. Nobody hurt. Engine root sinkers might readily be sent was going backwards.' into soft sap wood, there appears, in due time, a sprig of mistletoe.

Climate agreeable, mistletoe once started is hard to check. If its branches be broken off, new branches fully as hardy will appear next season. If the sprig be scraped to the very limb, new sprigs will crop out in several places along the branch.

So plentiful does mistletoe grow about Austin, where it is but rarely checked by cold weather, that it is looked on as a pest. When once thoroughly implanted in a tree, it is likely eventually to suck the very life from that tree. Back in 1910 the plant became such a menace to the trees of Texas that a government investigation was made.

Farther north, in Arkansas, Oklahoma and Missouri, where mistletoe is no real menace to the trees, where winter winds shake the tops of the tallest oaks and elms and defy any undue spread of the life-sucking shrub, people have occasion only to think of mistletoe in connection with Christmas and St. Nicholas, and spicy holidays and pretty girls.

Long ago, in the dark world of anclent Brittany, before the Angles and Norsemen had touched the isles, when the Druids held their worship beneath dark English oaks, priests used mistletoe in their rites of celebration of the New Year. Too, mistletoe filled coremonial uses across in the brighter lands of Greece and Rome,

Later in England, some four hundred years ago, the winter shrub was



Christmas in the Barn

Only two more days and Christmas would be here! It had been snowing hard, and Johnny was standing at the window. looking at the soft, white snow which covered the ground half a foot deep. Presently he heard the noise of wheels coming up the road, and a wagon turned in at the gate and came past the window. Johnny was very curious to know what the wagon could be bringing. He pressed his little nose close to the cold window pane, and, to his great surprise, he saw two large Christmas trees. Johnny wondered why there were two trees and turned quickly to run and tell Mamma all about it; but then remembered that Mamma was not at home. he had gone to the city to buy some Christmas presents and would not re-turn until quite late. Johnny began The delightful old custom of carol singing at Christmas time will be in vogue again this year at Calumet, according to members of the Cornish Carol club, which has been holding regular rehearsals in the Thomas building on Fifth Street. The club includes fifty Cornishmen, most of to feel that his toes and fingers had

includes fifty Cornishmen, most of thoughts.

them natives of Cornwall, the home He had been puzzling over the two singer.

The program of the Yuletide singing has been completed and the community is assured rare entertainment.

The club recently received a singing to be said he was going of carolling, where every man is a trees which had come, and at last had for me, and Mamma, who was busy in the house, did not hear him say so plete assortment of carol music from well known Cornish publishing and I am sure she must have bough the other. But what shall we do with two Christmas trees?"

Pussy jumped into his lap and purred and purred. A plan suddenly flashed into Johnny's mind. "Would you like to have one, Pussy?" Pussy purred more loudly and it seemed al-

most as though she had said yes.
"Oh I will, I will! if Mamma will
let me. I'll have a Christmas tree dition has grown until today it holds out in the barn for you, Pussy, and for all the pets; and then you'll all be as happy as I shall be with my tree a part in the Christmas festivities of In rich old England, the saying went that if a maiden stand beneath

in the parlor."

By this time it had grown quite late. There was a ring at the door bell; and quick as a flash Johnny ran with a happy, smiling face to meet Papa and Mamma and gave them each Papa and Mamma and gave them each Papa and Mamma and gave them each Papa and Day, Thanksgiving and design and less and less are less and its possessions, explains able for framing, for use as decorations on waste baskets, boxes or lamp shades, or even for making into scrapbooks for the children.

More and more do Christmas cards and lass and less and its possessions, explains able for framing, for use as decorations on waste baskets, boxes or lamp shades, or even for making into scrapbooks for the children. a loving kiss. During the evening he told them all what he had done that Altogether, there are some eighty arieties of mistletoe in America. While the southwest is its principle ome it is found in forests along the continue being men.

Christmas All the Year

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Shake dried cones and needles from one, and occasionally on the Atlantic ones.

Generally speaking, however, the orthern limits for mistletoe in the continue being pretty and men continue being men.

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of mistletoe through a given area is generally considered to be due to the bird life of that victinity. Where there is and subsequently distribute the seeds of the mistletoe, are covered with a sticky pulp. The birds at the berries and subsequently distribute the seeds to the trees, frequently through their efforts to wipe the adhesive pulp from their beaks.

This sticky substance, in turn, paste the seeds to the tree limbs, and the seeds to the tree limbs, tomorrow, then you shall see." He gathered up all the things which the cook had given him and carried them to the barn, placing them on a shelf in one corner, where he was sure no one would touch them and where they would be all ready for him to use

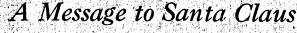
the next morning.
Christmas morning came, and, as soon as he could, Johnny hurried out to the barn, where stood the Christmas tree which he was going to trim for all his pets. The first thing he did was to get a paper bag of oats; Tom and the twins and small Suc in the rear,

Shivering in the dawn with hope and of the tree, not quite so high was to get a paper bag of oats; this he tied to one of the branches of the tree, for Brownie, the mare. Then he made up several bundles of hay and tied these on the other side of the tree. not quite so high we fear, where White Face, the cow could reach them; and on the lowest branches some more hay for Spotty, the calf.

he street lamp shone in on the to get the things Annie had promised Christmas tree

Arel touched the round glass balls give. With his arms and hands full he went back to the barn. He found three "lovely" bones with plenty of meat on them; these he tied together to another branch of the tree, for Rover, his big black dog. Under the tree he placed the big wooden bowl, and filled it well with potato parings, rice and meat, left from yesterday's dinner; this was the "full and tempt-ing trough" for Piggywig. Near this he placed a bowl of milk for Pussy, on one plate the salt for the pet lamb, and on another the cornmeal for the dear little chickens. On the top of the tree he tied a basket of nuts; these were for his pet squirrel; and I had almost forgotten to tell you of the bunch of carrots tied very low down where soft white Bunny could

when all was done, Johnny stood off a little way to look at this wonderful Christmas tree. Clapping his hand with delight, he ran to call Papa





Only Five National Holidays in America

Although individual states observe many holidays every years there are only five days a year which are cele- that will go from one friend to anbrated everywhere in the United other will be gift; in themselves, suit-States and its possessions, explains able for framing, for use as decora-

states, respectively, and four states design entirely, and making the card celebrate April 26 as Confederate appropriate for all-year-round use in Memorial Day.

Christmas Cards

The problem of what to do with beautiful Christmas cards that one receives is going to solve itself to some extent this year. The 1928 styles are such that many of the cards

pendence Day, Thanksgiving and emphasize the picture value of their Christmas," Miss Robinson points out. design, and less and less the importance of saying "Merry Christmas" all days of Jefferson Davis and Robert E. snowy street scene, leaving the time-Lee are still observed by ten and nine honored Christmas symbols out of the

appetite! at her heels, tried to imitate; the little chased the chickens back to their While watching them Johnny had lamb skipped bleating away; Piggywig another thought, and he ran quickly walked off with a grunt; Pussy jumped Mamma said it sounded as if they another thought, and he ran quickly walked off with a grunt; Pussy jumped to the house and brought out the new on the fence with a mew; the squirrel trumpet which Papa had given him for Christmas. By this time the aninuts; Bunny hopped to her snug little all."

TRANCES ARNSTEIN

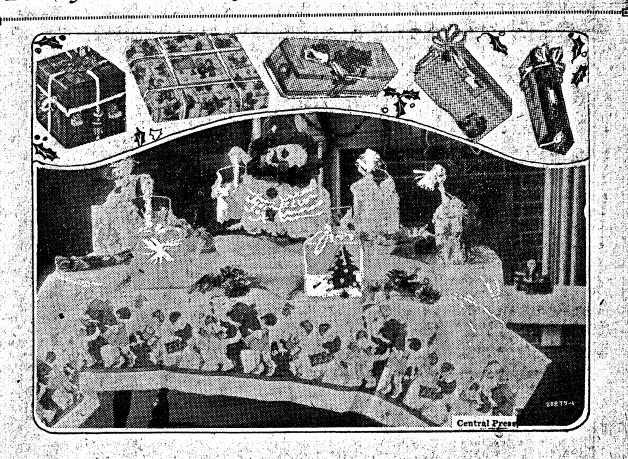
Christmas Suggestions

Tiny wool sweater sets, little more than cunning balls of fluff, for the baby of the family Leggings, sweater, cap and mittens, in delicate baby colcome to us from England for this pose. And she sends sturdy Eng-golf hose for the boys and girls. midget umbrella for the traveler, that folds lip into a convenient com-

pact little roll, yet is an adequate rain there's a ribbed gilt frame and a tasseled handle, yet it fits unobstrusively A formal hostess gown.

gee, or a pajama suit, for the the family. They are to be three, in exquisite stuffs including lame, crepe satin, velvet and brocade, and they are trimmed with luxurious

Dainty Bundles, Jolly Trimmings Add Yuletime Cheer



Born To Love Pigs And Chickens

day of an October passed over to history. No shopping—no visiting! The morning must be passed indoors. And it was some consolation to those who were in town for a few days to see the morning and the morning must be passed indoors. And it was some consolation to those who were in town for a few days to see the morning must be passed indoors. The guests at the Astor House were childhood with his father, and, more-looking mournfully out of the draw-looking mournfully out of the draw-looking inherited the Pifflit farm, ringlets. Spite of his angry humilia-

dows, and a great deal at each other. Charms of moonlight, after a hard locaustic, that could carve out, or Unfortunately, it is only among angels and underbred persons that introduction of the neighbors thought it proof ties she looked upon so contemptutions. tions can be dispensed with, and, as enough of his love that he never the guests of that day at the Astor "went sparking" elsewhere, and, as ciliousness nevertheless! House were mostly strangers to each other, conversation was very fitful and guarded, and any movement whatever extremely conspicuous. There were four very silent ladies on the refer two years gleat ledies in solutions. the sofa, two very silent ladies in each a subject upon which he felt too deepof the windows, silent ladies on the ly to banter, and they neither invaded ottomans, silent ladies in the chairs his domain by attentions to his sweetat the corners, and one silent lady, heart, nor suggested thought by alluvery highly dressed, sitting on the sions to her. It was in the progress music stool, with her back to the of this even tenor of engagement that There was here and there a gentleman in the room, weather-bound Farmer Bracely to New York, and the and silent; but we have only to do young couple had managed to accomwith one of these, and with the last- pany him. And, of course, nothing mentioned much-embellished young would do for Miss Pifflit but "the As-

"Well, I can't sit on this sofa chair all day, Cousin Meg!" said the gentle-

man.

"'Sh!—call me Margaret, if you must speak so loud," said the lady.
"And what would you do out of doors this rainy day? I'm sure it's very pleasant here."

"'Not for mo I'd rather he thresh."

"Not for me. I'd rather be thresh-

"Well—what now?"
"Oh, nothing!—but I do wish you wouldn't bring the stable with you to the Astor House."

The gentleman slightly elevated his eyebrows and took a leaf of music from the piano, and commenced diligently reading the mystic dots and We have ten minutes to spare before the entrance of another person upon the scene, and we will make use of the silence to conjure up for you, in our magic mirror, the semblance of

the two whose familiar dialogue we have just jotted down.

Miss Margaret Pifflit was a young

lady who had a large share of what the French call la beaute du diable youth and freshness. Though, why the devil should have the credit of what never belonged to him, it takes a the loving hint, the admiring and selective persuasion with which they delook at, she was certainly a human light to influence the embellishment being in very high perfection. Her of sweetness and loveliness. They who cheeks were like two sound apples; talk of "anythings looking well on a her waist was as round as a stovepipe; her shoulders had two dimples just at the Lesser Providence of dressmakers the back, that looked as if they defied punching to make them any deeper; her every locked as if they defied any deeper; and milliners. Woman is never merpunching to make them any deeper; her eyes looked as if they were just and no tradeswoman of the fashions made, they were so bright and new; will sell taste or counsel; and, in the her voice sounded like "C sharp" in a superior style of all charming women, new piano; and her teeth were like you see, not the influence of manners a fresh break in a cocoanut. She was a fresh break in a cocoanut. She was inexorably, unabatedly, desperately healthy. This fact, and the difficulty of uniting all the fashions of all the magazines in one dress, were her two principal afflictions in this world of care. She had an ideal model, to which she aspired with constant long. which she aspired with constant long- plies of elegance came as naturally as varied face is seen in all the plates of how, was as unconsciously elegant, of fashion, yet, if possible, paler and more disdainful. If Miss Pifflit could have bent her short wrist with the curve invariably given to the well-gloved extremities of that mysterious gloved extremities of that mysterious and memoless heavily; if she could be the place have been to the place have the place have been to the place hav and nameless beauty; if she could her beauty, by common observers at have but sat with her back to her least, would be half given to her fashfriends, and thrown her head lanjoints of a spy-glass, whittled off more taperingly her four extremities, sold all her uproarious and indomitable roses for a pot of carmine, and compelled the publishers of the maga-zines to refrain from the distracting multiplicity of their monthly fashions —with these little changes in her allotment—Miss Pifflit would have realized all her maiden aspirations up to

the gentleman in question. He was not much more than he looked to be—a compact, athletic young man of 21, with clear, honest, blue eyes, brown face (where it was not shaded by the rim of his hat), curling brown hair, and an expression of fearless qualities, dashed just now by a tinge of rustic bashfulness. His dress was a little more expensive and gayer than was necessary, and he wore his clothes in a way which betrayed that he would he more at home in shirt shows His be more at home in shirt sleeves. His hands were rough and his attitude hands were rough and his attitude that of a man who was accustomed to fling himself down on the nearest bench, or swing his legs from the top rail of a fence, or the box of a wagon. We speak with caution of his rusticity, however, for he had a printed card, "Mr. Ephraim Bracely," and he was a subscriber to the "Spirit of the Times." We shall find time to say a thing or two about him as we get on.

thing or two about him as we get on.
"Eph" Bracely and "Meg" Pifflit
were "engaged." With the lady is was, were "engaged." With the lady is was, as the French say, faute de mieux, for her beau-ideal (or, in plain English, her ideal beau) was a tall, pale young gentleman, with white gloves, in a rapid consumption. She and Eph

the world, that their time was not unanimous consent of the neighbor- a look that could never be forgiven— unanimous in the look, for the assemblage in the hood, why, it seemed one of those but for somebody she must be the large drawing room was numerous matches made in Heaven, and not in- angel of the world. Eph would have and gay. A very dressy affair is the tended to be travestied on earth. It given all his sheep and horses, cows, drawing room of the Astor, and as full was understood that they were to be crops and haystacks to have seen the drawing room of the Astor, and as full of eyes as a peacock's tail—(which, by the way, is also a very dressy affair). Strangers who wish to see and be seen (and especially "be seen") on rainy days, as well as on sunny days, in their visits to New York, should, as the phrase goes, "patronize" the Astor. As if there was any patronage in getting the worth of your money!

Well—the people in the drawing room looked a little out of the windows, and a great deal at each other.

Was understood that they were to be married as soon as the young man's savings should enable him to pull down the old Pifflit house and build a cottage, and, with a fair season, that might be done in another year. Meanth their visits to New York, should, as the phrase goes, "patronize" the Astor. As if there was any patronage in getting the worth of your money!

Well—the people in the drawing room looked a little out of the windows, and a great deal at each other. "went sparking" elsewhere, and, as ciliousness, nevertheless!
he would rather talk of his gun or his It was a bitter morn some law business had called old

> And now, perhaps, the reader is ready to be told whose carriage is at the Vesey street door, and who sends up a dripping servant to inquire for

It is allotted to the destiny of every country girl to have one fashionable female friend in the city—somebody to correspond with, somebody to ing in the barn. But there must be quote. How these apparently unlikely some 'rainy-weather work' in the city acquaintances are formed is as much as well as the country. There's some fun, I know, that's kept for a wet day, the eternal duration of donkeys. Far as well as the country. There's some a myster as the eternal youth affun, I know, that's kept for a wet day, as we keep corn-shelling and grinding the tools."

"Dear me!"

"Well—what now?"

"Oh, nothing!—but I do wish you

a mystery as the eternal youth affur the eternal duration of donkeys. Far the eterna

Everybody knows "Hampson & Co." Miss Hampson was a good deal what the Fates had tried to make her. If dressed, it would have been by violent opposition to the united zeal and talent of dressmakers and milliners. These important vicegerents of the Hand that reserves to itself the dressing of the butterfly and lily, make distinctions in the exercise of their vocations. Woe be to an unloveable woman, if she be not endowed with taste supreme. She may buy all the stuffs of France, and all the colors

But we have kept Miss Hampson too

long upon the stairs.

The two young ladies met with a kiss, in which (to the surprise of those who had previously observed Miss Pifflit) there was no smack of the atest fashion.
"My dear Julia!"

"My dear Margerine!" (This was a romantic variation of Meg's, which the present hour.

A glimpse will give you an idea of the gentleman in question. He was not much more than he looked to be a compact, athletic young man of 21, with clear, honest, blue eyes, looked in one of Miss Austin's and she introduced him with the formula which she had found in one of Miss Austin's looked to be a compact, athletic young man of the point of the payonet.

"Oh, but there was a mock respect-fulness in that deep courtesy," thought Eph (and so there was—for Miss Hampson took an irresistible cue from the inflated ceremoniousness of the introduction.)

Eph made a bow as cold and stiff as a frozen horse blanket. And if he could have commanded the blood in his face, it would have been as dignified and resentful as the eloquence of Red Jacket—but that rustic blush, up to his hair, was like a mask dropped over his featuers.

"A bashful country boy," thought Miss Hampson, as she looked com-

passionately upon his red-hot fore-head, and forthwith dismissed him en-tirely from her thoughts.

With a consciousness that he had

better leave the room and walk off his mortification under an umbrella, Eph took his seat and silently listened to the conversation of the young ladies. Miss Hampson had come to young gentleman, with white gloves, in a rapid consumption. She and Eph were second cousins, however, and as she was an orphan and had lived since

It was a bitter morning to Eph Bracely, but still it went like a dream. The hotel lobby was no longer a stupid place. His cousin Meg had gained a consequence in his eyes, for she was creature-she was the link which kept her within his observation. He was this unexpected agreeableness, but he too full of other feelings just now to was naturally too courteous not to do more than acknowledge the superiority of this girl to his cousin. He felt it in his after thoughts, and his destiny then, for the first time, seemed crossed and inadequate to his wishes.

(We hereby draw upon your imagination for six months. Please al-

middle of the following July.)
Bracely farm, 10 o'clock of a glorious summer morning-Miss Pifflit extended upon a sofa in despair. But let us go back a little.

A week before a letter had been ceived from Miss Hampson, who, to the delight and surprise of her friend. Margerine, had taken a whim to pass a month with her. She was at Rockaway and was sick and tired of waltzing and the sea. Had Farmer Bracely a spare corner for a poor

But Miss Pifflit's "sober second thought" was utter consternation. How to lodge fitly the elegant Julia Hampson? No French bed in the house, no boudoir, no ottomans, no pastilles, no baths, no Psyche to cress by! What vulgar wretches they would seem to her! What insupportable horror she would feel at the dreadful in-elegance of the farm! Meg was pale into the details of anticipation.

Something must be done, however. sleepless night of reflection and shape to the capabilities of the case, and by daylight the next morning the whole house was in commotion. Meg had, fortunately, a large bump of constructiveness, very much enlarged by her habitual dilemmas of toilette.

boudoir must be constructed apple room on the lower floor, and he was no sooner out of his bed than his bag and baggage were tumbled upstairs, his gun and Sunday whip were taken down from their nails and the floor scoured and the ceiling white-washed. Eph was, by this time, re-turned from the village with all the chintz that could be bought, and a paper of tacks and some new straw car-

But Eph had heard this news with the blood hot in his temples. Was that proud woman coming again to look at him with contempt, and here, friends, and thrown her head languishingly over her shoulder without dislocating her neck; if she could but have protruded from the flounce of the same maker. How much was Nature's gift and how much was Nature's gift and how much was bought in Broadway was probably never duly in Br resistible desire sprang suddenly within him to see her, even at the bitter cost of tenfold his former mortifica-

> as the preparations for rethoughts took possession of his mind. Eph was not a man, indeed, to come off second best in the long pull of wrestling with a weakness. His pride began to show its colors. He remembered his independence as a farmer, dependent on no man, and a little law those classy brown ringlets adceiving Miss Hampson went on, other bered his independence as a farmer, dependent on no man; and a little comparison between his pursuits and life, such as he knew it to be, in a city, soon put him, in his own consciousness at least, on a par with Miss Hampson's connexions. This point once attained, Eph cleared his brow and went whistling about the farm as usual—receiving without reply, however, a suggestion of his
> cousin Meg's that he had better burn
> his old straw hat, for, in a fit of abhis old straw hat, for, in a fit of absence, he might possibly put it on while Miss Hampson was there.

Well, it was 10 o'clock on the morning after Miss Hampson's arrival at Bracely Farm, and, as we said before, Miss Pifflit was in despair. Presuming that her friend would be fatigued with her journey, she had determined not to wake her, but to order breakfast in to wake her, but to order breakfast in the boudoir at 11. Farmer Bracely and Eph must have their breakfast at 7, however, and what was the dismay of Meg, who was pouring out their coffee as usual, to see the elegant Julia rush into the first kitchen, courtesy very sweetly to the old man, pull up a chair to the table, apologize for being late, and end this extraordinary scene by producing two newly hatched served him the good turn of making him appear simply in his natural character during the whole of Miss Hampson's visit. By the old man's advice, however, he devoted himself to the amusement of the ladies after the haying was over; and with fishing, and riding, and scenery-hunting in the neighborhood the young people were together from morning till night. Miss Pifflit came down, unwillingly, to

"Very well—but hang your conde-scension!" thought Eph, distrustfully.

son managed her coffee and bread and butter with the other, and chat-tered away like a child let out of The air was so delicious, and the hay smelled so sweet, and the trees in the meadow were so beautiful. and there were no stiff sidewalks and no brick houses and no iron railings, and so many dear speckled hens and funny little chickens, and kind-looking old cows, and colts, and calves, and ducks, and turkeys—it was delicious—it was enchanting—it was worth a thousand Saratogas and Rockaways. How anybody could prefer the city to the country was, to Miss Hampson, a matter of incredulous wonder.

"Will you come into the boudeir?" asked Miss Pifflit with a languishing air, as her friend, Julia, rose from

"Boudoir" exclaimed the city dam-Bracely, "no, dear! I'd rather go out to the barn! Are you going anywhere with the oxen today, sir?" she added, going up to the gray-haired farmer, carressingly, "I should so like to ride in that great cart!"

Eph was a little suspicious of all

was naturally too courteous not to give way to a lady's whims. He put on his old straw hat and tied his handkerchief over his shoulder (not to imitate the broad riband of a royal order, but to wipe the sweat off handily while mowing), and, offering Miss Hampson a rake which stood outside the door, he begged her to be ready when he came by with the team. He and his father were bound to the far meadow, where they were cutting hay, and would like her assistance in raking.

It was a "specimen" morning, as the magazines say, for the air was temperate, and the whole country was laden with the smell of the new hay which somehow or other, as everybody knows, never hinders or overpowers the prefume of the flowers. Oh, that winding green lane between the bushes was like an avenue to Paradise. The old cart jolted along through the ruts, and Miss Hampson, standing up, and holding on to old Farmer Bracely, watched the great oxen crowding their sides together, and looked off over the fields, and exriver between the trees, and seemed veritably and unaffectedly enchanted The old farmer, at least, had no doubt of her sincerity, and he watched her and listened to her with a broad, honest smile of admiration on his weather-browned countenance.

The oxen were turned up to the fence, while the dew dried off the hay, and Eph and his father turned to mowing, leaving Miss Hampson to ramble about over the meadow and gather flowers by the river side. In the course of an hour they began to rake up, and she came to offer her promised assistance, and stoutly followed Eph up and down several of the long swaths, till her face glowed under her sunbonnet as it never had glowed with waltzing. Heated and tired at last, she made herself a seat, with the new hay, under a large elm, and, with her back to the tree, watched

the labors of her companions.

Eph was a well built and manly figure, and all he did in the way of his vocation, he did with a fine display of muscular power, and (a sculptor peting; and, by 10 o'clock that night the four walls of the apartment were unit was the stepped along when covered with chintz and stuffed hour, she sat watching his motion, adwhich she aspired with constant longings—a model resembling in figure the
high-born creatures whose nevervaried face is seen in all the plates of
fashion, yet, if possible, paler and
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It was now the middle of the fore-

noon and the old farmer, who of late years had fallen into the habit of taking a short nap before dinner, came to the big elm to pick up his waistcoat and go home. As he approached the tree he stopped and

beckoned to his son. Eph came up and stood at a little distance, looking at the lovely picture before him. With one delicate hand under her cheek, and a smile of angelic content and enjoyment on her finely cut lips, Julia Hampson slept soundly in the shade. One small foot escaped from her dress, and one shoulder of faultless polish and white-ness showed between her kerchief and lay those glossy brown ringlets, ad mirably beautiful and luxuriant.

And as Eph looked on that danger ous picture of loveliness, the passion, already lying perdu in his bosom, sprung to the throne of heart and

(We have not room to do more than that month at Bracely farm, and bring the reader, point by point, gin-gerly and softly, to the close. We must touch here and there a point only, giving the reader's imagination some gleaning to do, after we have been over the ground.)

Eph Bracely's awakened pride served him the good turn of making him appear simply in his natural charactery desired to the served him appear simply in his natural charactery desired to the served him appear simply in his natural charactery desired to the served him appear simply in his natural charactery desired to the served him appear simply in his natural charactery desired to the served him appear simply in his natural charactery desired to the served him appear simply in his natural charactery desired to the served him appear simply in his natural charactery desired to the served him appear simply in his natural charactery desired to the served him appear simply in him appear simply in his natural charactery desired to the served him appear simply in his natural charactery desired to the served him appear simply in his natural charactery desired to the served him appear simply in his natural charactery desired to the served him appear simply in his natural charactery desired to the served him appear simply in his natural charactery desired to the served him appear simply in his natural charactery desired to the served him appear simply in his natural charactery desired to the served him appear simply in his natural charactery desired to the served him appear simply in his natural charactery desired him appear simply in him appear simply i

barn, down by the river, and up in Miss Hampson saw as little as possithe hawmow, and was perfectly en- ble of the inside of the boudoir. The chanted with everything, especially barn, and the troops of chickens, and the dear little pigs and chickens!

"A very sweet young lady!" interested her daily, and with no thought old Farmer Bracely.

diminution of her zeal. She seemed, indeed, to have found her natural sphere in the simple and affectionate 'Mercy on me!—to like pigs and life which her friend Margerine held in such superfine contempt; and Eph, listurbed and bewildered Miss Pifflit, who was the natural mate to such a minimum behinded in his own home. But with her two chicks pressed to spirit, and himself, in his own home, her breast with one hand, Miss Hamp most unconsciously worthy of love and admiration, gave himself up irresisti bly to his new passion.

And this new passion became apparent at last, to the incredulous eyes of his cousin. And that it was timidly and high-bred friend, was also very apparent to Miss Pifflit. And, after a few jealous struggles, and a night or two of weeping, she gave up to it her secret longing and secret hope, and she never had fairly looked in the face a burial in the country with the pigs and chickens."

She is not married yet, Meg Piff-lit—but the rich merchant, Mr. Hampson, wrecked completely with the disastrous times, has found a kindly and oleasant asylum for his old age with his daughter, Mrs. Bracely. And a better or lovelier farmer's wife than Julia, or a happier farmer than Eph can scarce be found in the valley of the Susquehannah.
(The End)

Dinner Stories

No Gator Here

The Florida beach and the blue sea looked inviting to the tourist from the north, but before venturing out to swim he thought to make sure.

"You're certain there are no aligators here?" he inquired of the

"Nossuh," replied that functionary, grinning broadly. "Ain' no 'gators

Reassured, the tourist started out As the water lapped about his chest ne called back:

"What makes you so sure there aren't any alligators?"

"Dey's got too much sense," bellowed the guide. "De shark done skeered dem all away."

Collegiate

As I was coming down the street met a man from St. Ives.
"Whatcha got under that arm?"

"Sugar for my coffee," says he. "Whatcha got under t' other arm?"
"Sugar for my tea," says the lad

Well you may imagine how my ire was up, so by and large, I gave him a couple of lumps for his cocoa. Crohtle

Fair Enough

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During the passage of this storm over the Lake states, we believe there will be considerable snow fall, fulfillng our forecast of a "white Christmas." We feel quite confident on this prediction because this storm center is expected to come from the far Southwest, where most "wet" storms originate during the winter months. On top of this, we are expecting a cold wave to come out of the Northwest that will quickly chill the rain into sleet and snow.

Beginning about Christmas day this state will feel the effects of the much colder weather and higher barometer. By the middle of the week the sky will be clear and temperatures low.

Toward the end of the week, about Friday, temperatures will begin moderating with still warmer weather on Saturday. With this change will come increasing cloudiness and more wind storms. The storm as a whole will not produce as much precipitation as the storm center of a week ago, but we do believe the wind activity will be more or less strong at very end of this week and also during opening days of next.

Shaming Parson

"Rastus say Pahson Brown done cotch him in Farmer Smith's chicken

"M-m, boy! Don't Rastus feel

"Nossuh. De pahson am de one feel 'shamed. He cain't splain how come he done kotch Rastus dar."

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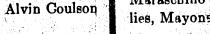
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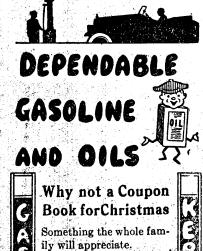
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