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"Beggar My Neighbor." M'CULLOCH-WILLIAMS.

Gatty counted anxiously, surveying her flock of hens. "I can't make out

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Again she counted, again, yet again. The tale was still the unlucky thirteen. Miss Gatty looked worried. Well she might. The hens were not her own, but held in trust for her absent sister. That, however, was less disquieting than the potentialities behind possible runaways. Since the missing three had clear that they were either dead or in thing-trespass upon the Lalor lawn man said awkwardly: "Please excuse a man of courage and tact, will listen. and strawberry beds. The Lalor es-



tablishment loomed big and imposing I think I'll let her-and see if I can't 200 yards away, but that was no dis- have peace—and neighbors. Don't you tance at all to active foragers such as think we ought to be neighbors? I White Leghorns. Moreover, there had do. So I've brought these," pointing to a Friday. been trouble before—trouble which the berries, "Won't you give me some. had left a residuum of strained radishes to take home for my lunch-

afraid to be nasty to Susanna. Ac- her shoulders. All unconsciously she please on our own place. But I do mustache, muttering: "Lord, to think meeting and, patience knows, she goes | it as sure as I'm six feet two!" seldom enough anywhere."

hands, taper fingered in spite of house and garden work. She loved the garden. Indeed, it had been her salvation after she had worn herself to a shadow wrestling with primary scholars. She did not in the least mind hens there. True, they scratched and pecked and wallowed mightily, and her garden was, in fact, chaotic. Flowers grew indiscriminately cheek and jowl with

Notwithstanding she understood how aggravating vagrant hens might be to more orderly gardeners; also that with strawberries ripe the flock was a besom of destruction. Those at her feet, having eaten their breakfast to the last gran, began straying lightly and as they walked preening themselves. Watching them narrowly, she saw suspicious scarlet flecks upon more than one white breast. They had certainly been at the Lalor berries. She put her hands up over her head, thinking hard. It was 8 o'clock of a lovely June morning. Birds sang riotously all about. Miss Gatty listened to them and said, nodding her head toward the bens: "I do believe all this comes of going against nature. If you had broods like the birds you'd be too busy feeding them to go hunting mischief." "Humph! They'd be worse than ever. I say thank the Lord there are no

squalling keepers to whoop them up. If there were—well, I'd have to move, that's all," a gruff masculine voice said behind her. Miss Gatty turned as though shot. What she saw confronting her evoked a strangled cry of dismay. A tall man stood glowering at her and swinging militantly a bunch of headless white hens. "I've brought back your property, not being a thief," the went on. "Now, let me pay you for the satisfaction I had in wringing their mecks. Let me also warn you the rest will go the same way as sure as they

cross my fence. Here, take the money. Will you please to go away-instantly?" Miss Gatty said. actually stamping her foot. "Keep your money -keep the poor chickens too. Maybe they will pay some part of your dam-

"Thank you. But I'm not in the poultry line-neither restaurants." the

Dr. Shoop's Rheumatic Remedy

not come to the feeding call, it was man said, fligging the dead bens at her the boilers, and thus, without damage feet. A fleck of blood flew upon Miss to the works, secure their stoppage. tions and inspections. On the larger Gatty's faded frock. Noting it, the Even a disorderly mob, bravely met by ships the government furnishes athme. I've been acting the brute. But So did this one. Playfair's proposition those berries were my pride"-"You had a right to—do as you did," lie behinc t?

The man looked at her, close enough to see two tears plash down on the corpses. He ran incontinently from the sight, but not altogether cravenly. Inside five minutes he was back with a basket of fine, dewy, scarlet berries. Miss Gatty had vanished. So had the slain. He walked around to the back door searching for her without finding. seing a determined person, he stepped boldly inside. Miss Gatty sat in the prim dining room, her head buried in her arms beside the old mahogany table. She was sobbing-hard, dry sobs. basket in front of her with a resounding thump. As she sprang up startled other mill to close, that at Clitheroe, formed caterpillar. he said in an embarrassed voice: "May- and upon this the strikers now

"But I did know it. You should not be here," Miss Gatty panted. "Your

"Thank you, but I haven't got a wife -not yet," Mr. Lalor said, with a grin. "You must be thinking of my sister-inlaw. Fanny keeps house for me, but she hates the place and wants to leave.

relations between the big house and the cottage. The cottage was almost the Gattys' sole possession, albeit there had been a time when everything in sight had been Gatty land.

The cottage was almost the Gatty cried, springing up, quite forgetful of tear stains, and darting toward her dear garden. She meant to go bad been a time when everything in sight had been Gatty land.

"I don't know what to do. Susanna would go look for them," Miss Gatty said to the clothes post, her sole support and confident. "I suppose I ought to do it, but then how can I? Those Lalors are so new and so rich they'd susanna—Susanna, who was the young-out but had so much a wiser head on insult me-why, they weren't even est, but had so much a wiser head on toly the woman told her she had no had told him many other things-things ness to keep hens if she couldn't that set him meditating and smiling all d wired runs for them—as though the way home. Once or twice, too, he we hadn't a right to keep anything we blushed and gnawed angrily at his wish they'd stay at home. And I wish that I offered her money! Took her for Susanna were here. That's selfish. a quarrelsome old maid! It's going to She is having a fine time at quarterly take time to live that down, but I'll do

Miss Gatty was slender and pale and Quarterly meeting had turned out to-be Susanna stayed on for a whole week pretty if she had turned thirty. She the beginning of a revival, but Miss had appealing brown eyes and slim Gatty did not mind in the least. "You must not worry thinking I am lonely," she wrote. "I am quite too busy, keeping the hens as they should be kept. And really I am finding out that we have very good neighbors." Susanna puzzled over that last sen-

tence, at least until she came home to find Mr. Lalor established in the privilege of keeping ward over the foragings of the White Leghorns. Her eyes twinkled comprehension as he shook hands on presentation. He caught the twinkle and answered it boldly with: Please may I have your sister Helen? I knew it would do no good to ask be-"Why, yes; I think you may," Su-

sanna said, the twinkle deepening. "But do you think it is quite fair—this way of playing beggar my neighbor?" "You're really responsible. Your want regardless of bounds," he flung back at her. Susanna laughed outright and answered honestly, "If they really did it I'm mighty glad."

When we reach the higher studies of English speech.

From this one may come to appreciate the experience of a certain Porto Rican negro. He was asked, not very long after his arrival in the United States, if English was difficult for him. "Oh, no," he said. "I learn her ver

talk it?" "Oh, yes, ver good. But I have one trouble ver long time. I speak good, an' I hear good, but caunot dream in English. I always dream in Spanish An' I feel ver' bud, an' I try so hard to dream English. An' one night I do. I dream English when I am asleep, an' I wake an' I cry, an' I weep for joy. I am happy. I can now dream in English."-Youth's Companion.

A MAN AND A MOB.

The Way Lyon Playfair Handled the Lancashire Strikers. century the ready resources of Lyon Playfair saved one of the only two these two should continue in action, and supplied the workmen engaged was lost. The mob meant to wreck the place. Playfair, who was a friend cleaning time, called "field day," which of the owner, appeared in haste among is followed by a half holiday in the them, keeping the proprietor out of afternoon, and on Sunday morning the sight. He put the case frankly to the captain himself inspects his ship from of no use their all going in and wreck- port side of the quarter deck and the ing the place. Let a few of them enter marines on the starboard, all ready the premises, remove the plugs from for inspection.

sounded fair, but might not treachery Miss Gatty panted. "Only—please go He immediately put their doubts at away! Go quick!" test by offering himself as hostage. He would accompany the deputation while the others kept guard over the The men agreed, and Playfair strolled off with the men chosen. Together they went to the boilers and withdrew the plugs. This stopped the works, but did no other damage. While thus engaged Playfair was able to listen to the story of the leaders; and found many of their demands most reasonable and such that afterward it was possible readily to concede them. The little party returned from their innocent wrecking and found the mob honorably preserving order. The sci-

but by the might of the military.

General Grant believed in dreams. Nelson, the English naval hero, always carried a horseshoe with him into Von Moltke, the hardy old German

general, would never begin a battle on Prince Bismarek of Germany would never sit down to a dinner with thirteen at the table.

President Davis of the Confederacy believed that the presence of children brought him luck. James G. Blaine would never turn back to re-enter his home even if he The father of Nicholas II. of Russia guided his actions by the advice of an

American spirit medium. Admiral Farragut says he used to be guided by a still, small voice which bad effect it has on their eyes. The told him what to do in battles. The ameer of Afghanistan, the sul- and, as the men have to look straight tans of Morocco and Zanzibar and the ahead of them most of the time, their khedive of Egypt all maintain official

A Timely Present. A certain colored gentleman recently saluted a large colored lady of the Amazonian type in the following lan-

"Yuh's lookin' mighty fascinatin' this evenin', Sal." Sal hauled off and knocked him ness day, just look at his eyes and you down. Then, looking him out of an will be ant to forgive him. They geninclination to get up, she said, "Now, erally show the strain that has been yuh jest lay thar till I goes an' finds put on them for eight or ten hours." out what dat word 'fascinatin' Next day the aforesaid colored gen-

tleman presented the said Sal with A learned professor was dining with a copy of Webster's Dictionary, saying, "I might want ter salute yuh the best ware that Mrs. Diltz's china ag'in, so jes please look up the meanin' of some of these heah complimentation terms." present upon the ground that one would have to know the word in or-

Gowns From the Undertaker's. "You'll be astonished when I tell you," said a man who knows, "but it's a fact that dressmakers sometimes send to a fashionable undertaker for a gown when they have a hurry order. There was a time when undertakers carried only shrouds in stock, but in foreign languages we are told to seek faille and chiffon taffeta are used for diligently to learn to think in the allen these dresses, and they are made in the ever you see an electric fan in motion

> As He Viewed It. Stranger (in small town)-I saw by the papers that a boy lives here who was born with no legs and no arms. I am a dime museum manager, and I should like to find him. Citizen-No use hunting him up. IRs parents won't exhibit him. They won't? Well, it beats all what blessings fall to folks as can't appre-

Never Touched Him Nodd-Would you mind returning the book you borrowed of me last year? Todd-Some one borrowed it of me and hasn't returned it yet. Did you ever see anything like the way some as the poorest citizen freely expresses people act about a thing like that? his personal and political opinion, and They have no sense of honor-Life, no longer.-Baltimore American,

ABOARD A MAN-OF-WAR.

Largely Made Up of Scrubbings Regulations and Inspections. The day's programme aboard a man-of-war is calculated to make the boy who wants to run away to sea sit up and think twice. It varies somewhat according as the ship is in port or at wes and under different commands, but in any case, from 5 o'clock in the morning till 7:30 at hight, it is a rather strenuous round of scrubbings, and with muskets. But a great force of drills. The recruit realizes very soon strikers advanced upon one of the that the expression "shipshape" means

enant who has won his the it the miliarity would have scandalized old Commodore Porter beyond words.—St.

A PARASITE CREEPER. a Most Peculiar Plant. host and then crushes it to death and,

It is supposed by some that the burrowing into the ground, becomes, Others, however, contend the caterf springing from a seed the shoot would grow out of different parts of

FRUITS, the caterpillar instead of invariably growing out of the head. The insect vegetable is vellowish. about four inches long and is fully extended. I have seen them freshly dug up and others that have been kept for years, and all had the appearance of a perfect insect carved in wood.

The Elevator Eyes.
One of the greatest hardships suffered by men who run elevators in the tall office buildings downtown is the cars are run at a high rate of speed, eyes soon feel the strain of the con-

stant motion. "I've worked in the subway," remarked one of these elevator men, "and I thought that was pretty bad, but it isn't a patch to the way my eyes feel after a day's work in these vator man who seems unusually bad tempered toward the close of the busi-

the Diltzes and the table was set with closet afforded. The guest was particularly interested in the display and Sal promptly refused to accept the plate in front of him and noting the stamp of the manufacturer on the bottom of it, he remarked: "I presume you know that china, or

the art of making it, was discovered by Just then there was heard in the kitchen, where the maid was busily at work, a loud crash. "Yes," answered Mrs. Diltz, with pained smile, "and most of it is broken in the same way."

have a line of what are known in the trade as 'ladles' fine burial dresses.'

Such materials as heartests roughly being the wigmaker to the solution of the wigmaker to the wi Such materials as henrietta, pongee, man who was buying his first wig. the meaning of the strange words with-out any connection with English or they don't hesitate to call on the uning outside of an Indian and a toma-hawk will lift a wig from the wear-er's head quicker than an electric fas A. C. GILLMOR.

Dear little Maudie awoke about 2 o'clock the other morning and asked mamma to tell her a fairy tale. "It's too late, darling." mamma replied. "Daddy will be in shortly, and For Moose and Deer Heads he'll tell us both one."

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But life isn't all scrubbings, regulaletic supplies, and each man-of-war has her champion boxer and baseball and football teams. These teams are OLD HOMESTEAD managed or supervised, at least, by officers, and many an ensign or lie Naval academy plays shoulder to shoulder with his bluejnckets, Such fa-

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be you don't know who I am. My marched. Again they were thwarted, caterpillar, which on dissection proves but this time not by pacific means, to be internally the exact counterpart of its living insect relative, swallows the tiny rata seed while living and, instead of a chrysalis, the germinating home of the seed, which by some agency turns its unfortunate foster pillar itself is produced by the rata, urging in support of their theory that

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> SYNOPSIS OF Canadian North-West Homestead Regulations.

Any even numbered section of Dominand Alberta, excepting 8 and 26, not reserved, may be homesteaded by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of the construction of the sole head of a family. tent of one-quarter section of 160 acres

Application for entry must be made in person or by the applicant at a Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-agency for the district in which the land is situate. Entry by proxy may, however, be made at an Agency on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of an intending home-

The homesteader is required to perform the homestead duties under one of the following plans:
(1) At least six months' residence upon

for three years.

(2) A homesteader may, if he so desires, perform the required residence duties by living on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent, in the vicinity of his homestead. Joint ownership in land will not meet this requirement.

(3) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of a homesteader has permanent residence on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent, in the vicinity of the homestead, or upon a homestead entered for by him in the vicinity, such homestead entered for by him in the vicinity, such homestead entered for by him in the vicinity,

such homesteader may perform his own residence duties by living with the father (or mother).
(4) The term "vicinity" in the two (4) The term "vicinity" in the two preceding paragraphs is defined as meaning not more than nine miles in a direct line, exclusive of the width of road allowances crossed in the measurement.

(5) A homesteader intending to perform his residence duties in accordance with the above while thing with presents. with the above while living with parents or on farming land owned by himself must notify the Agent for the district of Six months' notice in writing must be given to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa, of intention to apply

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