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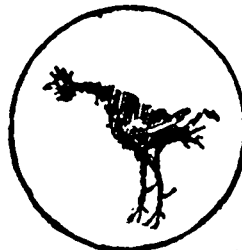
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10 minutes in sunlight and immerse in pure water, when the picture will appear. After the substance is washed off lay aside to dry, the picture then being finished. Another experiment is to procure a print or a negative from an ordinary picture. Take any picture, with no printed matter on the reverse side, and spread oil on the surface of the paper—any good machine oil will do. Hold to the light and see that the paper is well saturated. Wait until dry, that is so the printing paper will not be injured, and print in the ordinary way. You now have the colors reversed, having printed from a positive. Finish this picture as usual and treat it as you did the first picture. Picture No 2 being oiled and dried, you now have a negative and you can proceed to print indefinitely.—[Cam E. Rakodak.

No Eggs—I live in the eastern part of Oregon, and last year was my first experience on a farm. I am very much interested in poultry, and have good luck in raising chicks, but my hens won't lay. I have about 50 young hens and have not seen an egg for a month. I raised six turkeys, but



had such a time with lice! I tried wood ashes, but they did no good. I want to raise 50 this year. I am glad the women have quit complaining about their husbands. I would not publish a man and live with him at the same time.—[Oregon Rose.

Dismal Deeps—El Rustico, your sentiments in regard to overcoming difficulties are mine. We are not to expect the sunshine of joy all through this vale of tears. Comfortable frames and joyful feelings, though sweet and delightful, are not always profitable. X Y Z, do you not think it strange that a man, realizing the consequences of his act, will lower himself by drinking, even to drown trouble? As to natural power and inherent strength, we must all sit down in despair, but when in dejection and disquiet of soul if men would only look to God in hope and trust they would surely find the strength that obtains victory over every enemy.

"Through dismal deeps and dangerous snares  
We make our way to God."  
[Nella Arual.

Mustered Out—I am 19 years old and have served through the campaign in the Philippines with the 20th Kansas regiment. As the regiment left Camp Leedy no tears were shed only by the relatives of the members of the regiment. When we reached San Francisco they laughed at us. You could not distinguish an officer from a private by the stripes on his clothes (for he didn't have any). When we were ordered to the Philippines all was happy in camp. As we went aboard the Indiana all hearts were light, but when the anchor was raised and the ship was out in mid ocean, then there were boys thinking of home, boys who never thought home was anything. When we arrived at Manila all were glad to set foot on land once more. After being on the firing line four months the regiment was withdrawn from the field. Now all hearts were gay again. As we went aboard the transport Tartar, and as she pulled away from the wharf, how glad

we were. How we wished to see America once more and our dear mothers, sisters and sweethearts! But as we looked back toward the islands, where we had spent our experience in war, and thought of our dear comrades who were buried beneath the sod at Battery Knoll, how our hearts ached for them! When we were mustered out and stopped at different places in Kansas, and some of the boys got off, you could see an aged mother or an orphan sister looking for her son or brother, but alas, he was not there; he was left beneath the sand in far-off Manila. The people of Kansas brought us from San Francisco to Topeka, where we were given a grand reception. The people of Kansas welcomed us, shook hands with us and knew everybody in the regiment. Quite different to what they were when we went away. And as the members of the regiment got home they knew what home was. A soldier likes the girls. I for one like them sometimes and sometimes I don't. Like to hear from some of the U S volunteer boys who are readers of F & H.—[Twentieth Kansas (Jayhawk).

Married?—How I should like to hear from Jim of the Canyons again? The last I heard of him he was in New Mexico. And then, what about Kink, Jean and a host of others? Now please write, each one of you, and tell us about yourselves, whether you are married, in business and how you all are generally. I will begin and say that I remain just as much a boy as ever, if three or four years have been added, and also am still single, as no one has yet appeared for whom I thought worth giving up single blessedness, or as you will say, would give up theirs for me.—[Has Been.

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The thief and the rascal, the loafer  
"a-loafin'"  
(Small credit it is), the farmer supports them.  
But let me inform you, my laboring brothers,  
The farmer is king and he rules you others.  
Though down from the throne him you seek to recall,  
His power is supreme, for he feeds you all.

ARA J. PURKISS.

Inquiring Friends—F. C., Bamford's Silk Culture, 30c, can be obtained of the Orange Judd company, New York city.—Who knows the issue in which Flora's Bedquilt appeared, a knitted counterpane pattern published two or three years ago, S. A. D. thinks?—M. C. S., perhaps some reader can say whether there is any value upon a German Bible published in 1732.—Ellen Wright wants to "correspond with some interesting parents." There would probably be some in a letter circle you might form.—Mrs. McE. asks for a good recipe for restoring a fine black coat that has faded.—J. H. H., write to Theo Audel & Co., 63 Fifth avenue, New York city, for their catalog of engineering and electrical works, or for the name and price of the book most adapted to the needs for which you want it.—J. D. B., Gould's Game of Draughts (\$1) is a good reference book on checkers and Lee's Guide to the Game of Draughts, about 35c, is a good practical, simple treatise, either of which newsdealers will order for you.—J. H. Rector, Hickory, Mich., wants to know where he can get the Dutch dialect recitation called 'The Old Blue Hen.'

Are there any interested in geology, botany and collecting postage stamps? If so, why couldn't we have a letter circle made up of each?—[Has Been.

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