

selves; there were little girls, gravenly knitting their brothers' stockings; and toddling creatures so infinitesimal that one could not guess whether they would grow up male or female. There were men, too, but not many young ones, and there were plenty of chubby-faced boys.

As for the women and girls, they wore Heaven knows how many petticoats—seven or eight at the minimum—and their figures went out at the places where they should have gone in, and went in at the places where they should have gone out. They were like the old-fashioned ladies with panniers on each side; and those who could not afford enough petticoats had padded out their own and their children's hips to supply the right effect.

Some had black hoods with furry rolls round their rose-and-snow faces; some heightened the brilliancy of their complexion by close-fitting caps of white lace, according to their religion—whether they were of the Catholic or Protestant faith; and the babies, in black hoods, neck-handkerchiefs, and balloon-like black skirts reaching to their feet, were the quaintest figures of all. The men and boys, in their indigo blouses, were not living pictures like their female relatives, save when, with bright blue yokes over their shoulders (from which swung green, scarlet-lined pails, foaming with yellow cream), they returned from milking blue-coated, black and white cows.

Unspoiled by the influx of strangers, the simple people thronged round us, not for what they might get, but for what they could see. We were quainter to them than they to us, and life was as rare as a dragon. His mistress was of opinion that they believed the noise of the motor (now stilled) to have issued from his black velvet muzzle; and when we all, including the tragic-faced, happy-hearted bulldog, got out to wander past the rows of tiny houses in the village, they swarmed round him, buzzed round him, whirled round him, to his confusion.

Escape seemed hopeless, when Nell and Phyllis had an inspiration. They rushed in at the door of a miniature shop, with a few picture postcards and sweets in glass jars displayed in a dark window. Three minutes later they fought their way out through the crowd of strange dolls "come alive," and, like a farmer sowing seed, strewed pink and white lozenges over the heads of girls and boys.

Instantly the "clang of the wooden" "shoon ceased. Down squatted the children with the suddenness of collapsed umbrellas. There was a scramble, and we seized the opportunity for flight. We had seen the Zuider Zee; we had seen the cows in blue coats; we had seen Spaakenberg; and Spaakenberg had seen us.

(To be continued.)

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An Irishman passed a shop where a notice was displayed saying that everything was sold by the yard. Thinking to play a joke on the shopman, he entered and asked for a yard of milk.

The shopman, not in the least taken back, dipped his finger in a bowl of milk and drew a line a yard long on the counter.

Pat, not wishing to be caught in his own trap, asked the price.

"Five cents," said the shopman.

"All right, sor. Roll it up, I'll take it."

A small boy who was sitting next to a very braughty lady in a crowded omnibus kept on sniffing in a most annoying manner. At last the lady could bear it no longer, and turned to the lad: "Boy, have you got a handkerchief?" she demanded.

The small boy looked at her for a few seconds, and then, in a dignified tone, came the answer:

"Yes, I 'ave, but I don't lend it to strangers."

## Questions and Answers.

1st—Questions asked by bona-fide subscribers to "The Farmer's Advocate" are answered in this department free.

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4th—When a reply by mail is required to urgent veterinary or legal enquiries, \$1.00 must be enclosing.

## Miscellaneous.

### Alfalfa.

I have a few acres of alfalfa which I have cut twice this summer. It has grown so that it could soon be cut again. Which would be better to do, pasture it or cut it? J. H.

Ans.—Our alfalfa at Weldwood was cut twice, and has grown a fair third crop, which we are pasturing lightly. We think this better than cutting again at this late date.

### Luxation of Patella.

Spring colt dislocated his stifle. Have tried several cures, but all failed. Is there a cure? If so, what is it? E. C.

Ans.—Repeated blistering of the stifles is the only hope of cure. Keep in a comfortable box stall. Keep his feet rasped to normal shape. Clip the hair off the outside and front of stifle joint and blister every month, using a mixture of 1 1/2 drams each of biniodide of mercury and cantharides, mixed with 2 ounces of vaseline. Rub well into the parts once daily for two days. Tie so he cannot bite the parts during this time. On the third day let loose in the stall and oil with sweet oil daily until the scale comes off. Repeat every month till cured.

### Drainage Loans.

In looking over your paper dated December 17, 1914, in regard to tile drainage loans, Hon. Jas. Duff says tile loans are paid as usual. Now, I live in Sombra Township, and had a loan put through by the council over a year ago, and have not received it yet. The council claims it is the government's fault, as they have done their part in the matter. Kindly let me know, through "The Farmer's Advocate," where the trouble is. D. R.

Ans.—Of course, we cannot let you know where the trouble is. If you cannot get satisfaction from the council, write the Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Jas. Duff, and see what he says regarding the delay. We shall draw the attention of the Minister to your letter.

### Sweet Clover.

1. How much sweet clover seed should be sown per acre without a nurse crop, for pasture next summer?

2. What other crop would be good for pasture in this north country, where there is a strong probability of summer frosts?

3. I have both clay and muck soils. Which would be better for pasture crops?

4. Will you publish a plan or description of a trap nest that will enable me to build one?

5. Would an open-front poultry house be too cold in winter where the temperature goes down to 50 and 60 degrees below zero?

Ans.—1. Twenty pounds. Some get along with fifteen.

2. Alsike and red clover do well.

3. Clay.

4. See article on trap nest which will appear October 14.

5. Yes.

### TURNING A LEGAL CORNER.

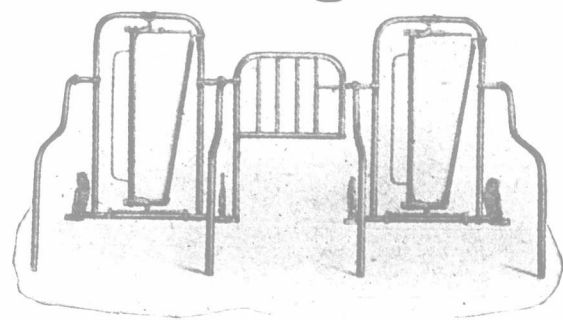
One day a well-to-do farmer in need of legal advice sought a struggling attorney with reference to a suit he desired to bring against a neighbor. The lawyer looked up the statutes and advised his client what course to pursue. As the latter rose to leave the office, he asked: "What's your fee?"

"Oh, say three dollars," carelessly responded the attorney.

Whereupon the client proffered a five-dollar bill. The lawyer seemed embarrassed. He carefully searched his pockets and the drawers of his desk without finding the necessary change. Finally he met the exigency by pocketing the bill and observing, as he reached for a digest:

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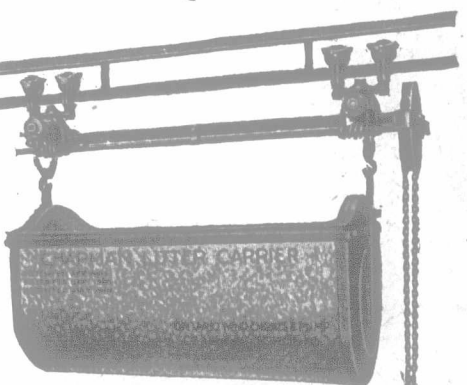
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