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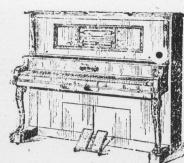
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PLIGHT OF TROUSERLESS MAN

Wind Blowing Door Shut Leaves Him In Predicament, Causing Hasty Retreat to Garage in Rear.

A certain North side man, the Indianapolis News had a patriotic gar-den and it was his habit to get up with the sun, don khaki trousers, drink a cupful of coffee and work until his wife called him to breakfast, about

two hours later. He rose about five o'clock one morning and dressed completely—all but the khaki trousers, which he kept in the basement. He descended the stairs and was on the way to the basement. when he saw outside a bottle of cream left by the milkman. Thinking of the effect of sunlight on cream and of his cupful of coffee, he peered up and down the street, opened the door, stepped out grabbed the bottle hurriedly. Just as he turned to go in he heard a slam-the wind had blown the door shut. He found himself out on the front porch, fully dressed, with the exception of a pair of trousers. The door was locked. He looked wildly up and down the street, vaulted the low cement railing and made a bee-line for the garage, the only available place of refuge and seclusion. He remained in the garage until his wife learned of predicament, about two hours later, and came to his rescue.

The story would have remained a dark secret had not a neighbor—a woman, too—seen the whole affair and witnessed, the mad scramble for the

WOMEN AS GREAT ORGANIZERS

Matrons Conduct Large National Gatherings With a Zest and Order, and Not a Man Is to Be Seen.

In the last 20 or 25 years particularly the women of this country have become past masters in developing nation-wide organizations. The groups which they have formed sometimes number as many as a million women. They take great delight in the perfection of their machinery. Much of the social awakening among women, the desire to improve their surroundings. comes from the stimulus and the education they get from their organiza-

But these organizations, it should be noted, are voluntary, writes Ida M. Tarbell in Harper's Magazine. They are directed to some purpose which appeals particularly to the group. Each stands on its own feet-that is. they are not co-operative organizations; and again, they have nothing to do with men. Go to one of their national gatherings. You will see meetings conducted with a zest, an order, a directness which throws in the shade almost any men's convention I ever saw, and not a man to be seen

High Cost of Courting.

All the world may love a lover, but the framers of the new war tax bill adopted a roundabout way of showing their affection, asserts T. F. Logan in Leslie's. The congressional measure to raise additional revenue makes a particularly affectionate assault on the bankroll of the young man who wishes to demonstrate his devotion to a maid. If the object of the youth's passion lives reasonably near him, he may escape the new tax on telegrams and telephone messages that cost less than 15 cents. Every love letter he writes will cost him an additional penny, however, even if he incloses only a single burning poem. If a trip to the theater is planned, commuting lovers who live more than 30 miles from the playhouse must give financial assistance to the war on the Hohenzollerns. Actual admission to the theater demands an additional ten per cent on the cost the tickets. Naturally, the dear girl will wish to make herself particularly alluring to her ardent swain. To do so, she must pay a two per cent tax on the perfume essence, tollet water, lip rouge or face powder that to her seems the most effective device.

How a Woman Got a Pumpkin.

She is a dainty little madam, relates the Indianapolis News, and does not look as if she could lift more than ten or fifteen pounds. When she accompanied her husband to the country recently and saw a field dotted with

pumpkins she said: "Let's stop here and buy a pumpkin

for pies." Pumpkins seemed to be a drug with the farmer, and he told the little madam:

"If you climb that fence," pointing to the field, "you can have the biggest pumpkin you can carry."
"I'll accept that offer," she replied

with alacrity, with visions of Thanksgiving pies galore.

Ten minutes later she returned with a pumpkin that weighed 35 pounds and put it down triumphantly in front of the farmer.

Her Expensive Hat. A woman in London entered a car rather out of breath and presented a singular appearance, for instead of a hat she was balancing a huge basket on her head with as much grace and ease as if it had been her Sunday bonnet. She could just manage to get through the doorway, but she sat down with the basket gracefully poised on her head.

"All fares, please," said the conduc-tor. "And I shall want twopence for that there basket, mum."

"Get away with yer," she said. "D'ye charge anything for ladies' hats?"

"No. mum." "Thin get on with yer work. This 'er basket is a-going to be my hat."

MUST USE SPADE CAREFULLY

Old Battlefields Will Have to Be Worked With Care to Avoid Count-less Unexploded Shells.

A great deal of careful spade work will be required in the northern part of France. Old battlefields covered with wild flowers, as I have seen them, observes a Paris correspondent, are in wide stretches a slumbering menace. Months after the war is over, naval men have told me, mines will still make voyages perilous in certain sea areas. For perhaps many months more it would be equally as perilous for a farmer to plow these once fertile fields in the great war's battle swept areas.

Here and there are danger signals indicating unexploded mines. And the immense power of these mines is easily gauged by looking at the enormous craters where some of them have been "blown." The war has gone on its way and left these souveniss of its intensity and deadliness. Here, there and everywhere are unexploded shells, German "minnies," or Boche "jam-

What can a "jam pot" do? I was talking with an officer who was in a first line trench early in the war when one of these infernal machines was lobbed over from the German lines. It stuck its nose in some soft mud and did not explode. It was permitted to rest in peace by the battalion then in that part of the line. Another battalion came, and one man decided to fire into it with his pistol to explode it and thus remove the ever present menace. The bullet pierced it, but it did not explode. He moved closer and fired another shot, and they found nothing of him after the second shot.

NEW TYPE MIDGET TRACTOR

Conventional Caterpillar Design to Be Used as Substitute for Narrow-Gage Industrial Railroads.

A small tractor of the conventional caterpillar type which is designed as a substitute for the narrow-gage industrial railroads operated in connection with large plants, has recently made its appearance, says Popular Science Monthly. It can move material rapidly from one department of a factory to another and pass obstacles, since it does not require roads or tracks for its operation. Furthermore, it does not mar the surface over which it passes, because it lays its own track as it goes along.

For this reason it can be used inside factory buildings. It can pass through doorways of the ordinary size, and when not used in transporting material from one department to another, it can be employed in the shipping room or on the loading platform. It is but 50 inches wide and 52 inches

There are any number of other uses to which the industrial tractor may be put. For instance, it can be employed for pulling loaded wagons out of excavations, or it can be used in logging camps, or in lumber yards, mines and shipyards.

Airplane Wrecks Train.

An airplane has often proved itself nore than a match for its antagonist in an unequal encounter. A French aviator once penetrated far behind the German lines and chanced upon a heavily laden troop train. The speed of his craft being fully twice that of this unusual antagonist, it gave him an advantage he was quick to use. The airplane flew so low that its machine gun was brought to bear upon the cars, raking them with disastrous results. Still flying very low, the airman increased his speed and, on coming abreast of the locomotive, shot both engineer and fireman. Left to itself, the locomotive raced forward uncon-trolled, and taking a sharp curve at high speed was wrecked with great loss of life.

Hard Island

April 9 .- Mr. Ed. Wight of Ottawa spent the Easter holidays with his father, Mr. Geo. Wight.

Miss Violet Robeson spent a few lays in Smith's Falls recently.

Mrs. Landon, of Lansdowne, visited her sister, Mrs. Burton Alguire last week.

Miss Dorothy Coleman, of Brockville, visited friends on the Island last week.

Little Eva Moore visited her brother, Netterfield Moore, recently. Rob. Livingston has hired for the summer months at S. Niblock's.

Miss Mabel Wight, of Montreal, is visiting at her grandfather's, Geo. P Wight.

Soperton

April 8 .- Mrs. H. McConkey and two children who have been guests at the home of Mrs. Johnson Frye, are at present at Spring Valley, the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Greene.

Miss B. Singleton, B.A., Prescott. pent the holidays at her home here. Miss M. Irwin has returned from visiting Brockville friends.

Miss K. Thompson left on Monday to take a course in Brockville Business College.

Miss Stevens, Charleston, was a recent visitor at the home of her

friend, Laura Jarvis.

Word has been received here of he death of Mr. Thomas Gray, of Crosby.

Miss Kathleen Best, of Glen Buell, spent the holidays with her sister, Mrs. J. Scotland.

Leeds

April 1st .- Mostly all the farmers have tapped their bushes and report a good run of sap.

X One of our most respected neighbors, in the person of Mr. Allan H. Sweet, passed suddenly away at the home of his sister, Miss Clarissa, in Kingston, Friday morning, March 22 at 6 o'clock. Our sympathy goes out to the bereaved family. Mrs. Sweet died less than two years ago.

Miss Vera Slack, of Sand Bay, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Wm. Kirk-

Miss Daisy Somerville has returned home after visiting Miss Mary Glover, Jones' Falls.

Miss Pearl McMillan, of Ellisville, spent a few days last week at Mr. W. T. Somerville's.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Halliday have returned to Elgin after a twoweeks visit with Leeds relatives. Mrs. Mary Rappell who has been

sick, is convalescent. A surprise party was held at the home of Mr. Albert E. Brown's last Saturday afternoon for little Miss Mary Brown, in honor of her tenth birthday.

The mid-week services are withdrawn owing to the special services being conducted by the Rev. Mr. Waddell in Seeley's Bay Methodist church.

Mrs. Albert E. Brown received word last week that Cadet Kenneth C. Rappell was unexpectedly called to go to Texas.

Mrs. Robert Kelly, of Ottawa, who was called home to her father's funeral, the late Allen Sweet, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Robeson, of Gananoque, spent Sunday at Mr. Will Sweet's.

The following are spending their Easter holidays under the parental roof: Miss Nellie Cockrill, teacher in Brockville. at Brewer's Mills, Miss Leita Gamble, of Ottawa Normal, and Mr Thomas Wills, of Queen's Univer-

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April 9 .- Miss Edna Wilcox and Mr. W. Wilcox, of Rockport, were visitors at Mr. Herbert Scott's.

Mrs. Arnold Avery and Master Cecil left on Saturday for a month's visit with Mr. and Mrs. McGhie, of

Cobourg.
Mr. Willie Herbison visited rela-

tives at Lillie's on Sunday last. Misses Olive Foley and Lula Warren, of Lansdowne, and Messrs. Kenneth and Gerald Shipman, of Ivy Lea, motored here on Sunday and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Herbison.

Mr. Ben Ferguson is at Graham on visiting his son, Mr. Fred Ferguson.

Mr. and Mrs. James Foley and daughter, Miss Alberta, of Lansdowne, spent the week-end at Mr Norris Ferguson's.

Miss Agnes Price has returned

from spending her holidays at her home at Mountain Grove. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer White are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and

Mrs. Norman Marshall, Grahamton, on Sunday. Miss Maude Avery, who has been spending the Easter holidays at her

home here, returned to Toronto on Saturday. Mr. Raymond White, Rockfield,

was a recent visitor at Mr. Elmer White's. Mr. Howard Larkins spent Sun day with his grandparents, Mr. and

Mrs. John Larkins. Miss Gertrude Scott has returned to Rockport to resume her duties as teacher, after spending the past veek at her home here.

Mr. George Whitford was visiting relatives at Athens last week. Miss Fern Warren and Mr. Wm Tennant spent Saturday at Mr.

John W. Foley's. Rockfield. Mr. J. Claude Purvis has purchas ed a Chevrolet car from Mr. W. J.

Wilson, of Gananoque. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Graham spent Sunday at Amherstburg visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Herbison spent one day last week with friends

Guilds.

Master Stuart and Master Russel Tennant, Caintown, were week-end visitors at Mr. James Purvis'.

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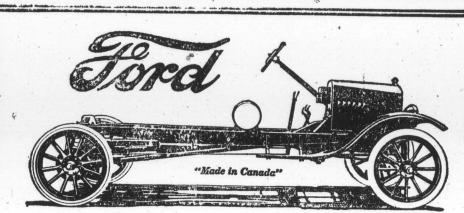
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