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sweet milk, 3 cups flour, 2 teaspoons

the mincemeat, which has been broken

sprinkled with a part of the flour,

baking powder, and salt. Bake one

Secret Playhouses for the Kiddies.

My sister has three children, age

six, ten, and thirteen, and each child

which no one can go unless especially invited. These little homes are avail-

able winter or summer and any hour

of the day. They may be just as nice

mansion with its gaily furnished When Neilia, the youngest, showed

me her playhouse, I was delighted

with it, and asked her to tell me all about how she obtained her furniture

Ruth's house interested me for an

hour, but when Pauline, big thirteen-

year-old Pauline told me shyly that

A blank book about the size of the

ficient because not more than twenty

leaves are needed. These girls have olank ledgers with thin cardboard

Each page of the blank book repre-

no end to her interest in the appropri-

ateness of each bit of furniture, color

schemes and all that went to make

Pauline's books had become a regu-

lar home, a beautifully finished affair. At the beginning she had a picture

At the beginning she had a picture of her driveway, and the entrance to her house. On the next pages came her entrance hall, reception room, living rooms, bedrooms—even a sun-

immediately began to plan where she

them a broad opportunity for self ex-

or two and become "new" again when

When Ruth has her little friends as

guests, they sometimes take the book,

open it at the living room and both

pretend that they are in Ruth's house. Pauline is adding to her first year

High School, this little private course

Treacherous Turquoise

The turquoise is the most treacher-

ous of all gems, often losing its color

home and shaping her

to be an endless in

up her "house."

closed the door.

these little secret homes:

hour in a moderate oven.

An "If" for Girls. (With apologies to Mr. Rudyard Kipling.)

baking powder, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1 tea-If you can dress to make yourself at spoon cinnamon, 1 teaspoon vanilla. Cream butter and sugar. add the eggs, tractive Yet not make puffs and curls your beaten light, the molasses, milk,

chief delight; If you can swim and row, be strong and active. But of the gentler graces lose not

sight: If you can dance without a craze for dancing, Play without giving play too strong

a hold, Enjoy the love of friends without romancing,

Care for the weak, the friendless and the old; If you can master French and Greek

and Latin And not acquire, as well, a priggish

If you can feel the touch of silk and Without despising calico and jean; If you can ply a saw and use a ham-

Can do a man's work when the need occurs. Can sing, when asked, without excuse

or stammer, Can rise above unfriendly snubs

If you can make good bread as well as fudges, Can sew with skill and have an eye for dust.

If you can be a friend and hold no grudges,
A girl whom all will love because

they must; If you sometime should meet and love another

And make a home with faith and peace enshrined, And you its soul-a loyal wife and

You'll work out pretty nearly, to my plan that's been developed

through the ages And win the best that life can have in store.

You'll be, my girl, a model for the sages,
A woman whom the world will bow before.

—Elizabeth Lincoln Otis.

About Things to Eat.

Can you imagine anything much nicer than one of these hot chicken candwiches after a cold drive or a

Stew one fowl in an abundance of water until tender. Then cut the meat into bits with scissors or a knife. moist, and season well with salt and pepper. Keep on the stove so it will be warm. Thicken the remaining stock, using three tablespoons of flour for two cups of stock. Boil the stock, and add salt and pepper to taste. Place a thin slice of bread on a plate, and put one heaping tablespoon of chicken on it. Cover with a thin slice of bread, and then place one or two tablespoons of gravy on top. One fowl will make fifteen sandwiches. They are fine for socials.

charlotte-1 cup maple sugar, 2 tablespoons powdered gelatin, 2 eggs, 1 teaspoon vanilla extract, 1/2 cup chopped nuts, 1/2 cup boiling water, 2 cups milk, 2 tablespoons 1/2 teaspoon orange extract. Grate the maple sugar, and dissolve in the hot water. Dissolve the gelatine in the milk. Place the gelatin and the hot water. Dissolve the gelatine ilk mixture on the stove; when it boils, add slowly to the egg yolks beaten with the sugar. Stir over the are until it begins to thicken; then remove from fire, and stir in the stiffbeaten egg whites. Add the distolved maple sugar, vanilla and erange extract, and the nuts, chopped. into a wet mold, and turn out

when firm. Serve with cream.

Mincement pudding—1 cup mincemeat, 2 cups boiling water, 2 eggs, of the home, even in this childish tablespoons butter, 1 cup browned manner, is wholly lost. While she bread crumbs, 2 tablespoons sugar, 1 easpoon baking powder, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, 1 teaspoon lemon extract, ideals of life. 1/2 teaspoon ginger, 1/4 teaspoon all spice. Break mincement into small eces, and boil with the water for fifteen minutes. When this is cool, add the eggs, which have been beaten light, the butter, melted, the bread though at first only to be seen with crumbs, and the other ingredients. the aid of a telescope, soon develop Bake in a moderately hot oven one the whole stone. Dampness will re hour, or steam two and one-half hours. vive temporarily a faded turquoise. het with a sweet sauce.

at cake—1 cup sugar, 8 Minard's Liniment Relieves Colds, etc. venturers Trading to Hudson's Bay," than by the Montreal route,

# Payable to Bearer

By FRANKLIN WELLES CALKINS.

Hammond met Allen, his father's partner, unexpectedly at Highland. Allen had come out of the store as the stage halted to change horses before going into the mountains.

"Hello, Ham!" said Allen. "Hoped I'd catch you here. While the stage halts come into the store and do some business for your pa and me."

Hammond knew that Jim Allen had been riding for several days, looking for 'grass feeders'; that is, hogs that he wanted to fatten on the unusually large crop of acorns at the hill ranch of Walker & Allen. Much interested, the young man followed Allen to a desk behind one of the store counters. There in his open manner the partner put his case.

He had just had his first change to deliver we wind of respectable cattle-and-horse thief in cahoots with other rascals. He and they round up to the catcher and unbranded colts and drive 'em in on Smith's big range over there. Smith always does business correct, though, and carries a good bank account."

Suspicion seized upon Hammand. "I've heard of Dakota Smith,' he said. "No question about it," replied the driver.

"Was that he?"

"No question about it," replied the driver.

"Will you look in Bruner's sack for a letter I mailed to him at Pratt? It's got Walker & Allen's return mark."

"What was in your letter?"

"A cheque for eighteen hundred

has a playhouse, a secret—the word in

year-old Pauline told me shyly that she had not yet discarded her play-house, I was astonished. Hers was a charming one, filled with the dreams of this age of girls.

And this is how they built and kept the stage of the secret homes:

And the secret homes:

large magazines was purchased for each one. A very thin book was suf-

back. Then a bottle of paste, a pair

of scissors and a number of discarded magazines made up the materials sented a room and this room was furnished by pictures from the old magazines. Neilia's house contained only the very essential things, as table, chairs, beds, and so forth. Ruth had found rugs for her floors, lovely

As the two men became interested in their talk Smith leaned his elbows on the back of the front seat, and Hammond good-naturedly moved a little to give him more room. The young man recognized Smith by his voice as the man who had given to Allen directions about the road. Smith and the driver talked steadily for some time; then both passenger got out, paid fairs and were left afoot. After a time the driver turned to Hammond with a laugh.

"That keen look of Smith's determined Hammond's action. With as a time the driver turned to Hammond with a laugh.

"That tellow Smith," he said, "thought I'd never heard of him, I bathroom fixtures, curtains for her window, a library table, and there was

desk behind one of the store counters. There in his open manner the partner put his case.

He had just had his first chance to get some grazers. A man who wanted to save his live stock from attachment under a mortgage was about to drive more than a hundred head of hogs to the nearest market. Allen had bargained for them, and the man, whose name was Bruner, was to have his money within four days.

As the partner was riding home for the money and for men for the drive in he had fallen in with two fellows on the road, one of whom had told him where he could find more hogs and where he could find more hogs and the same of the money and for the stage at Highland.

"Ive borrowed a blank cheque and apper here," he said, "My signature's the cheque and a note telling Bruner that I'll come for the hogs within the cheque and a note telling Bruner that I'll come for the hogs within work. I didn't get Bruner's initials, and hoody here seems to know em; so you'd better write the cheque pay able to the bearer. His post office for beg delivery is Pratt, seven miles for beg delivery is Pratt, seven miles across on horseback and probly on the bard and a new driver to the man's box."

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As the partner was riding home for the young man finished to hund had you and a new driver to the man's box."

As the partner was riding home for the leave and a note telling Bruner to the cheque and a note telling Bruner was problem. The proper initials, and nobody here seems to know em; so you'd better write the cheque pay able to the postmaster there to put your letter, with the proper initials, into Bruner's sack where it'll ride and hour target from the man's box."

As the qual unhooded the man, whose name was Bruner, was to was within half an bour Hammo descended currously and both with early the his business, and soon afterwards the business and soon and soon afterwards the bus

tain across North America, establish-

### Annual Meeting of the Royal Bank

Reports Show Bank in Strong Position — Total Assets \$594,670,013 — Profits for Twelve Months \$4,253,649.24.

The statement presented to the shareholders of the Royal Bank of Canada, at the Annual Meetng, held at the Head Office of the Bank of Montreal, on Thursday, January 13th, was a most satisfactory one, as the year brought to a close on November 30th last was one of substantial growth and the most successful in the history of this institution.

The Directors' Report was read by the General Manager, Mr. C. E. Neill, as follows:

Profit and Loss Account. Balance, November 29, 1919 . . . . \$1,096,418.74
Profits for the year, after deducting Charges of
Management and all other Expenses, Accrued
Interest on Deposits, full Provision for all Bad
and Doubtful Debts and Rebate of Interest on
Unmatured Bills . . . \$4,253,649.24

Appropriated as follows:
Dividends Nos. 130, 131, 132 and 133 at 12 per per annum
Bonus of 2 per cent. to Shareholders
Transferred to Officers' Pension Fund
Written off Bank Premises Account
War Tax on Bank Note Circulation
Transferred to Reserve Fund
Balance of Profit and Loss carried forward

The assets of the bank have been, as usual, carefully revalued, in order to make ample provision for all bad or doubtful debts.

The total Assets of the Royal Bank are now \$594,670,013.43, an increase over last year of \$61,022.928.58. The total deposits are \$455,017,387.02, the growth being \$61,463,229.74. While a shrinkage is shown in free deposits, accounted for by the fact that on November 30th, 1919, there were on hand large special deposits in connection with subscriptions to the Victory Loan, there is shown a substantial increase in interest-bearing deposits, which is a particularly satisfactory feature.

An increase of not less than \$52,951,330.00 in current loans is the result of the policy of affording legitimate Assets to clients of the Bank during a period of great trade expansion. The percentage of current loans, and total assets, now stands at 48.16. The liquid position of the Bank is well maintained, the liquid assets being 50.50% of Liabilities, and the actual cash and deposits in banks being over 30% of the total Liabilities.

The Capital of the Bank has been increased during the year the issue of thirty-four thousand shares to shareholders. The reserve fund now equals the capital and a very satisfactory increase in earnings has been made, the net profits being \$4,253,649.24, equal to 23.70% upon capital or 12.1% of combined capital and reserve. The usual dividend and an additional bonus of 2% has been paid to shareholders and a balance of \$546,928.20 carried forward in profit and loss account.

During the year seven new branches were opened in Alberta, seven in British Columbia, five in Manitoba, two in New Brunswick, nine in Nova Scotia, twenty-seven in Ontario, three in Prince Edward Island, nine in Quebec, one in Saskatchewan, two in Newfoundland, twenty-two in the West Indies, two in South America.

With a stroke of his heel Hammond urged his pony suddenly forward. With a swoop of his left hand he threw Smith's bridle rein over the horses's head while with his right he brought his whip in a stinging cut across the animal's face. Bucking and plunging, Smith's mount wheeled and ran along the road. Hammond passed the other horseman before the fellow had fairly realized what had happened.

happened.

He heard Smith yell and, looking behind, saw that Smith's partner was already on his trail. He knew that and that the precious pair would pre-tend to be chasing a horse thief!

Their mounts were fresh; his own had already had a stiff gallop of seven miles. He noticed that the man behind him was even then gaining ground, but he made no attempt to increase his own speed. That fellow, he felt certain, was the one who had the letter to Bruner. And so fast was he coming that the next moment his horse's muzzle was at the tail of Hammond's mount. mond's mount.

mond's mount.

"Pull up there, or I'll shoot!" he shouted. "No getting away!"

A glance backward showed Hammond that his pursuer had no weapon in his hand. With a quick jerk of one rein to the left, Hammond brought his horse into collision with his enemy's and at the same time seized the fellow's arm in a flerce grasp. The mounts bounced apart and drew their riders out of their saddles. They fell into the dusty road with Hammond on top of the smaller man.

A brief and strenuous struggle fol-

A brief and strenuous struggle followed. The under man fought stub-bornly, for he knew that Dakota Smith would quickly come to his aid, but he could do nothing against the greater weight and strength of the young ranchman. Hammond twisted young rancaman. Hammond twisted the man's arms beneath him and pin-ned them down. With his other hand he went swiftly through the fellow's clothes. Behind a wallet in an inside pocket he found the letter to Bruner. Thrusting it between his teeth, he leaped free of the helpless man and tore the letter into scraps.

With an expression of deep chagrin

on his face the fellow got to his feet and began brushing his clothes. Ham-

"There in the road is your real thief, constable," Hammond said as Smith halted with stern inquiry in his face, "and here's your bill of sale—Bruner's letter and check." He held up some fragments of the torn paper Instantly the competent Smith turned upon the beaten man. "So," he said with disgust, "you turned thief when I trusted you for square deal-

The executive head of any large corporation or business institution must be an expert thinker. Each day he must render important decisions without delay, on the result of which depends the success or failure of the organization. He holds his position merely on the strength of his ability to think correctly.

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One of the saddest things in life is that it isn't always possible to understand the people one loves best.

cluded with it.

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### Romantic History of Hudson Bay

terest in these houses. Under the In coming to earth near Moose Fac- | which carved dominion for Great Britrees in summer or on the shady porch; by the fireside in winter or ory, at the southernmost point of Hudson Bay, pilots of the United when visiting a little friend, the girls could take their playhouses, unmol-States naval balloon which recently ested from the time they last had was blown from New York city to the frozen north in relatively a few hours, They would search and search for stumbled on a country rich in the histhe kind of table or chair they thought tory and traditions of the picturesque they liked best. A new picture old Hudson Bay Company.

brought out a new plan. One of the girls found a winding stairway and Henry Hudson-"Hendrik" Hudson to his Dutch employers—was responsible, strangely enough, for putting on could use it in her house. So much originality, so much observation is necessary that the busy minds of the the map both the starting and ending point of this recent chance balloon trip. In 1609 he anchored his famous girls delight in it. Paper cutting is always fascinating and this method of Half Moon close to the present local ty, and the following year, still search building a permanent playhouse gives ing for the elusive Northwest Passpression. If they tire of the books, they are merely laid away for a day age, he sailed into Hudson Bay and followed its eastern shore south to near the present Moose Factory.

It was there in James Bay, the shall ow southern arm of Hudson Bay, that Henry Hudson suffered the keenness of disappointment that can come only to the world's great dreamers. dream was to find a passage to the "South Sea," and therefore a short cut to India. When he sailed into in the Home Arts, that will be of permanent value to her, for no study great body of water he was a like to the sailed into Hudson Bay and found that it was a like to the water heady of water he was a like to the sailed into Hudson Bay and found that it was a like to the water heady of wate great body of water he was sure his dream was about to be realized. But ture-house, she is, in mind, choosing there was a west coast to the great expanse of water, his dream came to an

It was on the shores of James Bay tered following his discovery, and only a short distance to the north that the great explorer met his tragic end the next spring, when bound by mutineers ne was set adrift in a small boat with handful of sick men, to perish.

"The Company of Gentlemen Ad-

Hudson Bay is one of the most characteristic features on the map of North America, standing out as strik-

ed its first post near Moose Factory oon after King Charles II. signed its charter in 1670 and blithely made its members "true and absolute lords" of three-quarters of a continent, vested them with trading monopolies, right o pass laws and impose punishments. and even gave them power to make war on non-Christian peoples. During the three and a half centuries since that time Moose Factory has remained one of the important posts of the Hudson Bay Company, gathering a rich harvest of furs. It was the scene of many raids and counter-raids in the early days between the French and the company's employees.

ingly as the Gulf of Mexico and covering almost as great an area. Though it falls far short of furnishing a passage to the South Sea, as the early explorers hoped, its westermost coast is on the very centre-line of the continent. Much of the surrounding territory of the bay is unexplored wilder-

On the west coast are Port Churchill, the bay's best port, and about a when he reached the shallow James hundred miles to the south, Port Nelselects and cuts and pastes her pic-Bay, and nosing across, found that son. Both these ports are to be con nected by railroads with Winnipeg and the wheat and cattle country to the the wheat and cattle country to the west. Sailing vessels ply Hudson Bay between July 15 and October 1, and steamers for a slightly longer. that Hudson and his surly crew win- steamers for a slightly longer period. When the railroads increase the importance of the Hudson Bay ports it is believed that ice-crushing ships will make possible the shipping of cargoes between June 15 and November 1. By the Hudson Bay route Edmonton, Al berta, is 1,000 miles nearer Liverpool