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seeming to diminish in contrast to Maria Max's ample proportions. Then Maria Max threw her hands to her face, and sank into a chair and burst into tears.

"There ain't another soul would have done it," she sobbed. The woman opposite strove to speak, but could not for trembling. "There ain't a soul but you, Mary Ellen ! I've been hatin' to get back on account of the loneliness. 'Twas what drove me away. I 'most got a chill thinkin' of it on the trainabout my house bein' left desolate, and there bein' nothin' to come back to, and not a soul to care for a body's comin' ! I'm too old now for gaddin' about, and I came back anyhow just because 'twas home." Maria Max wiped her eyes and spoke with solemnity, while the other watched her as if fascinated. "Mary Ellen, there was a fire aburnin', my door was onlocked, and flowers in the winder. There is a fresh-baked loaf in the press, and Jonathan Bragg he told me comin' over that your place burnt, and that you've not only caretook for me straight along, but have worked the garden with your own hands. There ain't a friend like you nowheres !"

The revulsion was too great. The little woman listening leaned against the door, covering her face and shaking with convulsive sobs.

" And to think of havin' anybody that glad I've come she'd cry !' sobbed Maria Max.

"I am ! I am ! The Lord knows gladder'n I ever was of I'm anything in all my mortal life, Maria Max," she sobbed, "though I came and took your house 'n' lived in it like it was my own ! You can't forgive me for that !"

"Took care of it like it was her own !" sobbed Maria Max. "Yes, Maria, and I sold a barrel

o' your apples to get paint to put put bluestone in on account of them. on the roof."

"Painted my roof, too !" moaned Maria Max.

" But the money I got for the rest of the stuff is in your chest o' drawers, under your picture album, every cent !" she pleaded, with tears streaming over her face.

"Saved me dollars on my own property !" ejaculated Maria, with lifted hands

And it's come over me at night that I ain't no better than a thief, makin' use o' what wasn't mine. But the eggs was mine, Maria, and I ain't touched a single tin of yourn 'cept to scrub 'em with sand. And all them growin' things I had given me, or raised 'em from slips. Seems as if I'm such a hand for seein' to things I couldn't keep my hands off yourn noways. But may you forgive me, Maria, and I'm goin' in the mornin'.'

OUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. 1st.—Questions asked by bona-fide subscribers the "Farmer's Advocate" are answered in this department free.

and must be accompanied by the full name

and address of the writer. Srd.—In veterinary questions, the symptoms especially must be fully and clearly stated, otherwise satisfactory replies cannot be given. 4th.—When a reply by mail is required to urgent veterinary or legal enquiries, §1 must be enclosed. be enclosed.

Miscellaneous.

TREES AS FENCE POSTS.

I am going to put up a wire fence along the road and up the lane. I have line posts in the shape of maple trees, and want to utilize them. Will they be all right for a fence, and can I anchor on the trees at the ends, or will I have to put down posts to fasten the wires to at the ends? T. S. B.

Ans .- The trees will answer the purpose nicely. Nail pieces of two-inch scantling to them, using two four-inch nails to each. Have washers under the heads of nails so that, as trees grow, the nails will be kept from being drawn through the scantling and grown over. Fasten fence to scantlings : the trees will be unharmed. If the trees are a good size, they will do for anchor posts; use your judgment as to that.

SCRAPING BARK AND SPRAYING.

I have at present a man scraping off the outside coarse bark on the apple trees. He sometimes scrapes a little live bark off. Then he whitewashes the trunks and larger limbs with slaked lime and water. Would you let me know whether that is good or not? Maybe he is spoiling the trees by scraping all the coarse bark off. The trees are mostly from 35 to 70 years old. It is a slow job, and I believe if I would spray them it would be sooner done. I have bees, and am afraid to G. B.

Ans.-It is a good plan in the spring to scrape off the rough bark of old trees, as this often forms a harbor for insects, particularly for the codling moth, which pupates under scales of bark during the latter part of the season. It is best not to scrape so as to expose the live bark, although no serious damage will result unless it is removed to the cambium laver.

The application of whitewash to the trunks acts as a protection against attacks of borers, the beetles of which deposit their eggs on the bark about the latter part of May or the beginning of June. It must not be forgotten, however, that these means of fighting insects will not take the place of thorough, systematic spraying. The trees should be sprayed at least four times with Bordeaux mixture and Paris green. The first application should be given just as the leaf-buds are expanding just before the blossoms open, the third after the blossoms have fallen, and one or more later sprayings may be given at intervals of two weeks as may be found necessary. I find it is often desirable to spray five or six times to insure firstclass fruit, free from scab and codling moth. You need have no fear of bluestone or Paris green poisoning bees, if they are not applied when the trees are in full bloom. Spraying at such time, of course, should never be done.

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Threatened With Paralysis

THE DOCTORS TOLD THE WRITER OF THE LETTER QUOTED BE-LOW-RESTORATION BROUGHT ABOUT BY USE OF

Dr. Chase's Nerve Food.

It is customary to consider paralysis, insanity and other diseases of the nerves as afflictions which come upon a person without warning, and which are, therefore, unavoidable.

As a matter of fact such results are preceded by months, if not years, of symptoms which point to an exhausted condition of the nervous system. These symptoms are such, however, that many pass them by as not being of serious concern and thinking that they will wear away of themselves.

Sleeplessness, nervous headaches, indigestion, bodily weakness, fainting spells, twitching of the nerves, inability to concentrate the thoughts and loss of memory are among the most common indications of a run-down nervous system. It is sometimes only a step from such symptoms to prostration, paralysis, locomotor ataxia or insanity.

Stimulants and narcotics, though sometimes affording temporary relief, only hasten the exhaustion of the nerves. Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, on the other hand, reconstructs and restores the wasted and depleted nerve cells.

Naturally, gradually and certainly this great medicine instils into the blood and the nervous system the life-sustaining principles which replenish the nerve force in the body, and so effect lasting benefit. Miss Emma Scott, Athens, Ont., writes : "Dr. Chase's Nerve Food has done me a world of good. I was troubled with fainting spells, bodily weakness, and spent restless, sleepless nights. I frequently had cramps in the stomach and would at times become insensible, not knowing what was going on until others told me afterwards.

"I doctored with several doctors and they told me I was threatened with paralysis. They gave me relief, but could not cure me. After suffering for three years, I began the use of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, and it has done me more good than all the medicines I ever

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Simply to please friends of my old liquid form of Dr. Shoop's Rheumatic Remedy, you can now get either the tablet form or the liquid. I changed from the liquid to the tablets, simply to satisfy a large contingent who believed, and quite correctly, that a tablet is more convenient to carry and to take. But thousands have written me since August, 1904, when the change was made, vigorously protesting. They have pleaded unceasingly for Dr. Shoop's Rheumatic Remedy, "liquid form." And, finally, to fully satisfy all, I have at last granted the request. Both tablets and liquid can now be had from your druggist. He may be out of the liquid remedy, but can easily secure it for you. Show him this announcement.

The contentment that will now naturally exist because of the change, will in itself prove gratifying to me as well.

C. I. Shoop, M. D. Racine, Wis., 4-29-1906.

Grow Seed Peaslittle risk nowgood profit-Been reading about peas in Guelph College Bulletin and Provincial Crop Records? They say the pea-weevil is gone for seven years. Queer thing about pea-weevil ... he comes for seven years and vanishes for seven. This is his first year for vanishing. Safe now to grow seed peas. Report of Department of Agriculture shows average crop is twenty

bushels of seed peas to the acre. Some Canadians raise three crops a year. Price ranges from 75c. to 85c. a bushel.

Easy crop to grow ... market never glutted ... profit sure. Why don't you go into seed peas this Spring?



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Entry may be made personally at the local land office for the district in which the land is situate The homesteader is required to perform the

nditions connected therewith under one of the following plans : (1) At least six months' residence upon and

cultivation of the land in each year for three

(9) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of the homesteader resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for the requirements as to residence may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother (3) If the settler, has his permanent residence upon farming land, owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead the requirements as to work

of his homestead, the requirements as to resi-dence may be satisfied by residence upon the said land

Six months' notice in writing should be given to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa of intention to apply for patent.

W. W. CORY, Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

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Maria Max rose impressively and wiped her eyes.

"Mary Ellen," she said, "you don't set foot off this place never again except of your own free will ! You always would worrit about things, and twist 'em the wrong way thinkin' too much about 'em. I ain't much of a hand to think. You always was a born caretaker, and I'm gettin' too sizable to move around much seein' to my things. Findin' you here and everythin' so spick an' span is the first taste of home I've had since 'Lias died. And I can never make up to you for all the care you've took of my things. If there's anything you want, Mary Ellen, it's yourn if I can get it !"

The other wiped her eyes upon her apron and drew a sobbing breath.

'Seems like I'm wakin' out of a nightmare," she said. "There he ain't nothing in this world that I him. want now as you've took it the way you have-nothing 'cept just one thing. I'd be mighty glad of one or two of them pears to give that peddler on Monday. I've seemed that stingy about 'em that I'd be ashamed for him to set eyes on 'em again and not have one !"

Maria Max untied her bonuetstrings and closed the door.

"Let's bile the kettle and draw a cup of tea," she said.

H. L. HUTT. Horticulturist. Ontario Agricultural College.

An Irishman was walking along a road beside a golf links, when he was suddenly struck between the shoulders by a golf ball. The force of the blow almost knocked him down. When he recovered he observed a golfer running toward

"Are you hurt?" asked the player Why didn't you get out of the way? "An' why should I get out of the way?" asked Pat. "I didn't know there were any assassing round here." "But I called 'fore,'" said the player, "and when I say 'fore,' that is a sign for you to get out of the way." "Oh, it is, is it ?" said Pat. "Well, thin, whin I say 'foive,' it is a sign that you are going to get hit on the nose.

Alexander Block, Calgary.

Love is blind, but marriage is an eye-

Every man should be in haste whose