

wasn't any money for a doctor; and if there hadn't been any money for a doctor, there would be none for a funeral, and that pointed to Potter's Field for the dead and a pauper's asylum for the living.

"Potter's Field!" said Mammy softly. "Potter's Field! And the asylum!"

And the green trees beckoned, and the lush meadow smiled, and the years that the locusts had eaten rose up before her.

She stood quite still for a moment, looking it all in the face—her withered lips trembling, a scared look in her eyes, and her hand moving feebly as though in the darkness her soul they groped for Other Hands to guide them; then she opened the door and went quickly out.

The news had traveled apace and there was already a knot of gossiping females clustered about the narrow doorway of 65, and at the curb the dreaded black wagon of the Charities Department.

A man was climbing down from it as Mammy arrived. She went straight to him and reached out a timid, depressing hand.

"Be you the gentleman the city's sent?" she said softly. "If so, won't you please tell 'em there ain't no need? I couldn't let my Lily-o-the-Valley's mother be buried that way, and I couldn't let her go to an asylum—I couldn't, indeed. I don't know what the law requires folks to do in such cases, but whatever it is I'll do it. I've got two hundred and ninety-six dollars saved up, and—when that's enough I'd like to pay for the funeral and adopt the child. I've stood the old street for so many years, I reckon I kin stand it for a few more."

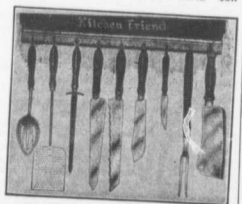
The women about the doorway stirred and drew aside; a footfall and a wailing, childish cry of misery sounded from the hall and Mammy, turning, saw her Lily-o-the-Valley man who was trying to soothe her, the child was coming forlornly down the stairs with what few paltry treasures she possessed clutched to her bosom, utterly and running forward flung herself against the feeble old figure and clutched it in a fierce abandonment of woe, letting the things she had held clatter down upon the pavement.

"O Mammy! O Mammy!" the shrill childish treble of despair rolled out, "I can't pretend any longer. I can't."

"Hush!" said Mammy, bending down and laying her withered old cheek against the soft one. "You don't have to, dearie, 'cause it's past pretendin' now. It's all come true—like the doll, you know—and you're goin' to be Mammy's own little gal."

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from this time on. "They ain't a-goin' to take yer away—no, indeed, they ain't, my Lily o'-the-Valley. Jist help her pick them things up, Miss' Baxter, please. Thanky, thanky kindly, ma'am. A picture, is it?—just a picture and—"

The old voice snapped suddenly, the old face grew very white and the old eyes looked straight and long at the thing which had been put into her hands.

"It's Poppy's picture," explained

oil and partly with gasoline lamps. A good coal furnace supplies ample heat during the winter time. A bathroom is being planned by Mr. Eds.

The whole house is built with a double brick wall, with hollows between. It is also lathed on the inside, making it very warm and dry. A good light and dry cellar extends under the whole house.

The goodness of the roof put on the house when it was first built is demonstrated by the fact that the same

this is the time that the room should have a thorough flushing of fresh air. One child kept in keeps the windows closed, and if this happens forenoon and afternoon the school loses the airing that it badly needs.

This defeats the very purpose of the recess. It was established not as a privilege of which he might be deprived for bad conduct, but as a means of physical well being, and it is manifest folly to develop the mental at the expense of the physical. A



Some of Those who Enjoyed a Most Successful Picnic Held in Connection with the Annual Meeting of the West Peterboro Farmers' Institute  
One of the most successful meetings ever held by the West Peterboro Farmers' Institute, was on Friday, June 17, at the farm home of Mr. J. H. Garbutt, Smith Township. Members of the Women's Institute, of Lakeland, were present and provided much to revive interest in the Institutes. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Garbutt, who so kindly gave the use of their splendid lawn for the picnic, may be seen seated in the centre of the group—Mrs. Garbutt to the right of her husband. Photo by an editor of Farm and Dairy.

Lily-o-the-Valley, impressed by her silence and rising on tiptoe to ascertain what had caused this startling change in her appearance. "They said I might take it."

"But Mammy didn't seem to hear. 'O Jimmy boy! O Jimmy boy!' she said after a moment. 'God knew, didn't He, dear? And it's better than the green fields—better than the trees and the flowers in all the world!'"

Then she stooped and took the child up into her arms and hugged the pale little face down into the curve of her soft old neck—and the rest was silence.

God knew, and Mammy knew, and in the twilight of her days there had come that peace which passeth understanding.

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### Another Old Pleasing Home

The home of Mr. P. D. Eds of Oxford Co., Ont., was built in 1879. As is shown in the floor plan, there is a fine roomy woodshed, kitchen, dining room 18x22, sitting room 20x22, hall 7x30, parlor 16x18, and one bedroom down stairs 14x16. The front part of



### An Up-to-date Country Store

This country store at Oxford Centre, Ont., is up-to-date, built last year of all galvanneal steel sills and roof. Inside the walls are of iron, and the ceiling, making it fireproof. Everything a farmer needs can be found in this store, and it is a great convenience to rural districts.

the house upstairs has four bedrooms, several closets and a large hallway, with the great convenience of back stairs also.

There is soft water. ... one kitchen. A windmill pumps all the hard water through a tank in the kitchen, which keeps it cold and fresh all the time. The house is lighted partly by coal

roof is on now, as was put on originally. It consists of pine shingles, painted and repainted only ten years ago, for the second time.

Attention is called to the fence,



Country Church at Oxford Centre, Ont.

This church was built in 1866, and remodelled in 1885. The inside walls and ceiling are painted and decorated. It is lighted with gasoline, with a generator in plank walls are at the front, gravel and sod in the rear. There is a good wire

which is home-made and an equal in appearance and strength to many of the fences sold at much higher prices. It is made of 3-8 inch iron put through 2-1x5 scantling.

Mr. Eds has 180 acres in his farm. It is divided into two sections, 105 acres being on one side of the road next to the Methodist church, and the remaining 75 acres across the road, on which is located the schoolhouse.

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### The School House, Is It Ideal?

Mrs. Jennie Muldrup,  
Macedonald College, Que.

(Concluded from last week.)

#### CLEANING SCHOOLS.

To be clean, every school should have a thorough cleaning every Saturday, and there's not a school section that I know that cannot afford it. It is not difficult if the floors are of hardwood, and are kept well oiled, and the sweeping must be done, leaving hours to elapse before the room is to be occupied. As a rule the sweeping is done at night, and the usual difficulty is that the rooms are shut up as soon as the perennial smell of dust. Some teachers have a plan of detaining children in at recess, and

sound mind in a sound body is the ideal.

I wonder if it ever occurred to our authorities to have sanitary inspectors of our schoolrooms. We have such inspection of cheese factories. Are the cheese or the children of the greater importance?

Ideal schools have the desk made to suit the student. As a rule the student must suit the desk. One authority on physical culture says that 90% of the spine curvatures is from defective school seating. If so, this is a matter worth looking into, as so much national loss through ill health should not be permitted, if it can be prevented by intelligent desk arrangement.

An emergency cupboard, and conveniences for cleanliness, such as basins, towels, etc., are great aids in teaching children how to take care of themselves. Sometimes a boy runs a rusty nail in his foot, and the want of an antiseptic wash, and a clean land-age, causes the foot to become very sore, and this want of prompt atten-

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