(Continued from first page.) fee an' johnny cake. I always held coffee'd got to be cooked, seein' as 'twas a bean in the beginnin', just like any other bean, long it. If there was anythin' 'twould make 'Mandy mad, though, 'twas to see the coffee an' slow, the goodress sorter drawed out o' on a-steepin' at the back of the stove. "It's both lookin' happier. I didn't say so to bilin' coffee wants, if it wants anythin'," 'Mandy, though. I thought, if she didn't bilin' coffee wants, if it wants anythin',"
she'd snap out, "good smart bilin', and
done with it;" an' she'd yank the coffee pot
over t' the front o' the stove an' I'd yank it
back; an' one day—I'm clean ashamed to back; an' one day—I'm clean ashamed to tell of it, 'twas just like two spunky chil-dren—I took an' hove it out o' the back door, coffee not an' all, an' 'Mandy sent a piece o' history of herself and her sister. Of the coffee pot an' all, an' 'Mandy sent a piece o' my johnny cake flyin' out after it. It landed right side up, with the cover spread open, an' John Knox, our old tom-cat, came along two old women had walked up the snowy an' snuffed at the johnny-cake, and then ran moonlit road to the second service of the his head into the coffee pot and couldn't get it out again, an' he went tearin' and yowlin' the front row of the vestry pews, and how, it out again, an' he went tearin' and yowlin' all over town. Mebbe some o' you saw him with the coffee grounds streamin' down' all over him. His eyes an' his nose an' his mouth was full when we got him out of it, mouth was full when we got him out of it, bear so much as the smell o' coffee. 'Mandy an' me used to scatter it 'round among the still as they stood under the full gaze of the an' from then on till he died he couldn't pans to keep him out o' the milk room. He couldn't yowl neither. He'd just open an' phrases, the forgiveness of the church for shet his jaws, an' there wouldn't any noise the bad example their hardness of heart had 'Twas his windpipe got ruined set. somehow, inside that coffee-pot. We was As it was, they simply stood there, hand

hadn't 'a been for his trials an' his restrictions he'd 'a been worse 'n he was. Well, we warn't more 'n through breakfast, 'Mandy and me, when who should we see comin' in at the front gate but the minister and the evangelist. They'd started out good an' early on a round o' personal dealin' with the kitchen floor. 'In season an' out o' sea-Then I knew she had met a change an' no mistake. 'Twas the christianest thing I ever seen a woman do. It's kind of a trial to be speakin' right out in meetin', I can tell you, 'bout them false fronts. They've been kinder weighin', though on 'Mandy's con-

hair had been gettin' whiter an' whiter all along an' the fronts had stayed just the way acrel brown. 'Mandy said they never did match nothin' nohow, when they was new, 'less 'twas Deacon Tuttle's horse.
"I didn't feel just comfortable bout keep-'vangelist give us a talk 'bout confessin' our faults one to another, I knew 'twould come It acted on me that talk did, just like a dose o' ipecac. I hain't been able to keep nothin' on my conscience sence. I've been throwin' off right an' left till I declare for't,

't was more'n likely we hadn't been deceivin'

I don't seem to feel's though there'd be anything left o' me, good or bad, by the time I get through with it. a-tellin' you before I got off on to the false fronts-an' we 'pologized for Benjamin the best way we could. There he lay, the lazy critter, sprawled out, limb for limb, jest the way we'd put him down, an' let them two gospel ministers step over him. I aked 'Mandy afterwards why she didn't 'pologize' about her hair, too. She said she didn't see strain my smiles. as she had none to apolgize for; anyhow, she was fairly sot down, but 'Mandy goin' out ister an' she says: 'If its all the same to you Susan an' me don't need praying for this open the door. mornin' half as much as we need that partiwe are. Susan an' me. 'twon't never come night, an' leave it there. The both of you is able-bodied men. Seein' as there ain't a

you go at it." the way they did. 'Twas just as though they was glad to be just like other folks, once in a while, and pitch in, instead o' little Mrs. Jack also giggled half hysterically. settin' round, half in an' half out o' the Then we rose in our might and with a shout

world, the way ministers hev' to.

don't like nothing better, the real good ones,' says she, 'than to get way off out west, an' build their own churches. If made toast. The potatoes proved to be all you've been readin' The Home Missionary right, and we ended by having as good a all these years I hain't had the supervisin of you, I should think you'd learned some- wish, besides no end of fun. thing about ministers an' their workin's."

"Well, that partition was down afore we knew it. 'Twarn't nothin' anyhow but listened at the cracks to 'Mandy stirrin' 'round on the other side just for company's sake. I don't believe 'Mandy ever did ge quite so lonesome as I did. Why I didn't The apple is such a common fruit that lew give in, all them years, is more'n blow. If there ain't any devil, an't warn't he holdin' me back, I'd like to know who it was fur as I was concerned, I'd been willin' and glad to give in any day. There was somethin' holdin' on to me, though, so'st I never could because it has more phosphoric acid, in an because it has more phosphoric acid, in an acceleration.

'Mandy an' me just how we could help them, stemach, helps the kidney secretion and now as we was fit to, in the season of grace that was at hand. An'then they went : and 'Mandy an' me, we set to work gettin' the house back just the way it used to be in

mosher's day." "We weren't goin' to have any more ed to the alcohol and opium habit. myin' and thyin' business about it. We just put things back where we'd took 'em from, n' that was the end of it. Warn't it good, the settin in some o' them old chairs o' Mandy's again? When we come to divide up that time I'd took the ones that fitted her back-just out of clear spite-an' she'd took the ones that fitted mine; we bein' such a

When I come to look in Mandy's parler lookin' glass, I found out I was most ten years younger than the one on my side o'the house had been givin' out I was all along. It would be a bould 'a' thought the glass was better, only Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

when 'Mandy came to look in mine she made the same observation about her looking younger in mine 'n what she did in hern. The goodness o' hern, she said, she guessed, was all in the open work rim an' the painted

They had been holding each other's hands assemblage. They had meant to ask, in set

awful sorry for him, but he never was just in hand, the two hard featured women, unthe cat we took him for when we gave him able for the choking in their throats to utter his name, 'an we always thought mebbe if it a word, the tears of joy and sympathy all over the crowded room showing that words would have been superfluous.

Several years afterwards, when the devo

tion of the Sanford sisters to each other had become a neighborhood proverb, an inquisit ive old lady said to Amanda: "Now, Amanda, won't you tell me ho

There was 'Mandy an' me without our false fronts on, an' a pig a lyin' out for dead on the kitchen floor. 'In season a' land the kitchen floor.' 'In season a' land the kitchen f lers, an' they'd begun on 'Mandy an' | you two-that had it in you to get mad an' the kitchen floor. 'In season an out of season, says I, as I seen 'em comin', 'but for out things is probable."

things is probable."

the kitchen floor. 'In season an out of season, the season and season and

o' season, parsons is the worst.' You see I was that flustered I didn't know what I was mind tellin' you. When we felt ourselves a-sayin'. Mandy rushed into her bedroom gettin' too mad to speak—that was our way, an' was just clappin' on her own false front | you know-we'd just get down the dictionary when she remembered I couldn't get at mine nohow, seein' as 'twas over in my side of the house, an' she just took hern an' clapped it tongues agoin'. What with wrastling with on to me, an' went bald-headed herself. | the hard words an' tryin' to make some sort something interestin' to one another."

As for Benjamin, who had been so uncon-

scious an abettor of the work of the evangelist, when the time came, that in the naturscience an' mine, ever sence the 'vangelist al order of things he should have been converted into pork, the sisters looked at each window where the manure was thrown on give that talk o' his about Ananias and Sap phira. Mebbe you recall how he said, along other inquiringly.

"I can't do it," said Amanda—"I can't window from an old building so that we have the control of the control o' other things that was terrible solemn to

actin' lies as well as tellin' of 'em, or that a means o' grace like what Benjamin's been was just settin' still, an' lettin' folks to us." Susan fully concurred in Amanda's reluc believe things of 'em that wasn't so, should fall down dead, there wouldn't be men tance. Benjamin lived to a good age, a pig enough in all the world to carry 'em out.

That set 'Mandy an' me to thinkin' that somewhat more rotund and fleshy in his de

mebbe we'd been a couple o' Sapphiras, let- clining years than exactly befitted the sanct tin' all the church folks think we'd got good ity of his life's mission.

natural heads o' hair, when we hadn't. 'Mandy said, though, -when she had really Her First Entertainment. "I was the first guest in their little suburban home," said a clubman in reminiscent mood. "In youthful dignity he sat at the head and she sat at the foot of their table. minor details.

she first offered to me.

"'Dolly, dear," said Jack, 'I decline to have salad served first. Take it away,' he ship the inferior with that which is better. added kindly but firmly to the maid, who became redder than ever and disappeared. The next dish was brought first to the hostess. Well, those parsons come in—as I was whose pretty face wore a pucker of distress. "'I don't think it looks right,' she said

doubtfully. 'I ordered an omelette, but this brown thing doesn't look like one. Take it away,' she said in her turn with sudden resolution to the maid.

"The vanishing feast reminded me of Alice in Wonderland, and I had hard work to re-"'I cannot tell why it is!' said the bride

forgot all about it; an' I guess she did, fer plaintively. 'I often had girls to luncheon what should I see, the minute the minister at home, and things always went right.' "But are we not to have anything to eat, an' comin' in again with a hammer an' a Dolly?' said her husband, after a long pause, couple o' saws, an' she hands 'em to the min- wherein nothing appeared. The query wa soon answered, for an irate Irish won

"'Shure, and if yes don't like my cookin' tion took down. If that wall don't come | yes can come and do it yourself,' she shouted. down this very day, seein' we're just what It's not a minute longer that I'll stay in this house; my week's up to night, and you'll

down. We'il get mad, like as not, after oplease pay me my wages.'

"The situation was too dreadful not to be carpenter to be had inside of a week, s'posin' have always admired Jack from that night. Bursting into a great guffaw of laughter, he audible expression of merriment, and poor invaded the kitchen, the enemy flying before "I said to 'Mandy," says I, 'I didn't know our approach. Jack took the hopeless looking roast from the oven and cut slices which An' 'Mandy says, 'well, they be. They he seasoned and grilled in a way only possible

dinner as the heart of a healthy man could "How often we have laughed about it since, for Mrs. Jack has now become a capital housekeeper, and her dinners are famous, but I often tell her that was the one I shall

always remember with the greatest pleasure

The Apple as Medicine. The apple is such a common fruit that few

easily digestible shape, than any other "The ministers was as tickled as two days known fruit. It excites the action of the when they'd got the whole thing cleared off an' put away in the wood shed."

liver, promotes sound and healthy sleep, and phoroughly disinfects the mouth. It "When they was through, they told also agglutinates the surplus acids of the prevents calculus growth, while it obviates indigestion and is one of the best preventatives of diseases of the throat. Next to lemon and orange, it is also the best antidote for the thirst and craving of persons addict-

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prices obtained are sufficient to cover ever extravagant outlay and to leave a good margin of profit. With the marketer, however, it is quite different. He must bring his bill of expenses low in order to realize any profit in eggs. In this connection we would sugventions for the poultry yard-the bone cutter, not the dry bone crusher, but the green bone cutter—and the liberal use of green cut bone in feeding the laying stock. With the writer, green bones, fresh from the butcher, are obtainable at 50 cents per 100 pounds, and their value as food in the production of eggs is worth from 3 to 5 cents pound. In fact, in fresh cut bone we find the best and cheapest egg food that we can buy. There is certainly a good margin of profit in selling eggs at market prices when the hens are fed plenty of fresh cut clean bone. Of course it must not be feed exclus ively, but it may, we believe, constitut one-third of the feed given the hens withou any bad effects. Too much bone will cause dysentery or bowel trouble, but with the coming of cooler or cold weather the hens can eat a great deal of it to advantage. Th

utilize as hen food the cheap and wholesome bones that can be had at any butcher shop. Cold Barns.

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Those whose cattle barns are not war enough to work in comfortably without an overcoat and mittens in the winter or even without any coat in ordinary winter weather may be sure they are not warm enough for the cows to do their best in; or for calve and young stock to grow rapidly without extra allowances of heating food. Covering up cracks and seeing that windows and doors shut snugly will help some, but we remem ber when a boy and when cows were kep in a barn with unshingled sides and ends having to help line the walls back of the stock with old boards and slabs nailed on the inside of the posts and stuffing the space between this lining and the outer boards with bog hav, so that no wind could comthrough. Taking out the old board slid into the yard and putting in a larger half contemplate, that if all the folks that was | do it, nohow. I can't think of cornin' down | light enough to take care of the cows with out leaving doors or window open was another improvement, and was all done a small expense and but little labor, which were important considerations in those days

> could with what they had. Quality Makes the Price.

o poor farmers, trying to do the best the

Make it a point to have your poultry the best quality before shipping to market. One who is not accustomed to visiting the large markets knows nothing of the enormous amount of inferior poultry that is sold and which largely affects the prices, yet there is always a demand for that which is good and There was a pretty group of flowers in the at a price above the regular quotations. The centre, evidently arranged by the bride, and if the rest of the table looked awry, the forks leads to better prices. Old roosters, which where the knives should have been and seldom sell at more than half price, should the water on the wrong side, those were not be in the same boxes or barrels with better stock, and to ship poultry a'ive and "After we sat down the red-faced maid, have roosters in the coop with fat hens is who stood looking nervously at her mistress simply to lower the price of the hens, as the buyer will estimate the value by the pressend any poultry to market unless in first class condition, and under no circumstances

When Rot Exists in Potatoes. An exchange thinks it best where rot exsts to pull the potato stalks by hand and throw them in heaps. With a broad tined fork set beside where the hill was, push it down far enough to get all the potatoes, raising and shaking the dirt from them as the potatoes are brought up and left on the surface. It will often be found that the layers of potatoes which come up with the stalks will be all rotten, with those below, dug with the fork, will not only be free from disease, but will generally remain so. They will be so far matured that the potato skin will harden so that the fungous spores will be less likely to attack it. If some lime is sprinkled over the potato heap, it will absorb surplus moisture and make further

rotting impossible for potatoes thus treated.

What Calves Want. If a calf has a ration of half oats and half corn and half a feed of it or a little more that is a little more than half of what i met with the courage born of despair, and I would eat up clean if it had a chance-and clover hay, with shelter from storms and "An' them ministers off with their coats an' at it. You never see men enjoy workin' the saved the situation. His mirth was infectious, and after a struggle for self-control I of salt and pure water, the calf will pay for likewise gave way to an inclination for an it all, even if corn were 40 cents a bushel. We would not feed an all corn ration because the calf requires muscle forming material, and oats and bran are the cheapest foods of this kind. We would not feed all oats of bran, especially in severe weather, because corn is needed to keep up the heat and round out of the muscles

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All the estate, right, the interest, claim, plaintiffs or their solicitor, or into court.

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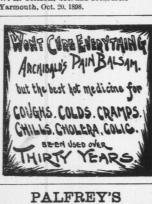
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### The Household.

Precocious Children. LITTLE CHAT WITH MOTHERS ON UNWISE HASTE IN JUVENILE DEVELOPMENT. To those of us who still cling to old fashioned and sentimental ideas, nothing seems so strange as the haste parents appear to be

more of this kind of progress there will be no children left, nothing but premature, little old men and women, who are as wise and uninteresting as their elders.

Everywhere we see unchildishness exploited a virtue. The papers teem with at onoc. instances of phenomenally early develop-ment, and we read of a boy in Kansas City instances of phenomenally early develop-ment, and we read of a boy in Kansas City who at the mature age of 7 has been licensed to practice law; of another in Chicago who at 5 is a skilful surgeon, and of another, who, with all the wisdom and experience of 3 years to guide him, expounds the gospel in Atlanta and preaches to admiring multitudes. Such freak cases as these would be core Robinson; that he was not a doctor, and of very little importance to the world if they did not so surely indicate the tendency of modern times to do away with childhood and he could find the criminal in the morning.

force it into early maturity. The proudest boast of the average parent is the precocity of Bobby or Mary. If they are bright their little minds are cranmed and their memories taxed to learn long poems, which they are called on to recite to unfortunate guests. If they have an ear for music they are made to spend long hours of drudgery over the piane, when they should bring a coffin without a moment's delay. I be at play, in order to be able to show off.

They are rushed through school at a breakneck pace that their idiotic parents may be that the shock of the visit cured the cook able to say that Bobby is only seven, but he | without the aid of any other medicine."is in such and such a grade. Anything and W. A. Alden in Pearson's Magazine everything that is unchildish seems to be a natter of pride and congratulation to fath-

ers and mothers. One might see some reason in this wild desire for precocity if precocious children made the famous men and women of the world. But it is a notorious fact that precocious children very seldom amount to anything in Hall, Bedroom and after life. They flash on the horizon like a him a quarter, and he departed. One of star and then sink into utter darkness. Per-Kitchen Furniture in haps this is oftener than not the parents' fault, and the talent that might have developed into genius, had it been left to grow and ripen in nature's own way, has been forced into a premature, hot-house maturity, without stamina, or sweetness, or flavor. But, leaving this view of the question alone, it is strange that parents should wish to abridge the period of childhood from mere elfish reasons. It is only when our children are little that we have, and there is so much of sweetness in the clinging clasp of little arms about the neck, so much of joy in the faith that thinks papa and mamma the great abiters of destiny, that it is marvellous that any one could wish to abridge that time by a single hour. It san't long at the Before one knows it, they are grown men and women, and the busy world, with its hopes and ambitions and cares, has rushed between and torn your child from you, and given you a man or a woman in its stead, and the exchange, so far as the parents are

concerned, is always robbery.

Then think what cruelty it is to rob a child of childhood. So soon, so soon, must we pass out of that enchanted realm and go orth into a world where there is a thorn hidden under every rose and a sorrow under every pleasure. No matter what after life may give us of honors, or fame or riches, we can never be quite happy. We have learned the bitter lessons of suspicion, we have rned to dread to-morrow, and we have left behind us graves whose shadows stretch across the rosiest promise of the future. It s these burdens that we lay upon little shorten the one care-free, time of life in our ness in children.

every third day. By observing these rules,

in a very passable state, but these attentions

-Strictly speaking, there is no danger in

posed to the air will cause a corrosion of the

tin can which generates a poison. Plums are the worst in this respect, but all fruits being

more or less aciduous, will cause corrosion

more dangerous, but emptying the can im-

-Fad cuts a large figure in the matter of

by methods most cruel and inexcusable

ing grounds of the birds and kill them off sys-

ematically until all have perished. Natur

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ally, under such circumstances extermination is quickly accomplished, and grounds in Florida and elsewhere which were formerly the resort of myriads of beautiful winged creatures are now deserts, so far as bird life is concerned.

broad ends which reach nearly to the waist line. Some of the bows are finished with plaitings of lace.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

fessional feather hunters go to the breed-

mediately will prevent that.

observed.

shoulders, too weak to bear them, when we they still persisted in their demand, he would to practice alone. While in full cry he was suddenly sent for by his father. A florist of many years' experience gives the following receipe for preservation of boquets: When you receive a boquet, sprinkle it lightly with fresh water, then put in
a vessel containing some scapsuds, which
nourish the roots and keep the flower as bright as new. Take the boquet out of the suds every morning and lay it aside in fresh song. water, the stalk entering the water first. Replace the boquet in the soapsuds and the -Brooklyn Life tells of a bride who was

a fine etching of "The Angelus" her face fell. "Yes," the bride responded, "but it is so frame. The frame is lovely! But it makes canned foods, except what arises from ignor-ant handling. Canned fruits opened and ex-buried their little baby—their first-born,

opened and the contents poured into a glass his homeliness his poverty was the most or earthen dish immediately, there is no conspicuous thing about danger. It is only when the oxygen of the air and the acids of the fruit work together How are ye, Pat? he said. Mighty bad, heated preventing all poisonous substances from forming. Canned meats are a trifle for ayther of yez. his friend. Sure, it can't be very pleasant

A Double Surprise.

Couldn't Afford It. "I hear that Jorkins flatly refused his

thoroughly respect him now, and he doesn's believe the office pays enough to make it an object for him to be looked upon with scorn by the members of his family.

that an iligant job, Mrs. O'Hare?" Mrs. O'Hare: "Why, sure, he sleeps all day, and that saves his board; and he works all night, and that saves his lodging."

Much in Little

Hoods

On the Trail of a Pension.

Minard's Liniment Cures Diptheria.

Joker's Corner.

It Cured the Cook.

THE RESULT OF HER MASTER'S WRESTLING MATCH WITH THE TELEPHONE. "About a week after the telephone was installed—any electrical device is always "installed" when it is brought into the in nowadays to rush their children through childhood. Sometimes we are even smitten with a sudden dread that in a few years to telephone for the doctor. It took me fully ten minutes of prolonged ringing and yelling before I could induce the central office to put me into communication with the doctor. Then I sent an agonized how! through the telephone, begging the doctor to come

"In the course of the following hour aix

"At last, however, my efforts were ap

An old Irish laborer walked into the luxprious studio of William Keith, the artist, a few days ago, and asked for money to obbeen discharged from the county hospital and was too weak to work. Mr Keith gave four young ladies, art students, who were

present, said:
"Mr. Keith, can't we hire that old man and sketch him?" Keith ran out and caugh him, and said, "If you can't work, and want to make a dollar, come back to my rooms. The young ladies want to paint you." an hesitated, so Keith remarked, "It won't take long, and it's an easy way to make "but Oi was a wunderin' how Oi'd git th

Had Learned by Bitter Experience.

"Now, George, you mustn't put it off any longer," the Cleveland Plain Dealer quotes her as saying. "Go to papa this very after-"Yes, I know I must. Let me see. It

your papa's desk in the middle of the room?"
"No, it's against the wall in the corner furtherest from the door." "I see. The door is opposite the desk. There is no way that he could run around and get behind a fellow, is there?" "Why, George, how you talk !" "Well, I know what I'm talking about

I don't want to slide into any office, and then

find that the old man is nearer the door than

I am. That very thing happened to me the last time, and-"

"George!!" They Excused Him. A young man at a social party was the mently urged to sing a song. He that he would first tell a story, and then, if Sunday morning he went up into the garret

"This is pretty conduct," said the father; "pretty employment for the son of pious parents to be sawing boards in the garret on a Sunday morning loud enough to be heard by all the neighbors. Sit down and take mously excused from singing the proposed

showing her wedding presents with great delight, but when her visitor paused before gathered. The soapsuds need to be changed "How beautiful!" was the exclamation. bequet can be kept bright and beautiful for at least a month, and will last still longer sad! If it hadn't been given to Henry by his favorite uncle I should propose having it to the fair and frail creatures must be strictly taken out, and something else put into the me blue every time I look at the picture.

likely-oh, I can't bear to see it !" when exposed to the air. If the can is was an offence to the landscape. Next to that harm results. There is no danger from ish, the heavy oil exuded by the fish when starin' me in the face. Is that so? rejoined

"Here's Sandy comin' up the road, Ellen," said Margaret, who, with her mon, had come feathers worn by women, as is illustrated by to stay for a day or two. "Let's hae some the popularity of the aigrette. The aigrette is stiff and unbeautiful, though the bird from which it is derived is extremely handsome. For the sake of obtaining these feathers of and ye'll tell him we've no' come efter a'. Then we'll step oot and surprise him.' Ellen (obeying the order): "Weel, Sandy, Marget and her mon haena come efter a'." Sandy—"Thank Heaven for that, Ellen." the egret, that exquisite species has been nearly wiped off the face of the earth, and

- Mrs. O'Hare: "Faith, it's an iligant job me husban' has now, Mrs. McC 'Tis a night watchman he is." Mrs. Mc-Clune: "And how in the world do you call

-Father Flynn-"Why don't you have your pig-sty farther from your house, Geo gan?" Geogan-"Phat for, yer riverence? Father Flynn-"Because it's unhealthy. Geogan-"Divil a bit, yer riverence! The pig has niver had a sick day since he wuz

A somewhat pathetic letter comes from "De rain has done beat down my cotton an' most er my co'n is done ruint. My son wuz a sojer in de war wid de Spaniels. He lost two legs in it. Do you reckon de guv'nen will give him \$2 a leg fer 'em ?"-At-