

## WAR DECLARED On the Potato Bug

Paris Green, Gov't Standard, per lb. 75c  
Arsenate Lead Dry, use 1 lb. to 20 gallons of water — 1-2 lb. cans 35c; 1 lb. cans 60c.  
Arsenate Lead Paste, use 1 lb. to 10 gallons of water — 1 lb. cans 50c; 2 lb. cans 90c.  
Department of Agriculture advise: 1 lb. Paris Green, 1 lb. Dry Arsenate Lead, 40 gallons Bordeaux Mixture.

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## The Troublesome Tenant

By AGNES G. BROGAN

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July 14th.

Mr. Amos Giles.

Dear Sir: I have been greatly inconvenienced since moving into the house rented from you a week ago—by a leakage in the roof directly over the cook stove. Also, the stove cannot be made to cook. Will you kindly send your agent, immediately upon receipt of this, to attend to the matter, and oblige, the new tenant?  
BELINDA BRIGGS.

Lyndenville, July 15th.

Belinda Briggs.  
Dear Madam: I understand that my agent stated, when renting the house, that it was offered at present low figure, because of its impaired condition, the understanding being that occupant could afford needed repairs because of the decided reduction in price. This is still condition of agreement. Truly yours,  
AMOS GILES.

Lyndenville, July 16th.

Mr. Amos Giles:  
No one could possibly agree to have rain pouring on their victuals at any low figure. The deceiving man who rented your house, suggested merely, that desired alterations might be accomplished with the reduction of rent. What are you going to do about it?  
B. BRIGGS.

July 17th.

Belinda Briggs.  
Dear Madam: Will send man to fix roof. Any further difficulty will have to be remedied at your own expense.  
A. GILES.

July 20th.

Dear Mr. Giles:  
It is now the bedroom roof which leaks. Damp sleeping rooms are bad for rheumatism. Will you send your workman over again as soon as possible?  
BELINDA BRIGGS.

July 20th.

My Dear Mrs. Briggs:  
It will be impossible for me to attend to any more repairing. Why can't you send your husband up to fix the leak?  
A. GILES.

July 21st.

If I had a husband, he never would have rented this house. Only a lone woman could be so imposed upon. I am going to move out.  
BELINDA BRIGGS.

July 22nd.

Miss Briggs:  
Some other place will probably be more conducive to the improvement of your rheumatic condition. My agent failed to inform me that he had rented the place to an elderly woman living alone. Will you forward key at once, as I wish to take possession of the house myself.  
A. GILES.

July 22nd.

Mr. Giles:  
Enclosed find key. Would like to add, that I might have made my complaint less peremptory, had I known that you were an elderly invalid. You were pointed out to me only this morning at the post office.

May I suggest the south bedroom as the most healthful in your house?  
Sincerely,  
BELINDA BRIGGS.

P. S.—Have taken for the summer, the small cottage across the way.  
B. B.

July 29,  
Lyndenville.

My Dear Miss Briggs:  
Pardon what may appear impertinent curiosity. Was it not the white cottage opposite, which you had rented for the summer? And was I not given to understand that you live alone? Yet this afternoon, a young and beautiful girl suddenly faced me from the window seat of my own living room, beneath which she explained, she had left her music while occupying this house; possessing the music, she passed out of my house and directly over to yours. I may also add that I have inadvertently noticed the young woman from time to time in your garden. Was it by your authority, Miss Briggs, that she came for the music? Respectfully,  
AMOS GILES.

July 29th.

Dear Mr. Giles:  
Am returning answer by messenger. I, Belinda Briggs, went for the music; I must be your "young and beautiful girl." I never told you that I was old or rheumatic, but merely mentioned the fact that damp is injurious to rheumatism. I'm working out here on a book of children's stories and my bulldog is my sole companion. But this is very perplexing. It was a youngish man who faced me at the window seat today, you, I did not see at all. Perhaps my spinsterish name made you think me old, that's why I like to call myself just—  
LINDA.

July 29th.

Miss Linda Briggs—by same messenger:  
The youngish (make it young) man who faced you today at the window

was your late landlord—though I'm not a "dead one." In fact—I never felt so in love with life before. Old Amos is my grandfather, and I guess he handed over this old rookery to me, in compensation for his ancient name. I hoped to sell the house and cut short my enforced stay in the village. But now—I want to have my car sent out—and linger in this beautiful spot. I confess I never realized its full glory until today. May I come over to apologize for my rudeness? Please say yes. Yours,  
A. GILES.

Mr. Giles—again by same messenger:  
You may come. The bulldog approves.  
"LINDA!"

## DAMASCUS STEEL LONG BEST

Old City for Many Centuries Led the World in Producing and Distributing Finer Grades.

Before the use of gunpowder, weapons of steel, such as sword and spear, were the soldier's chief reliance; and in making and distributing the finer grades of steel Damascus led the world. The knight who owned a "Damascus blade" had the very best thing of its kind, still unsurpassed, though the sword has gone out of fashion. According to a writer in the Journal of the Royal Society of Arts, this high-grade steel came originally from India and was the result of a process devised and developed by Hindu artificers.

"One of the many articles which contributed to the world importance of Indian trade was the famous Indian steel," he writes. "It appeared in western Europe during the middle ages, under the names of damascene, or Damascus steel. By another trade route through Persia and the Caucasus it found its way into Russia. The iron and steel industry was highly developed in ancient India. A witness to this exists not only in the famous wrought-iron pillar of Delhi, but in many other specimens, some of them at least being undoubtedly high carbon crucible steels.

"To this last category belonged the wootz, or small cakes of carbon steel, from which the damascene blades were manufactured. Some of such cakes were investigated by Reaumur, but he found nobody in Paris who could forge them. Some others were presented to the Royal society by Doctor Scott of Bombay, and brought to this country by Doctor Pearson. Faraday took a keen interest in them, and his investigation of alloy steel, conducted in conjunction with Stodart, was the result.

## HAVE CAUSE FOR GRATITUDE

People of Today Enjoy Luxuries Not Thought of Only a Few Short Years Ago.

"Have you ever thought of the fact," said the middle-aged man who always takes the same table in a little restaurant in Herald square, according to the New York Herald, "that as regards inventions and discoveries the last twenty-five years are the richest and most momentous in all the world's history? Of course you haven't. We take all such things so lightly. When I was a boy we had no motion pictures to entertain us, and the only amusement we had was to be taken occasionally to a dime museum or a Punch and Judy show.

"Just think of what the children now have compared to that. We used to ride in dingy horse cars, with straw on the floor in winter and a little stove in the corner. And it was impossible to read in those cars by the flickering oil lamps. Now, just let me give you a list of a few things that make for our comfort, convenience and entertainment today—all of which have come to us within a quarter of a century. Here they are:

"The electric light, the telephone, the automobile, the electric car, the motion picture, the phonograph, the airplane, the subways, the tubes under the rivers, the typewriter, duplex telegraphy, wireless telegraphy, the air-brake, the typesetting machine, the color press, sanitary plumbing and a bathtub in almost every home, antiseptics and marvelous advances in photography. Now, my friends, think this over and you will be amazed how much farther advanced this generation is and what comforts and advantages we enjoy to which we give so little thought. Surely we have reason to be thankful."

## Twenty-Years in One Room.

If we devote, on an average, eight hours to sleep, says Sir St. Clair Thomson, the English throat and nose specialist, a third at least of our 24-hour day is spent indoors, and each individual who reaches sixty years of life will have passed no less than twenty years of his existence in the one and only room where he is likely to be sole arbiter of the ventilation. Unless there are exceptional conditions, the windows of every sleeping room should be wide open all night and every night. The blinds should be drawn up, otherwise, from their valve-like action, they will only permit intermittent and uncertain ingress of fresh air, while the only egress for devitalized air is by the inadequate route of the chimney.

## Old Songs.

Who can fittingly describe the warmth of feeling, the awakening of tender memories that come to us when we hear an old song—one that we have known and loved in other years? asks David Bispham. In this we find a sentiment at once true and deep—a sentiment it may be of the romantic, weaving its magic in unromantic lives like our own.

## Fires Break Out

and thieves break in. Don't risk the first, or invite the second, by keeping money in the house.

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