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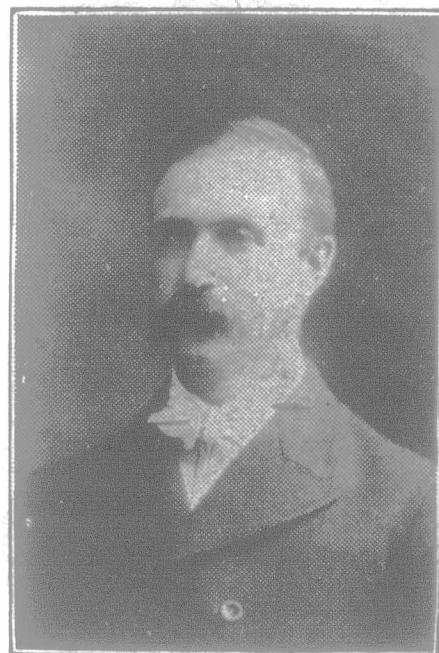
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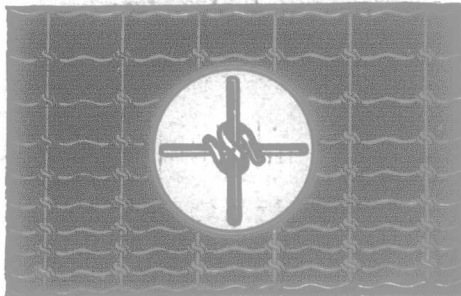
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Senator Tillman, of South Carolina, tells of an old darkey in his employ that he once permitted to make use of certain land for farming purposes, on condition that the darkey should give to the senator one-fourth of the crop raised.

At the harvesting of the crop, the senator was amazed to find that the darkey had not kept to his part of the agreement, for, while he hauled away three wagon-loads of produce, he had not sent a single one to the senator's barn. Tillman called the negro's attention to the fact that he had taken the entire crop, asking:

"Now, how's that, Zeb? Wasn't I to receive a fourth of the crop?"

"You was, Massa Tillman, you was," excitedly exclaimed the darkey; "but dere's only three loads, sah, only three loads!"

A well-known judge who is as famous for his wit as for his corpulency, was much disturbed in mind by his tendency to ever-increasing stoutness. He tried many remedies, but without any success. At length a friend suggested that he should take a course of treatment at certain hot springs. He immediately set out for the place, sojourned for a few weeks at it, managed to get rid of a good deal of his superfluous flesh, and returned home in a most happy and jocular frame of mind.

On the first morning after his return, when he was wending his way to the court-house, he came to the butcher's shop where his family were supplied with meat. Marching inside, he said:

"Cut me off twenty pounds of pork." The butcher sharpened his knife and at once complied. The judge looked at the meat for a minute or two and then walked off.

"Shall I send the pork to your house, my lord?" inquired the butcher, who felt that the judge had overlooked instructions.

"Oh, no," was the reply, given with a smile, "I don't want it. I have fallen off just twenty pounds, and I only wanted to have an idea of how much it was!"--[Selected.]

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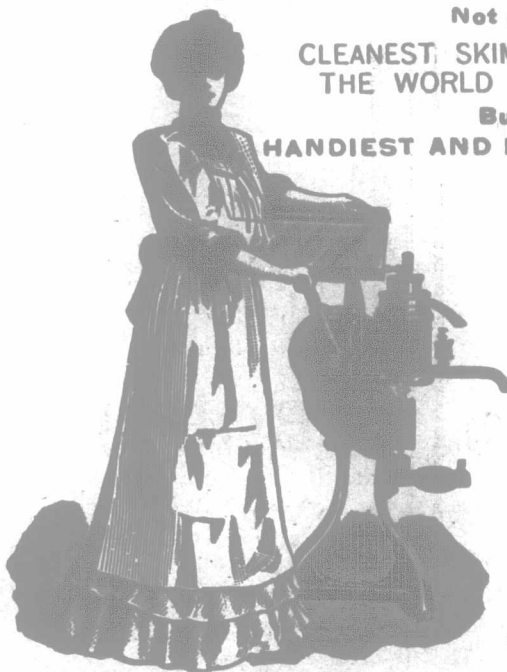
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