

KITCHENER'S MOB

By Jas. NORMAN HALL.

CHAPTER V.—(Cont'd.)

As we came within the range of rifle fire, we again changed our formation, and marched in single file along the edge of the road. The sharp crack! crack! of small arms now sounded with vicious and ominous distinctness. We heard the melancholy song of the ricochets and spent bullets as they whirled in a wide arc, high over our heads, and occasionally the less pleasing ptt! ptt! of those speeding straight from the muzzle of a German rifle. We breathed more freely when we entered the communication trench in the center of a little thicket, a mile or more back of the first-line trenches.

We wound in and out of what appeared in the darkness to be a hopeless labyrinth of earthworks. Cross-roads and alleys led off in every direction. All along the way we had glimpses of dugouts lighted by candles, the doorways carefully concealed with blankets or pieces of old sackings. Groups of Tommies, in comfortable necks and corners, were boiling tea or frying bacon over little stoves made of old iron buckets or biscuit tins.

I marveled at the skill of our trench guide who went confidently on in the darkness, with scarcely a pause. At length, after a winding, zigzag journey, we arrived at our trench where we met the Gloucesters.

There isn't one of us who has n't a warm spot in his heart for the Gloucesters; they welcomed us so heartily and initiated us into all the mysteries of trench etiquette and trench tradition. We were, at best, but amateur Tommies. In them I recognized the ideal descendants of the Atkins; men whose grandfathers had fought in the Crimea, and whose fathers in Indian mutinies. They were the fighting sons of fighting sires, and they taught us more of life in the trenches, in twenty-four hours, than we had learned during nine months of training in England. An infantryman of my company has a very kindly feeling toward one of them who probably saved his life before we had been in the trenches five minutes. Our first question was, of course, "How far is it to the German lines?" and in his eagerness to see, my fellow Tommy jumped up on the firing-bench for a look, with a lighted cigarette in his mouth. He was pulled down into the trench just as a rifle cracked and a bullet went zing-zing from the parapet precisely where he had been standing. Then the Gloucester gave him a friendly little lecture which none of us afterwards forgot.

"Now, look 'ere, son! Never get up for a squint at Fritz with a fag on! 'E's got every sandbag along this parapet numbered, same as we've got 'is. 'Is snipers is a-lyin' fer 'im, same as ours is a-lyin' fer 'im." Then, turning to the rest of us, "Now, we ain't arskin' to 'ave no buial parties. But if any of you blokes wants to be stiff, stand up 'ere this guy 'it the gas."

There were n't any takers, and a moment later another bullet struck a sandbag in the same spot.

"See? 'E spotted you. 'E'll keep a-pottin' away at that place for an hour, 'opin' to catch you lookin' over again. Less see if we can find 'im. Give us that biscuit tin, 'Enery."

Then we learned the biscuit-tin-finder trick for locating snipers. It's only approximate, of course, but it gives a pretty good hint at the direction from which the shots come. It doesn't work in the daytime, for a sniper is to clever to fire at it. But a biscuit tin, set on the parapet at night in a badly sniped position, is almost certain to be hit. The angle from which the shots come is shown by the jagged edges of tin around the bullet holes. Then, as the Gloucester said, "Give 'im a nice little April shower out o' yer machine gun in that direction. You may fetch 'im. But if you don't, 'e won't bother you no more for an hour or two."

We learned how orders are passed down the line, from sentry to sentry, quietly, and with the speed of a man running. We learned how the sentries are posted and their duties. We saw the intricate mazes of telephone wires, and the men of the signaling corps at their posts in the trenches, in communication with brigade, divisional, and army corps headquarters. We learned how to "sleep" five men in a four-by-six dugout; and, when there are no dugouts, how to hunch up on the firing-benches with our waterproof sheets over our heads, and doze, with our knees for a pillow. We learned the order of precedence for troops in the communication trenches.

"Never forget that! Outgoin' troops as 'e right o' way. They ain't 'ad no rest, an' they're all slathered in mud, likely, an' dead beat fer sleep. Incomin' troops is fresh, an' they stands to one side to let the others pass."

We saw the listening patrols go out at night, through the underground passage which leads to the far side of the barbed-wire entanglements. From there they creep far out between the opposing lines of trenches, to keep watch upon the movements of the enemy, and to report the presence of his working parties or patrols. This is dangerous, nerve-trying work, for the men sent out upon it are exposed not only to the shots of the enemy, but to the wild shots of their own comrades as well. I saw one patrol come in just before dawn. One of the men brought with him a piece of barbed wire, clipped from the German entanglements two hundred and fifty yards away.

"Taffy, 'ave a look at this 'ere. Three-ply stuff wot you can 'ardly get yer nippers through. 'Ad to saw an' saw, an' wot I'll but 'ad it, lummy! if they didn't send up a rocket wot blew 'im near 'im in the 'end!"

ENGINEER IS JACK OF ALL TRADES

HUNDRED TUNNELS BORED THROUGH RIDGE.

Maps of the Battleground Showing Every Detail Are Prepared By the Engineers.

During my intimacy with the Engineers I heard some very interesting stories, writes an Australian officer. During the battle of Ypres some of our engineers were excavating a sunken road, when they were suddenly surprised by a patrol who tried to break through our lines. The Boches chased them, and the few who were hit dropped in the shell holes. They stayed there all night until they could get back. Others picked up their rifles, spades and picks and rushed at the enemy, using their tools as they would use a sledge hammer.

One engineer said: "I hadn't a steel hat handy, so I picked up a patrol tent and put that on my head and thought it might be better than nothing. Then I saw the Germans and said to myself, 'This is a queer kind of a fix for a fellow who had been an engineer at Oxford,' so I crouched down behind some excavations and hoped the Germans wouldn't see me. They didn't; otherwise I wouldn't be here. Some of the construction teams had their trap blown up ahead of them by the forward patrols of the Germans. These boys told me they thought it time to quit. But afterward, taking courage, they formed part of a platoon and volunteered to drive back the Huns. They saw some very hard fighting as a result."

One of the engineers told me that this surprise was the most dangerous experience he ever had.

A Hundred Tunnels.

Before the Messines drive could be successfully undertaken it was found necessary to remove the ridge of the same name, as it was honeycombed with concrete and heavily entrenched positions which the British had been trying for two years to reduce. Too many lives were being sacrificed, however, in attempting to destroy the ridge as it then stood. It was found advisable, in the end, to blow up the elevation—an engineering feat truly stupendous.

The engineers started work early in 1915 and bored a hundred tunnels, in some places a mile in length, running underneath the ridge. I have heard many an interesting story from the engineers who participated in this great venture. As our boys were mining and boring their way through a listener on duty heard a counter boring from the enemy lines. The officer in charge, on receiving the report, gave the order for a small hole to be drilled toward the Hun tunnel. He then charged the hole with a great amount of high explosive and blew away part of the rock which separated the Hun tunnel from our own. Before the smoke of the explosion had died away our engineers, picking up whatever tools they could put their hands on, dashed into the tunnel, overpowered the Huns and automatically lengthened their tunnel, thus saving a little labor.

I am told it took two years to bore these hundred tunnels. When the psychological moment had arrived in March of 1917 hundreds of pounds of ammonal and other explosives were used, and the whole ridge was blown sky high.

Engineer Makes Maps.

Many of the advances on the western front are methodically rehearsed by the engineers with the aid of models of the ground to be fought over and by practice and manoeuvres under conditions that reproduce the actual terrain. The infantry was prepared for the battle of Messines Ridge by a wonderful model covering more than one acre of ground, which told every detail of contour and adornment. All the units taking part in the attack were studying the battlefield for more than a month.

The villages of Wytschaete and Messines, with their many little farms and with the fantastic names bestowed on them by the inventive "Tommies," were plainly shown on the model. Winding woods, German trenches and even the stumps of splintered trees where the enemy bunked behind concrete barricades also were marked.

Generals and their staffs and hundreds of officers passed hours in mastering every detail of this monster bit of landscape gardening constructed out of concrete, carefully banked up earth and bits of broken brick, the result of the ingenuity of the master of all trades, "the engineer."

While much of the work of the engineers is done by the time the word comes to go over the top, they closely follow up the attacking troops. One of their tasks in an advance is to bridge the trenches so as to permit a maximum of speed on the part of the supporting waves. They carry "duck walks," or small platforms, which they drop from side to side over a trench. Cavalry, if need be, can go across these walks.

Before washing ebony brushes smear a little vaseline over the backs. This will prevent the soda in the water from injuring the ebony. Carefully rub the vaseline off afterwards, and polish with a dry cloth.

The Housewife's Corner

WAR AND FOOD SERIES, No. IV.—WHEAT.

Canada is pre-eminently a land of wheat. Her fields of waving grain have become symbolic in all parts of the world. She is a wheat exporting country.

Between now and next harvest it will be necessary to deliver on the other side of the Atlantic from 450,000,000 to 500,000,000 bushels of wheat. Millions of men have been taken from wheat raising and sent into the trenches. Fields have been laid waste by the enemy. Ships bearing precious freights of food-stuffs have been sunk by submarines. Crops in other countries have fallen short. Europe is threatened, gravely threatened, by famine.

The responsibility, therefore, rests upon the North American continent to make good the deficiency of Europe. The United States has not a bushel of wheat to spare over and above her normal consumption. Canada has only from 100,000,000 to 110,000,000 bushels of exportable wheat.

The people of the United States and Canada are asked to liberate one-fifth of their normal supply of wheat or flour to make up part of Europe's deficiency.

This means that consumption must be decreased; that less white bread must be eaten; that substitutes must be adopted. In the simplest analysis it means that three slices of white bread should take the place of four in everyone's diet.

Wheat is undoubtedly the best bread cereal but other flour can readily be mixed with wheat flour to make bread. People in Canada can scarcely realize what the shortage of wheat means to Europe. The people of France are almost absolutely dependent upon wheat bread. Bread constitutes 52 per cent of their total food supply. In no better way can Canadian women help their heroic kith and kin in Europe than by being sparing in their use of white flour.

PRACTICAL KITCHEN SUGGESTIONS.

An Excellent Hard Soap.

Pour twelve quarts of soft boiling water on two and one-half pounds of unslaked lime. Dissolve five pounds of sal soda in twelve quarts of soft water. Then mix, and let it set for twenty-four hours. Pour off all the clear fluid, and be careful not to allow any of the sediment to run off. Boil three and one-half pounds of clean grease and four ounces of rosin in the above lye. Boil until all the grease disappears. Pour into molds, and let stand one day to harden. Then cut in bars. Making soap provides a way for using excess fats which must be carefully conserved these days.

Tools for Mother.

"Mother, where did you put that hammer? The boys say you had it last when you were putting up those hooks."

Of course I had put the hammer back in the tool shed, where it belonged, and it was found later on the ground where my husband had left it after he had finished repairing the gate hinge. Similar incidents had happened many times, but this time his remorse took concrete form. A few days later he brought in an oblong wooden box and presented it to me. It was full of tools, small enough for me to handle easily, but all of them strong and useful. Among them were a tack hammer, a claw hammer, a small saw, an awl, a screw driver, a gimlet, and a variety of nails, screws and tacks. I have had a great deal of comfort out of them and have never since been accused of losing my husband's or the boys' tools.

System in the House.

Naturally I am very unsystematic. I married rather young, and have never had any experience in the business world. Consequently, during the first years of my housekeeping I had no idea of the value of keeping records. I soon learned, however, that it was absolutely necessary to take care of receipts, and it would save a vast deal of time and many mistakes to have some method of recording addresses.

Gradually I began to keep an address book, a file of catalogues, and a box especially for receipts. This method had disadvantages, however, for the address book frequently disappeared just when it was needed, and I had to search through a whole box to find the particular receipt I needed.

A little drawer filled with 3x5-inch cards solved my problem. This tiny filing cabinet is divided into various compartments: Addresses, filed alphabetically; recipes, in subdivisions, such as bread, cake, meats, etc.; accounts, and entertainment, with suggestions for parties of all kinds, pasted or copied on the cards. For the receipts I have a vertical letter file with an alphabetical index. I simply slip the receipts into the proper place as each comes in, and occasionally go through the file to take out the old papers.

I like the system especially because I can destroy a card easily when it is no longer wanted, without spoiling the other records, and the cabinet is always neat and in its place.

Durable Kitchen Sinks.

Besides being at a convenient working height, the kitchen sink should be durable, easy to clean, and made of a non-porous material. These sinks may be made of enameled iron, soapstone, or copper.

Cleaning powders that contain rough scouring agents are poor articles for cleaning sinks. Kerosene or other substances that cut greases should be applied with a cloth and followed by a cleaning with soap and water. This method will be found particularly effective.

Enameled iron sinks are durable, and will last for years with proper care. They should not be cleaned with abrasive cleaning powders, as the enamel will wear off and cause a roughened condition of the surface. A sharp blow will chip the enamel and cause rust to attack the exposed iron foundation. These sinks come in a variety of styles, making it possible to get them in almost any dimensions and with or without drain boards.

Soapstone sinks are less expensive, and are desirable where much dirty work is done. The soapstone, however, absorbs grease and wears away by constant scouring.

Copper sinks are attractive, easily cleaned, and sanitary. Because of cost these sinks are seldom found in kitchens of the average home, but are satisfactory in butler's pantries for dishwashing purposes.

The average sink should be from 30 to 36 inches in length, 20 inches wide, and 8 inches deep. The drain boards should be at least 24 inches long, and if there is but one it should be on the left side. The drain board made of the same material as the sink is most desirable, but a hard wood, such as oak, ash, or hard maple, may be substituted.

It is best not to enclose the plumbing under the sink with a closet. This is apt to be dark and damp, hard to clean, and not at all a good place for utensils. If there is one place in my house that I want to be shining with cleanliness it is my sink.

MINE SWEEPING.

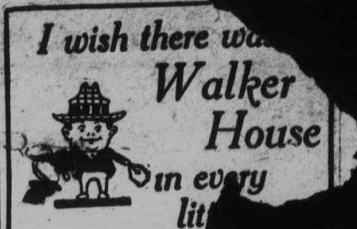
Dangers Confronting the Men Who Clear the Seas of German Mines.

Imagine yourself trying to walk through a dense wood at midnight without a light, the penalty for touching a tree being death. That will give you some idea of the dangers that the men on mine-sweeping trawlers face when their vessels are steaming through a freshly sown mine field.

The mine sweepers are divided into groups, each of which is commanded by a naval officer. The vessels leave harbor about daylight and steam out to the area that they are to sweep for mines.

They work in pairs abreast of each other. Between the vessels swings the "sweep wire," sunk to the necessary depth in the water by means of towed kites—wooden arrangements acting on the same principle as ordinary air kites. These wires can be regulated to travel at any depth beneath the surface. When mines are caught they are dragged to one side and destroyed by rifle fire. If the bullets hit the detonator the mine generally explodes at once; but if, on the other hand, water enters the buoyancy chamber and floods it, the mine goes to the bottom like a stone and becomes innocuous.

As the trawlers themselves may draw as much as twelve feet of water, they may come into contact with a



I wish there was a Walker House in every little town.

In every little town, then I could travel in peace and comfort, and always sit me down, happier than king with crown, if there was just one Walker House in every little town.

I wish there was a WALKER HOUSE in each place where I go. In the comfort of my dear old home while on the road I'd know. The meals—the Cheerful Service, too, would leave no cause to frown, if there was just one Walker House in every little town.

The Walker House
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Food Control Corner

Benefits amounting in the aggregate to many thousands of dollars have been secured for the public by the Food Controller's regulations governing the sale of cereal products in packages. For the prohibition of sale of such products in packages of less than two pounds except under license. The issue licenses if the consumer portion to the cost of the product. The consumer has kept the price down from advancing, despite the cost of most of the bulk. There has been no increase in the price of the cereal products of the package cereals on the market would have been increased, in cases by as much as five cents per package.

A number of applications for licenses have been refused or delayed pending changes by the manufacturer to comply with the Food Controller's regulations. One firm selling products in two-pound packages agreed to increase the net contents from two to two and two-thirds pounds, leaving the same, as a result of the Controller's ruling that the portion to the cost of the bulk and his refusal to until a satisfactory reduction in the price and other selling expenses.

In the case of a number of specialties it has been found that public were being charged which, in the opinion of the Controller, was too high. The Controller's policy to the consumption of cereal products in the simplest form in which they are available for direct human consumption should only represent the cost of the selling price, without any expenses, too, which are considered as a justifiable cause for excessive price.

Very important advantages promised to the consumer by the requirement that the weight of the net contents must be stamped on each package. It has been found that in many cases there was a wide difference in the contents of packages of the same size. Under the new regulations, however, the manufacturers will be required to guarantee that the package contains at least the amount printed upon it.

There is reason, also, to believe that purchase of cereal products in bulk has been stimulated by the report of the Special Committee of the Food Controller's Office. The report emphasized that even at today's prices, which are closer to the bulk prices than they were before the war, cereals in bulk are still cheaper to the consumer than those sold in packages.

"Everything in the world is his for long for knowledge and appreciation, and not for possession."—Retina von Hutten.

Do not use soap in washing dishes. Clean, soft water and a little alcohol poured on the cloth for the final polish will make the glass brilliantly clear.

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The Welcome Man.

There's a man in the world who is never turned down, wherever he chances to stray; he gets the glad hand in the populous town, or out where the farmers make hay; he's greeted with pleasure on deserts of sand, and deep in the aisles of the woods; wherever he goes there's the welcoming hand—he's

The Man Who Delivers the Goods. The failures of life sit around and complain; the gods haven't treated them white; they've lost their umbrellas whenever there's rain, and they haven't their lanterns at night; men tire of the failures who fill with their sighs the air of their own neighborhoods; there's a man who is greeted with love-lighted eyes—he's

The Man Who Delivers the Goods. One fellow is lazy and watches the clock, and waits for the whistle to blow; and one has a hammer, with which he will knock, and one tells a story of woe; and one, if requested to travel a mile, will measure the perches and rods; but one does his stunt with a whistle or smile—he's

The Man Who Delivers the Goods. One man is afraid that he'll labor too hard—the world isn't yearning for such; and one man is ever alert, on his guard, lest he put in a minute too much; and one has a grouch or a temper that's bad, and one is a creature of moods; so they hey for the joyous and rollicking lad—for The One Who Delivers the Good!—Walt Mason.

Indian Perished On The Ice.

Joe Sandy, an Indian, who resides with his family of a wife and seven children at the Indian village above Go Home Bay, perished from exposure upon the ice about seven miles from his home a few nights ago. Along with another man by the name of Isaacs they set out a couple of days previous for Penatang over the ice with a team of dogs and a sleigh for supplies. The ice was in fine condition and the going good. They had no difficulty in reaching Penatang, where they remained until the following day. All went well until they reached a point above Go Home Bay where, due to a change in the wind, the ice had broken up since they had passed over it on the way down. It was about 8 o'clock at night when they reached that point. Sandy and the dogs with the sleigh went down. Isaacs, who was skating, managed to drag them out, but Sandy died of shock almost immediately. Isaacs proceeded to the nearest settler's home for assistance but as he found no one at home he had to continue his journey to the Indian village. The body of Sandy was recovered in the morning. The unfortunate man was well known in Honey Harbor district and for years had acted as guide for the tourists during the summer.

Frozen To Death.

The great storm of last Saturday and Sunday was the cause of the tragic death of Mr. L. Schell, who is a man of about seventy years of age, and who resides with a sister at Port Elgin, has been engaged this winter in cutting wood for Mr. Snyder in what was formerly known as Coulter's bush, between Southampton and Port Elgin. He had a shanty in the bush where he lived during the week, going home for Sunday. When big storm broke last Saturday it was thought he would remain in the shack over Sunday, as he had supplies of food enough to last a couple of weeks. Alarm was felt, however, on Monday, when Mr. Snyder found he was not at the shack. At noon on Wednesday Mr. Bruce McKay was walking along the railway track between here and Port Elgin, when he found the body near the track. The old man apparently had his back to the storm when he was overcome, and had fallen backward. He had a basket on his arm and his mitts were near him. The remains were taken to the morgue at Port Elgin—Southampton Beacon.

May Substitute.

Though there is no excess provision in the military service act for drafted men to escape service by providing a substitute, Chief Justice R. M. Meredith, considering the appeal in the case of a Sarnia blank clerk, suggests that substitution might be a term which tribunals might exact in allowing exemption to an AI man.

"It is said," he remarked, "that substitution is not in accord with the military service enactments of this country. This is quite inaccurate. Express power is given to the tribunals to attach any reasonable condition to exemption; and what could be more reasonable than the condition that the man who is exempted and can procure a substitute, should do so. There are tens of thousands of men just under the arbitrary age of twenty. Why should they be excluded?"

A letter from the front to Mrs. Weber of Normanby township, conveyed the news that her son, Pte. George Weber had been killed in action. She had no official intimation concerning his death.



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Ladies black sat-en Underskirts, regular 1.15 to 1.25 for 98c



Grocery Specials for This Week Only.

Rio Coffee, fresh roasted, 25c a lb; 4 1-2 lbs for 1.00
Rolled Oats, 4 lb for 25c

5.25 per sack. Salmon now worth 25c for 2 cans for 35c.

Pork and Beans, big can for 15c
Caustic Soda now worth 1.00; while they last 85c

Green Tea, good 50c value for 39c
Black Tea, reg. 50c for 39c

Figs 10c lb
Dried Peaches, big value at 15c
Prunes 15c and 20c lb

Bankers vs. the Town

The great night came when the two contending teams in the Midway hockey world were to line up in Saucers' Arena to decide which side was to win the laurels of the night.

At 7.30 o'clock the crowds were wending their way to the arena where the arrow of fate was to be sped and at 7.30 o'clock when referee Kunkel's gong sounded pandemonium reigned supreme for a few moments.

This is what tore over the wires from the rink to the Gazette office:

Weiler seized the rubber at the face off and passed to Schmidt who after quite a scrimmage managed to bat the puck past Fink, more by accident than design. Kunkel secured the puck at second face off and passed to Doering, who came down in one of his Tom Taylor pushes and after cluding the Town defence passed to the bankers. Score 1-1.

At this point the ladies nearly tore down the rink with their shouts. For the next few minutes the game was very evenly contested, both sides working hard. Young got the puck on a pass from Welk and came down in one of his lightning rushes as he was wont to do when he played with the bank at Stratford.

Young played a good game and worked hard. Diebel in the nets starred for the town, and only for his fine work the bankers would no doubt have won. He could not contain himself however, and at one point he picked up the rubber and threw it down to the opponent's net. He should have been given a half hour for the offence but it was allowed. Fink played good hockey and with a little practice should develop another Percy Lesour. Lobsinger on the right wing was the culprit of the night and managed to get away with some nasty work. At half time the score stood 8 to 3 for the town. During the last half the bankers showed up well and allowed only one goal to be scored against them. When the gong sounded the final summons, the score stood 8 to 4 for the town, with not a banker dismayed. Referee Kunkel is to be commended for the fine manner in which he handled the game.

The lineup was as follows: Diebel, Kunkel, Diebel, Lobsinger, Schmidt, Weiler, for the town. Fink, Young, Kunkel, Welk, Doering, Kunkel, for the bankers.

Supplied as Ordered.

A wholesale provision house, which prides itself on filling all orders correctly, received a letter from a customer recently, complaining bitterly of the very poor quality of the last two lots of eggs supplied.

The reputation of the house for never making an error seemed to be at stake, but the bright mind of the junior partner found a way out of it. He wrote:

"Gentlemen: We are sorry to hear that our consignment did not suit you; there was, however, no mistake on our part. We have looked up your original order, and find that it reads as follows: 'Rush fifty boxes eggs. We want them bad.'

Latest Matrimonial Advertising.

Here are two curiosities in recent matrimonial advertisements. First—James O. Baldwin, husky lad, wants to marry very bad. He is fifty, six feet, strong; lived in Caldwell very long. Suitable wife not to be had, he sends out this little ad. Second—Wife to clean and scrub. Must be handsome, bright and gay; thirty-two if she's a day. Widow woman not deterred. She must have some cash to spend, and intellect with learning trend. She must be a music lover, fond of me and my other. That is what my wife must be—lum-te-dum-te-needle-dee. Now girls, don't all speak at once.

An egg famine is threatened in the United States. Hens, as a race, are unreasonable. They lack in that fine touch of brain power that can recognize the psychological moment—they are weak in that rare discrimination that should show them the folly of keeping the egg supply held back when the price is 6c per, and of rushing in with a spell of cackling and fresh eggs when the market is glutted at the 20 cent mark.

The William Davies Company made 80 per cent profits last year, and yet 20 of their workmen in Toronto have been forced to strike to secure proper working conditions and a living wage. It is rather ironical that these men are employed in the posturing department, where the cream for the top of the company's other large profits is produced.

TUBERCULOSIS SUNDAY

Last year, as in years previous, every Clergyman and School Teacher in Ontario helped to spread the message of Good Health on Tuberculosis and Tuberculosis Schools.

This year, under the auspices of the National Sanitarium Association, endorsed by the leading Christian Denominations and by the Department of Education, Sunday, November 25th, and Monday, November 26th, have been appointed for the annual observance of these days.

At no time in the history of the world has the necessity for physical fitness been so great as it is to-day. One has but to scan the reports of rejections for active service abroad to note the many that are unfit. 'Your have tuberculosis!' has been the pronouncement to thousands of young men in Canada and the United States during the past few months.

A thorough physical examination a year ago might have exposed the weakness and prevented the development of this dread disease; and yet, in spite of such a warning, thousands of men and women will continue to disregard the danger until they too have become victims of Consumption.

If you would avoid this disease, watch your health, avoid needless worry and over-work; see that your food is nourishing and that it is served at regular intervals. Above all—get out in the sunshine every minute you can spare; see that the windows in your place of business and in your home are open so that day and night you may be assured of a plentiful supply of pure, fresh air.

A Maryland man, who was called in the first U. S. draft, said he married an old sweetheart six months ago. She was a widow with six children. 'There are worse things than war,' remarked the mush married groom of half a year, as he passed up his chance to ask for exemption.

Any fair-minded young man who is doing 'sit up' stunts this winter time, should have the gumption to carry an armful of wool or a scuttle of coal with him. His old dad will appreciate it all right.

Of the candidates nominated for councillors and trustees at Parley, only two put in their declarations of qualification, and another nomination will be necessary to fill the vacant offices.

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To Eat Alfalfa

be eating alfalfa before long if the price of food continues to mount. But let it be said in haste that we may also enjoy the experience, although most of us probably have thought of alfalfa as grown exclusively for animals. Alfalfa flour long since passed the experimental stage. Alfalfa honey has been produced of good quality and delightful taste; and alfalfa syrup deserves the same description.

A movement is under way in Iowa City to establish a big plant for the

special purpose of transforming alfalfa into edible products. Its output would include besides the articles mentioned, such things as extracts, candies, cakes and—"tea and coffee."

When alfalfa leaves are baked in a certain way they are said to make an excellent substitute for tea or coffee, depending upon a different treatment in either case. Not only do they produce a beverage that has the taste of tea or coffee, but one which is said to possess a rich nutritive quality, where as, all tea and coffee is more or less poisonous.

Alfalfa would seem to be the most wonderful of plants from a food stand-

point. When wheat flour is mixed with alfalfa flour, the latter varying from 40 to 70%, the bread made with this combination is pronounced as equal to wheat bread. It can be made of alfalfa flour alone, but the result is not quite so good. The alfalfa flour has a greenish tinge that aroused some prejudice against it, but the manufacturers now claim that they can produce the flour bleached white.

So it may be possible that we will have alfalfa pancakes for breakfast, sweetened with alfalfa syrup and served with a cup of alfalfa coffee.—Milwaukee Journal.

Keep on Stuffin' The Cows.

(Hoard's Dairyman)

Ef ye want to know how to get the most milk,
Jist keep on a stuffin' the cows.
Ef ye want to dress yer gals in satin an' silk,
Jist keep on a stuffin' the cows.
Ef ye want to keep away from sorrow or strife,
Ef ye want to cut yer vittals with a silver plated knife,
Ef ye want yer good wife to be sweet all'er life,
Jist keep on a stuffin' the cows.
When the wind blows the hair 'mtos ofen her head,
Jist keep on a stuffin' the cows.
When the icicles hang from the caves of the shed,
Jist keep on a stuffin' the cows.
When the snow lays a foot an' a half all around,
An' the feller a jinin' ye loafs over town,
An' the merkery goes on a travelin' down,
Jist keep on a stuffin' the cows.
Now, grind up some corn, an' some wheat an' some oats,
An' keep on a stuffin' the cows.
Don't forget the little calves 'er the sheep 'er the goats.
But keep on a stuffin' the cows.
Jist cut up some good clover, hay that's bright.
Mix it up in a box; let it stand over night;
Pour on some hot water and shut it up tight.
In the morning keep on a stuffin' the cows.
When the lightnin' rod man comes a smilin' about,
Jist keep on a stuffin' the cows.
When the golden brick swindler has been duly kicked out,
Jist keep on a stuffin' the cows.
When yer nabers' around a huntin' fer votes,
An' money to pay off his two-year-old notes
Don't forget that Salt River is covered with boats.
An' keep on a stuffin' the cows.
When the medder lark answers the noisy redbreast,
Jist keep on a stuffin' the cows.
When the sluggard stretches out fer another long rest,
Jist keep on a stuffin' the cows.
When the hard times come and the people are pore,
An' the wolf goes a yelpin' from winder to door,
You'll be dressed in wool and have carpets on yer floor.
Ef ye keep on a stuffin' the cows.

Facts About Bruce.

Walkerton, population 2995, area, 1407 acres, assessment \$354,567, debt \$53,000.
Kincardine, pop. 2,306, area 1,900 acres, assessment \$739,138, debt \$133,057 including \$50,000 W. S. R. R. bonds guaranteed.
Warton, population 2,098, area 718 acres, total assessment \$744,674, debenture debt \$164,935.
Chesley, population 1,975, area 578 acres, total assessment 693,863, debenture debt \$122,357.
Southampton, population 1,348, assessment 566,257, debenture debt \$71,422.
Port Elgin, population 1,348, area 540 acres, total assessment 465,485.
Hepworth, pop. 442, area 718 acres, total assessment \$3,630, debt \$3,000.
Lucknow, population 983, total area 500 acres, assessment \$338,567, debenture debt \$15,904.
Paisley, population 787, area 500, total assessment 316,871, school and municipal debt \$34,497.
Tara, population 580, area 500 acres, assessment 203,735, debt \$4,593.
Teeswater, population 823, total assessment 2,3735, debt \$4,593.
Tiverton, pop. 320, assessed area 500 acres, total assessment \$93,151, debt \$412.
Albemarle, pop. 876, area 55,309 acres, assessment \$203,050.
Amabel, pop. 1,983, area 65,572, total assessment \$798,185.
Arran, pop. 1921, area 54,194, assessment \$1,507,300.
Brant, pop. 3,133, acreage 69,004, total assessment \$2,544,780.
Bruce, pop. 2,957, acreage 67,163, assessment \$1,868,758.
Carrick, pop. 3000, acreage 50,530, assessment \$2,791,477.
Culross, pop. 2,191, acreage 6,236, assessment \$1,744,766.
Eastnor, pop 1449, acreage 54,226, assessment \$603,910.
Elderslie, pop. 1,842, acreage 54,550, assessment \$1,906,620.
Greenock, pop. 2,087, acreage 63,760, assessment \$1,810,625.
Huron, pop. 2,765, acreage 58,092, assessment \$2,550,040.
Kincardine, pop. 2,007, acreage 59,077, assessment \$1,832,632.
Kinloss, pop. 1,573, acreage 46,093, assessment \$1,496,510.
Lindsay, pop. 625, area 58,422, assessment \$105,895.
St. Edmunds, pop. 344, acreage 422, assessment \$83,604.
Saugen, pop. 1,223, acreage 36,774, assessment \$1,907,227.

Mr. Ed Spahr, who left Monday morning for London to enter upon military service, was presented prior to his departure with a handsome pipe as a token of esteem from his fellow-members of the Menesetung Canoe Club. The presentation was made by Mr. C. A. Nairn, and was accompanied by words of appreciation from other members of the club. Mr. Spahr has been a valued member of the office staff of the Western Canada Flour Mills Co.—Goderich Signal.

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The Port Elgin Times, whose editor, Roy Sayles, was military representative at the Military Tribunal, says that grave injustice is being done many families by the way the Military Service Act is being carried out in that district. It appears that several young men, when they appeared before the Tribunal in December, when told by the board that they could appeal from the decision, frankly stated that, according to the Military Service Act, they had no real grounds for appealing. But now excuses have been taken recently as reasons for not going to war, and it seems to us, says the Times, that a most unfair and unjust deal has been given to these young men, who, because of their honesty toward the Military Service Act have been summoned to the colors, while others engaged in no more important occupations than they, are allowed the protection of a court.

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Adjudged Insane

Miss Annie Herrison, aged 35 years, and who was committed from Carrick township to the House of Refuge at Walkerton about five years ago, has been showing symptoms of mental derangement of late, and on being examined on Saturday afternoon by two local physicians was adjudged insane, and arrangements, in consequence, are being made for her committal to the London asylum.

Chicken pox and measles are "going the rounds" among the children of Hanover at present.

Soils and Crops

By Agronomist
This Department is for the use of our farm readers who want the advice of an expert on any question regarding soil, seed, crops, etc. If your question is of sufficient general interest, it will be answered through this column. If stamped and addressed envelope is enclosed with your letter, a complete answer will be mailed to you. Address Agronomist, care of Wilson Publishing Co., Ltd., 73 Adelaide St. W., Toronto.

Preparing Garden Soil.

When we come to consider the preparation of garden soil we must take into account a number of factors of importance. The first of these is the character of the soil itself. Is it loose and easily worked? Is it a stiff limestone clay? Is it a sandy loam? Is it stony, gravelly, shaly or slaty?

Another factor is the location of the lot to be worked. If it lies low and is damp and cold it must not be worked until it has been properly drained, although if only a portion of it is soggy that portion can stand until later on, to be then drained, as will be told later, and the warm, dryer portion worked as soon as the season admits.

All fertile soils contain soil bacteria, which are minute plants of a low order which attack the vegetable matter in the soil and decompose it by fermentation, releasing the plant food, especially nitrogen, for the use of the plants. This is known as organic release. There is also a chemical release of plant food in the soil, such as we get when we put on lime, which unlocks the plant food and makes it available for the use of the roots of the plants.

In preparing a garden soil for planting it is necessary to turn it by the spade or shovel, as this aerates it and brings the more or less sour portion of the soil to the top, where it gets light and sunshine; and the top portion which has been sweetened more or less by these factors, is turned under with a dressing of manure or other vegetable matter on which the bacteria can feed to release more plant food.

There are several ways of digging to get good results. One is to take a "width" of the shovel, as deep as it will go, across the bed and then go back and scoop out two or four inches of the subsoil and scatter it over the top of the unworked earth. Another is to trench the bed by the following process:

Beginning at the left-hand end of a bed, throw out a width of two shovels, back to the end of the bed, deep enough to catch an inch or two of the subsoil. Going to the front again, dig up the width of two shovels and throw it to the left into the trench from which the first two shovel widths came.

This should be repeated until the whole bed is dug, when you will have reversed the position of the entire soil-mass and at the same time well aerated the soil and broken it apart as fully as it can be done with an implement used for digging. This is neither as complicated nor as laborious as it would seem, and is considered by English gardeners the perfect method.

How To Test The Soil

As the intention is to make the soil as fine as possible, not only through out the entire mass, but on top or for seedbed, it should not be dug until it is in the proper condition. This can be tested in this manner:

Take up as much of the soil as can be held in one hand. Close the hand, squeezing the soil into a ball, firmly. Release the grip, and if the soil falls apart or crumbles, it is fit to dig. If it remains in a compact ball it is too moist for good work. If dug in the latter condition, it will be in hard lumps throughout the bed, and it will be difficult to get a fine seedbed on the top. By seeded in this connection is meant a top portion of two to three inches as fine as coarse sand, into which the seeds are planted.

If the soil be sandy, pebbly, gravelly or shaly, and is in good physical condition it will crumble off the shovel and can be thrown off with a sideways scattering motion. However, with the limestone loams it is best to chop

work, too. I should think she would be fine! Isn't she making that girl have a good time—just buying shoes!" "She—why, that's our new Swedish maid," Jessica answered hurriedly. "Peggy isn't doing anything at the club. I couldn't get her to. She says she hasn't the time. What do you think of these shoes, Flo?" "Lovely," Flo replied, but she spoke in a perfunctory manner. She was watching Peggy and Olga, and thinking one or two new thoughts.

A Present From Peggy.

As a package, rather dingy and battered at the corners and several times readdressed, was put into her hands, Aunt Clarissa laughed delightedly. "It's my birthday present from Fidelia Bonney. She always sends that one,—she hasn't missed since we were schoolgirls,—and I was just as uneasy as could be when it didn't come. I was afraid that she must be sick, or that Uncle Si had one of his 'dying spells' again."

Aunt Clarissa shook her head in good-natured disapproval at her niece. "You're a hustling daughter of the great metropolis, Clarice," she said good-naturedly, "but I'm Norley born and bred, and I can't taste my pleasures without bolting them whole. Just look at that address, please—right in the first place; then crossed out and put wrong, and crossed out twice more, readdressed, and then back to the right one again. Fidelia new where I'd be,—I'd told her, special,—but Joe Lake at the post office thought 'Bolton' was a slip for 'Bolton,' and changed it, to be obliging. I'm generally in Bolton with Cousin Anna at this time, as Joe knows very well."

"But surely a post-office official wouldn't..." "Joe Lake would! He's Joe Lake first, which means everybody's friend in general, and Sister Sally's old beau in particular, and he's an official afterwards. He wouldn't meddle with a stranger's address, but I'm 'Clarry' to him still, just as I was when he used to bribe me with peppermints to go and play in the far end of the garden while he called on Sally. That's the Norley way. So the box went to Bolton; and Cousin Anna wasn't sure where I was, so she tried Cousin Ruth, and Cousin Ruth tried Cousin Mary, and Cousin Mary sent to back to Fidelia, and Fidelia sent it on to me. Now, I'll open it."

"O Aunt Clarissa! Candied mint and rose leaves! Why, that doesn't seem a bit like a—well, a village offering. I never saw them anywhere except in the Christmas parlor of the Women's Exchange and at the very finest grocers' and confectioners'! They couldn't possibly keep company with striped peppermint sticks, and chewing gum, and gluey candy lumps on sticks—the kind of things you find in a country store."

"No," said Aunt Clarissa, delicately nibbling a rose leaf, "they couldn't and they didn't. But they're a village offering all the same. There's been mint and roses here since before the Indians deeded over the farm, and cinnamon roses up against the house wall since it was built, and the big pink hundred-leaf growing by the gate. Confectioners and exchanges are well enough, but when I get a present from Norley, child, it's the kind that's never sold and never bought, and never can be. Not at any price."

But that was verging very near sentiment for Miss Clarissa. She changed her tone briskly: "Try a mint leaf, Clarice. Mint's always such a good, clean taste to finish with."

"Ring out old shapes of foul disease; Ring out the narrowing lust of gold; Ring out the thousand wars of old; Ring in the thousand years of peace." —Tennyson.

Brass polished with oil and rotten stone will have a deep rich yellow tone.

The Sunday School INTERNATIONAL LESSON

JANUARY 27.
Lesson IV.—Jesus Forgiving Sin.—Mark 2. 1-12. Golden Text, Mark 2. 10.

Verse 1. Again into Capernaum.—

The enthusiasm aroused by the jubilant leper made it necessary for him to change his plans, so he ends his brief circuit among the synagogues of Galilee and comes back—Matthew says from the other side of the lake. Noised that he was in the house—That is, that he had returned home. In all probability in the home of Simon.

2. No room even about the door.—

A graphic picture of the eagerness of the people—excited, pressing crowds, thronging all available space, as is the case to-day, occasionally in a Palestinian village where the entire populace in harmless curiosity will crush into a house on the advent of strange people, or of the great Healer. He was speaking the word unto them—Was speaking his message of good news, simply and informally.

3. A man sick of the palsy.—

An episode of intense interest, wonderfully augmenting the excitement. Four neighbors bring their paralyzed friend, but find they cannot even get near the door.

4. They uncovered the roof.—

Literally, "dug out the roof." One of the finest pictures in all the Gospel narrative. The eager, determined friends, bearing the sick man on his pallet, carry him up the stone steps on the outside of the house, leading to the flat roof, and dig through the sod and dirt and branches covering the roof timbers, while the debris rattled down into the midst of the listening throng below, making a hole big enough to let down the paralytic into the very presence of the Saviour.

5. Jesus seeing their faith.—

Made evident by their persistence in overcoming every obstacle which stood in the way of getting their friend into his presence. Seen also in their absolute confidence in his ability to heal. The sick man himself was probably unable to express himself, but no doubt there had been aroused in him a great hope as his confident friends literally broke their way to the gracious Healer. Son—A word with a shade of affection, and an encouragement to the sufferer. Sins—Suggesting that his condition was due to some personal wrongdoing. The generic idea of sin in the New Testament is "missing the mark"; from this as a root proceed all manner of specific sins, which include every fault of mind and body. Forgiven—Not merely a cure for his physical condition, but a removal of guilt, in accordance with the Jewish idea that restoration and forgiveness went hand in hand.

6. Scribes.—

The first encounter of Jesus with these influential Jewish teachers, the guardians and interpreters of the law. They were watching everything, saying nothing, but intensely criticizing and objecting, "reasoning in their hearts."

7. He blasphemeth.—

Assumes God's prerogative in pronouncing the forgiveness of sin.

8. Perceiving in his spirit.—

He perceived this intuitively as he did on other occasions. (John 2. 24, 15; Dan. 7. 13-27, but Jesus' use of it identifies him with humanity as a whole. He is thus our elder brother, as shown by his title and his life. Authority on earth—Exercised by God in heaven, but also by the Son of man on earth. He does not disclaim divine authority.

11. Take up thy bed.—

The mat or pallet, which could be easily rolled up, and in doing which he would display

GOOD HEALTH QUESTION BOX

By John B. Huber, M.A., M.D.

Dr. Huber will answer all signed letters pertaining to health. If your question is of general interest it will be answered through these columns; if not, it will be answered personally if stamped, addressed envelope is enclosed. Dr. Huber will not prescribe for individual cases or make diagnosis. Address Dr. John B. Huber, care of Wilson Publishing Co., 73 West Adelaide St., Toronto.

Those who sow courtesy reap friendship.
Baby's Development III.

Seventh month: Astonishment shown by open mouth and eyes. Recognizes nurse after four weeks' absence. Signs imitates movements of head and of pursing lips. Averts head as sign of refusal, as one should say, "Nothing doing." Places himself upright on the lap.

Eighth Month: Is astonished at new sounds and sights; at imitations of cries of animals.

Ninth Month: Stands on feet without support. Shows increasing interest in things in general or (in evolutionist parlance) gets in touch with his environment. Strikes hands with joy. Shuts eyes and turns head away at things disagreeable. Fears a dog. Turns over, like one of those bouncing toys, when laid face downward. Turns head to light when asked where the light is. Questions are understood before it can speak. Its voice becomes more modulated, losing however none of its potency.

Tenth Month: Sits up without support in bath and carriage. First attempts at walking in forty-first week. Beckoning imitated. Misses parents in their absence. Will miss a single ninepin in a set. Cannot yet repeat a syllable. But exhibits considerable talent as a mimologist and imitator, as: ma, papa, papa, tatta, appa, baba, tata, pa, rrrrrra, rrrrrra.

Eleventh Month: Screaming is quieted by "sh." Sitting becomes its life habit. Stands without support. Stamps. Correctly repeats syllables. Begins to whisper. Enlarges its vocabulary. Can utter b, p, t, d, m, n, f, l, g, k; vowels a most used, u and o rare, i very rare.

Twelfth Month: Pushes chair. Cannot as yet raise itself or walk with-

out help. Obeys the command, "Give the hand."

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Temper Mark.

My baby girl of 4½ months has a mark between the eyes, shaped somewhat like a V. Sometimes you can see it real plain; and then again it is quite dim. Is this a birth mark or a temper mark? Do you think she will outgrow it? It shows more when she cries or frets. Only for that she is a dandy baby. Can a baby that has had whooping cough for 3 months give it?

Answer—Such marks, if they are birth marks, are very apt to disappear in time. If temper marks and in girl babies, they are not so very sure to outgrow them. Depends on how Mama brings 'em up. It is possible for such a baby to give whooping cough to others.

Chilblains.

As long as I can remember I have had chilblains. As early as I remember my feet began to itch and continue throughout the winter.

Answer—Mailing you the information.

Underweight.

Please advise me what to do to make my husband gain in weight. Answer—Very willingly, send me only your initials and address. Send stamped envelope and I will direct return mail.

Eczema of the Ear.

I am troubled with catarrh of the ear. Also itching of both ears which are very sore from scratching and rubbing. Is there any relief for same? Answer—Send stamped and self-directed envelope and information will at once be mailed to you.

A Conservation Family.

Jack Spratley Sweet always ate meat three times a day, or four; His wife liked it as well as Jack. That was before the war. But now their son's name is "Francis."

They're glad to "do their bit." They live on wheatless, meatless meals. And they are proud of it.

Parker House rolls can be made with a little cornmeal in them.

Those who feed corn to cattle bear in mind that 40 per cent of food value is in the stalks and the board or table and frequently and quickly draw your knife over it.

his restored powers. Some of the old illustrators represent the paralytic as shouldering a four-post bedstead.

12. Straightway—The man is whole and every mark of disease has vanished, which is evident to every one. Were all amazed—The cure was open to every eye, and the event justified the assurance that the Son of man had the authority. Glorified God—The murmuring and disgruntled scribes are silent, for nothing can be said against the marvelous restoration of the sick man. They recognized in it the hand of God.

When you cut up fresh pork, recently slaughtered, the knife soon gets dull and does not take hold. Tack a strip of good quality emery-cloth on the board or table and frequently and quickly draw your knife over it.

WHEN MOTHER THREATENED TO WALK

By Catherine Dodge

"John, how far is it to Toronto?" Mrs. Simmons asked as she dropped an armful of wood into the box.

"About 143 miles—why do you want to know?"

"Well, I've always wanted to go there, and I've about decided to do it," John stated. It was not customary in the Simmons family for his wife to decide things.

Her next question was quite as astonishing. "Do you know how far it is to that wood-pile and back?" This time her husband waited for her to give the answer.

"If you don't know, I'll tell you. It's a little over seventy-five feet, and from the box to the stove and back is twenty feet. If I've made three trips a day to feed the stove, I've made about 600 miles. In the last twenty years for just that one thing. It won't take me so long to go to Toronto, for I have done a lot of side-stepping all along."

John Simmons considered himself quite a hand at figures, so before attacking the main issue he pulled out a pencil and did a little multiplying.

"You're right, by gum, but I don't see what Toronto's got to do with it."

"It's not so hard to see. Between you and me and the wood box I've done some right smart travelling, but the scenery wasn't so much, and there was a good deal of sameness about the places I arrived at. That's why I've decided to try a new route."

John was puzzled. "I don't know yet just what you're driving at, but if it's the wood box what do you want me to do about it?"

"Well, Jess told me how Bert had fixed theirs. He built a good tight box alongside the stove, and cut a hole through the wall so it can be filled from the outside. If we had one right here it would save walking half way around the house in the first place, and I wouldn't have to go clear across the kitchen every time I wanted a stick of wood."

of an inside-outside self-starting corner there for your benefit.

"Sure, pa, one of those Instaladies from the College came to school the other day, and she told about that and a lot of other things she said we boys might do. I wonder how many miles Ma has walked for that egg-beater?" She had just gone the length of the long kitchen.

"If she had a shelf over the table, and a strip under it to hang up the things she uses all the time, it would save some of those trips she has been talking about," Jack went on. "She hasn't a place to put things on near the sink and the stove, either. I guess there's a good deal to this having things handy to where you want to use them. I'll tell you, pa, tomorrow's a holiday, and if Ma'll sort of plan out the things she needs around the sink, and what she uses at the table, and those she has to have about the stove, we'll just see if we can't go Bert Evan's wood box one better—and I don't know any reason why I can't keep it filled. Say, any cookies in that jar?"

John Simmons was proud of his little multiplying.

"He's got a pretty good head, and he isn't afraid to do more than he's asked," John was thinking of the more-than-pleased mother was silently making her plans for the little conveniences she should have had twenty years before.

Presently, John picked up his pencil again and did some more figuring. After a few busy moments he looked up at the boy who was mentally measuring off spaces. "Jack, did you know that your mother and I'd been married just twenty years come next month?"

The only wedding trip we took was across the county, though according to her figures she might have walked around the world several times,—so I guess it's about time she had a lift on the steam-cars. I've been thinking we might manage to go to Toronto for a sort of celebration next month and take you along,—if your ma'd just as soon ride on the cars; I don't exactly hinder to walk, myself."

Speech was always slow with Mrs. Simmons, but her eyes glistened. They had wasted a lot of precious time and strength, to be sure, but her husband's heart had stayed in the same spot all these years, and her boy would know better how to avoid such mistakes. Oh, how hard she would try to help them to get the best that life might hold!

OPPORTUNITIES

Jessica, pinning on her hat, frowned as she saw in the mirror Peggy picking up things about the room.

"I should think, Peggy, that you would want to be doing something worth while," she said, "instead of spending all your time on odds and ends."

Peggy stopped with a troubled look in her eyes. "I wish I could, I'd love to so. But, somehow, there seem to be so many odds and ends to do."

"There always will be if you put them first," Jessica said in her clear, "sure" voice. "Don't you see, Peggy, that anybody in the world could let her time get filled up by odds and ends? One simply has to make up her mind to put the big things first, that's all; make up her mind and then stick to it."

"I know," Peggy responded. But her voice sounded as if she did not know at all.

"There's that class of Italian girls. You could do beautifully with them, Peggy, if you just would. Don't you see what a chance it is to do something really patriotic—to teach them to be real citizens? Why don't you

just say you will? You'll find other things will fall into place if once you resolve that they shall."

"I—I'll think about it," said Peggy uncertainly.

With that Jessica had to content herself as best she could. She was very fond of Peggy, and that was why she controlled her tongue by a splendid effort. Down in the hall she hurried by Olga, the new Swedish maid. Olga's eyes were red, but Jessica was too busy to notice.

It was Peggy who, coming downstairs a quarter of an hour later, did notice.

"Why, Olga," she cried, "what's the matter? Didn't you understand that you could go out for the 'afternoon'?"

Olga shook her head. "I tank not go. In stores dey laugh. I don't like laugh."

Peggy stood still, thinking it out. "You mean you want to buy something?" she asked. "You don't like to go to the stores to ask for it?"

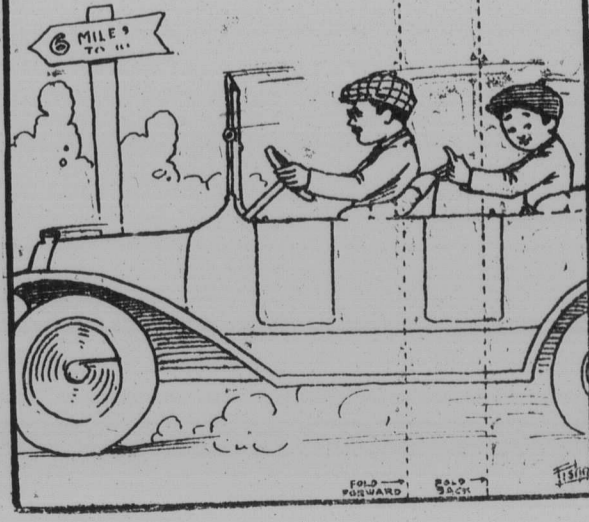
"I tank," Olga repeated as her fair face reddened, "I not go."

An hour later, Jessica, trying on gray shoes in Gregory's while at the same time she discussed club finances with her friend, Flo Hastings, looked up at Flo's sudden exclamation.

"Why, Jessica, isn't that your sister helping that Swedish girl buy shoes? You didn't tell me that she was in the

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These patterns may be obtained from local McCall dealer, or from Bond St., Toronto.

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A girl in her teens becomes restless and dull; when nothing interests her and dainties do not interest her, you may be sure she needs more good food in her system is provided for her long her pallid cheeks, headaches, and breathlessness, heart palpitation will come as the result of their own carelessness can promptly detect signs of anaemia, and the mother does not wait for the child to develop further, but at once has her daughter a course with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, which renew the blood and banish anaemia before it has obtained a hold upon the system.

Of their own experience thousands of mothers know that anaemia is the sure road to worse ills. They know the difference that good red blood makes in the development of womanly health. Every headache, every gasp for breath that follows the slightest exertion by the anaemic girl, every pain she suffers in her back and limbs are reproaches if you have not taken the best steps to give your weak girl new blood, and the only sure way to do so is through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

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British Women and the War.

Some idea of the huge and important part British women are playing in the war is seen from the following figures:

One and a quarter million women doing work formerly done by men.

Eight hundred thousand women in munition plants.

Two hundred and fifty-eight thousand women on the land.

Eighty three thousand women in government offices.

Twenty thousand women somewhere in France working at military bases.

Sixty thousand women voluntary hospital workers.

Between six and seven hundred women patriots.

That is only part of it. There are also great numbers of home women who give part of their time to war activities.

The growth of wheat is quickened in the spring and grass seeding is more certain with a top-dressing of manure in early winter.

Old Good-Byes and Howdy-Dos.

The old good-byes and howdy-dos! Now there's a theme to tax your muse. And make it switch from tears to smiles.

And back again to tears, the while; No polished rhyme, but just a strain As soft and low as April rain, That sings "good-bye" to kith and kin—

Then change your tune to Home Agin!

Oh, who can dream the sort of rhyme That sheds the tears of leaving time? Good-bye to mother, smothered with dough!

The staunchest friend you'll ever know—

To home, to trees, the hunting pup, And crimson rambles climbing up To twist around the heart of you, And tighter than they ever do!

And sing it soft and low to fit The parting and the pain of it!— To fit the way a fellow feels When old familiar places steal Apath him on the wagon road— The boyhood spots he's always known!

And make the tear that's in his eye To rhyme a fellow's last "good-bye."

Then chuck a faster tempo in To sing a fellow Home Agin!—

Back home-again where he was rizz An' orter stay, as saying is! His mother's greeting, father's, too, And friend's and neighbor's, "howdy-do!"

The extry chair and table set, That mother's keeping for him yet!

You poet chaps! You sit and dream, And seem to think the only theme That people like is in the skies!

Sit down by me and drop your eyes, Ease off a while and get your time In perfect pitch and tune with mine, Then try a sort of keerness muse On "Old Good-byes and Howdy-dos."

—John D. Wells.

FOUND OUT.

A Real Scotsman Calls His Capital City "Edinboro."

When a man with social aspirations is discovered and proclaimed to be no gentleman, the shock to his vanity is usually severe. But Mr. Laurence Hutton, the English writer and friend of many distinguished men, once enjoyed—and he did enjoy it!—an experience not exactly the reverse, but certainly the same with a difference. He was fond of telling the story against himself, and his American friend, Brander Matthews, has recently reported it.

When he was a very young man Hutton had filled for a short time a place in a wholesale produce company, which bought from the market gardeners and sold to the grocers. As his customers were plain people he always looked off his gloves at least two blocks away from the store. One day a farmer came in and greeted him with a question about a rival commission house. Mr. Hutton explained that it was a competitor, and that therefore he knew little about it, but that, so far as he knew, the members of the company were gentlemen.

"That's just what I thought," replied the plain-spoken farmer. "I ain't no gentleman myself, and I don't propose to do business with no gentlemen. I'll sell my goods to you!"

How a man of no manners vainly pretended to be what he was not, Mr. Hutton and Mr. Matthews once saw together on an Atlantic voyage; and Mr. Hutton helped to bring about his undoing with the rest of the company. The man was loud-mouthed and offensive and blatantly self-laudatory; he declared that he was a Scotsman, a sailor, a great traveller and a seer of strange sights.

After an unusually protracted revelation of his peculiarities, this person left the smoking room one afternoon. The door banged behind him and a hush fell upon the crowd. Mr. Hutton waited a moment and then, addressing Mr. Matthews, but raising his voice a little so that it carried, he remarked:

"I have no desire to say anything against the gentleman who has just left us—but he is not a Scotsman, as he says he is. He says 'Edinboro.'"

Whereupon a quiet little man in a far corner looked up from his game of patience and contributed this:

"He ain't no sailor, neither. He spits to windward."

And then again silence enveloped the smoking room.

GERMAN UNREST AND WANT.

As Described by Escaped Serbian Prisoners.

A certain number of Serbian prisoners of war have succeeded in making their escape from Germany into Holland, whence they have come to London, says the Morning Post. These men were distributed in various parts of Northwestern Germany to do field work. They describe the state of affairs in Germany as very bad, particularly in regard to food shortage, but as not yet desperate. The German people are beginning to groan under the iron discipline of imperial militarism; they are irritable, and their nerve is undoubtedly shaken. The people were told that the war would be over by this Christmas, and are depressed at the certain prospect of falsified hopes.

Every one is talking of peace, but talking in whispers to avoid arrest and possibly being sent to the front. The adult population, these men report, is not starving, but the mortality among the children, owing to poor feeding, is

very great. A large number of children have been sent to Holland, or distributed in the villages, in the hope that they may there survive this crisis.

The most serious conditions prevail in the great towns, where frequently bloody conflicts occur between the famished mobs and the police. In the villages, however, one may see at any time starving people from the towns begging for bread. Nobody talks about the military operations, but every success, or reverse, makes itself felt among the people. "Very often we saw the whole family weeping," say these Serbian soldiers; "the gatherings together of families for meals were often the saddest occasions. Often we met people weeping—men as well as women—by the roadside."

Coffee, there is none; instead of coffee they are frying acorns and rye and drinking the liquid. The whole of the metal currency—nickel as well as silver—has been withdrawn, small stamps being used as substitutes.

Those who have tried to retain metal money have not profited, since it has been pronounced illegal tender and they themselves are prosecuted. Live-stock for the army is requisitioned every month. The bread of a whole village is baked in one place, and is black as earth.

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HEART SHIELD FOR POHL.

New Model of a Device to Protect Vulnerable Organ.

General Delorme, inspector general of the French army surgeons, strongly recommends to the Academy of Medicine the adoption of a steel cuirass for protecting the pohl from bullets aimed at his heart. Ever since the war began scientists have been striving to perfect some metal protection for the soldier's heart, his most vulnerable organ. Two surgeons, Daigre and Louppe, in December, 1915, had their models tried out but since each of the metal breastplates weighed twenty-six pounds they were discarded. These models covered the whole upper body and were extremely cumbersome. Delorme's model is two millimeters in thickness, a light thing, weighing not over a quarter of a pound and lying only on the left side of the chest, immediately over the heart. It is not calculated to stop bullets fired at close range, but it will turn all small projectiles at long range and will render shrapnel and shell splinters harmless. Made of strong chrome-nickel steel it is sewn into the lining of the coat, at the left of the buttonhole, reaching to the collar of the coat so that it will not hamper movements of the arm.

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When measuring hay in stacks it is necessary to find the length, width, and the distance from the ground on one side, over the top, to the ground on the other side. Add the width and the "over" and divide by four. Multiply the resulting number by itself, then multiply by the length. For hay in the stack ninety days, divide by 512, and for 120 days, divide by 485. The answer will be tons.

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Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows

LIFT YOUR CORNS OFF WITH FINGERS

How to loosen a tender corn or callus so it lifts off without pain.

Let folks step on your feet here after; wear shoes a size smaller if you like, for corns will never again send electric sparks of pain through you, according to this Cincinnati authority.

He says that a few drops of a drug called freezone, applied directly upon a tender, aching corn, instantly relieves soreness, and soon the entire corn, root and all, lifts right out.

This drug dries at once and simply shrivels up the corn or callus without even irritating the surrounding tissue.

A small bottle of freezone obtained at any drug store will cost very little but will positively remove every hard or soft corn or callus from one's foot.

If your druggist hasn't stocked this new drug yet, tell him to get a small bottle of freezone for you from his wholesale drug house.

RURAL GERMANY IS HUNGRY.

Dwellers in Hamlets Add Mutterings To Loud Complaints in Cities.

While the populations of large cities in Germany are uttering loud complaints on insufficient supplies of indispensable provisions, the Conservative organ, the Reichsbote, declares that dwellers in the country districts and small towns also are suffering severely. It says:

"Besides rations of bread and potatoes, dwellers in the country and small towns receive every fortnight only 200 grammes of meat (about one-half a pound), often not even this amount. For growing children there is no possibility of getting anything in place of meat. There is not even a regular supply of jam."

The correspondent says the lack of food suitable for children, especially milk for babies, forces parents to see them pine away.

If Stomach Hurts Drink Hot Water

A Physician's Advice.

If dyspeptics, sufferers from gas, wind or flatulence, stomachic acidity, sourness, gastric catarrh, heartburn, etc., would take a teaspoonful of pure bicarbonate of soda in a glass of hot water immediately after eating, they would soon forget they were ever afflicted with stomach trouble, and doctors would have to look elsewhere for patients." In explanation of these words a well-known New York physician stated that most forms of stomach trouble are due to stomach acidity and fermentation of the food contents of the stomach combined with an insufficient blood supply to the stomach. Hot water increases the blood supply and bicarbonate of soda instantly neutralizes the excessive stomach acid and stops food fermentation. The combination of the two, therefore, being marvelously successful and decidedly preferable to the use of artificial digestants, stimulants or medicines for indigestion.

Some folks have toughened themselves by being out-of-doors in all sorts of weather; but nobody ever saw a plow, mowing-machine or other farm tool that was made any better by that kind of treatment. It can't be done!

MONEY ORDERS

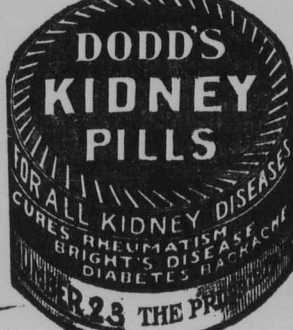
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One of the most practical helps to the mother and housekeeper is a glass button bottle. This is fine to amuse small children. Having a screw top, little tots cannot open it and larger children will play by the hour pouring the buttons out, then picking them up and filling the bottle again. When looking for buttons to do the weekly mending you can see at a glance if there are any buttons the size you need.

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Save all the boxes that come to the house with groceries in them.

Begin the midday or evening meal with a good hot soup. It takes the sharp edge off the appetite and is a real economy. Save the water in which spinach, carrots, turnips, cauliflower, onions or asparagus has been cooked. To one quart of this liquid, use one cupful of milk. Season to taste and thicken with one tablespoonful each of flour and butter, rubbed together. It is wise to thicken and strain before adding the milk. If a richer soup is wanted, add another cupful of milk. For cream of celery soup, boil the leaves, roots and outer stalks of a bunch of celery. Strain the water and proceed in the same way.



WHERE WOMEN PROPOSE.

In New Guinea It Is Always Leap Year, Says English Writer.

So far as proposals of marriage are concerned, in New Guinea it is always leap year. There, according to an English writer, the men consider it beneath their dignity to notice women, much less to make overtures of marriage. Consequently the proposing is left to the women to do.

When a woman of New Guinea falls in love with a man she sends a piece of string to his sister, or if he has no sister to his mother or another of his lady relatives. Then the lady who receives the string tells the man that the particular damsel is in love with him. If the man thinks he would like to wed the lady he meets her alone and they decide straight away whether to marry or drop the idea. In the former case the betrothal is announced. The man is branded on the back with charcoal, while a mark is cut into the woman's skin.

No breach of promise actions are possible in New Guinea, though if the lady is jilted her friends may hunt her lover up and "go" for him. On the other hand, if the woman proves faithless she is liable to be beaten by her betrothed.

Little things are not to be despised. Given time enough, a sack of grain will empty itself through a small mouse-hole.

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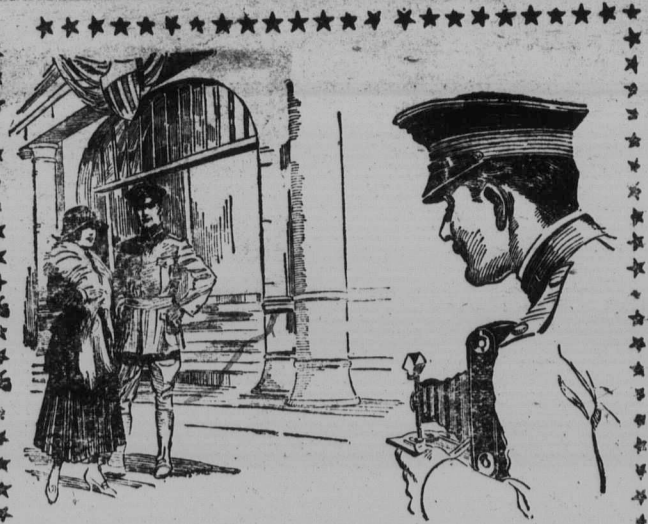
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LIVE STOCK MARKETS TORONTO.

All classes of cattle on the Union Stock Yards Exchange old yesterday at from 40c to 50c lower per cwt. than at any time on last week's market, which gradually resumed normal conditions previous to the big storm.

There was a good steady demand for all classes of butcher cattle, which sold at from \$11 to \$11.60 per cwt., while some heavyweight extra good steers brought all the way from \$12 to \$12.50. The better class of butcher cows met with a good demand at fair prices, while the medium to common cows and canners were slow of sale and considerably lower.

Good milkers and springers are wanted and there is a very good market for useful bulls. There was a pretty heavy run in the neighborhood of 4000 cattle and among them were many bunches of more than ordinary merit, good big useful cattle that a week ago would have commanded higher prices, but the market in spite of the apparent decline was a good all round market, and it is very little to be desired. Last week's prices were never regarded as normal, and yesterday's drop of from 40c to 50c must be regarded as indicative of a good healthy state of trade.

The lamb market was 25c per cwt. lower, calves were higher, while the market for sheep was strong. The run was not very heavy and sold readily.

There was a good run of hogs, about 3800, but most contracted animals, which sold at \$19.25 fed and watered, and \$19.50 off cars. There is a disposition on the part of the packing houses to make the price for the balance of the week at \$18.50 fed and watered, but whether they will succeed or not remains to be seen and will probably be guided by the law of supply and demand.

FORMOSA.

The annual meeting of the South Bruce Rural Telephone Co. was held in the old stone school house on Wednesday, Jan. 16. On account of the bad roads, the meeting was not very largely attended.

Leander Kuhry and his two sisters, Lizzie and Lillie and Mat. Lemple left last week for Gull Lake, Sask.

Alph. Zimmer and Albert Bilstein have commenced cutting wood and logs on their farm which they have recently purchased on the 10th con. of Culross.

Mr. Jerome Illig has rented the Cronin farm south of Ambleside which has been occupied for a number of years by Mike Goetz. Mr. Goetz has bought a 100 acre farm on Con. B. Carrick, from Henry Moyer who we hear intends going West.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Kraemer spent a week with friends at Preston and Elmira.

Married on Tuesday, Jan. 22nd at the R. C. Church, Formosa, Louis Siegfried of Walkerton, to Minnie Kraemer of Formosa, the Rev. Father Brohman officiating. Congratulations.

On Sunday afternoon, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dentinger were found unconscious in their room from the effects of coal gas. They were both in a very serious condition for some time but hopes are now held out for their recovery.

Helwig's Weekly Store News...

Special Clearing of Furs and Ladies Winter Coats

Prior to Stock Taking.



All Lines of Furs Reduced 20 per cent.

Get your share of these.

We are Agents for McCall Patterns



Ladies Tweed Coats	Ladies Furs
6 only Coats, special lot	Reg. 50.00 set for
Regular 15.00 Coats for	" 35.00
Reg. 16.50 to 18.00 for	" 25.00
Reg. \$20 to 22.50 for	" \$20
Reg. 25.00 for	" \$15
6.75	40.00
9.98	28.00
12.48	\$20
14.98	\$1
17.98	\$1

"Peabodys" Overalls and Smocks at \$2.00 per garment. None better

Prints for Dresses	Underwear
We have a splendid range of Prints at present, do your buying in these lines now and save money.	Underwear for all, we can fit and for children, men and women in a range of fine and heavy quality wool and union.
Indigo Blues 36" 20c	
Indigo Blues and lights 32" 25c	

Ask for 1918 Calander.

HELWIG BROS.

GENERAL MERCHANTS.

Keep your Live Stock healthy --

By feeding Reliable Stock Foods and Specifics.

"An ounce of Prevention may save you many Dollars"

We stock the following leading lines --

Royal Purple			
Stock specific in	50c,	\$1.50,	\$5.00 packages
Poultry	25c,	50c,	1.50
Colic	1.00		
Cough	50c		
Worm	50c		
Disinfectant	25c and 50c		
Louse Killer	25c and 50c.		
International			
Stock foods	25c,	50c,	1.50, 3.50
Poultry	2c,	50c	
Distemper and cough cure	50c		
Heave cure	50c		
Worm powder	50c		
Cattle specific			1.50
Herbageum			
In 4 lb packages			65c
Royal Purple Calfmeal in 25, 50, and 100 lb bags.			
Oyster shells, Grit, Alfalfa meal, Salts and Sulphur.			

Liesemer & Kalbfleish
THE CORNER HARDWARE.

THE PEOPLE'S STORE

Big January Clearing Sale in Men's Wear, Staples, Groceries, etc.

Sale to Commence Jan. 5th and End Jan. 19th.

Apples No. 1 Pack. Reg. 15.00; Sale price.....10.50 " 12.00; " 7.45 " 9.00; " 5.25	Men's Raincoats Reg. 15.00; Sale price.....10.50 " 12.00; " 7.45 " 9.00; " 5.25	Mens Ready Made Suits Reg. 25.00; Sale price.....19.95 " 22.00; "17.50 " 20.00; "15.50	Mens navy blue Serge Suits, made-to-order Regular 30.00; Sale price 23.95
Baldwins 6.00 bbl; Russets, 6 25 bbl Starks ... 6.25 bbl; Nonparcel 6.50 "	Boys Ready-made Suit at a big reduction price. Latest styles.	Dinner Set Rose Pattern Reg. 22.00; Sale price.....18.00 Full Set of 97 pieces.	Mens Fancy Pattern Worsted Suits Made-to-order. Reg. 28.00; Sale price 22.00
Hog meal \$5 per 100 lbs Dairy 2.50 per 100 lbs Hog Charcoal 1.50 a sack Oyster Shell.....1.50 per 100 lbs Table Syrup in Kegs, 150 to 170 lbs in a keg. Sale price.....10c a lb. Oatmeal 5.40 a bag Calfmeal.....4.00 per 100 lbs " 2.25 " 50/lbs " 1.25 " 25 lbs	Rolled Oats 16 lbs for 1.00 Rto Coffee..... 3 lbs for 1.00 Laundry Soap..... 5 for 25c Red Rose Tea 50c a lb Liptons Tea 50c a lb	Mens black Melton Cloth Coats with fur collar, quilted lined, rubber inner lined. Reg. 30.00; Sale price.....22.95 " 25.00; "16.95	Mens Odd Pants Reg. 7.00; Sale price.....4.95 " 6.50; "4.65 " 6.00; "4.52 " 5.00; "3.50 " 4.00; "2.95 " 3.00; "2.25
Ecur Curtain Scrim Reg. 30c; Sale price.....23c	Orient and Minto Coffee Reg. 50c lb; Sale price 10 lb Tin for 3.50.	Mens Grey and Brown Heavy Ulster Coats, latest style. Reg. 25.00; Sale price.....18.50 " 22.00; "16.50	Mens Heavy Winter Caps, Regular price 1.00 to 1.50; Sale price.....55c
Woolen Blankets, White Reg. 16.00; Sale price.....6.50	Linoleum, black pattern Reg. 3.75; Sale price.....3.00	Mens heavy Grey Socks Reg. 45 to 50c pair; Sale price.....35c	Mens Heavy Woollen Underwear, Penman Brand. Reg. 3.50 per Suit; Sale price 2.45
SPECIAL—With every \$5 purchase we will give 15 lbs of white sugar for \$1.			
BBANS—1000 bus. of beans wanted. We pay highest price, cash or trade. Bring us your Butter, Eggs, Cream, Beans, Lard, Tallow, etc.			
Mens four-in-hand Ties Reg. 50 to 75c; Sale price.....35c each			
Mens Flannel Underwear, Regular price 85c; Sale price.....69c			

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Prompt Delivery

Cash or Produce

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