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## The Middle Kingdom.

THE peace of the world in 1894 has been broken in the far East. The armies of China and Japan have confronted each other on the old battle fields of Corea. Japan is as yet victorious. What the outcome of the present struggle will be, no man can foretell. But we can be assured that one result will be the opening up of the vast empire of China, with its over $300,000,000$ of people, to the civilization of the West in the way of railroads and introduction of steamboats to a much larger extent on the many navigable rivers and canals that intersect the country in every direction.

China and her dependent territories contain over $4,500,000$ square miles-rather more than ono-twelfth part of the entire land surface of the globe. The Chinese government, like many other oriental countries, is despotic and corrupt. The present dynasty is of Mongolian
descent; but among the native population there is great discontent, and powerful secret societies, extending throughout southern China, are agitating the restoration of the native dynasty, deposed about two hundred years ago, of whom it is claimed descendants are living, waiting a favorable opportunity of proclaiming themselves. But the Chinese are a peace-loving, inoffensive, thrifty and industrious people, and so long as not too harshly treated, are easily kept in subjection by a few thousand Mongolians.
The people of China are one of the strongest in the world. Keen copyists, they soon learn, and are very quick to adapt. Some who should know believe that in them lies latent the force able to revolutionize the world. Be this as it may, their ancient religious beliefs tend to restrain their progress. The faith of Buddhanow shorn of all that was ever goodin it-teaching a passive non-resistance, finds its most faithful and devout followers among this people. The Confucian teaching of parental obedience and
ancestral worship helps to keep back any onward advance. Each tend to make them ready subjects to the warlike tribes of the highlands of Asia, " the roof of the world."

China is a strange combination of a despotic monarchy and a government of the people. It is as much a federation of states as it is a nation. The eighteen provinces into which it is divided each has its governor, who is appointed by the emperor, but whom the people can get rid of if they will. It is the same with other officials. The Chinese are long tolerant, but when an official squeezes too much, they will oust him from his office, and instances have been known of their stoning such out of the province. The government is very much afraid of the people, and it will not dare to overtax them during the present war.

It is hard to understand how these different provinces are governed. Each province has a governor, and in some of the larger provinces the governor is viceroy as well. In other provinces the governor is second to the viceroy,

the japandse man-of-war " akitsushima" capturing the chinese man-of-war "yang-kiang.
As Illustrated by a Japanese Artist.

m. ito, Jaidnese imperial minister.
and a viceroy may rule two or three provinces. These viceroys and governors have cabincts of their own. They have the power of life and death over their subjects. They each have an army of their own. Li Hung Chang had an armed and drilled force of about 35,000 men in the province of Chili. At Nanking the viceroy has an army of about $30,000 \mathrm{men}$. The governor of Foochow has 60,000 men under him, including his land and marine forces. He has charge of the large navy yard at Foochow, and has some thousands of men there at work building war ships.

Frank Caxpenter wuiting of Pelaing, the capital of China, says:-
" Poking is a most cosmopolitan city. It is frozen up for six months of the year, and one can have sleighing on the Pciho at Christmas. In Peking you find representatives of cvery Chinese state, all different, and the dialects as various as the languages of Europe. There are celestials from all the large cities. Thibet, Mongolia, Manchuria, and parts of Afghanistan, are all tributary to China, and the people of half-a-dozen religions jostle each other as they wade through the strects. One of the strangest sights are the nomadic Mongolians, who ride into the city on great camels or dromedaries, covered with wool from six to twelve inches long. These come from the cold regions of Mongolia or Siberia, and one may often see caravans of these camels marching in single file, and fastened by sticks stuck through the thick flesh of their nosos. They bring great bundles of furs for the dilettante mandarins of Peking, and carry back brick, tea and coal to the Tartars and Russians. Many of these were ridden by Mongol women, who, clad in coats, pantaloons and fur caps, rode astride. Thus, too, one sees hundreds of Thibetan lamas in their gorgeous robes, and Mohammedans from the west part of Clina.

One sees many a strange sight in these Pe kingese streets. They $2 r e$ filled with a stream
of :yellow humanity of all classes, ages and sexes. You pass gorgeous officials on Mongolian ponies, the backs of some of which are decorated with arrows, and you know they are on their way to the shooting matches outside of Peking. You go by silk-gowned mandarins in carts, who scowl at you as you peep into the little glass windows of their vehicles. You see scholars with spectacles as big as trade dollars, and everywhere you go you are assaulted by begrars. "I remember," says Mr. Carpenter, " one boy who followed me day after day. The weather was bitterly cold, and I shivered in my fur ulster. This boy was naked to the waist and his arms had been cut off at the shoulder. Ho held a pan in his mouth and followed me, switching his body this way and that, to show me his mutilation. I was glad to give him two or three cents to be freed from the sight."

There is one gate in Peking which is always crowded with beggars, and one of the finest bridges in the city, a structure of marble, has been given up entirely to beggars. It is full of the lame and the halt and the blind, and men with festering sores, women without eyes, and persons possessing all sorts of horrible diseases crowd together upon it. 'They push their way into the city, and threaten to cut themselves if you don't give them alms.
"Side by side with these bergars walk the gorgeous officials, and poverty and wealth march together in pairs. There is no place in the world where the contrasts are so great, and for nine-tenths of the people it would seem to me their condition could not be worse. These Chinese are as industrious as any race on the globe. They are peaceable and easily governed, and $: s$ the celestial officials, including the em-


TYPICAL JAPINESE ILLUSTRATION OF A VICTORY OVER THE CHINEBE.


IN A BUDDHIST CEMETERY
peror and all his court, could be wiped out, the people would quickly grow rich, and China would be one of the most favored spots on the face of the earth."

Speaking of a trip across the great plains of north China, a traveller tells us
'Here every inch was cultivated, and the farmers wore everywhere laboring in the fields; We saw the wheat, planted in rows two feet apart, springing from the soil in its luxumiant green dress of the early spring, and could note the curious methods of work of these, the best farmers in the world. The crops are planted in small tracts and everything is cultivated with tho hoe and the plow. There is no sowing of grain as with us, and the rows of wheat, corn and millet are weeded and fed with manure.
"The wheat is planted in the fall, and in the spring the rows are ploughed and other crops planted between them. Everywhere over the landscape you see piles of manure, each containing about two bushels of brown earth, and here and there men and boys gather up this manure into baskets and carefully shake it out over the newly planted crop. This is after the seed has been sown. Now a donkey or a man pulls


the great wall of cilina.
muscle, to the top of the wall, and the sawing of the timbers was with crosscut saws.
The organization required for the building and the defense of such an army of laborers shows a high state of civilization. The man who began the work was one of the great men of the world's past. He has been called the Napoleon of China, and he to a large extent was the founder of the Chinese empire. His name was Tsin Chi Hwangti, and he consolidated the many kingdoms of China into one. He built at his capital a vast palace, with many buildings, which were connected by colonnades and ralleries. Each set of these buildings he had made the exact counterpart of the
in height, and varies in width from fifteen to thirty feet.
Ihis wall is built right over the mountains. It crosses peaks 5,000 feet above the sea. A large part of it has a foundation of granite blocks from two and a half to four feet thick. The bricks of which it is made weigh from forty to sixty pounds, are of a slate color and measure fifteen by nine by five inches. They are built up from the foundation in two walls, each about three feet thick running paralle ${ }^{l}$ with each other, the space between being filled with earth and stone well rammed down. The top of the wall is paved with these bricks, and its average width is about fifteen feet. On each side of the top along its whole 1,500 miles is a brick crenellated wall between five and six feet high. At short intervals the wall is crowned by great two and three-story towers, made of these big blue bricks, and at the passes in the mountains there are arched gates of stone. Here and threre the wall is double, a second wall running over the country some distance back from the first. Much of the same wall is still in perfect condition.

Two hundred years before our Lord came on earth, when our blue-blooded ancestors, half naked and all savage, w'sro wandering through the wild forests of France, Germany and England; when Rome was still a republic fighting her last battles with the Carthaginians, these Chinese people built this mighty wall. There was no machinery used, and few cattle and horses. Every foot of it was built by man. These doubtless carried the earth and stones which formed the filling, in baskets, and this earth was probably rammed down by means of discs of stone or iron, as big around as a half bushel measure, and from six to eight inches thick as are used at the present time. It takes eight men to each of these discs. There are boles cut about its circumference. and in these ropes about ten feet long are fastened. The men stand at equal distances about the discs, and by pulling back raise it and throw it upward often to a height above their heads, and it falls on the ground with a thud. A ninth man often sings a song while these men thus work, lreeping time to his music with the weight and joining in the chorus, the weight falling at the end of every line. It is the same with the packing of the earth with wooden stamps.

The bricks were made by hand, and men and
women aided in their laying. Such wood as $\mid$ palaces of the rulers he had conquered, and he was used in the tower was pulled up by human |took them to his capital.


OHOCK SING-TOON.

## The World's Wheat Crop.

We are indebted to the New York Stockholder for the summary we print below of the report of the World's Wheat Crop issued by tho Hungarian Minister of Agriculture. It cannot fail to be interesting to our readers and is well worthy of a careful perusal :
"One of the best estimates of the world's crop of wheat is made annually by the Hungarian Minister of Agriculture. Usually the results of investigations are made known at the grain fair held in Vienna, but this year the report has been delayed in order that more care might be exercised in dealing with the returns collected and more accurate conclusions be arrived at. According to the estimates made by the authority named the prospects are for a crop of $2,467,801,000$ bushels for 1891, against 2,279,000,000 bushels actual for 1893, an increase of, say, $188,000,000$ bushels. The estimate made for the last-mentioned period is within $24,000,000$ bushels of the actual figures now reported, a close computation. We have not the final results for each country for previous years, which have differed little from the forecasts, so use the latter in the following table showing the estimated crops since 1890:
republics under one head. Now Argentine has a. line to itself. If we allow the amount allotted to Chili in 1894 to apply to 1893, namely, 24,000,000 bushels, which would leave $52,000,000$ bushels for Argentine, we shall find that the latter has more than doubled her product, with 117,000,000 bushels.
In 1893 Argentine had a surplus for export of only $26,000,000$ bushels, but now with 73,000 ,000 bushels she is placed next toRussia, this country, according to the estimates, having only $71,000,000$ bushels to dispose of outside her own borders. Russia has $141,000,000$ bushels to export or $41,000,000$ bushels more than a year ago. The United States has the same for both jears, but it is seen thai the former country and Argentine will be able to sell $91,000,000$ bushels more of wheat than they could in 1893. India loses in the size of its crop and its exportable surplus, so do Australia, Roumania, Sorvia and some Asiatic countries besides India, but there are enough gains to show that the world's requirements can be met, and met easily. The surpluses are ficured out at $413,000,000$ bushels, while the deficits are only $364,000,000$ bushels, showing a net surplus of $79,000,000$ bushels. It is well known that the exportable surplus of the United States was largely underestimated fcr
implements. Let the advice be not found wearisome. The wise farmer who has acted upon it will cheerfully submit to the oft repeated paragraph, for the sake of his less prudent brother, and the latter cannot justify his resentment to an old tale while he turns an indifferent ear to useful, disinterested counsel. Our contemporaries, therofore, are to be praised for their persistency in doing good, and we would add our own voice to the general chorus hoping it may reach some willing ear. All experience proves that cattle, sheep, horses, and in fact all live-stock on a farm require warm, comfortable quarters in winter in order to produce the best effects whether it be for dairy or butcher purposes. In the case of farm implements their life is greatly prolonged, and thereby money is sa ed to the farmer. Good winter quarters pay.

The saying, with pigs, that all the breed is in the trough," would be very applicable when used with poultry, for it is very evident that as much depends on food, care and management as on a carcful selection of suitable kinds. It very naturally follows that if you can succeed well with the common dunghill fowls, you can most assuredly, do much better with improved kinds, for it is an evident fact that improved breeds of all kinds will give better and quicker returns for good care than common or ordinary breeds will, while, with but common care, the lower grades will give the best returns, for they are accustomed to such treatment and the higher or improved grades or breeds are not. If you do not happen to possess a flock of improved poultry, by all means become the fortunate possessor at once, or else put all the common dunghill cocks to the block, and in their places substitute improved ones, in the proportion of one cock to six hens, and thus commence an improved system of poultry management, for then you will find it a profitable undertaking, if otherwise properly conducted. Let me next take a peep at your hen house, and see if there has been any stint of whitewash This great deodorizing and disinfecting agent should be applied, in the summer months, inside and outside of the house, and on the roost poles, about once a week, and oftener if necessity requires it. Give plenty of air and lightin the summer, and yestrict this to ventilation, light, and warmth in the winter.

A velr cheap and warm temporary shelter for stock may be made by setting posts firmly in the ground and covering with a roof of poles or long rails. Over this lay a covering of straw or coarse hay. Cover this with a few poles or boards to hold the straw in position. Set other posts two fect outward from the first ones. Wire a fow poles to each set, filling in the spaces with straw firmly crowded into position. By having a door at one side the result will be as warm a room as can be made from boards or straw in a barn basement. For shedding rain properly, make one side three or four feet tigher than the other, or make it level, putting a load of straw on top in the form of a pyramid to shed the rain. While this and other forms of temporary shelter are cheap and require no direct outlay for material, yet rather than follow up their construction year after year a permanert structure of wood should be erected. This should be built in a substantial mamer, making the foundations solid, and nailing each piece firmly in position. The roof should be notless than a quarter pitch, and, if possible, obtain all boards a year in advance that they nary become properly seasoned. If convenient plane the surface of the boards to bo exposed to the weather, and by giving them a coat of paint the general appearance of the premises is improved and the durability prolonged. Not infrequently a farmer who has a surplus of grain or coarse fodder can gain more money in feeding it on the farm than in selling it, thus needing additional room which is readily provided by temporary shelter.


IF MOTHER WOULD IASTFN.
If mother would listen to nie, dears, She would freshen hat faded gown. she woulit sometimes take an hour's lest, And sometimes a trip to town.
And it shouldn't he all for the children,
With the pationt droop on the the phay Win the patient droopron the tired month
And the "Mother has had her day!"

True. mother has had her day, dears, When you were labies three, And she stepped about the farm and the honse, As busy as a leee;
When she rocked you all to slecp, dears: And sent you all to school sud wore licreself out, and did withont. Aud lived by the colden Izule.

And so your turn has comm, deare, Iter hat is growitr White,
Aud her evesiare gationg the far-atway look That peers beyond the might; Mother will not be here. She will fade a way into silenecThe mother so true and dear.
Then, what will you do in the daylight, And what in the romming dim? And father, tired and lonesome then Pray, what will sou do for him? If Yoll watht to kece your mother, hust rive heiv a share in ulue frolie. Ald draw her into the play. And if mother would listen to me, dears She ding her erown of silk, With that tons of roval relret, And rumbes as white as mille, And sue'd let you do the trotting, While she sat still in her chair. That mother shoulth have it hard all ohrough It stribes nie isn't fair, - Ileryland L'd'Mer


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The first shipment of Canadian prairie sheep numbering about 1,800 from the North-West Territories, took place last month, and as an important experiment attracted much attention. The sale took place at. Teptforl, and the price realized was four shillings per stone dressed.

Tris harvest in the western jart of the Dominion, i.e. Manitoba and the territories has proved bountiful and has been safoly garnered. The yield has generally been large and even with the low prices prevailing the farmers have been put in ready money to an extent unknown to them for many months past. The movement of grain to the seaboard has been considerable, the quantity already reported being well above three million bushels. With the better railway facilities which are steadily extending, will come quicker haulage and brisker trade.

A comlarison of the recently issued returns by the Board of Trade showsan increase of two per cent. for the month of September this year over same month last year, for British imports from Canada. But in the imports for the nine months of the year ending September, the increase reaches seven per cent. Among the important lines showing an increase is that of cheese, the quantity reaching $120,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. This is gratifying, an upward tendency being at all times welcome; yet there is room for a much larger increase than that indicated, and it will be for the welfare of farmers to producea quality of cheese and of butter which will ensure a greater demand in the British market. The returns above referred to show a falling off of about $25 \%$ in trade from Britain to Canada.

The satisfaction with Mr. Meredith's appointment to the chief justiceship of the Ontario Court of Common Pleas, as has been regarded on all hands is a substantial testimony to his worth as a man, and his ability as a lawyer. It is probable he had no strong personal foes. In his public career, his opponents certainly grve hin credit for high minded aims and genuine patriotism, while it was readily conceded that to his wide knowledge of statute law, of the practice of his profession and of the needs of the country, is due much of what is valuable in the legislation of the past decade. That he will adorn the bench there is no manner of doubt, and the wish of all parties is that he may live long to serve his province in the judicial sphere for which he is so well fitted.

It was but natural that Toronto should demonstrate enthusiastically on the occasion of the unveiling of the statue to Sir Jolm A. Macionald, erected in Queen's Park. Sir John in life was nowhere more popular than in 'Coronto and the statue will worthily commemorate that fecling as well as the great services of the late premier, to his country. Assembled to honor the proceedings were men of all shades of Canadian politics-the hatchet buried, the pipe of peace and eulogy smoked and no oration was more eloquent, more discriminating than that of the Hon. G. W. Ross, Minister of Education, one of the ablest opponents that faced Sir Johm in days gone by at Ottawa. Calbinet ministers, civic dignitaries, military escorts, processions, etc., made up a pageantry not soon to le forgotten, and which fitted admirably to the prevailing sentiment called forth by the event.

Amona the names of prominent men removed by death during the past month that of James Anthony Froude, the historian, stands preeminent. He was notable as a thinker in theological and philosophical fields ; as a writer possessing singular literary grace and ability, and as an historian of acute judgment, wide resparch and fruitful results. Hislife of Henry VIII. from its defance of that monarch was considered one of the unexpected curiosities of
historical biography, but no one who has read his recently published life of Erasmus will be at a loss as to the source of his inspiration when he penned the biography of England's proud king. His name will ever be linked with his biography of Thomas Carlyle, a work which for thoughtfulness and candour of detail, has seldom been equalled. Among the few who rank as the incomparable masters of the English language, he was easily facile princeps, his style being inapproachable and his diction as nearly perfect as could well be. In him a good Briton died.

ONE of the most beautiful figures in the history of American literature has been removed from the scene of his congenial labors, of his successes and triumphs, by the death, last month, of Oliver Wendell Holmes. His genius has long been recognized, and his worls has long been popular and well known wherever the English tongue is understood. Yethe was essentially a product of Now England, embodying in himself the intellectual side of New England puritanism in a very high degree. Indeed, he had a most warm attachment to his native state and to the associations of his boyhood which indicate the source and the inspiration of his typical genius. "It was a great happiness," he wrote, "to have been born in an old house baunted by such recollections, with harmless ghosts walking its corridors, with fields of waving grass and trees and singing birds, and that vast territory of four or five acres around it, to give a child the sense that he was born in a principality." Here we have the backyround of the picture of the poetliterateur's life-and what a beautiful, idyllic life it was? Pure, noble, drinking from the fountain of family tradition and fine national traits, and invigorated thereby, giving out fine moral and intellectual character that will long influence for good all lovers of the good, the beautiful and the truc. Says a contemporary in words of exact fitness: "He was an aristocrat to the very heart, butit was an aristocracy based on moral cleanness, on intellectual distinction and on gentle manners. Never was there a kindlier, simpler, more unaffected nature than his; but he loved scholarship, and he belicved that the reappearance of a family name gencration after generation in the college catalogue meant something. As a poet, he takes fair rank; many of his shorter pieces breathe the true spirit of poetry, butit is as the author of the "Autocratat the Breakfast table" and of "Elsie Venner" that he is likely to be best understood and longest remembered. With him one more of the famous circle of which Longfollow, Whittier, and Lowell were bright, particular stars, has passed away.

A very interesting ceremony took place on Thursday of last week, when the Fred Victor Mission Building, a memorial gift from Mr. H. A . Massey, was formally opened. We allow the I'oronto Globe to speak of the occasion. In the issue of Oct. 26, it says :-" Another of Mr. Hart A. Massey's generous gifts, the Fred Victor Mission building, was formaliy dedicated to charitable work last evening. The hall of the new mission building was crowded with an carnest and interested audience. Many prominent charitable workers of the city were present and attested their warm approval of the donor by heartily endorsing every admiring and thankful tribute paid by tint speakers. The magnificent gift from Mr. Masisey supplics a building in which every departmeat of mission work can be effectually carried on. The building is located on the corner of Jarvis and Queen streets, and was designed by Mr. E. J. Lennox, under the personal direction of Mr. H. A. Massey and the workers of the mission. The walls up to the top of the second storey are of Ohio sandstone, and the three upper stories are of $\Omega$ new shade of pressed brick and terra cotta, made by the Taylor Brothers, Don Valley Pressed Brick Works. The old-gold shade of
the brickwork produces a most agreeable effect. The internal arrangement is excellently adapted. for the purpose intended by the donor. About one-third of the building has been rented by the Central Lodging House Association. This part is supplied with bath-rooms, lavatories, read-ing-room, smoking-room, and all essentials for affording accommodation to 225 lodgers. There is a mission hall sufficiently large to seat about 500. There are also separate apartments, designed for such uses as a restaurant, a savings bank, an employment bureau, a "baby shelter," a boys' gymnasium, with bath and dressingroom and rooms for women's and girls' work. There are also rooms for classes, board meetings and all work connected with the mission, even to a "drunk's room," for the unfortunate wayfarer unfit to be classed with the respectable lodgers, The building has a frontage of 101 feet on Jarvis street, and 44 feet on Queen street, and has cost about $\$ 60,000$. It will be operated by the Toronto City Nissionary Society of the Methodist Church.

A despatch to the Montreal Star announces that plans have been prepared at the Public Works Department for a dairy building, which is to be erecterd adjacent to Rideau Hall. Lady Aberdeen is evidently desirous of possessing a model dairy, so that her children and servants may be instructed in the latest methods of but-ter-making, etc. The building will only be a small one, but it will bo fitted up with all the latest appliances. It will be ready for use by the time the vice-regal party return from tho Pacific coast. Her Excellency is not to enter into competition with the dairy owners of Canada, nor need her purpose be regarded as a fad. Hor ladyslip is errinently practical, and her purpose is obviously to give a fashionable stimulus to dairying as a respectable and highly important calling. By setting such an example as she is here doing she will accomplish much, for the example will be followed. It was by methods not altogether similar, but exercised on the same principle, that she stimulated Irish industries. The good his Excellency is achieving by the interest manifested in husbandry, and his conscrt by her powerful patronage and example in social and industrial affairs is beginning to bo materially felt in the country. Well may the Rideau Hall dairy flomish!

Much has been written of late in the daily press on the exodus from the farm. The crowning glories of agriculture have been held up as an inducement to the young men and women to remain on the old homestead. Among the mass of writing there is some senso but a great deal of nonsense. As a rule these articles aro the finished musings of theorists-men who know little of farm life, but who think the depopulating of the rural districts and the overcrowding of the cities' would be cured were farmers' families to stay at home. The suggested remedy will never work, and it were a pity were it seriously applied. In all countries there must be migration from country to town. The town requires new blood and new enterprise, and it is from the sturdy yeoman stock of the farm they must draw it. But there ought to be migration from the town to the country. The worn out townsiman needs the recuperation of the farm, and to till the soil man should return from the factories, the stores and offices of the city. As to the advantage of the farmer over the mechanic a contemporary weli says: "One phase of farming must bo brought to one's attention during hard times such as these when so many thousands are out of work. It is that there are no such things as strikes on the farm, and the lack of work because times are dull. There is always steady work on the farm, and the farmer never has to worry about being thrown out of a job. Here is a carpenter who is busy on a paying job this month, but when that is finished he must be in a state of anxiety to know where he can find anything else to do. The same is true of a
painter and all kinds of mechanics. To a steady workman, and one who has a family to support, this uncertainty of his future income must bring a great deal of worry and anxiety. Generally when we compare a carpenter's income with that of a farmer's we multiply the number of working days in a year by two or three, according to the number of dollars a day the mechanic receives, and take no account of the days of enforced idloness when there is no work or prospects of work ahead. This is consequently an unfair comparison.

From correspondence which has passed between Mr. W. L. Mayce, commissioner to enquire into the question of ocean rates for cattle, and Mr. 'T. O. Robson, St. Marys, President of the Canadian LiveStock Association, it appears that the Executive Committee of the Association is interesting itself in the subject and that the investigation will proceed on the close of navigation. The enquiry promises to be important and full advantage ought to be taken of it by the representatives of the live stock traders.

The millions of people living in India are formidable rivals of wheat growers in the world's markets. During the last four years they have exported nearly 135 million bushels of wheat, of which 27 millions were exported in 1890, 56 millions in 1891, 28 millions in 1892, and 2.2 millions in 1893 . The total product for 1894 is estimated at $2: 8$ million bushels, as against 208 million bushels in 1893. This yeu's crop is two million bushels below the average. More than the usual acreage of wheat was sown, owing to the gerierally favorable summer and autumn rains. The winter and spring weather varjed widely in the different regions, so that, though the harvest was excellent in the Pumjab, it was decidedly bad in the central provinces, and only fair elsewhere. The cultivation of this cercal appears to be extending in Bongal, and also in the northwestern provinces. Although the home consumption is great, there has in general been little trade in wheat between the provinces. Prices have been moderate, even in these sections where the crop was a complete failure, and the decline in the export trade has combined with the general abundance of all the grain harvests to keep the price of wheat below fifty cents a bushel.

California fruit in London, England, has proved a great novelty. 'the first large shipment ever made to Britain reached London not long since. It is said that buyers were there from all parts of the kingdom, and critically examined the fruit. Although in fair conclition it was over-ripe, showing that it had been picked too late and packed too lightly. The result of this initial shipment, says a New York report. was moderately satisfactory howcver, and the grapes, plums, and pears met with ready salc. Some of the last-named went at low prices, ranging at $\$ 1.00$ to $\$ 1.50$ per box of 40 pounds, although some of the greoner pears brought as high as $\$ 9.75$ to $\$ 2.85$. It has been proved beyond a doubt that it is practicable to market Pacific Coast fruit in England.

Tue following good advice pemed by Mr. S.C. Bunstine is worthy of wile publication, for undoubtedly it can be more or less applied in every section of the country. It is on the evil of borrowing tools or the use of them. Hero it is :-

- I have known men to walk two miles to grind an axe on a neighbor's grindstone-felt too poor to buy one of their own, and yet I have seen these same fellows with their tanks so full of firewater that locomotion was impossible."

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president of the Grand Truak Railway. presidont of the Grand Truli Railway.


Covered Barns.
Wituin recent years a new method of protecting manure has found much favor in certain parts of the country, and this is in the use of completely covered barnyards, over which the accumulating manure from the cow and horse stalls, the cilf and sheep pens, is evenly spread, and coarse litter thrown on top, the whole being kept firmly packed by the constant tramping of animals over it, preventing all injurious heating. Such a barnyard also provides splendid protection to animals when housed at night during the summer, this roof protecting them from heavy showers in the night, and affording an excellent opportunity for exercise in the winter, as all the sides, except that toward the south, can be protected arainst cold winds by being temporarily boarded up. The plan of a
has been invented by the farmers here, and is very much in use. For want of some better name it is called a loveller. Another tool called the float, or clod breaker, must not be confounded with the leveller.

The leveller shown in the illustration is made by the use of four planks, three inches thick by twelve inches wide, and fourteen or sixteen feet long. About four feet from each end of two of

the planks a gaid is cut on one side of the plank on the surface side. These four planks are bolted together edgewise, not unlike a box without any bottom or top, except that the sides are not flush with the ends by four feet. If the corners are not braced, large eye-bolts must be used. In order to use the leveller a team is hitched to each of the two front corners, and the implement is hauled through the field, after having been weighted to the proper amount to best serve the character of the field in which it is used. The drivers ride on boards placed across the leveller. The soil will gather in front


PIAN FOR A ROOFED CATfle Yard.
covered barnyard shown in the illustration provides not only for the required protection of both animals and manure, but affords also an excellent grain, hamber, where grain can be stored convenieni for use. Under the side roofs is also afforded a chance for the storing of small tools. and a great variety of articles that are continually in the way when stored about the farm buildings. The plan criven here may prove suggestive, even when it is necessary to change it somewhat to adapt it to varied circumstances of location.
With all due regard to this and other means of saving manure. however, it should be thoroughly understood that manure is never worth any more than at the moment it is voided by our farm animals. It then contains so much nitrogen, potash, phosphoric acid, lime, etc., as it ever will contain. The sooner it is put upon the land the less waste there will be of those elements of plant food, unless the land is so exposed that the manure will wash off, or is so sandy that the plant food will leach away and be lost. Becnuse excrement does not improve by keeping, it is applied at once.-American sigriculturist.

## A Leveller for Plowed Land.

Onc of the best contrivances for preparing wheat and corn grouud is one that has beeninvented in the West, but which has not been patented. The soil here is a loam or drift deposit, free from gravel, and in some places the subsoil is a continuation of the upper soil for a great distance. In plowing the soil it is found that the land will wash during the heavy showers of the summer, and in many places becomes full of small gullies. Although it does not get hard or lumpy like soil of a more clayey nature, still there is trouble with clods when the scason is very drouthy. In order to level the land and break the lumps, an implement
of the front plank and all the finc earth will sift through andunder the plink; lumps will gather and be mashed, as uneven places are found in the ficld. When a dead-furrow is crossed, it is at once completely filled up and filled up and levelled in a way that camot be done with any other tool.
The leveller and the float have almost superseded the harrow here in the paeparation of the soil for crops. I prepared the ground for fortyfive acres of wheat last fall that never had a harrow in the field, and the wheat looks at this writing as if it would yield thirty bushels per acre. It is a perfect stand and was put in with a press drill. The float or clod crusher is made by placing several planks, twelve or fourteen fect long, in such a way that they wrill overlap each other, like the siding of a house, and the float is drawn by two or by four horses. I have found that this implement does better work by not being too long. I prefer ten feet to sixteen in length. Ay the use of these two tools, a field is like an onion bed, and only needs a roller to complete it in some dry seasons.G. W. Frankin, in the American Agriculturisi.

## A Small Plant Room.

Tur addition of a bay window for the accommodation of plants means the tearing away of a considerable portion of one side of $a$ room, and frequently makes the room thereafter incon-

fili. 1 . ground plan of plant laom. venient for the arranging of furniture. The illustration, Fig. 1, shows how a plant windo:may be added with very little change in the
original room. An ordinary window is cut down to the floor, making a door of it, while outside of this is built a rectangular addition that will make a charming little room for plants. Of course, the width and depth of the addition can be made to suit one's fancy. The glimpse which one has from the sitting room into such a plant room is exceedingly pleasing, as shown


FIG. 2. interion view of plant room.
in Fig. 2 particularly if the doorway is hung with a pretty portiere. Such a room should have double windows, then, if the portiere is is drawn at night, the heat from the sittingroom would keep the plants from freezing on a cold night.

## Table for Sorting Beans.

The culture of beans is rapidly increasing in Ontario, as they command a very profitable price in the market. In thrashing and winnowing the beans it is almost impossible to remove


FIG. 1. VIEW OF BEAN SORTING TABLE FROM ABOVE.
all pieces of pods and vines, and the shrunken or diseased beans, hence hand sorting is necessary to put the beans in a clean condition which secures the best prices. An ingenious table on which to sort the beans is shown in the illustration from sketches by E. P. Judson. Fig. 1

mig. 2. SIDE VIEW OF bean sorting table.
presents a view of the table from above, showing the sieve and the spout. A side view is shown in Fig. 2, with drawers for refuse and bad beans beneath the sieve. This useful contrivance may be made in portable shape, and tho legs can be folded so that it can be brought into the house on cold, stormy days. The logs are bolted to the sides with one bolt each. The height of the table can be varied by making the legs slant more or less, and then fastened by a wooden pin in holes bored to suit. A slide keeps the beans from pouring into the sieve too rapidly.

## Sive Stack.

## The Feeding of Sheep.

Tre old-fashioned sheep pens gave the lambs free access to the feeding racks, and generally from thence to the barn floor, in both of which situations they managed to soil a good deal of feed, and to afford no little inconvenience to

Ir you have made up your mind that stockkeeping is unprofitable business, it will be pretty hard to make it turn out differently. It needs faith in your occupation to bring about complete success. If you must decry the business, better get sut of it at once.

A lack of economy in feeding may show itself in various ways, including the following,


> convenient reeding racks for sheep.
the owner. Moreover the old-fashioned racks were very inconvenient when feeding grain or roots to the sheep, as their heads were either in the dish, or contimually in its way, while those which first received their grain or root ration finished it soor after the last one was given hers, which gave the strong animals a chance to eat their own and then to fight for the ration of the weaker. The device shown herewith consists of narrow little doors, one for each sheep in the pen, through which only their heads can protrude. The doors are all opened and shut with one movement of the hand, and when shut can be fastencd with a single movement. Each feed can be placed in position belore the doors are opened, se that all can begin to eat at the same time, while no heads have been in the way of the feeder. The doors may be closed " between meals."

Triere are very few farmers who cannot raise a fow hogs with profit. It must be remembered that good pasturage is the secret of success with them.

Dairymen who are creamery patrons should hive an cye to the by-product-the skim milk. They can obtain it very cheaply, and it is a direct road toward the making of cheap and profitable pork.

Holstein cows are the largest producers of my of the milk breeds. If you want quantity, and pretty good quality, too, you can't malie my mistake in getting these.

The winter dairy is one of the outgrowths of the new agriculture. One point that recommends it strongly is that it furnishes a source of income at a time when the farm is otherwise mactically unproductive.

Ir youl can raise one or two good colts each ason, you may add materially to the profits of the stock department of your farm. But it will hardly pay to do it unless you have some yood mares to start with. Poor mares bring poor colts, and these are not in any great demand. Be sure that the mares you breed are sound in body and limb, of a kind disposition, vet spirited and plucky. Then if you have used a good stallion you will be very apt to secure a colt that can be readily marketed at a price that will warrant all the care that jou can bestow.
viz. ; Feeding unsuitable animals; buying the foods fed, rather than growing them; neglecting to grow the cheaper foods; and fecding food without regard to market values.

The man who has time to sit by the stove in the village grocery while his cattle are shifting for themselves on the hill, working for dear life to get a nibble of frosted grass to keep them alive, is the one who blames "the government" because times are hard, and he has not money enough to pay for the farm.

Here is one of the points of profit in growing horses: From the age of two and a half years a well bred colt, properly fed and handled, should be able to do enough work about the farm to pay for his keep-not heavy work, but light work which is just sufficient to give him the needed exercise.

It pays to give close attention to the care of a horse, cleanliness being an item which must be particularly looked after. A defective foot can ruin a horse about as quickly as any blemish. It is true that a good many feet are spoiled by dofective shoeing, but vastly more by not being lrept clean.

In breeding horses you must not let your expectations outrun common sense. Some men expect a full blood sire to produce a colt after his own style or finish, without any regard to the fact that the mare is of no style or type whatever. This cannot be done, and the sooner you make up your mind to it the better.

The desire for grood, lean pork, instead of so much fat, l, as put many people considering how the supply may be increased. Keep the young pirs as long as possible on crass, feed skim milk and bran and no corn. When the bodies or frames have grown give them oatmeal and rye, ground entire, mixed with bran, putting in twice as much bran as rye. Keep up a vegetable and apple diet, and allow them to eat all the grass they will. A little corn may be fed toward the end. Pork made in this way will be tender and juicy. The fat is something more than lard; it is meat, with the grain and substance of meat.

## The fooltry watid.

## Ancient Hints on Poultry.

While it is most interesting to note the rapid advances that have been made in recent years in poultry raising to accurately measure this amelioration and locate what has actually been accomplished by us of modern times, may be pleasing as well as profitable. To do this no better way suggestsitsell than that of inquiring into the facts known to our ancestors two and quarter centuries ago.
In "Spstema Agricultural" or "The Mystery of Husbandry Discovered," by F. W. Gent, published in London, E.C., 1669, in treating the subject of llaising Fowl to a profit the writer says: "They are kept to a very great advanvantage in the Backsides and at the Barn doors of big farms and as I have certainly been informed a good farm had been wholly stockt with Poultry, spending the whole crop upon them and keeping soveral to attend them, and that it hath redounded to a very considerable improvement. It seems also consonant to reason, especially within a day's journey of London, that they might have a quick return and a good market, being in a capacity to furnish the market throughout the year, either with eggs, Chickers, Pullets, Capons or Cocks and hens, also the feathers must need yield a considerable advantage, especially if you shear them as they do sheep as in some places is usual, and the dung of pouitry being of great use on the land, much excoeding the dung of any cattle whatsoever."
Therefore is convenient places made for them, as dark as may be, which doth much expedite their fatning, and the poultry there fed and the dung reservod, and before it hath taken wet let it be mixed with earth it will undoubtedly answer the expense of a great part of the corn you feed them withal. If they are fed on buck wheat or hemp-seed they will lay more eggs than with any other grain.
Their methods of hatching and rearing young brood might well be adopted by many farmers of to-day, as will be seen by the following paragraph :
"Hatch three or four dozen eggs in a Lampfurnace made of a few boards, only by the heat of a candle or lamps. So that you order them that they may hatch about the same time that the hen hatches her eggs that you intend shall lead them. By this means you may keep the larger kinds to lay, and the lesser to sit and nurse up the chickens."
The idea of darkness as one of the essentials of quick fattening was very prominent with them, as will be observed from the writer's remarks on geese:
"The young or green geese are best fatted if kept dark, and fed with ground malt and milk mixed together. You will observe that geese usually sit in the night time with their beaks or bills on their rumps, where they suck out most of their moisture and fatness at a small bunch of feathers, which you shall find standing upright on their rumpsalways moist, which if cut away close before you put them to fatting they will be fat in much less time and with much less meat than otherwise. Give them carrots also."
In closing his article on geese he says: "I? jews wrap the goose up in a Linen Apron, and hang her up in a dark place, stopping her ears with Peason, or some other thing, that by neither hearing nor sceing of anything she be not forced to struggle nor cry ; after they rivo her pellets of ground malt or Barley steeped in water thrice a day, setting by them water and gravel, by which manner of feeding, they make them so fat that it is almost incredible."

Mend your broken panes of glass; tighten up all the cracks; give your fowl houses a good washing with lime, and have evorything clean, dry and sweet for the coming winter.

## ALANSON HARRIS.

A PIONEER CANADIAN IMPLEMENT MANUFACTUREL PASSES OVER TO THE "SILENT Majomity."
alanson Harris, founder of the business of A. Harris Son \& Co., Ltd., of Brantford, Canada, and vice-president of the Massey-Harris Company, litd., of Toronto, Canada, died at Brantford, Ontario, on Oct. 3rd, 1891, aged seventy-eight years. The immediate cause of his death was an affection of thelungs, together with that physical decadence incidental to a man of his ripe years.
Alanson Harris was the eldest son of John and Catharine (Duggert) Harris, both natives of New York, and now deceased for some years. He was born near the town of Ingersoll, Oxford county, on April 1, 1816. A few years afterwards he, with his parents removed to Boston, Norfolk county, where he received his early school training, which was but limited. In early life he was engaged in farming, and also had charge of his fathers's saw mill at Boston. He removed to Mount Pleasant in the year 1841, and in connection with his father built a saw mill on Whiteman's creek, about seven miles from the city, where they cut considerable lumber and sold the first load of strip lath that ever came into Brantford. John Harris, the father of the deceased, was the inventor of a wooden revolving horse-rake, so commonly used a few years ago, many of which he made and sold. The son seemed to inherit the practical ability of the father, and having a natural inclination for manufacturing pursuits, he disposed of his interest in the mill and purchased a small foundry in the village of Beamsville, Lincoln county.
Starting out with the determination of establishing a successful and permanent business, he began hy studying the needs of the farming community, and selecting those implements for manufacture most required at that time. By his natural ability and practical ingenuity, combined with fair dealing, he succeeded in his object, for the plows, cultivators and other implements proved so satisfactory to his customers that the business gradually increased in volume.
In the year 1862 he associated with him his eldest son John, then twenty-one years of age, giving him one-half interest in the business. The latter threw all his youthful energy into the industry, adding the mower and reaper to the list of goods. The business, under the joint management, grew up so rapidly that it was, found necessary in 1891 to enlarge operations, hence the removal to Brantford. Mr. Harris has never aspired to any public office, but he has devoted his time and attention to his rapidly increasing business. Besides being the honored head of tho large industry which bears his name, he was a director of the Brantford Cordage Company.
Whon over a quarter of a century ago Alanson Fiarris bought a small foundry in the village of Beamsville, and began the manufacture of
plows, cultivators, etc., he little thought he was lying the foundation of a great industry. Previous to this the Beamsville shop had been run by different owners with varied success, but the genius of Mr. Harris for mechanical pursuits at once became apparent, for the infant industry soon became noted for the excellence of its products. It was not, however, until his son John became associated with his father in business, and the reaper and mower were added to their list of goods that anything more than local celebrity was secured. John Harris, a natural born mechanic, threw himself with all the ardor of youth into the business, and determined from the outset of his career that the best goods, and the best only, should be the products of the concern. On such a basis it was not long until the Harris implements were known far and wide, and commanded ready sale, so much so that it was found necessary to enlarge the premises by the addition of a new molding shop. In 1867 the cutting of grain by machinery was not very general, and while

alanson harms.
roapers were being manufactured which attained a degree of success, they were for the most part of a crude character. 'That year A. Iarris \& Son, as the firm was then styled, introduced and commenced to build Kirby hand-rake reapers, which achieved quite a reputation. This hand-rake reaper required two men to operate it, one to drive, the other to rake off the grain into sheaves. In 18,19 the self-rake was introduced, and in a year or two their popularity was such that the foundry in Beamsville was found quite inadequate to supply the demand. In $1872 \mathrm{~J} . \mathrm{K}$. Osborne was admitted as a member of the firm, and the removal to Brantford was decided upon, and in that year a portion of the Colborne street factory was built under the supervision of Mr . Harris. From 1872 till 1881 the business continued to increase with rapid strides, the premises being constantly enlarged and the popularity of the Brantford machines extending.
In 1881 A. Harris, Sou \& Company was incorporated under the Domition joint stock com-
panies act, and since that date its business career has been one of uninterrupted success, the fame of its products extending from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and its ramifications reaching to nearly every quarter of the globe. The almost phenomenal success of this company can be directly traced to the principles laid down over a quarter of a century ago, viz., reliable goods and square dealing.
Here, only a few years' experience were sufficient to teach the firm that more capacious premises were necessary to meet and overtake their rapidly increasing business. About ten years ago they began the construction of blacksmith shops and other similar buildings on the site of the present edifice. Even this relief was not sufficient, and so after much consideration it was ultimately determined to erect a building commensurate with the importance and demands of the business. In 1888 the present magnificent structure was commenced and pushed forward to completion, and finally occupied by the company.

This condition of affairs continued along until the fall of 1891, when proposals were made for the amalgamation of the Harris company with the Massey's of Toronto. The completion of this large corporation was hardly announced when it became known that two other agricultural industries, J. O. Wisner, Son \& Company, and Patterson \& Bro. Co., had also consented to join what was to be hereafter known as the MasseyHarris Company, Itd., owning and operating factories in Toronto, Brantford and Woodstock, In this new organization Mr. Harris accepted the position of viccpresident, with H. A, Massey as president. Mr. Hazris, however, no longer continued to take any active part in the work, which was handed over to younger heaits and stronger hands. The more recent history of the firm is well-known and needs no repetition.
Mr. Harris' private life was above reproach. He was always the friend of the needy and friendless. Though not a public man, he was keenly alive to the vital questions of the day and thoroughls posted on all matters concerning the political and moral welfare of his country. He was a member of the Baptist church and a liberal giver to the cause of religion and charity He was twice married and leaves to mourn him a wife and two children.
Mr . Harris' funeral took place Oct. 5th from the First Baptist Church, Brantford, where he had been an honored member for many years. The service was conducted by Rev. T1. Jolu: ston, assisted by Rev. D. Hutchinson, Rev. W. H. Portcr, and Rev. Dr. Stewart. All spoke in deeply earnest words of the kindness and generosity as exhibited by the life of Mr. Harris.

A memorial service was also held in the Walmer Road Baptist Church, Toronto, Sur day, Oct. 14th, where the only remaining sou Rev. Elmore Harris, is pastor. It was largel! through the generosity of Mr. Harris that this church was erected, and many mission churche throughout the province owe their existence to his timely aid.


## A Crocheted Hood.

A PRETTY and easily made hood for wearing when the hat or bonnet might spoil the arrangement of the hair when " going out to tea," and yet simple enough to wear when running into a neighbor's on an errand or to make a friendly

call, is shown in the sketch. Not the least among its recommendations is its universal becomingness, the soft fluffy edge, when of a suitable color, making a charming framearound the face. It is cr jcheted out of ice-wool, using grood-sized bone crochet needle. One box of ce-wool, a yard each of baby ribbon and No. 7 satin ribbon will be required. The ice-wool usually sells at twenty-five cents a box.
Any one who can crochet at all will have no rouble to follow these directions: Make a chain © three stitches and join into a circle.
1st, Row.- Three chains, fasten into the circle with a single crochet stitch, three chains, isten, three chains, fasten, three chains, fasten. ind, Row.-Three chains, fasten with a sinle crochet stitch into the middle stitch of the birst loop, three chains, fasten into the same titch in the same manner, three chains, fasten nto the middle stitch of the next loop, three hains and fasten into the same loop; repeat mint the row is finished, and you will have a guare with three loops on each side.
Ird, Row. -Three chains, fasten into the middle stitch of the next loop, with a single rochet stitch, three chains fastened into the ame loop, three chains fastened with a single titch into the middle stitch of the next locp, heeo chains fastened into middle stitch of next oop, three chains fastened into middle stitch of text loop, three chains fastened into middle titch of next loop, three chains fastened into ame loop, repeat until row is complete. Now ou have a square with four loops on each side. loutinue working in this way, widening at each onner, every round, until all but three balls of he ice-wool have been used. Now increase the umber of chains in each loop by iwo, making ve instead of three; work in this way until all ut about a yard of the wool has been used; reak off and fasten the end by drawing it i. ugh a number of times.
l. joining this wool it is necessary after tying he knot to sew it. It is so wiry that otherise the ends are apt to work loose in a short me and unravel.
T'ake this crochet square and fold the points gether (shawl fashion), allow a row of loops one side to come out beyond those of the
other, run in the baby-ribbon through the loops as shown in the sketch, about an inch from the edge, sew the ribbon tightly at each end, and put a bow made of wider ribbon in the centro of the point. Nako two plaits, turning toward the centre and meeting in each side of the lower: edge and about an inch from it. Sew them strongly in place with the piece of ice-wood saved from the hood.
A very handsome shawl can be crocheted in this manner, using six boxes of the wool, four for the centre and two for the border. The widening being at each corner and the rows going all round the square, it will keep its shape and not "sag."
White and the light shades of blue, yellow or pink can be used in this wool, as from its firm, glossy finish, it does not soil readily.-Country, Gentleman.

## A Novel Clothes Brush.

OUR illustration shows a queer little clothesbrush that is as pretty asit is useful, and makes an appropriate gift where one does not care to give anything costly. The bit of a brush is quite easily made, if one has a supply of horsehair within reach. Lay a large handful of the long hairs together in a straight, compact bundle, and bind them securely. Over the place of


SERVICEABLE RRUSH.
binding, which is a little to one side of the middle, sew a short strip of red velvet or plush, turning in the edges at the sides and joining the ends with a fancy stitching of silk of the same color. Now you are ready for the dainty handle which is made of picot-edred "baby" ribbon of any color desirable. In this case it is a delicate shade of blne. It passes around the velvet just inside either edge, and ties in two little bows, with a loop between for the handle. The ends of the horsehair are clipped until they are perfectly even andi form a stiff brush.

## Bread and Cake Cabinet.

Mumerous households have the tin cake boxes, and such are better off than the families whose cake reposes upon plates upon shelves and whose cookies and doughnuts are quartered in covered tin pails, but tin cake boxes are rarely tight enough to keep out ants and other insects, or to keep in the moisture, without which cake is dry and tasicless. Moreover, putting several kinds of cake into one tin box usually results (in the moving and replacing of one variety to get to another), in a serions "mussing" of the cake which greatly injures its attractivoness, and, therefore the pleasure of eating it. A much better arrangement, and one easily secured, is to have a cabinet made, such as is shown in the accompanying illisitration, with four or more drawers, broad and not too deep, each fitting


USEFUL STOREROOM CONVENIENCE.
tightly into the cabinet, a part of which are to be used for bread, which, in many households, has also no fixed abiding place where it may he
kept fresh, and a part for cake. The loaves, either of bread or cale, can thus be laid in one of the drawers, and not thercafter disturbed until wanted for the table. Below the lc.. or drawers is a place to slide in a cake and bread board, which can be drawn out when it is desired to cut a loaf, after which it isslipped back into place, thus being kept clean. A bread knife will always be at hand, if some such arrangement is made for it as shown in the cut. Such a cabinet will be made of whitewood, smoothed with sandpaper and then shellacked.

If the color has been talien out of silk by fruit stains, ammonia will usually restore the color.
After a room has been newly papered there should be ample opportmity given the paper to dry upon the walls before a fire is built in the apartment.

Monograms on a bride's house linen now are made in heavy linen floss or rope silk, its heaviness varying in accordance with the material it is used upon.
Crape is of four different weaves, from the light crape, single threaded, through the double and triple weaves to the quadruple, which is the best quality.
Hot water, as hot as can be borne (the wounded part being placed therein fifteen or twenty minutes) is the best thing that can be used to heal a strain or bruise.
A woman's perioclical has been having a prize competition in don'ts in dress. One of the "honorable mentions" is rather clever :

Don't adopt the Jatest mode,
Don't trail your dress upon the road,
Don't cver lice jour waist too tightly,
Don't wear a boot or glove unsightly,
Don't wear a thing that needs repair,
Don't, please, forget to brush your hair,
Don't ever wear too lare a check.
Don't show too much of snowy ned

## REVIEWS.

Scribner's for Oetober has an exvellent article on " Railroad 'Travel in binghad and America.' All the papers makiner un this number ate very good.
Rranivg through the mumbers of Jhapper:s Matguine
 by Richard Dudley Wirner.
J. Henniker Freaton, M.1', the well known postal reformer and author of the Imprital pemy postare sebeme. writes on "The Transa
can Reciew for October.
Outing for October is an cxecedingly atractive and
 plete stories, aftord a variety of reading calculated to suit luldestori
all tastes.
AhcClure's Mragaine will show its usual pre-cminene in thes matter of short stories in the November number. Shong others there win heshort stories by Conan Doyle,
"The Chureh and its Relation to Labor" ras the sumject of a remarkalle addressat the Grindelwald Conference hy Mr. Alfred Ewen Fletcleer, cditor of the London Ihaily Chromicle. The entiry address appears in the Octoher
number of the heciev of hecieces.
The Chautarequan for October is full of interestiner information. Specially grod papers are "The Derelopunent
of Railronds in the United States," Social Life in Fanof Railronds in the United States," "Social Life in Ear-
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Dr. Heinuich Fensoldt's third paper on "Oceult. Science in Thibet" appears in the October Arenu. This series of articles has created a great deal of discussion. Some writers are violently opposed to Dr. Fensolds statements and of the greatest importatuce and value.

All the abore first-class motozines are on wet ('Inobing List. See List on another potge.


## How Fujinoko found Content

Very far away, in far Japan, near one of the quaintest of its quaint little villages, there lived a funny man-a poor stonecutter whoss name was Fujinoko. Every day he workse.? hard to earn money enough to supply the wants of his family, and he not only managed to do this, but sometimes he saved alittle something over. On certain days he would row out in a funny little boat to a great rock that lay in the sea not very far from shore, and there he would haminer and chisel and pry until he had broken off several large pieces of stone. These he would carry away to be fashioned into monuments which he sold to those who wished to do honor to their departed ancestors.
Now, Fujinoko wasa very disesntented little man. He was always grumbling because he was poor, while some others were rich.
One very hot day he had gone to the rock in his little boat, taking his dinner with him. He expectel to spend the entire day in getting a fresh supply of stone.
He worked away until it was nearly noon, and then he stopped and sat down within the shadow of the rock to rest and eat his dimner.

While he was nibbling away at his boileu rice and his bit of fish, a large boat, propelled by half a dozen oarsmen, shot swiftly by. In it sat the owner of the boat, a rich merchant from the neighboring city; and near him sat his servants, one of whom was fanning him, while another was supplying him with refreshments.
"There, now," said Fujinoko, "look at that! Why is that man so much richer and greater than I?' I work harder, and yet I have nothing while he has everything.

It is unbearable! I. want to be better than all. Oni! How hot it is and how tired I am! I wish I did not have to work so hard. I wish I was, that man in the boat! I w-i-i-s-h I was-"

Will not the Honorable Master deign to take his tea?" said a voice near him.
The little man raised his head, rubbed his eyes, and looked about him with astonishment. The great rock and his little boat had disappeared. His dusty and ragred clothing was also gone, and ho was dressed in the finest and richest of robes. He wassitting under a silken shade, in the stern of a large boat, before him knelt a man holding a small tray on which was a cup of fragrant tea.
Poor little Fujinoko looked so astonished and perploxed that the servant said:
"The Honorable Master has been dozing. I think, and I fear I have disturbed him; but this is the hour at which he commanded that his tea should be served."
It berran to dawn upon the mind of the little man that his great wish was realized. So he took the cup with a lordly air, tasted the teie, found fault with its flavor, and finally drank it slowly; then, replacing the cup upon the tray, he relapsed into quict enjoyment.
Soon the boat drew near to a great city, and the boatmen skillifilly brought hea along side of some stone landing-steps.
As the servants bustled about, gathering up their master's belongings, a man descended the stens, bowing profoundly, toannounce that the Honorable Master's litter was ready. Fujinoko seated himself in the litter ; the bearers raised it and attended by all hisretinue, le was borne away.
They had not proceeded far, however, when a great commotion arose and two armed men caine striding along the street crying:
"Way for the Prince! Room for the Lord of Choshi! Move aside there, you merchant, or you will get hurt!"

So Fujinoko and his party were hustled to one side of the street, to await the passing of the great man.
Immediately the little man's grumbling fit came on again.
"Ihis is too bud!" he said to himself. "Here is a man who is more powerful than $I$, and before whom I must bow, how shall I remedy the matter? Alas, I know hot! I wish I was the Prince of Choshi!" and bowing his head he gave way to gloomy thoughts.
When he looked up again, they had left the city behind them and were traversing the open country. It seemed to him that his retinue had grown larger; there were now many men about his litter, and the greater part of them were clad in armor and boreswords and spears. Soon they began to cly :
"Way for the Prince!"
Hardly had he settled himself comfortably when he was disturbed by a noise as of a great trampling of horses, and at once his bearers hurried to the side of the road and stopped.
"What is it?" asked Fujinoko impatiently. "Why are we stopping here?"
The man-at-arms, whose post was beside the litter, replied :

My lord, the banner of the Emperor is approaching ; his Sacred Majesty rides forth to hunt, and is even now about to pass by."
"How aggravating!" said Fujinoko angrily. "Must I be eternally meeting some one to whom I must give way?" At this moment the Emperor, surrounded by his guards, rode by. The new-made Prince of Choshi bowed profoundly to his sovereign, but all the while envy filled his heart, and he muttered to himself.

- Here, at last, is a man than whom there is none greater! Ah, if I could be that man!"

Whish! In a twinkling the litter, its bearers, and all his retainers disappeared, and he found himself seated upon a magnificent horse, arrayed in imperial robes, and surrounded by the richly drossed throng of courtiers and soldiers, all decorated with the imperial insignia.
"At last," said Fujinoko, to himself, "here I am at the top of the ladder: There is now no one who is greater than I!"

Soon the cavalcade arrived at the hunting grounds, and made preparations for the hunt; but before all was ready, the sun shone out so fiercely that the Emporor and all his train, unable to endure the heat, took shelter in a neighboring temple.

Very angry indeed was Tujinoke. "So!" he exclaimed, "the Emperor is not the strongest after all, since he is conquered by the sun! Oh, yo mighty gods, I must be stronger than all! Let me be the sun!"

At once he felt himself rising from the earth, and swelling out. mrowing as he rose higher and higher. Fujimoko had become the Sun.
Now he exulted, and said: "Ha, ha! Now I am the strougest!"

Far away on the horizon, there arose a dark cloud, and it came rolling up and up and spread itself out between the burning sun and the poor parched earth. Then every hoart was lifted in gratitude to the gods for the great dark cloud.

Hot with anger was Fujinoko, and he exerted his powor upon the clond; but without effect. At last he pettishly exclaimed, "Ho! it must be admitted I am not yot the strongest, since I cannot drive away the cloud. I will no longer be the Sun-I wish to be the cloud !"

No sooner were the words spoken than he felt himself descending rapidly, and found hinsself turned into a great darls cloud.

He hurried at once to exercise his new power, and the cloud began to send showers of rain fiercely upon the earth.
Again the poor people were obliged to run for shelter.
"Ho, ho! now indeed 1 am the strongest?" he cried ; and he sailed away.

At length he espied a great rock lying out in the sea. "Now." he cried, I am going to wash you clear away; so look out, niy friend!"
Then the rain began to beat upon the rock,
but it seemed to make no difference to the rock whether it rained or not.
At last Fujinoko gave up in despair, crying:
"I shall wear myself clear away striving with this great hulk of a rock! He is stronger than I. Oh, that I might be the rock.

Falling again? Yes, so he was, and becoming smaller and harder ; finally a plunge and a great splash? and Fujinoko changed into a giant rock.

Well, the sun shone its hottest upon him and he never minded it, the clouds rained their hardest unon him, but he was not disturbed. He laughed gleefully: "Ho, ho! Behold, I am stronger than the strongest!"
But one day there came rowing off from the land a funny little man in a funny little boat; he came straight to the rock, landed upon it, and, making the boat fast, he took out of it some hammors and chisels and a crowbar.
"Now," said the rock, "what do you want? But no matter-you can't have it, for I'm the strongest, I'll have you know!"

The little man gave no heed to this speech, and soon had broken off quite a large piece.

Upon this the rock gave way to despairing rage. "Will there never be an end to this tiresome business?" "Shall I never get to be the strongest? I want to be that man!"
Just as he finished speaking, or rather shouting, these words, a great wave came rolling up and drenched his sides; he started, shivered, and looked about him, and lo, he was again the same funny little man that he was at the beginning!

He seized his hammer and chisel, whacking away so stoutly and sturdily that in a very short time he had all the material that he could conveniently carry, and rowed away home.

As soon as his friends saw him, they stared and said: "Hullo, what's the matter ?" But Fujinoko only chuckled. "Why, he has gone crazy !" said they ; but he said nothing.
And in as much as they had proviously called him. "Fujinoko the grumbler," they now called him "Fujinoko the merry."-St. Nicholas.



WHO HAS NOT BEEN CAUGHT?


WIfs-Oh, George,! I have forgotten my g!oves, and I can't get the drawer open.


Husband (irritably)-If you women would only make an effort when you attempt anything you would suceced oftener than you do. You needn't liagh; it has gol to come:


## UNFORTUNATE FIGURE OF SPEECF.

- Gentlemen," said the clairman of the Anarchist meet ing. "in my juderment the time has not yet rome for action

it was at this point the disturbames took place, and when the police had restored order there was scena large jarged hole in the window lack of the platrom, through which the chairman had retired from the seene, head first.


## IN THE BUSINESS CLASS.

The teacher of a commercial elass was hearing the class is banking recite and he called on a pensive looking fellow, from an interior town. "What's the nature of a check?" "The it nature" responded the
the pensive party, and the

Hazely-"By George! I can't understand it. My credit nust be gone. Business nent (lon't seem to think Yit pe the 8 aw your wife dress better."
He was a countryman, and he walked along a lusy thoroughfare and read a sign over the door of a manumad. He suid that any fool ought to know that.

## AN AMUSING ANECDOTE.

When Gen. Griunt arrived at Chattanooga, he ordered Hooker, who was then at Bridgeport, to advance to Look out Valley, menace Brage's tamk. and motect the passag of supulies up the Tennessee to within ashort distance from the famishing armics. This was promptly done. Hooker's main force took post at wauhatente, where he was atticired belore daylight on the morining of the gyth of the Coredcrates preve leaten and driven oway During this strurele an amusiur incilent oumbed. when the battle begem about $乡$ (0) mules frimtened liy the noise, hrote from their tethers and dashed into the rauks of Wade Hampton'slegion, and produced a great panic. The Confederates supposed it to be a charge of Hooker's cavalry, and fell boek in great confusion. The incident was a theme for a mock heroie poem of six stanzas in imitation of Temyson's "Charge of the Six Handred," two verses of whicli were:

> Fias there a mule dismayed?
> Not when their long ears fult
> All their ropes sunderei.
> Theirs not to make reply-
> Theirs iot to reason why-
> Theirs hut to make them tly-
> Brole the two hundred
> Mules to the rirht of them-
> Mules to the left of Chem-
> Pawed, 1rayed and thundere
> Brealdng their own contines-
> Breathing through Lonstreet's lines-
> Testims ehivalric spines,
> Into the Georgia troops
> stormed the two humdred."

"Call him a veteran joke writer? Why he is not more than 20 years old." "That is so; but his jokes are veterans all the same."
"Can I sec you apart for a moment?" "You mean aloue, don't you?","
wiant to borrow live."
Fasterly. - "Y nu have, no system of street swecutug in Paris City, of conse?" Col. Kimsis.-"Bless you, yes! or us regularly.
Guest (morning after arrival)-" $G$ geat Scott! I was mearly enen up by mosquitoss hast nirht: And yet you have the fie ?," fost-" yes; but you see l wrole that circular last winter."

Birds of evil omen-scare-crows.
How is the sum suphorted? By its beams.
The universal step-father-the dancing-master.
liecping upapearance-the suceessful actor.
A man of deep research-the sulmarine diver.
The hite of an adder-the booklieeprer's lunch.
The man who knows the least always ingists on telling it. The burglar, for ill his "taking" ways, is not a popular math.
The eivil enginecr's ambilion-to be monarch of all he surveys.
It is generally a very straight road to the harroom, but a mirhty crooked one coming bick
Mr. Landsman.-"How formidahle that war-ship looks in front!" Mrs. Landsman.-" les, and how stern le-
hind!"
"Tubhs says he's been making a number of improvements about his home recently." "Yes; Inticed he's sold the piano and lawn mower.
Mrs, Chatleigh -" Every one, you know, has a skeleton in their clasel:" Mrs. Crampleigh.-"'Thank goodncss, we haven't. We live in a flat.
Mr. Oldstyle.-"I don't think that a college celucation ammuts to much." Mr. Sparerod-" Don't yon? Well, you ought to foot my loy's hills and see."
"How do we hear?" asks a seientist. That is easily told. Somehody tells a friend and tells him not to tell, aum the friend of the teller tells in ricnd of ours and he tells us, and so we hear.
"Look here," said the proprietor of the lunch estalhishment, " this coin has a hole in it." "Well." replied Meandering Mike, "so had the doughnut ye sold me." And he atrode haughtily on

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