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F tho trio of grand old men who for so long loomed largo in the eyes not only of Europe, but of the world, only one remains. In our last
lamentation amidst which Mr. Gladstone was lowered to his grave had died awny tho indomitablo spirit of Prince Bismarck, tho architect of the German


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THE LATE PRTNCE BISMAECK iN HIS STUDX.
issue hut ono we reprorlucel two tupical scenes in the closing years of tha first of the trio to cross into that "undiscovered country from whose bourn no traveller returnis." letoro the eclio of universal

Empire and the greatest onnstructive statesman of tho century, has met its Xlaster and his mortal remsins aro laid to rett mimder tho shates of his old homo at Eredericksrhue, his son declining tho
honur offered hy the Emperol of plawag the body of the Giceat Catatellur alubtro side that of the Gient Willam, the first jimperor of unted Germital. Our finst illastation represents lumeo Bismarek ten years ago in his studs.
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fur Ahtme.
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Tho sole survivine member of the trio is tho Pope Jeo XIII., who in spite of the physical decay to bo expected in ono over 80 years of age, and whose long lifo has been one of constant toil, still main-
of the threo grand old neen of the nineteenth century.
Tho month of September has been a momentous ono nmong tho royalties of Europe. It has scen tho geaceful passing
away of the :seded Queen of Demmath, the mother of the Pimeres of Wales Ithes also withensed one of the most strocions muaders ever hnown in tho histury of anatchistic feud agisinst momarilis. In cen tath counta ies it is unfortunately only too thao that the monath ascemits tho throne with the conviction that unless cyery pecantion bo taken ho may some day fall a victim to an awnssin, who, mastucrading in the name of "Laberty"." thinks he is advancing the c.auso thereof, :andllestioying a ssstem ho hintes, by bratatly thing the hifo of onoman whomaccident h.is placed in tho fore as tho execativolicad of thatsystem.
Whilo Czars and Emperiors have to face this danger. and do face it unllinchumely, wo had yet to learn thist the venomousfany of anarchy would diract ntself, except in time of a molmado revoluthon, aginust a defeneeless woman, even thotigh that woman woro then wafo of an Empreror; and only a few weeks ago tho whole world was zlirilled with horror when tho news was flaslied abroad that tho Fimpress of Austria, while walking from her hotel to tho steamer, prace tically unattended, in a friendly forcign land, whero sho had been sojourning for her health. had been done to death by tha kinifo of ono of thoso excrescences of tho social bolly of to-day-an anarchist who ploried $m$ his deed so damablo and reolting.
It is with pleasure wo turn from such sad seenes within tho high places of the

Ohl Wuah to one of very different char* ater-theconatistion of the soung cereren of Hollam. Thas event has hal parta-tihir nttataction for tho peoplo of ciseat hitan, whose sympathes with the poung Queen in tho respotisibatitacs sho phsassumpdatequickened by tholemenbrance of the fact that their own beloyed sovereign was at a similar ago c.lled uron to assume hiko esponsibilities. Tho samo gillish sumplicity that claracterized Victoria, and set withal tho ilignity and carnostuess withwhechsho expmessed her desite to servo her subjects, over sixty years ago, havercounteapart in Wilhelmina, forwhom nokinderwish can bo expressed than that sloe may reign as long and bo as beloved amd revored as Queen Victorin.

We havo already referred in these pages to thosclection of Lord Ninto as successor to Lord Aberdcen as GovernotGeneral, and wo now havo considerablo pleasureinpresenting to our readers a reproluction of a very recent photograph of tho nobleman who will reprosont Eer Majosty in Canain for the nextfiveyears.
The campaign which has been carried on slowly but surcly for over two years, for tho occupation of Khartoum, tho reclaiming of tho Soudan for civilization, and tho meting of punishment for the death of Gordon, who, practically deserted by tho English Government of the day, fell a victim to tho forces of Mahdism thirtcen ycars ano. Over the t. wn in which tho great Christian soldier


TIE RIGHT HON. THE EARL OF BINTO, GOUERNOR-GENERAL ELECT
made such a bratoresistmeand through the streets of which has soven al head was carried when truachery had accomplished his defeat, the flags of Bitain and of a Biitain-protected Egynt fly to-day. In our issue of Junamy, 1\$07, we referred to tho famous mach to and capture of Dongola, the fist step on the road to Khartoum. The difficulties and dangers which tho expedition encountered and overcamo stamped the commander of the forces, Sirhicrbert Kithenet, as one of tho leading generals of tho day. A few months stuce tho victury of Atbarre added iresh glory and renown to his name. And now Khartoum has fallen! The measure of his greatness is hard to estimate. With a peerago and a pension will his country makity sense of appreciation of the services ho has rendered.
Tho campaga has of course been full of interestung inculents, of which the spectal artists and conespondents of the leading illustrated papers have not been slow to take ndwantare. After introducmig to our realers the features of the cunqueror of tho Suudan, we present an interesting secne, depteing the departuro of recruits of natives for the front. Of this the Graphic s special artist writes: "At Abassich the other morning I witnessed the departuro of a bateh of younge troops for the front. A large crowd of wives, mothers, aunts nid children had assembled to wish them farewell. The

train slowly moved off, and tho women began to howl and screnm in tho most pitcous manmer as they ran besido tho cars, waving their alms frantically. Tho polico posted along tho track tried gently to heep them back, exercising the greatest forbearance."
It is a necessity of modern warfaro that an invading force keeps itself in communication with the starting peint. This is done whenever possiblo by strmging telegraph wines along the route of march. When the "route of maich" consists oi almost impenetrablo forests, deep swamps and dangerous cataracts, the difficulties of keeping open communication are onlanced considerably, and tho successfullaying of cable under such conditions as presented themselyes to tho AngloEzyptian forco is but another testimony of tho completeness with which the expedition was equipped and the skill with which tho wois undertaken was carried out.
Probably the most stirring incident of the capture of Omdurman was the charge of the 21st Lancers through 8,000 Dervish horso and foot. Though this chargo formeet no part in tho Sirdar's plan of bat tle and ho did not give the word for it, 25 may bo questioned, suss the Graphic, whether British catalry crer dud a more


SIR HORATIO HERBERT KITCHENER, THR SIRDAR OF THE EOYPTIAN ARAT.


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THE SOUDAN CANPAIGN: NATIVE hechuits goliod to the fuont.
heroic deed. It camo about in this wise. Colonel Martin was tacting at tho head of his regiment to tho westward, with intent to cut of tho rctreat of the cnemy in that direction, when, acruss a watercuurse threo feet deep, thero aroso before the Iancers somo 3,000 Dervishes. Withont, :n instant's hesitation, Colonel Jar sin ordered the charge to be sounded, and in a minute or two tho thoopers were lashing and thrusting a way through
the dense mass of the exemy. Thes mado ther way, but at no small cost, for out of a total strength of 920 men with whach the rymment went moto tho fins they lust no fewer than forty killed anil wounded. Several horses were fuickly hamstrung, and their riders wele being cut to pieces by the ferocious foc. Wath one exception no math who was onco actually unhoiseal was agaiti seen alive. The suggle exception wis Surgeon-Majot


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THE SOLDAN CABHAIGN: THE HORSES OF THE 2lSt. LANCERS IHAVINO A batht.

Ginches. His norse was brought down to the ground, and the officer fell among the furious Dervishes. Sergeant.Major Breman, who was riling ahead, saw tho major's peril, and gallantly returned to his assistance. After a tough fight, in the course of which Brenman killed several Dervishes, ho succeeded in getting
the officer on to his own horse and back to the segiment.
Lieutenant Gienfell was hilled early in the charge. Knowing that the Dervishes would mutilato tho boly, Licutenant de Montmorency and Licutennat Pirio rodo back to the enemy, shot threo or four of them, and brought the licutenant's body


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TILC SOLDAN CABIPAIGN: "FULL ALL TOGFIIER, BOYS." SENDISG ARTILLERY TO TUE ERONT.
out of the mêlée. The non-commissioned officers were conspicuous throughout this thrilling business. Several Lancers who were wounded concealed the fact, and did not go to the doctor until long after the fighting was over. The Lancers' charge was quite reminiscent of old times. Each trooper picked out his man as he rode and went for him. Before they could get at the Dervishes they had to jump the watercourse, and they did it in splendid style.

A very interesting sight might have been seen any day at Abassyeh Bar-
exercise or parade the saddles are removed, and as soon as the sand is reached. down go the horses, and their enjoyment of this novel form of bath is very evident. The men holding them, however, have to avoid warily the heels of those animals which delight to roll over on their backs and plunge their legs about while wriggling well in the sand.
Our illustration on this page affords us a glimpse of what, we trust, is one of the final scenes in the Spanish-American war.

Admiral Sampson's fleet, on its arrival

" WHEN THE WAR IS O'ER." NEW YORK'S WELCOME TO THE U. S. FLEET.
racks when the 21 st Lancers were quartered there. The Syrian horses on which they are mounted are very fond of a good roll in the sand. As this is found to be a splendid way of cleaning them, and saves much labor, while it keeps their coats in good condition and their skins healthy, special sand baths have been provided for them justoutside the stables. For this object a foot or two of bright, fine sand from the desert in the immediate vicinity is put down over an area of some thirty or forty yards square. After
in New York Harbor from Cuban waters, received an enthusiastic welcome. The New York, Brooklyn, Massachusetts, Indiana, Iowa, and Oregon passed Sandy Hook at eight in the morning, and proceeded to Tomkinsville, where the Texas a waited them. They stopped there in order to allow Mr. Van Wyck, the Mayor of the city, to go on board the New York to welcome them home. Then they all proceeded up to Grant's Tomb at the bottom of 125 th Street, where it runs down tom of 125 th Street, where it Miver and
to the Hudson. The North River
the Bay wero alive with swams of eraft, whilo masses of peoplo were gathered along the shones and wh the hunseturs of New York and Now Jersey fiom Sindy Hook to the tomb. The forts in the harbor and tho bactortes of the Now York
enced in getting them into tho water. The mothod pussued was ingenious, to say the least. The hume was matue te stand on a boand at the side oi the vessel, and a rope from his halter was throwa to a buat alungside. Tho boatd woiked


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and New Jerscy militia ashowe fined salutes The enthusiasm was almost indescribable, and a continuous din was raised with whistles. for-horns, bells and overy conceivable ear-splitting instrument both afloat and ashore. Tho bands played "The Star: Spangled Banner." and the people shouted and checred with patriotic fervor.
Tho American invasion of Caba, like tho Soudan camnaign, is responsiblo for an interesting "horso pirture"."Tho landing of horses at Siboncy from tho American transports was a work attended with a good deal of risk. It was impossiblo to land the animals without making them swim ashore, and great difficulty was expori-


THE CZAR OF RUSSIA AND BABY.
on a prvot in the middle, and shot the horse, very much surprisel, into the water. When two had been served thus they were towed off towards the shore by a boat's crew. It was a half-milo swim to tho shore, through a cloppy sca, and many: of the horses only landed to die in a few days. Somo of them would get into the sea without bemg roped, or fet loose when in tho water, and with provoking stupidity would stait swimming out to sea. Some of them were recaptured, butothers wero washed away.
The issuance by tho Czar of a maniresto faroring all universal clirtailment of armaments emphasizes the belief lone held in many quarters that Nicholas II. is essentiallva man of peace. The nccompanying photsgraph bears this out.

## MISS UPTON'S FIRST "ASSIGNMENT."

$\mathbb{A}$S the Uptons were in that combltion of respectability and limited means whech meolves much sacrifice of comfor t twaphearances, Letty Uytun had sesulyed to do something that "und add to the family meone, and laing to her the satisfactivn of beng self-supporting.
Miss Upton was a tiim, bright little bonly of twenty y ears; petty, ma fiesh,
 whit engaghg. It had seemed to hed that thas fisisual equipmeit wasa quallthation fut newspayer wobk. She had not tho tranamg necessay to secure a teichei's pusition; the druigeny of ty witing was uncongenial, and togo into a shop as a sileswoman was only to be thought of as a last resort.
Ictty had seen in the Saturday papers loug atcuants of very womberfal experindus to wheh were aftixed the names, te.l or assumed, of wumen writers. She thought sho mught become, in time, a writer of such sigued aticles, and obtain high lay fur thein. Could she not wite as well as thuse women?
Liko many a render of such "stories," Letty did not stop to reflect on tho labor ant time expended on them, nor dad she how mything of the tials naddisheartening rebufts which might havo been encountered in "working them up."

She was fortunate enough to obtnin, though the influence of a friend of her father, a position on tho staff of writers for the Saturday edition of the Daily Investigatur.
The quarters of these writers seemed to Letty smaller and more "cluttered us" than shohad oxpected. Therowere threo or four small rooms with roll-top desks in them, and one or two chairs. Tho elitor of the "Woman's I'age" had her office in one of these rooms. She was a woman of about forty, with grayish hair and rather sharp features. Her glanco was keen, her manner of speaking bref and to the oint.

Letty, when called before this editor to receive her first "assignment." or subject to bo written up, obeyed the sumınons with cagerness and some trembling. What would sho bo sent to do? Oh, that her subject might be one on which sho could bo brilliant with ease!
"Miss Upton," said the editor of the Woman's Page, holding a small slip of printed matter in her hand, "hero is a report that Mirs. Harmon's daughter is going to marry a distinguished forcigner. Sirs. Harmon and tho girl havo been thavelling in Europo for a year, and aro
 English duke or something, as these Harmons are so rich. See her, find out. who tho manis, and writo up all you can get about at. If it'strue, the woman wall bo fhad envugh to talk about st."

Whene does Nrs. Harmon live?" usked Miss Upton, tihing the "cuttung.
"Oh, I don't know," replied the editorabl laty, with a touch of impataence. as she slupped out another paragraph muthed with a bluo cruss fums thio papha before het, grving four cquik clicks with the office shems. "You'll havo to get that frum tho directuly or tho "Sochal Kegister." Miss Jameson!" sha callea, shauply, takiug the freshly cut shep ut her hand and loohing past Letty with an aur of tutally distnissing her from hei mind. Letty wathdrew, got tho duectury and looked for "Harmon." Thereweroso many Hamons that she concluded she had better tiy the "Social Regrsten. The "Mis. Harmon" whose daughtel was to mato a brilhant marnage would be thene, and several of the duectory Hatmuses would nut. She touk duwn the mames of half a dozen Hammons, with the addresses.
She very much wished to ask the society editor wheh "Mrs. Harmon of this city"-that was all the slip saidwas the Mrs. Harmon of her list; but she felt it would be more creditable to find that out herself. So she arranged her list in tho order of their residences as she would have to take them on her way up town, and sallied briskly forth.
Miss Upton had determined that she, was not going to bo a "lady journalist", or "s lady who wites for the papers." but a "nowspaper woman." This titlo seemed to her honest and direct and dif nified. A "newspaper woman" would get sooner to writing thoso long, illustrated, signed "stories" in the Snturday paper than either of the other kinds of writers would!
Sho called at the first place on tho list, and sent in her card by a maid, who returned with the request that Niss Upton would state her purpose thero, as Mrs. Harmon was very busy.
Letty did not wish to announce herself to a servant as a "nowspaper woman"she could convey that information with better results if she did it personally. Some peoplo had a prejudice against "reporters." Now sho said, simply," I am from tho Daily Investigator."
"Mrs. Harmon nover sees newspaper pcople," said the maid. "If youdd sat that at the start, I could havo told you, for those are my general orders."
"I should like juu to tell 3 vun mistress that this is about something which sho is interested $h_{1}$, and that I will not detanh her luag." sud Letty, with aggravated dignity.

Tho mand relactantly obeyed, or, at least, disappeared for a shoit time. Then she camo back and sud, " Mrs. Hammon begs to bo excused."
letty was a litule crestfallen. She did not believo the mand had been near her mist css ngan. How very mean in a lich woman with plenty of lessure to refusn even a receptuon to a gitl seeking to carm a living!
"IIas Mhs. Harmon been aboond this year?"' Letty ashed the maid. In case this was the Mis. Kamon, there would be no oljectin calling on the other unimpor tant learers of that mame.
"No," said tho mad, as she closed the door in Miss Upton's face.
"Then she isn't the onc I want," said the newspaper woman to hevelf, " and Thave no more desite to see her than she has to see me."
Trying to heep up her courage by this reflection, Letty made her way to the next house on her hast, and thete-affecting a slightly haughty air as being likely to impress the servant, and thereby, possibly, the mistiess-sho said, "I should liko to see Mis. Hamon for a moment."
The servant looked at her with some suxprise. "Mrs. Hammon is dead thas two years," he said, deliberately.
"Oh, ieally!" replied Letty, her haughty air suffering a sudden collapse. "Derhaps I have made a mistake. This - $1 \mathrm{sn}^{\prime \prime}$-Nrs. Nugent Harmon's?" This was the next Mis Harmon on her list. Letty was proud of her finesse.
"No. This is Mr. Thomas Harmon's; but Mrs. Nugent Marmon is dead, too," ieplied the man, regaiding her with increased curiosity.
Letty blushed furiously, and felt a wild desire to laugh. This would certainly not have enhanced her standing in tho servant's eyes 'Then, since this man scemed so aequainted with the Harmons, sho was tempitrd to ask him if he knew which was tho Mrs. Marmon whose daughter was to marry a foreign nobleman.
But Letty could not quite bring herself to gleaning the pews she needed by friendly, conffidential talk with menseryants. So sho only said, nervously, "There must bo a mistake somewhere. Thank you," and hurried down tho steps, feeling as if the man's inquisitive cyes were burning into her back.
All this wasn't very nice! In thoso "storics" of tho Saturday papers thero had been no preliminary failures to find tho person. Tho reporter had always called at Mr. Whoever's, and had "been cordially motioned to a chair," and then

Mr. or Mrs. Whoever had proceeded to tell ham all ho wanted to know in the most fiicndly, considerate way.

However, to to discouraged would never do, so Letty, after a hatlo sigh as she saw two young garls of her own age woll by inanelegant Victoria, went to the next Mrs. Harmon, wondening whether she wero dead, too.
But she would have no mistakes hero. She whote on her card, "Will Mis. Harmon please sce Niss Upton of the Daily Incestigutor for a moment, in regard tc her daughter's engagement?"

Ah! Here was thereward of industry. Tho servant said, "Mrs. Harmon wilt be down in a moment, Niss. Will you pleaso sit down and wait?"

In a few moments Mrs. Harmon came in. She loohed like a wealthy socicty woman, though younger than $\mathrm{Niss}_{\mathrm{s}} \mathrm{U}_{\mathrm{r}}$ ton had expected to find her. She had a pair of keen, black eyes, her face was a sharply joonted one and her lips were rather thin.
She bowed to tho reporter pleasantly enough, but dia not offer her hand. What could she do for Miss Upton? Sho knew the Daily Investigator very well.
"There's a report, Mrs. Harmon, that your daughter is to marry a forcigner of title, whom you met durng your travels in Europe this past year," sadd Miss Up ton, with her most ingratiating mamer. "Won't you tell me some of the particulars?"
"Do you want to publish what I sny in tho Incestigatory" asked Mrs. Har mon, quickly.
"Why, of course, I want to print all that you aro willimg shoutd appear about the matter. Tho public, naturally, has a preat interest in the subject, and wants to know about Miss Harmon's flancé."
Mrs. Harmon's eyes twinkled, and she drew in her lips a littlo strongly. She scemed amused.
"She's trekled to death oser it, and will tell everything thero is," thought Miss Upton, with an approving reflection on her own diplomatic tact.
"Well, you must ask mo what you want to know," said the lady, goodnaturedly:
"Is the engagement announced yct?" asked Miss Upton, affally:
"No." replied Mirs. Harmon, with an air of being very pronounced. "I can truly say that it is not announced yet. I can't imagine hov the report that my daughter is cnsaged could have got out. What wonderful peoplo you newspaper folk aro!"
"I understand that the engagement is not announced," Letty went on, with a smilo that seemed to say to Mrs. Harmon that she could appreciato her way of not telling a thing. "Can't you tell mo who
the goung man is? I supposo I ought to say tho younclord?"

Oh, how dhl you know it was a lord? " Mrs. Harmon chied, smalug with arthess enjoyment over tho newspaper woman's acutentess. "I dudn't say at was a lord. Tho next thing you'll bo asking me is "here tho duke's country-placo ss!"
Mrs. Harmon paused a moment as it thmbing deenty. Thenshosardabsently, "Do you know if these wese any AmertLans at Grantham Cuart last nutumn?"
"I'msure I don't know," Letty rephed, cheerfully. The way, Mis. Harmon was "lettung things out" was interesting. Miss Upton was getting "points" for her story. Engagement not amounced yet -duke-Granthan Court-splendad!
"When do you st.ppose the wedding will taso place?" she asked, wath guruant directness.
Mrs. Marmon burst out laughing. " Whys, the engagement is not announced yct, and you want the date of the wedding! I can assury you it will not bo beforo next fall. That is sure." Mrs, Harmon seemed to find pleasuro in coming out strongly on a point when she could, even if it wero a negative one.
"Did you get Miss Harmonany things whilo you weroabroad?" continued Miss Uptont Mrs. Harmon's damond brooch must have cost a pretty penny.
"Oh, a few little things, yes. Things I know sho had to have."
Mrs. Harmon had recourse to her handkerchief for a moment.
"How old is Niss Harmon?" asked Letty, with interesh Tho mother was so young and girlish! She took the matter so lightly, and it seemed so arausing to her!
"Don't I look young enough to bo spared having to toll my daughter's age?" that interesting lady laughed back; $"$ but Miss Harmon is not soventeen yet. Don't press mo too closely."
"Will it bo a church wedding? And will Worth make the gown?"
Miss Upton felt that Mrs. Harmon was willing enough to havo the facts come out, but did not wish to havo told them.
"You aroa perfectinquisitor,"laughed tho lady. "I am poing to send you away," she ndded, rising. "You havo led mo on so, and maso mo talk when I told you that the engagement wasn't even announced yet. Remember that I haven't told you a thing. I can't magino how tho newspapers find out every:thing. Will it be in to-morrow's paper? I mean aro you going to write anything about it?

She was ovidently putting an end to the interviow to keep heiself from telliug a quantity of things more, which tho waly Miss Upton woutd worm out of her.
that young "nowspaper woman" was pretty well content. she had learned enough in this way to embellish her anformation into a most interestmes story-

This sho did, and thrilled with prido when she saw it in the next day's lums. tigutor with a head-line of great promnence. Tho Search-Latht, the Invostagator's bitterest rival, hiadn't a word about the thing.
Tho editor of the Woman's Pago had asked her why sho dud not get a photograph of Miso Marmon. Letty had not thought of it. Well, sho could try and pet that later, and they could print it on Sunday. Miss Upton was sure sho coutd bet it from Mis. Harmon.
In her story Letty said that "tho Young fiancece of tho proud English tutho is a graceinl swect girl, verging on her soventeenth birthday. During tho past ycar abroad she has received the finishing touches to her education, and the weding will probably occur next antumu. Tho family aro extremely reticent about the engagement."
On the day following that on which Letty had glowed over her own periods in all the dignty of type, sho camo to the office bright and carly, thrstug for more Mrs. Harmons. Newspaper work was fascinating!
Her enthusiasm was damponed by a fittle note on her desk. She read that her resignation was requested!

Shohurried to the editor of the Woman's Pare, and showed the note.
"Oh, what docs this mean?" she almost wailed. "I don't understand."
"It means that you made the paper perfectly riduculous, and let a womanget even with the Investigator for a past story about her," said that lady, with untempered soverity, "There," and she handed Letty a shp, "is what the ScarchLifht thas this morning!"
"I don't suppose you havo read tho daily papers," she added, sarcastically. The Mrs. Harmon that the paragraph I gavo you wrs about lives in Orange, as you should have found ont. That is the picture of the 'Miss Harmon' about whom you wroto your story:"

It was tho woodcut of a dear littlo baby girl in long clothes, labelled, "Mrs. Harmon's Only Daughter."

> John J. a'Becket, in Youth's Companion.

An Epltome of Expert Opinion and Interesting Facts Gathered from Authoritative Sources.

## General Notes.

Farm Capital. -The amount thas mvested in all of Europe is estimated at 81,061 milliun dollars ; U S , 19.832, C.nnada, 1, 19: , Lustalua, 1,182 millions.

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Value of Soil Mutch.-In exprerments with barloy it has been found that a field harioned after rolling gave a lager yield than one apon which no work was done after the rolling. The explanation
in 1897. The value of grain was $\$ 102,-$ \%2,000, against $\$ 129,111,050$ last year. of dead meat, the value of the imports was $\$ 75,255,000$, against $\$ 65,118,500$ last year. The quantity of fresh beef imported was 1.521 .051 cwat., afninst 1.318.$292 \mathrm{cwt}$. ; and of fresh mutton, $1,713,37 \mathrm{~L}$ cwt., against $1,515,518 \mathrm{cw} t$.

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Potato Scab is a fungus diseaso, the germs of which enter the soil with the seal and there multiply and grow unt.l


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An Important Wheat Grower.-The normal crop of Roumania, in southeastern Eulope, is $60,000,000$ bush ; last year it was scant 000000,090 bush. Roumania hins a consuderable export trade with western Earope.

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Canada Shares.-The Enghsh trado and nabuation letuas for the six months ended Juno 3ist show that the value of livag animals monoted into that countiv for food was $\$ 27,481,700$, as compared with $\$ 27,807,800$ in the corresponding period last year. The number of oxen was 205,214 , against 296,553 last year; sheep and lambs, 410,582 , aganst 310,165 ; und prss, 450 , nono having been amported
the tubers aro ruined both in appearance and quality. Tho condition of the soll in which potatoes aro planted has a great deal to do with the growth of the scab fungus, and it is known that air-slaked limo helps it along. Land plaster is the one form of lime that fails to promote the growth of the scab. Barnyard manure, wood ashes and soda ash will also incrense the scab. Tho soni, once affected with this fungus, must not be used for potatoes or any root crop until the diseaso is eradicated. In certain soils favorable to the growth of the scab it is rather difficult to get rid of it. A system of rotation, bringing in potatocs once in threo or four years and fertilizing with materials unfavorable to the growth of the scab, would probably help to get rid of the trouble. Whero potatocs aro liable to get this discase, the seed should be treated with corrosivo sublimate,

## Live Stock.

## The Polnts of a Good AnImal.

What constitutes a good animal of uny given breed or type? This is a proposition which should interest every farmer. It is a notorious fact that many failues in breeding can be traced to an utter lack of correctinformation as to the difference between good and bad specimens of tho different breeds. The heaviest bull, stalhion, boar or ram is not necessarily the bestone. There areother points of vastly more consequence than mere pounds avoirdupois. Too much importance is attached by most farmers to mere weight. Information touching that point, however, is usually the burden of the queries aldressed to owners and helpers by visitors at the fairs. Education along this line lies at the very basis of success in stock-keeping.
The mistake the average individual makes in this matter is based upon a fecling of false pride. The average man dislikes to admit that he needs light upon this subject, and so we see men examining stock on breeding farms or at fairs, pretending to know all about what they are inspecting, when, as a matter of fact, their lack of information is only too evident. Rather than make a frank confession and ask an experienced breeder or judge to kindly give some advice as to what are the real cardinal points to be sought, this class of people will go on blundering and even buying in the dark for years; but they pay a good price-in the school of experience-for their assumption of a knowledge which thoy do not possess. There is nothing fives the averago bieeder or the experienced critic more genuine satisfaction than to help young men or old who come to them with the frank statement that they need light upon the subject of breed points. There is no sacrifice of either dignity or pride on the part of even the most intelligent farmer in admitting a lack of exnert information in reference to improved live stock. It is really astonishing how fow the number of people who avail themselves in this manner of the experience of others. The uninformed porson who confesses ignorance and candidly asks for "pointers" will usually receive tho most courteous treatment, even at the hands of the mostinveterate joker among the herdsmen and frooms in charge of animals on exhibition. It is the "smart aleck" that usually forms the target for the wit of the attendants in charge of show stock.
Do not be afraid to evince a desim to learn something from reliable and experienced professional breeders of fine stock. Tell them you want to know how to pick
a good one and nine times out of ten you will receive information of value. None of us ate ever too old to learn. Whe fairs afford tho best chance to study the beeds and we trust that the value of the shows as an educational force in this direction will bo utilized to tho fullest possible extent.

## The Good Points of the Ayrshire Summarized

A correspondent to an exchange remarks. - The Ayrshires have mole good qualitics than any of the other dairy breeds. Having been bred and reared on the hills of Scotland in a climate much likeourown, they are adapted to this country. Being extremely hardy, they are not affected by clinatic changes, different methods of care and feed, as are most other dairy breeds. They are wonderful foragers; and especiatly adapted to convert into milk the elements of fool. They are wonderful milkers-very per-sistent-the milk is of food quality. They are extremely regular breeders, becoming fresh when 20 to 21 months of age, and continue to give good returns until well into their teens. I have retained several in milk until 17 or 18 years old, and then sold them to the butcher. I do not know of any other breed that will take on flesh as rapidly or make as choice beef as the Ayrshire. Combining the above facts. I prefer the Ayrshires to other breeds. Under good circumstances, they are equal to tho best, while under less favorable circumstances, they stand at the head of all dairy breeds.
Better to illustrate. I send some facts about my Ayrshire bull Britomart, shown on pago 140 . Here is a list of a fery cows related to him, with records of 100 pounds of butter or over. How dees he compare with the bulls of the Jersey or other milk breeds? If no isn't their equal, why not?

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## Sheep.

It is aftirmed by one who has hat experence that cattle and sheep do well in the satme pasture, in proportion of twentyfive cattle to two hundred sheep.
Farmers who raiso sheep should provide ample food of beets and turnitrs.
If wool is stored for any considerable length of time it should bo placed in sulcellars, half nbove grouml, and well , ireel. Wool, when too dry, loses somo of its marketing value.
Comphints aro mado that mutton too often has a sheepy thavor. I'his can bo largely obviated by expert slaughtering. Quick work in removing the skin, and guarding against the wool coming in contact with the flesh, as also quick work in removing entrailsand spreading flanks, and in permitting careass to hang until cool before using water, hot or cold. This done, the sheepy favor disappears.

One of the great needs of this country in sherp raiving is shepherds who undertand their busidess. Thousands of sheep die for want of a rood shepherd. Tho "homo loy"" is a very uscful and, as a rule, promising member of the household, butt to expect him to prove a fully qualified shepherd upon arrival is unreasonable, to sisy the least, and to use him for that puriose, as many farmers do, is decidedly "penny wise and pound foolish."

## In the Poultry Yard.

## Preserving Egks.

The Binationlay Process.-At the Birmingham, England, show last year there was a competition for the best dozen of preserved eges. The cegs had to be sent in to the custody of the secertary prior to October 1st, so that at tho time of examination by the judges they had to lre at least two months ollt, and it was objected by many that the timo was too short and ought to have covered six months. Tho plan of testing by tho judpes was as follows: To break one of each set into a clean saucer, then to bring tho best cight together in thin snme sauco pan, patting thein into the cold water and removing from tho fire as soonl as boiled, and allowing then to remain one minute and a half before testing. Another set, one from each selected dozen, were boikd ten minutes, and opened when cold. Those preserved in lime water were not satisfactory, milk of lime being more highly recommended. Others that had been coated with melted drippings or beeswax wre nlso found wanting. tho whites lecing thin and watery. Tho best had been simply packed
in common salt. These had not lost sensibly ly evaporation, had cood consistent albtunen, and tasted best whent boiled. Tho crisis that took the second prizo were adjuitsed nearly as good as the first. Thin young lady who packed them gave the following as her method:

Melt ene pait of white wax to two parts of spermaceti, boil and mix thoroughly ; or two parts clarified suct to one of wax and two of spermaceti. Take new laid eges, rub with anticeptic salt or fino rice starch. Wrap cach eff in fino tissuo paper, putting tho broad end downwaris; screw tho paper tighty at tho top leaving an inch to hold it be: Dip each eare ranidly into the fat heatied to ono hatudred degrecs. Withdraw and leavo to cool. Pack broad end downwards, in dry whito sand or sawdust.

It was generally believed that had the coutest covered a longer period theso would havo stood first Another point of superiority in this last method was tho fine appearance of the eges, the shells beins puro and clean as when first laid. For home uso probably the common salt method, owing to its simplicity, will be generally preferred, but for market, doubtless the extm pains renuirel by the second method would pay. Next to good winter la ying hens for profit comes a good methot of preserving exfs, and wo should like to sce a contest of this kind at our own poulery shows another season.

## Well Spent Labor.

## A Drop Door for the Barn.

The accompanying illustration shows a very handy drop door for basement barns. It is hinged to tho barn sill at tho top. Another pair of hinges aro fitted about the middle. By turning the button

a parallel to tho boards of the door. tho lower hatl of tho door can ho raised by means of the cord $b$, which runs over the pulley $c$. If it is desirablo to open all the door, turn the button $a$ into tho position shown in the cut. Then bs pulling on the cord $b$, the wholo door is raised.

## A Covered Sheep or Cattle Yard.

There are infortant alvantages that como from having a yard for the stenk that is protectel from sun and ram. Nut the least of these is the posishatity of thus keeping tho manuro in tho best prossiblo condition. It is also of great advamate to havo a place secura fiom cold storms Where tho stock can be turned out for exercise.

A coverel yarl like that shown in the cut will also preve an acquisition whero one is kecping sheep. These anmals do

pattern, whilo you have plenty of tump. aud it will he renly for next season's fait picking. The top of surb a ladder can narrow to a pont if desised. The main meen must lo of somo dialit material. free from knuts and other atmerirfections.

lest when given only moderately warm ytarters, and in many parts of the coantry such a partially open shelter as that illustrated will be amply warm. Over this slied it will be seen is a chanee for the storane of crops or tools. When used as a run for catule, the dressing from tho barn can bo taken out cach day and spread evenls over the surface; the tramping of the stock will keep tho manure from heating. When wanteni for tho field a cart can bo backed an and loadel! directly from the surface.

## A Comfortable Fruit Ladder.

Epon tho ordinary frait ladder one must xtand for a louk timo and endure the strain and the cutting into the feet of $a$ smail round. A fairly broad liat step gives Gim and comfortalilo support to tho feet The ladder can too madolight, too. as the one shown in the illustration. Mako one in winter aecording to this

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Dress all tho matcrial before putting tomether, then mint. If kept under shelter when not in use it will last many years

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## For Stretching Fence Wire.

The accompanying illustration shows a sled for stretehnng wire wheh works onground either level or hilly. On carls sitle of the slest is an uprighit with the

hole near tho ton $A$ round stich is phacel through this holo and supports the spool of wire Fasten the chil of the wire to the roost, hiteli a horse to the sled and the wire is casily unwouncl.


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$\mathbb{T}^{1}$HE capture of Omdurman and Ghartoun by tho Anglo-Enyptian expedition, tuder the command of Sir Herbeat Kitchencr, has not only dealt a death blow to the forces of Mohammedan fanaticism in the great stretch of country hown as the Soudan, but it has demonstrated, as even tho Fiench and Germau press have expressed it, that tho military genius of tho British race is as keen and strong as ever.

To our mand, ther, is proof of somethmeg more than this it: Sir Merberts series of overwhelming victories durng the last two y ears, when it is emembered that these victories were ach.cved not by British troops alone, but ly an army composed of natives and Brivsh, and in which the former largely prediominated mumerically. Of course, the translation of Souldmeso marauders and the downtrodiden fellaheen or scris of the Egypt of less than twenty ycars ago, into well disciplined soldiers, is due to tho effective work of British otheers, particularly of Sergeant What's-his-mame, as Rudyad lipling terms that all important personage, the non-commissioned oflicer of the llitish army, and while the faithful and maznifieent way in which the nativo troops bear themselves in action is a tribute to the thoroughness with which Scrgeaht What's his-hamo has done his duts, the fact that those who at one ane luvkel upon Britain as a deadts fur, aww fight bravely for her, is one of the greatest tributes jussiblo to the genius lbritain as a colonizing power.

Wirn other nations an increaso in colonial pensessions the ofen entuls in mereased drain usion tho miltary ro sources of tho comntry to heep the newlyacquired territory safe, not only from attach from outside, but from uprising bs the natioes who, treated merely as a conyacred race, do not become easily reconciled to the rule of those they regard as their oppressors. With Britain tho caso is rery different. Sho realizes that
every extension of territory means extension of respronsibility; responsibility to thuso whom sho has buoght under her rute. Tha resources of civilization are uthized to develop tho country, in tho advantages of which development the natives are not only not prohibited fiom sharing, but in which they are encouraged, and, if necessary, compelied, to share, by being forced to adopt methods of agriculture and of living, the benefits of which soon manifest themselves to the fresh-avakened intelligence of tho hitherto misguided native. This individual is also taught another lessonthat it is encumbent upon him to do something towards the protection of theconditions under which he now lives with so miuch satisfaction to himself and family.
Thus it is that under the egis of the British flag not only aro large sections of tho uncivilized world brought within the pale of civilization, but are kepit saf. beneath tho shadow of that shcltering emblem by thoso to whom, only a few years previously, it was the signal of danger to what they regarded as their most cheriched liberties.

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Ir is hard to determine what will bo the result of tho conference of American, Canadian and British diplomats, the preliminary meetings of wheh have already been held in Quebec. Ono thing is certain, if the outcome of the conference is the presentation of a plan fur the adjustment of conflacting atherests, which is aceeptable to all those whoso interests art, or arc suppused to be, at ;ssue, each gentleman participating in the confercince will bo entitled to rank as a statesinan of the first order.
The number of representatives of "Sectional Interests," frum tho States athd Irom C., mad.a, dancur; attendame upon the Conference, mas beguod for the hutel and buarilug-houso heepers of Quebec, but rerily it cannot te good for the peaco of mind of tho delegates to tho Conference, and, wo strongly opilit, it cannot bo gool for either countis as a whole.
Of coursethemembers of the Conferenere rill havo to consider every fhase of ats:
question on which they may make a recommendation, but with the representatives of sectional interests each insisting on the pound of flesh-good weight-for his particular friends, the Quebec Conference does not promise to be a factor for strengthening the sentiment of AngloSaxon unity.

At the meeting of medical health officers held a few days ago at Ottawa, a gentleman from Massachusetts who has had considerable experience in examining cattle for tuberculosis, read a paper in which he protested against what is known as the tuberculin test, as a final means of determining whether cattle ought to be condemned as affected with the contagrious tuberculosis. He stated that in his official capacity he had seen thousands of dollars wasted in the slaughter of cattle, condemned on the tuberculin test, but which, upon postmortem examination, were proved to have been free from disease, or affected in such mild form that under proper treatment a cure would have been possible. In brief, the medical gentleman in question condemned the tuberculin test as unsatisfactory and costly (in cattle, or the value thereof), to the state.
It may be so. We pretend to no clinical or veterinary knowledge; but the concensus of opinion at the meeting of the medical health officers was-and is among the majority of scientists in America and Europe-that the tuberculin test is the safest and most reliable means yet discovered for the detection of tuberculosis. Consequently, it is the only sure safeguard to human life against the increase of this terrible malady, which in different ways may be communicated :nom beast to man.
The government is, therefore, wise in insisting on its use on imported cattle to prevent, so far as possible, bringing the distase intc this country. The government is also to be commended for the provisions wi.y lave rade by which on making application to the Dominion Experimental Farm at Ottawa, farmers throughout the country may havs their herds treated gratuitously.

Our dairymen and stock raisers shouid thoroughly postthemselves on the nature, symptoms and means of prevention of this dreaded disease: literature on the subject
is easily obtainable from the Agricultural College at Guelph or the Dominion Experimental Farm at Ottawa.

A recent issue of the Contemporary contsins an article from the pen of Mrs. Virginia Crawford in which that keen observer speaks strongly for the utilization of female industry in agriculture. The writer is primarily giving a large class of the women of her own country a much needed lesson. She declares that the English people have-
"Always shown a singular incapacity for those minor industries by which great fortunes it is true, cannot be made, but which add incalculably, to the prosperity of the working classes."
Agriculture on a small scale has been a failure in England. In Belgium, on the contrary, where Mrs. Crawford has been busy for some time making observations, it is a marked success.
"It is to a large extent through their women that agriculture, dairy farming and market gardening succeed in Belgium to-day, and it is, I am afraid, mainly through our women that they fail with us,"
says this outspoken English woman. What she says of England is in part applicable to Canada, and the hints that she gives to her own country women may be read, marked, learned and inwardly digested by many Canadian wives and daughters, with not a little alvantage to themselves.

It is true that the conditions existing in Canada are not exactly the same as those obtaining in England, but this much is common to both countrics; the small agriculturist and the market gardener do not lie on a bed of roses. While during the last year or two there has been in Ontario a slight movement in the right direction, in the greater attention that is being given to the importance of studying the scientific side of farming. the recognition of this principle, much more the practice of it, is so far from being general among our farmers that the agriculturist on a small scale loses the great advantage that his smaller holding offers him. When the small agriculturist has seen the folly of his ways in this narticular, he wili have accomplished mach towards making
agriculture on a small seale a payine business in Canada, but he will not have mado it anything liko as profitable as it shoutd bo untal his daughters havo taken a leaf out of the book of their Belgium sisters, and our fovernment one out of thist of the belginm govermment.

## Mre, Cliawrond sajs:

"In many a aral centies an Belgum to day giatuituts instruction in diary work is provided throuthout the summer, to the peasut population. The course usually lasts thrco months, and is open to all ghls over titten yeas of age, a practiral class being limited, as in all tho Belgian domestic and professionals schools, to six or cight. The far mer who sends his little daughter to finish her elucation at a certan college, has every
 sult. Shewill rethun to him. not, indeed, with accomplishments, muless ho has specially stiputated that she should learn the pano, but wath a good genemal education, a thorough the ereticuland patimal knowledge of dairy-wo: k , includug the inaking of checso and butter, and at his option, of poulery-rearing, perefecding ot bee-keepung. Sho wall bo entirely competent to keep the farm accounts, and will have some sound elementary binowledgo of agniculturo in general, rotation of crops, manures, etc. The school fees ao but 50.00 a joar.
"After fifteen, the whole day is devoted to profnssional training. The college is situated in tho midst of a largo estate, which supplies the wholo cight hundred scholars with frut and vegetables. The farm is fitted with all tho latest appilances for agricultural work. Cattle. sheep, pies, poultry, bees, and fowts aro hept. No less than eughteen kuds of cheese ate made. Tho full dairy course hats a year, but a shoit three months courso is aloo given. In all the branches of study, eximmations ane held under Government super wision, and certificates gianted, so that every finl can leave at cighteen fully evuipped for hur hife's work, and ficed from tho necessity, of going through a futher apprenticeship."

Nose will begrudge the girls on our Canadian farms what is undoulitelly their duc, credit for being hand-working. industrious members of the household, who contributo their share, as far as opportunities aro offered them, to tho upbuilding of tho fanily income; but that greater opportunities could bo and should be offerel them nonecan question, with the example of Belgium before us.

Wo have often contended in theso columns that tho average farmer loses dollars upon dollars in tho year by his indifference to such "siuo lines" as poultry-mising, bec-keeping, and even such an important "side line" as the dairy work. "Teaye theso things to the women, amd let them maho what they can out of them," is generally tho sentiment of the head of the house. And a very profitable sentiment, too, if the farmer will only serure for his daughter somo opportunities for that trelmical instraction wheh is as essential for sucress in buttermahomg, poultry-raising abillerekecpug, as many otheracvenueproducing trado or ciaft.

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A "qeneraf." huowleago "piched up." may answer for a time in a new country in its early stages of development, but Canada has gone begond that stage and in these days of keen competition retuires of thuse on the farm, as of thoso in the workshop or in the office, knowledge and skill based on sound trainiag.

The assassination of tho Empress of Austria at the hands of an anarclust has apparently aroused the governments of Europe to the necessity of concerted action $m$ order to exterminato that pestilential loreed of human-shaped monsters who seek to establish, not hberty, but license, through tho medium of murder. A confersuce of the representatives of the different powers will bo held shortly in Rome, and it is most earnestly to bo desired that in this instance thero will bo geauine Eunopean concert which will evolve some practical plan for the banishment of the red flag of amarehy, staned and stenching as it is with imocent blood.

Hitherto the Knights of the Bomb and Kuife have found an asylum in England when driven out of other countries as "suspects." Thero they have matured their plans, selecting their victims and performing all the preliminaries of the damnable deeds which have from time to timo filled the thole world with horror. But even England realizes now that to regard the anarchist, banished or escaped from another country, merely is a political refugee, to bo protected as soon as he
sets foot on British soil, is an extension of her "fice-to-all" principlo to a poant that borders upon absurdity; and, with England ready to co-operato, the doom of the anarchist should be assured.

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Oun onn idea of the way the cut-thoat fiatemity should be tacated maty not dossess mach of that "forco of moral suasion," by which, somo peoplo believe, all men may be reachel; but it should certainly prove cffectual. Theronioenough unoccupied islands in the Pacific to admit of the establishment of an Anarchists' Retreat, under " the joint photection of all the powers." The protection would bo required not to provent access to, but egress fom. the Retieat, whether showd be sent every flllow proved to bo a member of the Suciets of Murder Mongers. That he had not as yet committed a murder, but onily hoped to do so at sumo distant date, should not be accepted as an excuso why ono of the fraternity should bo allowed to remain at largo in the unlicalthy atmosphere of the slums of Old Work cities. Tho climato at the Retreat would add several years to his life, and being compelled to do a certain anount of physical labor unde: healthful conditions, he would be a different man altogether, and ho would probably livo to a ripe old age, unless knifed by one of tho brotherhood, which, we suppose, would be a not uncommon occurrence; thus hastening, by therr own illegitimate methods, tho object in view-the extermimation of the race by natural means.
This may appear like outhoing Siberia. But wo hang or imprison for life a man who, in a moment of passion or drinkmade frenzy, takes, or attempts to take, the life of another and why should not society place itself beyond the reach of thoso whose doctrime promulsated deliberately, and as delibeiately practised, is-to murder?

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Tue outlook in Manitoba, as indicated by the returns of threshings already received, is decidedly good. The provincial government's estimate in August of the wheat crop was $25,918,155$ bushels, or an averago of slightly under $17 \ddagger$ bushels on $1,483,232$ acres. This preliminary estimate of the government is $9 \$$ bushels greater than tho final estimato of last year's crop, and, according to The Com-
mercial of Winnipeg, it is admitted by those competent to judge, that the estimato is too low. One authority claims that the crop will exceed it by $7,000,000$ bushels; that is, allowing for the 200,000 acres added to the area of wheat cultivation, sinco the final estimato of lust year was mado, the yold of wheat this year exceeds that of last year by nearly eight bushels an acre.

It is not only in wheat, however, that the Manitoba farmer has scored heavily. The gield in oats and barley promises to be double that of last year. All this indicates that the Prame Provincu agriculturist has eitherbeen specially favozed by mature or farms on progressive prinuphes. Wubelave that his present posperits, on wheh wo most heartily congratulate him, is due to a combination of good fortune and good management, for danng the ycas ' 96 and ' 07 , when crops all round were light, the provinco did not lag behund. The Manitobans believo wath tho lato Sir Johm Macdonald, that it is foolish to put all their eggs in one basket, and they havo of recent years developed an important dairsing industry, while their export trade in livo stock has assumed large propuitions.

As The Commercial ponts out, there are many convincing proofs that the two years' depression in crops did not prevent the province forging ahead. Among these are, the largo increaso in the area of land under cultivation, and the extension of six different ralway lincs.

When progress can bo so conclusively proved during a period of comparative failure of one of the mam sources of the province's prosperity, what measure of advancement may not the Nanitobans expect to follow their recond jear in crops?


## MASSEY-HARRIS EMPLOYEES' PICNIC TO NIAGARA FALLS.



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SLCOND OF THE FOUR TRAINS STEAMING OUT OR TORONTO.

TWE atedisposel to believe that tho event of which the accompranying photographic reproluctions aro intended to form a souvenir, will not bo altogether void of interest to our farming friends, between whom and tho employecs of an institution hise the Massey-Marus Co., the relationship of drect moterdependence is more readily secognizable than between the farmers
and any other section of the industrial world. Evetythody knows how much we all depend upon the farmer, and the farmer knows how much he depends upon the skill of thoso whoso days are spent in conceiving, experimenting with, or carrying out, ideas having for their object improvements in tho implements which, in these days of keen competition, aro as necessary to an agricultu: ist as are tho railway and stemmship to the work at large.

We may bo pardoned, then, for presupposing a slight interest among our readers in the gathering together, all on pleasure bent, of closo upon $\{, 000$ individuals, each ono of whom had a personal interest in maintaining and strengthening the good relations which have existed for so many years between agricultural Canada and the Massey-Marris Co., although we doubt if the farmers, with their whole lives spent in the open air and among conditions that mako for health, can fully appreciate what a "day ofl" in the woods or parks really means


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AKRUVAL OF TDE FOURTH TRAIN FROM TORONTO-MAYOR SIHTV LEADS THE WAY.

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A FEW OF THI: HENDREDS OF GROUPS OF LUNCIEON PaHTIES IN THE DARK.

to meet the expenses of tho dis, every manied employec found fity ients enclosed with his invitation, and every umnanied employes twenty five cents.
Special arrangements wero made with the various restituant keepers and caterers at Niagata Falls whereby the wants of thoso wearing the "Massey-- Harris Employees' Picnic" badge wero provided for at reduced rates. That vexed question with all picnicers," What shall wo do with our lunch basket?" was
to those, so large a portion of whose working hours are passed in the close atmosphere of the busy workshop.
The arrival of four thousand people at one central point would at any timo be sure to attract attention, but when all in that past crowd are colleagues (or the wives and children of colleagues), using the best of their skill, brain and muscle in tho service of one firm, the occasion becomes unique, and establishes a record in the history of Employees' Pienics in Camada.

Tho invitations issued by the firm to the employes wete, we think, of a suffciently comprohonsive character to satisfy every one, extending, as they did, to the wives of cm ployees, who wero also privileged to include their children and friends in tho party on payment of a portion of tho ordinary fare. To help

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LISTENTNO TO THE BANDS AT TILE IPAVILION,

enozo ar w. C. N. w.
TIE SEW STEEL, BRIDGE. MAII OF THI: MIST.

Brantford contingent. Arived at Niagara Falls, wholesouled enjos ment was the order of the day, the attractions being sufficiently varied to meet all hastes. Music of a high order was provided by the Queen's Own and Citizens' Bands. Several typical scenes were saved for posterity by the cameras of different amateur photographers, whose skill requires no other testimony than is afforded by tho reproduction of their work in these columns.

Niagaxa Falls, Brantiord and Toronto. It is pleasing to be able to record that not a single accident or hitch occurred, and that an undertaking of the kind on such a largo scalo was so characterized, speaks volumes for the organizing and administrative ability of those responsible.

One of the best patronized among the many attractions of the day was tho round trip on the Gorge Route of the Electric Radial Railway. As doubtless


PNOTO Ar On. N. A. POWCtL.
TIEE SECOND BRANTFORD TRAIN-LOAD READY TO START FOR IIOHE.

The liveliest interest in tho proceedings of the day was displayed by the President and other directors of the Company. as well as by their gucsts, tho Mayors of
many of our readers are aware, there is a variety of scenic grendeur here obtainablo which cannot be surpassed on the American continent,


COITEO ANO SELECTED BY MRS. JOHN HOLUES.
Correspmedence iz intated on all matters pertatning to the Jlome ; questions relating to any feature of riomeaticlife or of interett to stomen pener. alld, teill he remhity antucered, when possitie, in this dejuartment.

## Content.

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- And fill my licart with carkitnce care.
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l.et others seek a larko cstate, Tis not the portion I would land.
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## English Rose Pincushion.

$\square$HE shape of an English rose is easily obtained, and thoso who cate to do so can draw one from thes illustration, and then proced to make a pincushion which will be novel as well
 as pretty. Cut out a shape in strawboard, and then cover it entircly with pink velvet or silk.
Makeasmall porfoctly round cushion for the centio and clue firmly into place. The cushion should be yellow or of a darker pink than the pecials, and a gold cord should beclued all the wry round it. Gluo is much mono satisfactory to work with for the mounting of fancy articles than paste, as at sticks better It can easily be heated over a spurit lamp.

## A Shamrock Photograph Frame.

Thake a lange ptece of millboard or strawboard and cut it into the shape of a shamook Cut oval-shaped apertures in each section of tho leaf, and then cover each one with velvet, $f$ een bemg tho most appiopriate.
Tho covering is dono by gluing the velvet on the wrong sido, snipping pieces here and there out of the edges so that they may not make thick folds. Across the hole you must slit the velvet lengthways and across Turn these elges in. straining them well over the board as you do so, and glue them into place.

At the back of this clue class, which yout can get at any flazier's, and then place your photogiaph or picture behind it; glue brown papar over the back. This kind of fame is easily made, and when hung against the wallis extremely effective.


Another way of employing this shamrock design is to cover micees of board with velvet and use them for placing old chuna on. Arany peoplo have the shields and rounds, so that a shanrock will bo a very nice change. For hanging china upon, cardboard is hardly strong enought. It would be far better to get a carpenter to cut you a board, slamrock shaped. and then for you to cover it yourself with velvet.

## Butterfly Penwiper.

The looly of the butterfly is made of cotton and wool over which some light hown velvet is sewn. On this black marks are painted, or mado with a for stitches in black silk. Tho antenno of the butterfly are mado with wire covered with embroidery silk, and the little knols at the end by a black bead through which the silk covered who is passed.

Take four picess of cardboard shaped liko butterflies' wongs, the upper larger than the under, and cut out by them six or cight layers for earh four sections of the wing in chamois leather. The latter
is seliom used for wiping pens upon, and yet it is so very appopriate for the purjose. It wipes the pens perfectly clean, leaving none of the fluff upon them so uritatug to a writel. Cover your cand wath satin, and then paint on the wings some marhs characterstic of any buttenfy you like to select.
The very best way for you to do this is to take the picture of a butterfly anil copy the coloring.

Sew your wings and their insides of chamois leather on to tho body and your penwiperis completo. Of course, if you liku to embroider the wings of tho butterfly mstead of painting them it is easy for you to do so. After you have covered the wings you must line each of them with silk to match or contrast, sowing it very neatly to the edge with silk that exactly matches.

Fashionable Dress Trimmings.

$\mathbb{N}$OW is tho time for ladies with elever fingers to set to work and manufacture dainty trimmings of all sonts for deesses, coats, boleroes, waist-belts, coats and waistcoats. Everything and anything in the way. of brailing is fashionable, and likely to remain so for a long while. Sometimes the ordinary tubular braid is used. sometimes tho flat make, and very often this is combined with fino cord. jet rocds and sequ ins, either blark or colnod. Thenfor more dressy occasions, jpwels and coloned beads and scquins are cm ployedinevery variets. sometimes in combination with satin ribbon, sometimes on a net foundation, sometimes directly on the material itself.
Fig. 1. Brabu Decoration for Shut.
I have reproduced sketches of a few popular trimmings for the bencfit of my readers, but I havo been careful to select only such as are well within the capacity
of any average worke. There is a very charming littlo border in Fig. 1 that would bo exactly suited for running round the elge of the skirt of a tailorinado govn. Such a simplo design for the braiding may be hal at most stores where transfers are sold. and all who have had any experienco in such work will understand how to sew on the braid, and especially how to gather it slightly round the curly loops of tho pattern. The beads that are arded along the outer edge of the braid should be sewn on beforo this is applied to the material. It is quite easily managed.
Thread a fine needle with some strong but rather fine silk of the required color. mako a knotat the end and run the thread in at the back of the braid. lininging it out at the edge. Take upa bead, then resurn the necile to tho margin of the bradd and ran it along to the next place where a bead is required, thread a bead again, pass the ncedle again along the edge of the braid, and

and the second gold. Tho small beads may bo metallic blue, the cord rather ich bluo-somewhat paler than the backgroundand tho spanglo black, with a metallic bead tor the centre of it. Endless other changes of color may bo mado in this design, which will at all times prove both pretty and effective.
Fig. 2.-Braid and Atplique Decobation.
The sccond illustration shows only a poition of a bold appliqud pattern. such as might cover the greater part of a habit bo-
repent the operation till a sufficient number of leads have been put into place.

Most of the openings between the curves in this patten aro left free, but in the middle of the largest space is a sort of wheel made of very fine silk cord. This is sewn duwn upon tho materal lightly, the stitches being well hidden among the twists, and the ends pushed through to the wrong side and there sewn down tlat. In the middle of the wheel is a large sequin with a bead in the centre of $1 t$, and in the cight spaces between the barsof cord sie as many beads like those on the margin of the braid.

A very varsel appearance will begiven to thas pattern, accordme to the coloss used. Specially good will be the effect of two narrow biadis instead of one wido one. On a naty blue cloth dress, for instance, one braid may be blue or black,
dice, a talor-made waistcoat, or, on a smaller scale, the revers of a coat. We will suppose thit tho background is thin cloth of a dull gieen color. All the details of tho design aro intended to to cut out in cluth of a petty biownish shade of tan. This material is then to be laid on the cieen and tacked down rather thoroughly, so that there is no fear of its slaping ont of place when the braiding is being done. The cut edges must be followed with tho braid chosen, which will look best in black; and when this is all sewn down, tho outer edge of the braid is traced with an extremely fine gold cord. Tho tiny jet beads, which ill the sketched fragment are sprinkled along the inside margin of the braid, may be omitted if it is thought that they inteifere with the clearness of the pattern at rll.

## CHIT-CHAT.

## The Cheerful Woman.

$\square$HERE aro emergencies in every houschoh which call for the display of a statesman's skial. The cheerful woman is preeminent on such occasions. She conquers the grim unclo or the dyspeptic cousin with her infective checrtulne:s, and her setpants recogmzo her as their friend and ally in all matters that aro essential to their welfare. The length of tume she keeps her servants is a source of wonderment to her less fortunate friends, but the secret of it is in her own winsome disposition. She soothes the tired worker with a word of kind commendation, where another might make a querulous complaint. When dinection is needed she delivers it in such a gentle, albert firm manner that it has no sting of
reproof. This wentle, tactful woman is not amicted with work that is from " sum to sun" or that is "never done." She does not moralise much, perhaps, but by some means sho manages to accomplish n great deal of woik and have plenty of time at her command. It is by means of that same cheerfuluess of disposition. Thero is less delay in executing her commands, and she possesses the gift of "timing her turns" so that sometimes it seems as if the "faries did help her." And the fairies of gentle breeding and of kind heart do help her. Heaven bless the cheerful woman!

## The Queen's Tastes in Jewellery.

Here is a slight glimpsoat the Queen's tastes in jewellery. Her coronation ring is amongst those she prizes most. It is designed to represent Faith, Hope, and

Charity, in diamonds. Lubies, and emernlds, and is so very heavy that it is only worn on Stato occasions of exceptional solemnity: Jewels which nover leave the Queen's fingers aro her wedding and engagementrimgs, of which tho former is worn so thin that it is only kept in position by a "keeper." Tho engagement ring is of diamonds, in heart shape, with ono magnificent ruby-a stone which the Prance Consort considered typical of love.

## About Bables.

In Ireland a belt of woman's hair is placed about a child to keep harm away.
Garlic, salt, bread and steak aro pit into the cradle of a new-born baby in IIolland.

Roumt:nian mothers tio red ribbons anound the ankles of their children to
preserve them from larm, whilst Welsh mothersput a pair of tongs or a knifo in the cradlo to censuze the safety of their chilliren. This custom is also extant in some parts of England.
In the Vosges, peasant children born at the new moon aro supposed to have tongues better hung than others, whale those born at the lastquarteraro supposed to havo less tongue but better reasomur powers. A daughter born during tho waning moon is always precocious.
At tho birth of a child in Lower Brittany the neighboring women take it in charge, wash it, crack its joints, and rubits head withoil to solder the cianinm bones. It is then wrapped in a tight bundle, and its lips aro anointed with brandy to make it a full Breton.
Tho Grecian mother, beforo putting her child in its cradle, turns three time: around before the firc.

## Household Hints.

To take away the smell of stale cigar smotem a ruvm, burn a little coffec on a shovel and canry it through the room.
A sprinkling of fresh ground coffee will kech game sweet for several days. All s.uno packed in hampers or boxes should be ticated in this way.

Meat should never be laid on a dish until it ss cooked, but should be well Houred atad suspended by a string so as to give the aur fuee access to every part.

To remedy smoking lamps, take out the brener, put it in a pan covered with water; a piece of common soda in with it. Summer for twenty minutes; dip $3 n$ clean water. Yourlamp will burn beantiful and bright for many weeks.

Keep a salt-bag in the house for use in cramps, neuralgia and kindred troubles. Make it of strong cotton cloth, fill with commor. salt and sow up tichetly. When wantel, heat as hot as can be borne in the oven and apply to the afficted part.

Scrubbing-brushes, when not in use, should bo kept many airy placo with the bristles down. Thus treated, the brushes will last twico as long, for common senso wall till you that if stood tho other way the water will run down and soak into the bark, loosening tho bristles, whether they be glued or wired.
For Cleaning Mackintosh Cloaks.-Lay the machintosh flat on a board or table, take a brush used for scrubbugg clothes, somo lukewarm water in a basin, some plain ycllow soap. Thoroughly brush the cloak both ripht and wrong sides until all dirty marks go, then rinso thoroughly in different lots of cold water and hang it up to dry, but not near a firc. The mackintosh will look nico and as fresh as a new one.

## Simple Recipes for Tasty Dishes.

Ground Rice Puddings.-Method: Make some ground rice blanemange, adding two ests after the rico has thickened and is well boiled. Sweeten and flavor, put into cups, and when cold turn out and servo with stewed frut of any kind.
Savory Mutton.-Method: Makea marinade of vinegar with three ot four sliced onions. a littlo pounded mace, cloves, and a handful of herbs; lay the mutton in it for three or fourdays. Lard with bacon. bake with some of the liquor round it, and serve with good gravy
Egg Balls - Method. Hard boil four eggs and put thern in cold water. Separate the yolks, and pound in a mort or with the yolk of a raw egg, a teaspoonful of finely minced parsley, a teaspoonful of Hour, a little salt, pepper and cayenne. Rub well together, form into little balls, and throw into the boiling soup for two minutes.
Mock Turtle Soup.-Method: A very good soup may be made without using a calf's head. Tako one and a half pounds of gravy beef and one cow heel and put them in a stew-pan, with an ounce of lean ham, a small piece of carrot, a large onion with four cloves stuck in it, eighteen black peppercorns and allspice, a good bunch of savory herbs, and quarter of a pint of water. Cover the stew-pan and set over a slow firo; stir now and then umtil a good brown color, add two quarts of water, and simmer for four hours. Take out the beef and cow heel and cut into inch-squaro dico; thicken tho soup wath a little flour, flavor with lemon juice, a tablespoonful of mushroom ketchup, grated nutmeb, salt, and a glass of sherry. Return tho meat to the soup, boil up, and simmer for five minutes. Add somo ege balls.

"I lore Ginl and litile enidren."-Jran Irati..
The Buttercup Dalrymaids
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5's His V W'Jtity.

## A Dreaming Match.

ANONG the famous Indian traders of the past was George Galphin, whoso trading-station at Silver Bluff, South Carolina, was frequented by Indzans from far and near. In "Bench and lbar of South Carolina," a characteristuc ancedoto is related of Nr. Galphin and an Indian chicf.

Chief Mogoloch, from beyond the Savann,h River, spent tho night at Mr. Galphin's. In tho morning tho Indian sail, "Xe dream last night"
"Ah!"staid Galphin, "what did my red brother dream?"
"Mo drean you giveme fine bip rifle" -in Galphin's possession at the time.
The trader instantly passed the rifle to the chicf, sayin:- "If you dreamel it yon must liaveit."

Next morning Galphin said to the chief "I dreamed last night"
"What you dream?" asked Mogoloch.
"I dreained yon gave me the Chichnsaw stallion"-which tho chicf was then riding.
"If you dream um you must hiave um." sant thie cluef, and the horse unas straiglit. way transferred to tho trader.
Thonextmorningthe Indian remarked, "I dreain last night."
"What did my red brother dream?" was the inquiry.
"I dream," answered Mogoloch," you gavo mo red coat you wear, and much calico."
"If youdreamed it you musthavo it," said Galphith, and the Indian rescived the red cont and calico.

Neat morning it was Gufphins turn Ho satd to the chief," Idreamed hast micht."
"What you dream?" was Mogoloch's inguiry.
"I dreamed," replicel Galphin, " you gave me ten miles of land around the Ogeechico old town."
"Wugh"" said tho Indian: if yout dream, you must hate um, but I drwam with yon no more."

## A Live Wax Figure.

Pi;re Itatisionins, an Inraelito who became a loman Cutholic priest, was a remarkably handsome man, with an expression not merely gool-natured but polly. An amusing incident, related in Mrs. Byrne's "Socmi Hours with Celebrities. gives a clearidea of his outward presentment:
Ono day tho Pere, while in London. went to Madame Tuss.nd's Wax Works, and seating limself by the clockworl: figure of Colbeth, fell into a ruverie. Threo gitls came past. and one of them imquired of tho others if they did not think the figure of the priest wondenfully lifelike.
"Fiot more so than the nust of the figures," said one.
"I can't help thinking ho is alive," rejoincel tho other.
"Oh no!" ssid the first; "he's very; matural, but you can see he's only wax."
"I believo he's a man." repeaturl tho sceptical one, resolutel.
"Touch him, then!" exclained the other two definntly:
"I don't mind if fio," was the answer, and thereupon, with somo hesitation. tho girl advanced at finger and laid it on his shoulder.
Pérellatisbonne, who had never moved a muscle during the conversatio:, the moment he was touched, rose as if suddenly brought to life, and, with a clockwork jerk. walked away, The threo girls uttered expressions of dismay, and hurried to another part of thes room as rapidy as jossible.


## When Sples are Caught.

A Spr is a person sentinto an enemy's camp to inspect lis work, ascertain his strength, and rejprt ou his morements. By tho laws of war among civilized nations, a spy is subject to capital punishment. $\Lambda$ stato of war must exist before any person can be executed as a spy, and he murst, in tho first place, bo caunht inside the enemy's lines.
To betreated as a spyit must bo shown that at the time of capture ho was in dress other than the ndopted military uniform of his country:-

A soldier caucht within the enemy's lines wearing his rightfal untorm ean only bo held as a prisoner of war.
Not every person passing secretly: throngh the enemy's lines need neeessirily be a spy.

When captured, if tho prisoner can show that his errant in getting throuph was of a prersonal nature, lie cin only bo held as a prisoner of war.

Tradine with the enemy or attempting to enter his camp with letters of :a personal nature does not constitute spying.

One day a small boy marched up to the master'sdesk, and inquired, "if he would like a bit of pork, as they wero homs to kill their pig?"
The schoolmaster zeplied in tho affirm. ative.
Several days hoving elapsed, and hearing nothing of tho pork, the master called tho boy up to him, and inyuiresl the reason ho had not lionghit it. What was the surprise of the mister whem thu boy replime :

Oh, please, sir, the pig got bettet."

their journal or horticulturf.
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Tolre treated asa sily it must boclearly shown that the object of the accused person was to gan mformation for the enemy which it would be to thesr advantage to know.

## The Plg was Convalescent.

A chatals schoolmaster in a village seheol had been in tho hatut of purchaseng pork from parents of his pupils on the oecasion of the killing of tho pig.

## Why They Didn't Want A Sister.

In Toronto lize a worthy couple who havo cight sons. It chanced, not long since, that to this interesting family there cume a still further naldition in the shape of a baby sister. Tho father and mother wero delizhted that there should tre a firl in thofnmily, and supposel that the sons would bo cyually pleased. It was, arcordingly, with a smiling faco that tho father weat to mako tho announcoment to tho littlo fellows who, at
tho moment, wero all torether in the brakfastroom.
"Boys." he s.aid, joyonsly, " you have a darhng little baly sister." There was a look of blank disappointment on every face and a moment of protond silence.

Then excitablo cight-year-old 'rommy sproto for them atl, exclaiming, explosively. "Dear, dear, that is too bad. It just spoils the making of our ball team!"
nddition to a local menaroric has been chnistener " Prinecss," after the Plinces of Wales, an honor enticly in theelophant's favor. Tho baby "as monethe wosso for its vusage of fuity days from Burma.
About the same time there camo to our shores and to the samo exhibition another strange beast-an Arabian oa sacred baboon from North Africa. The

the shalleest bais bleidiant in areat moitain.

## Zoological Curiosities.

A Bam: Bunnese clephant, which claims to be considered tho smallent of its kind ever brought to this country, has recently arrivell at Liverpool. This interesting youngster stands onle fortythreo inches high, ank is about tho size of a well-grown shoeep. Lako its kind it is extremely intelligent, and, being youthful, it ndds to intelligencoaguality Whirlh in clerphants savours of tho gro tesque-playfuluess. This noteworthy
specimen, which is an adult male, is verv fierce and inhospitable to visitors, rustine furiously to tho bars of his cage when anyono approaches. Ver; fow of these baboons havo been impoited into this country, and the latest is cnu of the finestever sern. Although this baloon takes its name from Arabia, it is moto jommon in "'yssmia and the Soudan. It is often represented on the ancient monuments of Esert. and somu havo suecested that it mat bo tho satys "of Holy Scripture. When full-grown, the
male is as big as a good sized pointer dog. It is remarkablu for its ashen frey colon and its shargey mane, which covers tho neck and shoulders and extends backwards over a considemble portion of the bods.-EFng. Fix.

## Some Epitaphs.

Some curious epitaphs aro given in "London Riversido Churelies" by Mr. A. F. Daniell. a book recently published hy Mr. Archibald Constable.

IIero is an example from St. Siviour's Southwark;
*Susamia Barford departed this !ifo the 20th of August, 1652, afged 10 years and 13 weehs, tho Nonsuch of the world for piety and vertuo in soo tender years. "And death and envyo loth must kay Iwase fite IIer memory alopula hius in brast bo writt.
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This world to her mis but a traced play.
Shec came and ain't, dithk't and yossed away:"


TIE SACIED Baboon.

Hero is one from St. Dunstan's, Stepney:
"To tho memory of leetses Harris, who died suddenly while contemplating thobeauties of tho Moon the 21 th ol $\Delta$ pril, 1831, in her2srd ycar."
Some of the inscriptions upon children's tombs are at onco amusing and pathetic.

## Not One of our "Young Folks," of Course.

Faraser (to goung thicf): "What are you doing under tho treo with that apple?"

Brigut Bor: "I was just poing to climb up the trec to pat back this apple. which, I see, has failen down."


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## Skating Stories．

The group were talking abuut shating； －I don＇t pretend to bo much of a skater．＂ sud tho man with his feet on the mantel－ piece．＂The last tume I muduged in tho pastime，though，I had the good luck to slip into an air－hole．＂
－You don＇t call that good luck，do you？＂asked the man，who had been try－ ming to break into the conversation and till a story humself．
＂Well．under ordinary circumstances． I wouldn＇t call it good luck，＂replied the in．un with his fect on tho mantel；＂but， in this instance，it led to my catching the largest fish over found in this section of tho country．It hapiened this way： I was skating around tho air hole，and at last ran plump into it．Tho lower part of my boily went under tho ice，but I was able to hold mysclf un by tho arms．
＂At last a man came to help me out， but one of my skites seemed to have be－ come entangled in something below tho surface，and ho had to call for assistance． Several persons responded，and by their united efforts pulled mo and a four－pound zock bass through the air－hole．Tho jaws of the fish wero held apart by，one of my skato hades．I suppose，＂lie addel，by way of explanation，＂that I must havo struck my foot in his mouth when I first went down．＂
There was a sliort pause，and the man who had been watting for a chance told of an adventure on Lako Superior．Ho said that whilo skating thero oncovening． far from shore，ho was pursued by a monstrousgrey wolf．＂The wolf chased me about considerably，＂he said，＂but I wasn＇t afraid，because I always was a good skater，and could lyat any wolf that was ever created when it camo to gettinz round on the ice．
＂After I had a little fun with tho animal，making＇figuro cights＇and
thums like that around him，I thought I would put him to some usc．So I mado a dish around the his re．t and catight hold of his tall with one hand．I had a shumy stack in the other，aud beat him across tho back with it．Well，centle－ men，that beast was so shocked and sur－ prised that ho didn＇t know what to do．
＂Ho jumped around just like a colt that was being broken in．I held on tight，though，and he finally camo to the concluston that he wanted to go home， and lit out for sliure．
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