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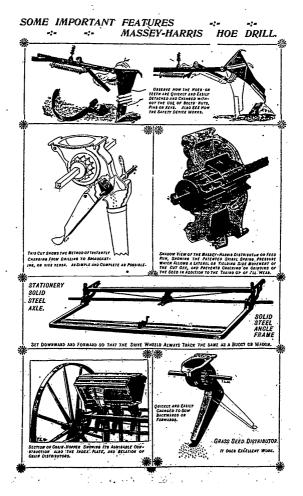
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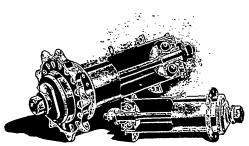




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F the trio of grand old men who for so long lound large in the eyes not only of Europe, but of the world, only one remains. In our last lamentation amidst which Mr. Gladstone was lowered to his grave had died away the indomitable spirit of Prince Bismarck,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



THE LATE PRINCE BISMARCK IN HIS STUDY.

issue but one we reproduced two typical scenes in the closing years of the first of the trio to cross into that "undiscovered country from whose bourn no traveller returns." Before the ocho of universal Empire and the greatest constructive statesman of the century, has met its Master and his mortal remains are laid to rest under the shades of his old home at Fredericksrhue, his son declining the honor offered by the Emperor of placing the body of the Great Cannellor alongside that of the Great William, the first Emperor of united Germany. Our first illustration represents Prince Bismarck ten years ago in his study.

tains that intellectual vigour and poltical foresight which have gained hun the admittee of the state of the state of the Our second illustration presents to us what we may surely regard as a typical section in the closing days of the last



THE GRAPHIC.

THE EVENING OF HIS DAYS: POPE LEO XHI IN HIS PRIVATE GARDEN AT THE VATICAN.

The sole surviving member of the trio is the Pope, Leo XIII., who in spite of the physical decay to be expected in one over 80 years of age, and whose long life has been one of constant toil, still main-

of the three grand old men of the nineteenth century.

The month of September has been a momentous one among the royalties of Europe. It has seen the peaceful passing away of the aged Queen of Denmark, the mother of the Princess of Wales. It has also witnessed one of the most strocious munders ever known in the history of anarchistic feud against monarchy. 1... certum countries it is unfortunately only too true that the monarch ascends the throne with the conviction that unless every precaution bo taken he may some day fall a victim to an assassin, who,

Old World to one of very different character-the coronation of the young Queen of Holland. This event has had particular attraction for the people of Great Britam, whose sympathies with the young Queen in the responsibilities she has assumed are quickened by the remembrance of the fact that their own beloved sovereign was at a similar ago called upon to assume like responsibilities. The

masquerading in the name of "Liberty," thinks he is advancing the cause thereof. anddestroying a system he hates, by brutally taking the life of one man whomaccident has placed in the fore as the executivohead of that system.

While Czars and Emperors have to face this danger, and do faco it untlinchingly, we had yet to learn that the venomous fur y of anarchy would direct itself, except in tune of a mobmado revolution, against a defenceless woman, even though that woman were the wife of an Emperor ; and only a few weeks ago the whole world was thrilled with horror when the news was flashed abroad that the Empress of Austria, while walking from her hotel to the



samo gilish sumplicity that characterized Victoria, and yet withal tho dignity and carnestness withwhichsho expressed her desing to serve her subjects. over sixty years ago, haveacounternart in Wilhelmina, forwhom no kinder wish can be expressed than that she may reign as long and bo as beloved and revered as Queen Victor-

ia. We have already referred in these pages to the selection of Lord Minto as successor to Lord Aberdeen as Governoi-General, and wo now have considerable pleasureinpresenting to our readers a reproduction of a very recent photograph of the nobleman who will re-prosent Her Majesty in Canada for the nextfivevears. The cam-

WILRELMINA, QUEEN OF THE NETHERLANDS. BORN AUG. 31. 1880

steamer, practically unattended, in a friendly foreign land, where she had been sojourning for her health, had been done to death by the knile of one of those excrescences of the social body of to-day-an anarchist who gloried in his deed so damnable and revolting.

It is with pleasure we turn from such sad scenes within the high places of the -----

paign which has been carried on slowly but surely for over two years, for the occupation of Khartoum, the reclaiming of the Soudan for civilization, and the meting of punishment for the death of Gordon, who, prac-tically deserted by the English Government of the day, fell a victim to the forces of Mahdism thirteen years ago. Over tho t, wn in which the great Christian soldier

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THE RIGHT HON. THE EARL OF MINTO, GOVERNOR-GENERAL ELECT

made such a brave resistance and through the stretes of which has several head was carried when tracked y had accomplished his defeat, the flags of Buiktain and of a Buiktain-protected Egypt fly to-day. In our issued January, 1837, we referred to what, the first step on the road to Khartoum. The difficulties and dangers which the expedition encountered and overcame stamped the commander of the forces. Str Herbert Kitchene, as one of the locaing generals of the day. A few months suce the victory of Atbarre added Irresh giory and renown to his name. And now Khartowm has failen! The measure of a perenge and a pension will his country mark its sense of appreciation of the services has arendered.

The campage has of course been full of interesting incidents, of which the special artists and correspondents of the leading illustrated papers have not been slow to take advantage. After introducing to our readers the features of the conquetor of the Soudan, we present an interesting scene, depict up the departure of recruits of natives for the front. Of this the Graphic's special artist writes: "At Abassych the other morming I watrecords for the front." train slowly moved off, and the women began to how't and scream in the most pictous manner as they ran beside the cars, waving their arms frantically. The police posted along the track tried gently to keep them back, exercising the greatest forbearance."

It is a necessity of modern warfare that an invading force keeps itself in communication with the starting peint. This is done whenever possible by stringing telegraph wites along the route of march. When the "route of march," comsists of almost impertable forests, deep swamps and dangerous cataracts, the difficulties of keeping open communication are onhanced considerably, and the successful laying of cable under such conditions as given by, and the successful laying of cable under such conditions as mony of the completeness with which the expertision coupleteness with which the expertision coupled and the skill with when the work

Probably the most stirring incident of the capture of Omdurman was the charge of the 21st Lancers through 8,000 Dervish horse and foot. Though this charge formed here's plan of here

no part in the Sirdar's plan of battle and he did not give the word for it, 12 may be questioned, says the *Graphic*, whether British cavalry ever did a more



IN GAAPME. SIR HORATIO HERBERT KITCHENER, THE SIRDAR OF THE LOYPTIAN ARMY.



THE GRAPHIC.

THE SOUDAN CAMPAIGN : NATIVE RECRUITS GOING TO THE FRONT.

heroic deed. It came about in this wise, Colorel Martin was to thang at the head of his regiment to the westward, with inclust to cat off the ortered of the enemy in that direction, when, across a watercourse three feet deep, there areas before that an instant's estimation. Cheen 21 the in ordered the charge to be sounded, and in a minute or two the toopers were -Jashing and thrusting a way through the dense mass of the ecemy. They made ther way, but at no small cost, for out of a total strength of 220 men with which the regment went mot the first they lost no fewer than forty killed and wounded. Several horses were quickly out to pieces by the ferocious foc. With one exception no man who was once actually unhorsed was again seen alave. The sugle exception was agrin seen alave.



THE GRAPHIC

THE SOUDAN CAMPAIGN : LAYING A CABLE UNDER THE NILE.



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THE SOUDAN CAMPAIGN : THE HORSES OF THE 21ST. LANCERS HAVING A BATH.

Ginches. His norse was brought down to the ground, and the officer fell anong the furious Dervishes. Sergeant-Major Brennan, who was riding ahead, saw tho major's peril, and gallantly returned to his assistance. After a tough fight, in the course of which Brennan killed several Dervishes, ho succeeded in getting the officer on to his own horse and back to the regiment.

Licutenant Gienfell was killed early in the charge. Knowing that the Dervishes would multilate the body, Licutenant do Montmorency and Licutenant Pirio rodo back to the eneny, shot three or four of them, and brought the licutenant's body



THE SOUDAN CAMPAIGN: "PULL ALL TOGETHER, BOYS." SENDING ARTILLERY TO THE FRONT.

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. The Lancers' 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 Abassych Barexercise 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.

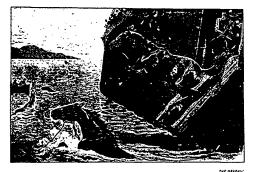
Admiral Sampson's fleet, on its arrival



THE GRAPHIC.

"WHEN THE WAR IS O'ER." NEW YORK'S WELCOME TO THE U. S. FLEET.

racks when the 21st 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 just outside the stables. For this object a foot or two of bright, tine 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 awaited 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 125th Street, where it runs down to the Hudson. The North River and the Bay were alive with swarms of craft, while masses of people were gathered along the shores and on the housetops of New York and New Jersey from Sandy Hook to the tomb. The forts in the hanbor and the battornes of the New York enced in getting them into the water. The method pursued was ingenious, to say the least. The house was made to stand on a board at the side of the vessel, and a rope from his halter was thrown to a board alongside. The board worked



AMERICAN INVASION OF CUBA : A NOVEL WAY OF LANDING HORSES FROM TRANSPORTS.

and New Jersey militia ashole field salutes The enthusiasm was almost indescribable, and a continuous din was

raised with whistles, for horns, bells and every conceivable ear-splitting instrument both afloat and ashore. The bands played "The Star-Spangled Banner," and the people shouted and cheered with patriotic fervor.

"The American invasion of Cuba, ikie the Soudan campign, is responsible for an interessing "horse picture".-"The landing of horset at Suborg keen do American transset at Suborg keen do American transponded with a cood deal of risk. It was impossible to l and the animals without making them swim ashore, and great diffoulty was or porion a pivot in the middle, and shot the horse, very much surprised, 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-mile swim to the shore, through a choppy sea, and many of the horses only landed to due in

a few days. Somoof them would get into the sea without being roped, or get loose when in the water, and with provoking stupidity would start swimming out to sea. Some of them were recaptured butchters were washed away.

The issuance by the Czar of a manifesto favoring an universal curtailment of armaments emphasizes the belief long held in many quarters that Nicholas II. is essentially a man of peace. The accompanying photograph bears this out.



THE CZAR OF RUSSIA AND BABY.

S the Uptons were in that condition of respectability and limited means which myolves much sacrifice of comfort to appearances, Letty Upton had resolved to absomething that would add to the family meane, and thing to here the satisfaction of boung self-supporting. Mass Upton was a tim, bright fitth

Missi Upton was a tim, bright little boly of twenty years; pacty, in a firsh, winning way, and naturally vivacious and engaging. It had seemed to her that this personal equipment was a quarfication for newspaper work. She had teached to newspaper work. She had teached is position; the dradgery of typewitting was uncongenial, and tog of phoa shop as a salest resort.

Letty had seen in the Saturday papers long accounts of very wonderful experiences to which were affixed the names, real or assumed, of women writers. She thought sho might become, in time, a work of your them. Could, and obtain which of your them. Could, and obtain as well as those women? Liko many a render of such "stories,"

Liko many a reader of such "stories," Letty did not stop to reflect on the labor and time expended on them, nor did she know anything of the trials and disheartening rebuffs which might havo been encountered in "working them up."

She was fortunate énough to obtain, through the influence of a friend of her father, a position on the staff of writers for the Saturday edition of the Daily Investigator.

This quarters of these writers seemed to Letty simular and more 'cluttered up' than shohad expected. There were three or four small reoms with roll-top desks in them, and one or two chairs. The ciltor of the 'Woman's Lage' had her affice in one of these rooms. She was a womandher shurt fraktwork. Her shahan womandher shurt fraktwork. Her shahan was keen, her manner of speaking bref and to the wink.

Letty, when called before this editor to receive her first "assignment," or subject to be written up, obeyed the summons with cagerness and some trembing. What would sho be sent to do? Oh, that her subject might be one on which sho could be brilliant with easel

If g. White would sub be exist or using Oh, that her subject might be one on which she could be brilliant with easol "Miss Dpton," said the editor of the Woman's Page, holding a small slip of printed matter in her hand, "here is a report that Mrs. Harmon's daughter is going to marry a distinguished foreigner. Mrs. Harmon and the girl have been tavelling in Europs for a year, and are just back. The girl may have caught an English duke or something, as these Harmons are so rich. See her, find out who the man is, and write up all you can get about it. If it's true, the woman will be gird enough to taik about it."

be glad enough to taik about it." Where does Mrs. Harmon lvo?" asked Miss Upton, taking the "cutting. "Oh, I don't know," replied the ed-

"On I don't know," replict the editoral laid, with a touch of impatemet, as she supped out another paragraph before he, ground four quark, thick with the office alternative of the state of the Register." Miss Jameson I"she called, sharp's, taking the freshy out he's point Register." Miss Jameson I"she called, sharp's, taking the freshy out ship miss her hand and holving past Letty with an innel. Letty withfrew, gefort holine out and looked for "Harmon." There were had better ty the "Social Register." The 'Miss Harmon "whose daughter was to make a buillant maringe would be there, and soveral of the directory names of half a dozen Harmons, with the addresses.

the addresses. She very much wished to ask the society ed.tor which. "Mrs. Harmon of this city"-that was all the slip saidwas the Mrs. Harmon of her list; but she fet it would be more creditable to find that out herself. So she arranged her list in theorder of their residences as she would have to take them on her way up-town, and sallied briskly forth.

up-town, and salled briskly forth. Miss Upton had determined that she was not poing to be a "hady journalist" or "a lady who writes for the papers." but a "nowspaper woman." This title seemed to her honest and direct and dirnified. A "nowspaper woman" would get sooner to writing those long, illustrated, signed "isories" in the Saturday paper than either of the other kinds of writers would!

Sho called at the first place on the list, and sent in her card by a maid, who returned with the request that Miss Upton would state her purpose there, 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 people had a prejudice against "reporters." Now she said, simply, "I an from the Daily Investigator."

"Mrs. Harmon nover sees newspaper people," said the maid. "If you'd said that at the start, I could have told you, for those are my general orders." - 4

Pies .

" I should like you to tell your mistress that this is about something which she is interested in, and that I will not de-tain her long," said Letty, with aggravated dignity.

The maid reluctantly obeyed, or, at least, disappeared for a shot time. Then sho came back and said, "Mrs. Harmon begs to be excused."

Letty was a little crestfallen. She did not believe the maid had been near her mist ess again. How very mean in a tich woman with plenty of lessure to refuse even a reception to a girl seeking to carn a living ! "Has Mis, Harmon been abroad this

year?" Letty asked the maid. In case this was the Mis. Harmon, there would be no object in calling on the other unim-

portant bearers of that name. "No," said the maid, as she closed the door in Miss Upton's face.

"Then she isn't the one I want," said the newspaper woman to heiself, " and I have no more desire to see her than she has to see me.

Trying to keep up her courage by this reflection, Letty made her way to the next house on her list, and there-affecting a slightly haughty air as being likely to impress the servant, and thereby, pos-sibly, the mistress-she said, "I should like to see Mrs. Harmon for a moment."

The servant looked at her with some surprise. "Mrs. Harmon is dead this two years," he said, deliberately. "Oh, really!" replied Letty

her haughty air suffering a sudden collapse. "Perhaps I have made a mistake. This - isn't-Mrs. 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 Harmon is dead, too," replied the man, regarding her with in-

creased curiosity. Letty blushed furiously, and felt a wild desire to laugh. This would certainly not have enhanced her standing in the Then, since this man servant's eyes seemed so acquainted with the Harmons. she was tempted to ask him if he knew which was the Mrs. Harmon whose daughter was to marry a foreign nobleman.

But Letty could not quite bring herself to gleaning the news she needed by friendly, confidential talk with menser-vants. So she only said, nervously, "There must be a mistake somewhere. Thank you," and hurried down the steps, feeling as if the man's inquisitive eyes were burning into her back.

All this wasn't very nice! In those "stories" of the Saturday papers there had been no preliminary failures to find the person. The reporter had always called at Mr. Wheever's, and had "been cordially motioned to a chair," and then

Mr. or Mrs. Wheever had proceeded to tell hum all he wanted to know in the most friendly, considerate way.

However, to be discouraged would never do, so Letty, after a little sigh as she saw two young girls of her own age 10ll by in an elegant Victoria, went to the next Mrs. Harmon, wondering whether she were dead, too.

But she would have no mistakes here. She wrote on her card, "Will Mis. Harmon please see Miss Upton of the Daily

mon please see Miss Opton of the 2mag Intestigator for a moment, in regard to her daughter's engagement?" Ah! Here was the reward of industry. The servant said, "Mrs. Harmon will be down in a moment, Miss. Will you down in a moment. Miss. pleaso sit down and wait?"

In a few moments Mrs. Harmon came in. She looked like a wealthy society woman, though younger than Miss Up-ton had expected to find her. She had a pair of keen, black eyes, her face was a sharply pointed one and her lips were rather thin.

She bowed to the reporter pleasantly enough, but did not offer her hand. What could she do for Miss Upton? She knew the Daily Investigator very

well. "There's a report, Mrs. Harmon, that your daughter is to marry a foreigner of title, whom you met during your travels in Europe this past year," said Miss Upton, with her most ingratiating manner. "Won't you tell me some of the particulars?

"Do you want to publish what I say in the Investigator ?" asked Mrs. Harmon, quickly. "Why, of course, I want to print all

that you are willing should appear about the matter. The public, naturally, has a great interest in the subject, and wants to know about Miss Harmon's flance."

Mrs. Harmon's eyes twinkled, and she drew in her lips a little strongly. She seemed amused.

"She's tickled to death over it, and will tell everything there is," thought Miss Upton, with an approving reflection on her own diplomatic tact.

"Well, you must ask me what you want to know," said the lady, goodnaturedly.

"Is the engagement announced yet?" asked Miss Upton, affably. "No." replied Mrs. Harmon, with an

air of being very pronounced. "I can truly say that it is not announced yet. I can't imagine how the report that my daughter is engaged could have got out. What wonderful people you newspaper folk are!"

"I understand that the engagement is not announced," Letty went on, with a smile that seemed to say to Mrs. Harmon that she could appreciate her way of not telling a thing. "Can't you tell me who the young man is? I suppose I ought to say the young lord?"

Oh, how did you know it was a lord?" Mrs. Harmon cried, smiling with artless enjoyment over the newspaper woman's acuteness. "I didn't say it was a lord. The next thing you'll be asking me is where the duke's country-place is!"

Mrs. Harmon paused a moment as if thinking deeply. Then sho said absently, "Do you know if there were any Ameri-

cans at Grantham Court last autumn?" "Im sure I don't know," Letty replied, cheerfully. The way Mis. Harmon was "letting things out" was interesting. Miss Upton was getting "points" for her story. Engagement not announced yet duke-Grantham Court-splendid!

"When do you suppose the wedding will take place?" she asked, with piquant directness

Mrs. Harmon burst out laughing. "Why, the engagement is not announced yet, and you want the date of the wed-ding! I can assure you it will not be before next fall. That is suic." Mrs, Harmon seemed to find pleasure in coming out strongly on a point when she

could, even if it were a negative one. "Did you get Miss Harmon any things while you were abroad?" continued Miss Upton. Mrs. Harmon's diamond brooch

"Oh, a few little things, yes. Things I know sho had to have." Mrs. Harmon had recourse to her bankleshifter a margarithm

Mrs. Harmon and second handkerchief for a moment. "How old is Miss Harmon?" asked Letty, with interess. The mother was Letty, with interest. The mother was so young and girlish! She took the matter so lightly, and it seemed so amusing to her!

"Don't I look young enough to be pared having to tell my daughter's age?" that interesting lady laughed back; "but Miss Harmon is not seventeen 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 have the facts come

"You area perfecting is to have the lack come "You area perfecting isiter," laughed the lady. "I am going to send you away," she added, rising. "You have led me on so, and made 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 ima-gine how the newspapers find out every-thing. Will it be in to-morrow's paper? I mean are you going to write anything about it?

She was ovidently putting an end to the interview to keep herself from telling a quantity of things more, which the wily Miss Upton would worm out of her.

That young "newspaper woman" was pretty well content. She had learned enough in this way to embellish her information into a most interesting story.

This she did, and thrilled with pride when she saw it in the next day's Investigator with a head-line of great promi-nence. The Search-Light, the Investi-gator's bitterest rival, hadn't a word about the thing

The editor of the Woman's Page had asked her why she did not get a photo-graph of Miss Harmon. Letty had not thought of it. Well, she could try and get that later, and they could print it or Sunday. Miss Upton was sure she could get it from Mrs. Harmon.

In her story Letty said that "the young fiance of the proud English title is a graceful, sweet girl, verging on her soventeenth birthday. During the past year abroad she has received the finishing touches to her education, and the weding will probably occur next autumn. The family are 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, she came to the office bright and early, thirsting for more Mrs. Harmons. Newspaper work was fascinating!

Her enthusiasm was dampened by a little note on her desk. She read that her resignation was requested !

Shehurried to the editor of the Woman's Page, and showed the note.

"Oh, what does this mean?" she al-most wailed. "I don't understand."

"It means that you made the paper perfectly ridiculous, and let a woman get 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 Search-Light has this morning!"

I don't suppose you have read the daily papers," she added, sarcastically. "The Mrs. Harmon that the paragraph I gave you was about lives in Orange, as you should have found ont. That is the picture of the 'Miss Harmon' about whom you wrote your story."

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

JOHN J. A'BECKET,

in Youth's Companion.

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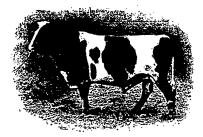
An Epitome of Expert Opinion and Interesting Facts Gathered from Authoritative Sources.

General Notes.

Farm Capital. - The amount thus invested in all of Europe is estimated at 81,261 million dollars; U S, 19,882, Canada, 1,164, Austraha, 1,182 millions.

Value of Soil Mulch.—In experiments with barloy it has been found that a field hurrowed after rolling gave a larger yield than one upon which no work was done after the rolling. The explanation in 1807. The value of grain was \$162,-562,000, against \$129,111,650 last year. Of dead meat, the value of the imports was \$75,255,000, against \$65,118,500 last year. The quantity of fresh bed imported was 1,521,051 evt., against 1,318,-292 evt.; and of fresh mutton, 1,713,371 evt., against 1,515,568 evt.

Potato Scab is a fungus disease, the germs of which enter the soil with the seed and there multiply and grow until



AYRSHIRE BULL "BRITOMART." (See Goop Points of the Aynshire Schmarized," page 141.)

undoubtedly lies in the fact that the harrowed surface acted as a mulch and conserved moisture.

An Important Wheat Grower.—The normal crop of Roumania, in southeastern Europe, is 60,000,000 bush ; last year it was scant 50,000,000 bush. Roumania has a considerable export trade with western Europe.

Canada Shares. — The English trade and mwingtion returns for the asx months ended June Sist show that the value of living animalis impoted minot that country for food was \$27,481,700, as compared with \$27,867,800 in the corresponding period last year. The number of oxen was 255,214, against 295,255 last year; sheep and lambs, 410,382, against 840,165; jud pigs, 450, non having been imported the ubsets are ruined both in appearance and quaity. The condition of the soil in which potatoes are planted has a great deal to do with the growth of the Scab fungues, and it is known that air-slaked lime helps it along. Land platter is the one form of lime that fails to promote the vood ashes and soka ash will also increase the scab. The soil, once affected with this fungues, must not be used for potatoes or any root crop until the disease is erralized. In certain soils favorable to the growth of the scab it is rather dificult to gears and featuring will be the rotatoen, bringing in potatoes one in three or four years and featuring will be the scab, would mobably help to get rid of the trouble. Where potatoes are liable to get thus discase, the seed should be treated with corrosve subilmate.

Live Stock.

The Points of a Good Animal.

What constitutes a good animal of any given breed or type? This is a proposition which should interest every farmer. It is motorious fact that many failunck of correct information as to the difference between good and bad specimens of the different breeds. The heavens that, station, boar or ram is not necessarily the bestone. There are other points of vasily more consequence than mere pounds avoirdupois. Too much importance is attached by most farmers to mere weight. Information clocking that point, however, is usually the burden of the queries ors at the fairs. Education along this line lies at the very basis of success in stock-keeping.

stock-keeping. The mistake the average individual makes in this matter is based upon a feeling 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 which 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 as-sumption of a knowledge which they do not posses. There is nothing gives the average bleeder 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 expert 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 person who confesses ignorance and candidly asks for "pointers" will usually receive tho most courteous treatment, even at the hands of the most inveterate joker among the herdsmen and grooms in charge of animals on exhibition. It is the "smart alcck" that usually forms the target for the wit of the attendants in charge of show stock.

Do not be afraid to evince a desire to learn something from reliable and experienced professional breeders of fine stock. Tell them you want to know how to pick

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a good one and mine times out of ten you will receive information of value. None of us are ever to cold to learn, "his fairs aftord the best chance to study the hereds and we trust that the value of the shows as an educational force in this direction will be utilized to the fullest possible extent.

The Good Points of the Ayrshire Summarized

A correspondent to an eschange remarks. -The Ayrshires have mous good qualities than any of the other dairy breeds. Having been bred and reared on the hills of Scotland in a climate much like our own, they areadapted to this country. Being extremely hardy, they are not afficted by Clinatic changes, different methods of care and feed, as are most other darivy breds. They are wonto convert intromik the delements of poel. They are wonderful mikers-very persistent-themik is of good quality. They are extremely regular breders, 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 Tor 19 years old, and then sold them to the butcher. I do not know of any other bred that will take on flesh ayrshire. Combining the above facts. I prefer the Ayrshires to other breeds. Under good circumstances, they arooqual to the best, while under less favorable circumstances, they stand at the head of all dairy breeds.

	Lts.	L.bs.
Rena Myrtle, full sister to sire of		
Britomart 5348	12.172	546
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mart 53/8	7,768	454
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Rose Ladve, half sister to Brito-		
Myrtle Dell, grandam of Brito-	8,194	403
inart 5318	8.003	
Duchess of Smithfield, c g, dam of		
Britomart 5348	10.748	•19.6
Rubekah, dam of Britomart 5349	8.333	317
Rosa, grandam of Britomart 5318	7.562	*14.14
Rose, great grandam of Britomart	.,	
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Ruth, full eister to dam of Brito-		
	10,219	475
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* In seven days.

Records of Rubekah, Rosa and Ruth were made by churn test,

Sheep.

It is affirmed by one who has had experience that cattle and sheep do well in the same pasture, in proportion of twentyfive cattle to two hundred sheep.

Farmers who raise sheep should provide ample food of beets and turnips.

If wool is stored for any considerable length of time it should be placed in subcellars, half above ground, and well aired. Wool, when too dry, loses some of its marketing value.

Complaints are made that mutton too often has a sheepy havor. This can be haredy ovirated by expect sharphering. Quick work in removing the skin, and guarding against the wool coming in contact with the fields. As all of the work in removing entralignal speading flanks, and in permitting careases to have unit lead before using water, hold re old. This done, the sheepy flavor disappears. One of the great hereis of this country

One of the great heeds of this country in sheep raising is shephends who understand their busidess. Thousands of sheep die for want of a good shephend. Thu "home boy" is a very useful and, as a rule, promising member of the household, but to expect him to prova a fully qualified shephend upon arrival is unreasonable, to say the least, and to use him for that purpose, as many farmers do, is decidelly "penny wise and pound foolish."

In the Poultry Yard.

Preserving Eggs.

The BINALMONA PROCESS.—At the Birmingham, England, show last year there was a competition for the best dozen of preserved eggs. The eggs had to be sent in to the custedy of the scretary prior to October 161, so that at the time to be at least two monitors of a so that at the so birst and ought to have covered six months. The plan of testing by the short and ought to have covered six months. The plan of testing by the pulges was as follows: To break one of each set into a clean saucer, then to bring the best eight together in the same sauce pan, putting them into the cold water and removing from the fire as soon as boiled, and allowing them to remain one minute and a half before testing. Another set, one from cach sciected opened when cold. These preserved in lime water were not satisfactory, milk of the path and allowing treemended. Others that had been coated with melted outpring, the best had been simply packed

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in common salt. These had not lost sensibly by evaporation, had good consistent albumen, and tasted best when boiled. The eggs that took the second prize were adjudged nearly as good as the first. The young lady who packed them gave the following as her method:

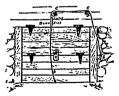
the following as her method: Melt one part of white war to two parts of spermaceti, boil and mix thoroughly; or two parts clarified suct to one of wax and two of spermaceti. Take new laid eggs, rub with anticeptic salt or fino rice starch. Wrap cach egg in fino tissue gare, puting the broad end fino tissue gare, puting the broad end tho top, leaving an inch to hold it by. Dje each eggr rapidly into the fat heated to ono hundred degrees. Withdraw and leave to cool. Pack broad end downwards, in dry whito sand or sawdust. It was generally believed diat had the context covered a longer period hess which lavestood first. Another point

It was generally believed that had the contest correct a longer period these would have stood first. Another point of superiority in this last method was the fine appearance of the eggs, the shells being pure and clean as when first laid. For home use probably the common sait method, owing to its simplicity, will be generally preferred, but for market, abcord method would pay. Next to rook winter laying hens for profilecomes a good method of hereving eggs, and washould like to see a context of this kind at our own poultry 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 the barn sill at the top. Another pair of hinges are fitted about the middle. By turning the button



a parallel to the boards of the door, the lower half of the door can be raised by means of the cord b, which runs over the pulley c. If it is desirable to open all the door, turn the button a into the position shown in the cut. Then by pulling on the cord b, the whole door is raised,

A Covered Sheep or Cattle Yard.

There are important advantages that come from having a yard for the steak that is protected from sum and ram. Not the least of these is the possibility of thus keeping the manuro in the best possible condition. It is also of great advantage to have a pince secure from cold storms where the stock can be turned out for correction.

A covered yard like that shown in the cut will also prove an acquisition where one is keeping sheep. These animals do



best when given only moderately warm quarters, and in many parts of the country such a partially open shelter as that illustrated will be amply warm. Over this shed it will be serve it a chance for thestorarco crops or tools. When used as a run for cattle, the dressing from the barm can be taken out each day and apread evenly over the surface; the tramping of the box (With Reer the manfield a cart can be backed in and loaded directly from the surface.

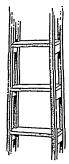
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A Comfortable Fruit Ladder.

Upon the ordinary fruit ladder oue must stand for a long time and endure the strain and the cutting into the feet of a small round. A fairly broad flat step gives firm and comfortable support to the feet. The ladder can be made light, too, as the one shown in the illustration. Make one in winter according to this

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pattern, while you have plenty of time, and it will be ready for next sector's fruit picking. The top of such a haldler can narrow to a point if desired. The main piece must be of some light material, free from knots and other imperfections.



Dress all the material before putting together, then paint. If kept under shelter when not in use it will last many years

For Stretching Fence Wire.

The accompanying illustration shows a sled for stretching wire which works on ground either level or hilly. On each side of the sled is an upright with the



hole near the top. A round stick is placed through this hole and supports the spool of wire. Fasten the end of the wire to the post, hitch a horse to the sled and the wire is easily unwound.



THE capture of Omdurman and Khartoum by the Angle-Egyptian expedition, under the com-

mand of Sir Herbert Kitchener, has not only dealt a death blow to the forces of Mohammedan fanaticism in the great stretch of country known as the Soudan, but it has demonstrated, as even tho French and German press have expressed it, that the military genius of the British race is as keen and strong as ever.

To our mind, there is proof of something more than this in Sir Herberts series of overwhelming victories during the last two years, when it is remembered that these victories were ach eved not by British troops alone, but by an army composed of natives and British, and in which the former largely predominated numerically. Of course, the translation of Soudanese marauders and the downtrodden fellaheen or serfs of the Egypt of less than twenty years ago, into well disciplined soldiers, is due to the effective work of British officers, particularly of Sergeant What's-his-name, as Rudyard Ripling terms that all important personage, the non-commissioned officer of the British army , and while the faithful and magnificent way in which the native troops bear themselves in action is a tribute to the thoroughness with which Sergeant What's his-name has done his dats, the fact that those who at one ame looked upon Britain as a deadly for, now fight bravely for her, is one of the greatest tributes mussible to the genius Britain as a colonizing power,

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Wrm other nations an increase in colonal possessions to olice netuals an uncreased drain upon the multary resources of the country to keep the newlyaquived territory safe, not only from attack from outside, but from uprising by the natives who, treated merchy as a conjugerid race, do not become easily reconciled to the rulo of those they regard as their oppressors. With Britain the case is very different. She realizes that every extension of territory means extension of responsibility ; responsibility to those whom she has brought under her rule. The resources of civilization are utilized to develop the country, in the advantages of which development the natives are not only not prohibited from sharing, but in which they are encouraged, and, if necessary, compelled, to share, by being forced to adout methods of agriculture and of living, the benefits of which soon manifest themselves to the fresh-awakened intelligence of the hitherto misguided native. This individual is also taught another lesson . that it is encumbent upon him to do something towards the protection of the conditions under which he now lives with so much satisfac. Ion to himself and family.

Thus it is that under the args of the British flag not only are large sections of the uncivilized world brought within the pale of civilization, but are kept safe beneath the shadow of that sheltering emblem by these 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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It is hard to determine what will be the result of the conference of American. Canadian and British diplomatis, the preliminary meetings of which have already been held in Quebec. One thing is certain, if the outcome of the conference is the presentation of a plan for the adjustment of conflicting interests, which is acceptable to all those whose interests art, or arc supposed to be, at issue, each gentleman participating in the conference will be entitled to rank as a statesman of the first order.

The number of representatives of "Sectional Interests," from the States and Irom Canada, dancing attendance upon the Conference, may be good for the hotel and bachleng-house keepers of Quebee, but verily it cannot be good for the peace of mind of the delegates to the Conference, and, we strongly optime, it cannot be good for either county as a whole.

Of course themembers of the Conference will have to consider every phase of any 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 Anglo-Saxon 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 contagious 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 amongthe 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 from beast to man.

The government is, therefore, wise in insisting on its use on imported cattle to prevent, so far as possible, bringing the disease into this country. The government is also to be commended for the provisions ..., have rade by which on making application to the Dominion Experimental Farm at Ottawa, farmers throughout the country may have their herds treated gratuitously.

Our dairymen and stock raisers should 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 contains 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 advantage to themselves.

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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 countries; 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 will have accomplished much towards making agriculture on a small scale a paying business in Canada, but he will not have inade it anything like as profitable as it should be until his daughters have taken a leaf out of the book of their Belgium sisters, and our government one out of that of the Belgium government.

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MRS. CRAWFORD SAYS:

¹⁴ In many neal centes in Belgium today, extitutions instruction in darry work is provided throughout the summer, to the peak in population. The convesusually lasts three months, and is open to all guis over filteen versus of age, a practical class being limited, as in all the Belgian domestic and professionals schools, to sive or eight. The farmer who equantion it the damp of the prosult. Sive with the damp of the prosult. Sive with the damp of the prosult. Sive with return to him, not, indeed, with accomplishments, unless ho has specially stuputated that should learn the psino, but with a good general elucation, a thorough the ortext and partical knowledge of dairy work, including the making of checes and butter, and at his option, of poultry-retring, pic-feeding of bee-keeping. Sho will be outredy competing to keep the farm accounts, and hedge of a piculturo in general, rotation of crops, manures, etc. The school fees a to but 5800 way even.

of crops, manues, etc. Ano sensor ten an but 5000 a year. "Different formal training. The collego is situated in the midds of a large estate, which supplies the whole eight hundred scholars with frut and vegetables. The farm is fitted with all the latest appliances for agricultural work. Cattle, sheer, pigs, poultry, bees, and fowls are kept. No less than eighteen kuids of cheese are made. The full dairy course lasts a year, but a shout three months course is also given. In all the branches granted, so that ovey guil can leave at going through a further apprenticeship."

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Norse will begrudge the girls on our Canadian farms what is undoubtedly their due, credit for being hard-working, industrious members of the household, who contribute their share, as far as opportunities are offered them, to tho upbuilding of the family income; but that greater opportunities could be and should be offered them none can question, with the example of Belgium before us.

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COLUMN STR

We have often contended in these columns that the average farmer loses dollars upon dollars in the year by his indifference to such "side lines" as poultry-raising, bee-keeping, and even such an important "side line" as the dairy work. " Leave these things to the women, and let them make what they can out of them," is generally the sentiment of the head of the house. And a very profitable sentiment, too, if the farmer will only secure for his daughter some opportunities for that technical instruction which is as essential for success in butter making, poultry-raising and bee-keeping, as in any other revenueproducing trade or ciaft.

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A "GENERAL" knowledge "picked up," may answer for a time in a new country in its carly starges of development, but Canada has gene beyond that stage and in these days of keen competition requires of those on the farm, so of those in the workshop or in the office, knowledge and skill based on sound training.

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THE assassination of the Empress of Austria at the hands of an anarchist has annarently aroused the governments of Europe to the necessity of concerted action in order to exterminate that pestilential breed of human-shaped monsters who seek to establish, not liberty, but license, through the medium of murder. A conference of the representatives of the different powers will be held shortly in Rome, and it is most earnestly to be desired that in this instance there will be genuine European concert which will evolve some practical plan for the banishment of the red flag of anarchy, stained and stenching as it is with innocent blood.

Hitherto the Knights of the Bomb and Knile have found an aspun in England when driven out of other countries as "suspects." There they have matured their plans, selecting their victims and performing all the preliminaries of the damnable decids which have from time to timo filled the whole world with horror. But even England realizes now that to regard the auxclishs, bunjshed or eccaped from another country, merely as a political refugee, to be protected as soon as ho sets foot on British soil, is an extension of her "free-to-all" principle to a point that borders upon absurdity; and, with England ready to co-operate, the doom of the anarchist should be assured.

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Our own idea of the way the cut-throat fraternity should be treated may not possess much of that "force of moral suasion," by which, some people believe, all men may be reached; but it should certainly prove effectual. There are enough unoccupied islands in the Pacific to admit of the establishment of an Anarchists' Retreat, under "the joint motection of all the powers." The protection would be required not to movent access to, but egress from, the Retreat, whither should be sent every fellow proved to be a member of the Society of Murder Mongers. That he had not as yet committed a murder, but only hoped to do so at some distant date, should not be accepted as an excuse why one of the fraternity should be allowed to remain at large in the unhealthy atmosphere of the slums of Old World cities. The climate at the Retreat would add several years to his life, and being compelled to do a certain amount of physical labor under healthful conditions, he would be a different man altogether, and he would probably live to a ripo old age, unless knifed by one of the brotherhood, which, we suppose, would be a not uncommon occurrence; thus hastening, by ther own illegitimate methods, the object in view-the exter-mination of the race by natural means. This may appear like outdoing Siberia.

This may appear like outdoing Siberia. But we 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 be an another and the state of the of those whose doctrine, promulgated deliverately, and as deliberately practised, is-to murder?

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THE 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 25,09,155 bushels, or an average of slightly under 171 bushels on 1,483,212 acres. This preliminary estimate of the government is 34 bushels greater than the final estimate of last year's crop, and, according to The Commercial of Winnipeg, it is admitted by those competent to judge, that the restmate is too low. One authority claims that the crop will exceed is by 7,000,000 bushels; that is, allowing for the 200,000 arcrs added to the area of wheat cultivation, since the final estimato of last year was made, the yield of wheat thus year exceeds that of last year by nearly eight bushels an area.

It is not only in wheat, however, that the Manitoba farmer has scored heavily. The yield in oats and barley promises to be double that of last year. All this indicates that the Prairie Province agriculturist has either been specially favored by nature or farms on progressive princaples. We believe that his present prosperity, on which we most heartily congratulate him, is due to a combination of good fortune and good management, for during the years '96 and '97, when crops all round were light, the province did not lag behind. The Manitobans believe with the late Sir John Macdonald, that it is foolish to put all their eggs in one basket, and they have of recent years developed an important dairying industry, while their export trade in live stock has assumed large proportions.

As The Commercial points out, there are many convincing proofs that the two years' depression in crops did not prevent these province forzing ahead, prevent these the large increase in the area of land under culturation, and the extension of six different railway lines.

When progress can be so conclusively proved during a period of comparative failure of one of the man sources of the provunce's prosperity, what measure of advancement may not the Manitobans expect to follow their record year in cross?



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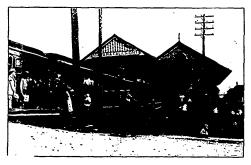
MASSEY-HARRIS EMPLOYEES' PICNIC TO NIAGARA FALLS.



SECOND OF THE FOUR TRAINS STEAMING OUT OF TORONTO.

E atelispesed to believe that the event of which the accompanying photographic reproductions are intended to form a souvenin, will not be altogether void of interest to our farming friends, between whom and the employees of an instantion hke the Massey-Harus Co., the relationship of direct inter-dependence is more readily iccognizable than between the farmers and any other section of the industrial world. Everybody knows how much wo all depend upon the farmer, and the farmer knows how much he depends upon the skill of those whose days are spent in conceiving, experimenting with, or carrying out, ideas having for their object improvements in the implements which, in these days of keen competition, are as necessary to an agriculturist as are the railway and steamship to the world at large.

Wo may bo pardoned, then, for presupposing a slight interest among our readers in the gathering together, all on pleasure bent, of close upon 1,000 individuals, each one of whom had a personal interest in maintaining and atrengthening the good relations which have existed for so many years between agricultural Canada and the Massey-Harris Co., although we doubt if the farmers, with their whole lives spent in the open air and among conditions that make for health, can fully appreciate what a "day off" in the words or parks really means





A FEW OF THE HUNDREDS OF GROUPS OF LUNCHEON PARTIES IN THE PARK.

PROTO BY DR N. A PONILL



PROTO BY W.I.N.W EVERESS WAGONS BRINGING OVER THE LUNCH BASKETS TO THE TENTS.

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 time be sure to attract attention, but when all in that yast crowd are colleagues (or the wives and children of colleagues), using the best of their skill, brain and muscle in the service of one firm, the occasion

becomes unique, and establishes a record in the history of Employees' Picnics in Canada.

The invitations issued by the firm to the employees were, we think, of a sufficiently comprehensive character to satisfy every one, extending, as they did, to the wives of employees, who were also privileged to include their children and friends in the party on payment of a portion of the ordipary fare. To help

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to meet the expenses of the day, every matried employee found fity cents enclosed with his invitation, and every unmatried employee twenty-five cents.

Special arrangements were made with the various restamant keepers and caterers at Niacaia Falls whereby the wants of those wearing the "Massey--Harris Employees' Picnic" badge were provided for at reduced rates. That vexed cuestion with all picnicers, "What shall we do with our lunch basket?" was

solved by the appointment of a commutee who received the baskets at Toronto or Brantford stations, issuing a check therefor, which the owner of the basket was merely required to present at the Headquarters' Tent at Ningara in order to secure his property. Six trains were requisitioned to carry the pathford the station this one picnic to their destination-four leaving Tomoto and two bearing the



LISTENING TO THE BANDS AT THE PAVILION,



THE NEW STEEL BRIDGE.

MAID OF THE MIST.

Brantford contingent. Arrived at Niagara Falls, whole-souled engo, ment was theorder of the day, the attractions being sufficiently varied to meet all tastes. 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 pholographers, whose skill requires no other testimony than is alforded by the reproduction of their work in these columns. Ningana Falls, Brantford 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 large scale 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 the round trip on the Gorge Boute of the Electric Radial Railway. As doubtless



PROTO BT DR. N. A. POWELL.

THE SECOND BRANTFORD TRAIN-LOAD READY TO START FOR HOME.

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



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respondence is invited on all malters pertaining to the llome; questions relating to any feature of domestic life or of interest to women gener-ally, will be readily answered, when possible, in this department.

Content

- I WANT no fortune, large or small ; I want no gems or jewels rare; Great riches on my soul would pall,
- And fill my heart with carking care.
- have no wish for mansions great. O'erspread with nomp and full of gaud. Let others seek a large estate . "Tis not the portion I would land,
- I have no love for acreage ;
- I have no praise at all for gold; I would not place one tiln in pledge
- To why a mass of wealth untold.

English Rose Pincushion.

⊲HE shape of an English rose is easily obtained, and those who care to do so can draw one from this illustration, and then proceed to make a pincushion which will be



novel as well as pretty. Cut out a shape in strawboard. and then cover it entirely with pink velvet or silk.

Makeasmall perfectly oundcushion for the centre and gluo firmly juto place.

The cushion should be yellow or of a arker pink than the petits, and a gold cord should be glued all the way round it. Glue is much more satisfactory to work with for the mounting of fancy articles than paste, as it sticks better It can easily be heated over a spirit lamp.

A Shamrock Photograph Frame.

Take a large piece of millboard or strawboard and cut it into the shape of a shamrock Cut oval-shaped apertures in each section of the leaf, and then cover each one with velvet, green being the most appropriate

The covering is done by gluing the velvet on the wrong side, snipping pieces here and there out of the cdges so that they may not make thick folds. Across the hole you must slit the velvet length-ways and across Turn these edges in straining them well over the board as you do so, and glue them into place.

At the back of this glue glass, which you can get at any glazier's, and then place your photograph or picture behind it; glue brown paper over the back This kind of frame is easily made, and when hung against the wall is extremely effective.



Another way of employing this shamrock design is to cover pieces of board with velvet and use them for placing old chna on. Many people have the shields and rounds, so that a shannock will be a very nice change. For hanging china upon, cardboard is hardly strong enough. It would be far better to get a carpenter to cut you a board, shamrock shaped, and then for you to cover it yourself with velvet.

. Butterfly Penwiper.

The body of the butterfly is made of cotton and wool over which some light brown velvet is sewn. On this black marks are painted, or made with a few stitches in black silk. The antenno of the butterfly are made with wire covered with embroidery silk, and the little knobs at the end by a black bead through which the silk covered wire is passed.

Take four pieces of cardboard shaped like butterflies' wings, the upper larger than the under, and cut out by them six or eight layers for each four sections of the wing in chamois leather. The latter

is seldom used for wiping pens upon, and yet it is so very appropriate for the pur-It wipes the

pose. pens perfectly clean, leaving none of the fluff upon them so urritating to a write). Cover your card with satin, and then paint on the wings some marks characteristic of any butterfly you like to select.

The very best way

for you to do this is to take the picture of a butterfly and copy the coloring.

chamois leather on to the body and your

enwiper is complete. Of course, if you like to embroider the wings of the butterfly instead of paint. ing 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.

of any average worker. There is a very charming little border in Fig. 1 that

would be exactly suited for running round the edge of the skirt of a tailor-

made gown. Such a simple design for

the braiding may be had at most stores

Fashionable Dress Trimmings.

vow is the time for ladies with clever fingers to set to work and manufacture dainty trimmings of all soits for diesses, coats, boleroes, waist-belts, coats and waistcoats. Every-

FIG. 1. BRAID DECORATION FOR SAIRT.

popular trimmings for the benefit of my

readers, but I have been careful to select only such as are well within the capacity

I have reproduced sketches of a few

thing and anything in the way of braiding is fashionable.and likely to remain so for a long while. Sometimes the ordinary tubular braid is used. sometimes the flat make, and very often this is combined with fino cord iet hends and sem as, either black or colmore dressy occasions, jewels and colored beads and sequins are employedinevery variety. sometimes in combination with satin ribbon, sometimes on a net foundation, sometimes directly on the material itself.

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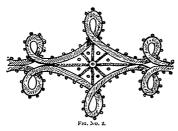
bringing it out at the edge. Take up a head, then return the needle to the margin of the braid and run it along to the next place where a bead is required, thread a bead again, pass the needle again along the edge of the braid, and



fers are sold. and all who have had any experience in such work will understand how to sew on the braid, and especially how to gather it slightly round the curly loops of the pattern. The beads that are added along the outer edge of the braid should be sewn on before this is applied to the material. It is quite easily managed.

where trans-

Thread a fine needle with some strong but rather fine silk of the required color. make a knot at the end and run the thread in at the back of the braid.



repeat the operation till a sufficient number of beads have been put into place.

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Most of the openings between the curves in this pattern are left free, but in the middle of the largest space is a sort of wheel made of very fine silk cord. This is sewn down upon the material highly, the statches being well halden among the twists, and the ends pushed through to the wrong side and there sewn do are set in with a billiof the wheel is of it, and in the eight spaces between the bars of cord are as many beads like thoses on the margin of the braid.

A very varied appearance will be given to this pattern, according to the colors used. Specially good will be the effect of two narrow blaids instead of one wido one. On a navy blue cloth dress, for instance, one braid may be blue or black, and the second gold. The small beads may be metallic blue, the cord rather ich blue-somewhat paler than the backgroundand the spangle black, and the spangle black, the centro of it. Endless other changes of color may be made in the design, which will at all times prove both pretty and effective.

FIG. 2.—BRAID AND AP-PLIQUE DECORATION.

The second illustration shows only a potion of a bold applique pattern, such as might cover the greater part of a habit bo-

dice, a tailor-made waistcoat, or, on We smaller scale, the revers of a coat. will suppose that the background is thin cloth of a dull green color. All the de-tails of the design are intended to be cut out in cloth of a pretty brownish shade of tan. This material is then to be laid on the gieen and tacked down rather thoroughly, so that there is no fear of its slipping out of place when the braiding is being done. The cut edges must be is being done. The cut edges must be followed with the braid chosen, which will look best in black; and when this is all sewn down, the outer edge of the braid is traced with an extremely fine gold cord. The tiny jet beads, which in the sketched fragment are sprinkled along the inside margin of the braid, may be omitted if it is thought that they interfere with the clearness of the pattern at all.

CHIT-CHAT.

The Cheerful Woman.

THERE are emergencies in every household which call for the display of a statesman's skill. The cheerful woman is pre-eminent

Determine woman's pre-enanche prim uncle or the dyspectre cousin with her infective cheerfulnes a, and her seilike the second second second second second ally in all matters that are essential to their welfare. The length of time site keeps her servants is a source of wonderment to her less fortunate friends, but the secret of it is in her own winform disposition. She southers the tired worker with a word of kind commendation, complaint. When dineteen is moded she delivers it in such a gentle, albert frem manner that it has no sting of reproof. This gentle, tactful woman is not allieted with workthat is from "sun to sum" or that is "hower done." Dely some means sho mannges to accomplish a great deal of work and have plenty of time at her command. It is by means of that same cheer fulness of disposition. Theo is kes delay in executing her commands, and sho possesses the gilt of "timing her turns" so that sometimes "and the fulness of gentlo breeding and of kind heart do help her. Heaven bless the cheer ful woman!

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The Queen's Tastes in Jewellery.

HERE is a slight glimpse at the Queen's tastes in pewellery. Her coronation ring is amongst those she prizes most. It is designed to represent Faith, Hope, and Charity, in diamonds, tubics, and emeralds, and is so very heavy that it is only worn on Stato occasions of exceptional solemnity. Jowels which nover leave the Queen's fingers are her wedding and engagement rungs, of which the former is worn so thin, that it is only kept in position by a "keeper." The engagement ring is of diamonds, in heart shape, with one magnificent ruby-a stone which the Prince Consort considered tronal of love.

About Babics.

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

Roumanian mothers tie red ribbons around the ankles of their children to

Household Hints.

To take away the smell of stale cigar smoke in a room, burn a little coffee on a shovel and carry it through the room.

A sprinkling of fresh ground coffee will keep game sweet for several days. All game packed in hampers or boxes should be treated in this way.

Meat should never be laid on a dish until it is cooked, but should be well floured and suspended by a string so as to give the air fice access to every part.

To remedy smoking lamps, take out the birner, put it in a pan covered with water; a piece of common soda in with it. Snumer for twenty minutes; dip in clean water. Yourlamp will burn beautiful and bright for many weeks.

Keep a sait hag in the house for use in cramps, neuralgra and kindred troubles. Make it of strong cotton cloth, fill with common sait and sew up tightly. When wanted, heat as hot as can be borne in the oven and apply to the afficted part.

Scrubbing-brushes, when not in use, should be kept many airy place with the bristles down. Thus treated, the brushes will has ture as long, for common senso will toil you that if stood the other way the water will run down and soak into the back, loosening the bristles, whether they be glue dor wirdd.

For Cleaning Mackintosh Cleaks.—Lay the mackintosh flat on a board or table, somo lakewarm water in a basin, somo plain yellow soap. Thoroughly brush tho cleak bodh right and wrong sides until all dirty marks go, then rinso thoroughly in different loss of cold water and hing in different loss of cold water and hing and thosel will look nice and a sfresh as a new one. preserve them from harm, whilst Welsh mothers put a pair of tongs or a knife in the cradle to ensure the safety of their children. This custom is also extant in some parts of England.

In the Vosges, pensant children born at the new moon are supposed to have tongues better hung than others, while those born at the hastquarter are supposed to have less tongue but better reasoning powers. A daughter born during thu waning moon is always precedens. At the birth of a child in Lower

At the birth of a child in Lower Brittany the neighboring women take it in charge, wash it, crack its joints, and rubits head withoil tosolder the cranium bones. It is then wrapped in a tight bundle, and its lips are anointed with brandy to make it a full Breton.

The Grecian mother, before putting her child in its cradle, turns three times around before the fire.

Simple Recipes for Tasty Dishes.

Ground Rice Puddings.—Method : Make some ground rice blanemange, adding two eggs after the rice has thickened and is well boiled. Sweeten and flavor, put into cups, and when cold turn out and serve with shewed fruit of any kind.

Savery Mutton – Method : Make a marinade of vinegar with three or four sheed onions, a little pounded mace, cloves, and a handful of herbs; lay the mutton in it for three or four days. Lard with bacon, bake with some of the liquor round it, and serve with good gravy

Egg Balls – Method. Hard boil four regs and put them in cold water. Separate the yolks, and pound an a mort's with the yolk of a raw egg, a tenspoontul of finety minesed parsky, a tenspoontul Rub will together, form into little balls, and throw into the boiling soup for two minutes.

Mock Turtle Son,-Mcthod: A very good soup may be made without using a caff's head. Take one and a half pounds of gravy beef and one cow heel and put them in a stew-pan, with an ounce of lean harm, asmall 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 until a good brown color, add two quarts of water, and simmer for burs. Take ouch be dideo; thicken and set over a slow firo; stir now and hours. Take ouch bed dico; thicken and soup with a hitle flour, flavor with hemon juice, a tablespoorful of mushroom ketchup, grated nutmer, salt, and a glass of sherry. Return the meat to the soup, bol up, and simmer for five minutes.



" I lore God and little children."-JEAN PACE.

The Buttercup Dairymaids

Tur little ladies of the churn, They toil the springtime through, A-churning golden latter from The rain and sun and dew.

But when the merry June-time comes, Their lator all is done, And they pack their tiny butter-lowis With butter like the Sun.

And then they stand in ranks and rows, Their books upon their heads, A-waiting the inspectors, who shall soon go through the meads.

And when the child inspectors come, Such fan at then beginst For they test that golden butter With their rosy dhugled chinet PERCIA V WHITE.

A Dreaming Match.

MONG the famous Indian traders of the past was George Galphin. whose trading-station at Silver Bluff, South Carolina, was frequented by Indrans from far and near. In "Bench and Bar of South Carolina," a characteristic anecdote is related of Mr. Galphin and an Indian chief.

Chief Mogoloch, from beyond the Savannah River, spent the night at Mr. Galphin's. In the morning the Indian said, "Me dream last night."

said, "Me dream last night." "Ah!" said Galphin, "what did my red brother dream?"

"Mo dream you give me fine big rifle" in Galphin's possession at the time.

The trader instantly passed the rifle to the chief, saying, "If you dreamed it you must have it."

You must have the Next morning Galphin said to the chief, "I dreamed last night," "What you dream?" asked Mogoloch. "I dreamed you gave me the Chicka-saw stallion "-which the chief was then

riding "If you dream um you must have um."

said the chief, and the horse was straightway transferred to the trader.

Thonextmorningthe Indian remarked, "I dream last night." "What did my red brother dream?"

was the inquiry. "I dream," answered Mogoloch, "you gave me red coat you wear, and much caliro.

"If you dreamed it you must have it," said Galphin, and the Indian received the red coat and calico.

Next morning it was Galphin's turn Ho said to the chief, "I dreamed last night.

What you dream?" was Mogoloch's

inquiry. "I dreamed," replied Galphin, " you gave me ten miles of land around the Ogerchee old town." "Wugh!" said the Indian;

of you dream, you must have um, but I dream with you no more."



A Live Wax Figure.

PERE RATISBONNE, an Israelite who became a Roman Catholic priest, was a remarkably handsome man, with an expression not merely good-natured but jolly. An amusing incident, related in olly. An anusing incident, related in Mrs. Byrne's "Social Hours with Cele-brities." gives a clear idea of his outward presentment:

One day the Pere, while in London, went to Madame Tussand's Wax Works, and scating himself by the clockwork figure of Cobbett, fell into a reverie. Three girls came past, and one of them inquired of the others if they did not think the figure of the priest wonderfully life-

"Not more so than the rost of the figures," said one. "I can't help thinking he is alive,"

"I can't nep musing no is anney rejoined tho other. "Oh, no!" said the first; "he's very natural, but you can see he's only wax." "I believe he's a man," repeated the sceptical one, resolutely. "Touch him, then!" exclaimed the "location default." other two, defiantly.

"I don't mind if I do," was the answer, and thereupon, with some hesitation, the girl advanced a finger and laid it on his shoulder.

Père Ratisbonne, who had never moved a muscle during the conversation, the moment he was touched, rose as if suddenly brought to life, and, with a clock-work jerk, walked away. The three girls uttered expressions of dirmay, and hurried to another part of the room as rapidly as possible.

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When Spies are Caught.

A SPY is a person sent into an enemy's camp to inspect his work, ascertain his strength, and report on his morements. By the laws of war among civilized nations, a spy is subject to capital pun-ishment. A state of war must exist before any person can be executed as a spy, and he must, in the first place, be caught inside the enemy's lines

To be treated as a spy it must be shown that at the time of capture he was in dress other than the adopted military uniform of his country.

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A soldier caught within the enemy's lines wearing his rightful uniform can only be held as a prisoner of war.

Not every person passing secretly through the enemy's lines need necessa-

when captured, if the prisoner can show that his errand in getting through was of a personal nature, he can only be held as a prisoner of war.

Trading 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's desk, and inquired, "if he would like a bit of pork, as they were going to kill their pig?"

The schoolmaster replied in the affirm. ative.

ative. Several days having clapsed, and hearing nothing of the pork, the master called the boy up to him, and inquired the reason he had not be ought it. What was the surprise of the master when the boy replied: Oh, please, sir, the pig got better."



THEIR JOURNAL OF HORTICULTURE. TUESDAY, A.N.-Taken up hortlepiture. st .- Planted an apple seed. r.u-Dug it up to see if it has grown. MARGUERITE TRACT.

To be treated as a spy it must be clearly shown that the object of the accused person was to gain information for the enemy which it would be to their advantage to know.

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The Pig was Convalescent.

A CERTAIN schoolmaster in a village school had been in the habit of purchasing pork from parents of his pupils on the occasion of the killing of the pig.

Why They Didn't Want A Sister.

In Toronto live a worthy couple who have eight sons. It chanced, not long since, that to this interesting family there came a still further addition in the shape of a baby sister. The father and mother yers delighted that there should be a girl in the family, and supposed that the sons would be equally pleased. It was, accordingly, with a smiling face that the father went to make the an-nouncement to the little fellows who, at the moment, were all together in the breakfast-room.

"Boys," he s.id. joyously, "you have a darling little baby sister." There was a look of blank disappointment on every face and a moment of profound silence.

Then excitable eight-year-old Tommy spoke for them all, exclaiming, explosively, "Dear, dear, that is too bad. It just spoils the making of our ball team!" addition to a local menagerie has been cluistened "Princess," after the Princess of Wales, an honor entirely in the elephant's favor. The baby was nonthe worse for its voyage of farty days from Burma.

About the same time there came to our shores and to the same exhibition another strange beast—an Arabian or sacred baboon from North Africa. The



THE SMALLEST BABY ELEPHANT IN GREAT BRITAIN.

Zoological Curiosities.

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A Bann Burnese elephant, which claims to be considered the smallest of its kind ever brought to this country, has recently arrived at Liverpool. This Interesting youngster stands only fortythree inches ligh, and is about the size of a well-grown size. Lake its kind youthin it and stointelligence a multipy which in elephants sarours of the proteque-playluness. This noteworthy specimen, which is an adult mule, is very fierce and inhospitable to visitors, rushing furiously to the bars of his care when anyton approaches. Very few of these baboons have been imposted into this country, and the latest is form of the finestever seen. Although this baboon takes its finant from Arabay, it is most takes its finant from Arabay, it is non-takes its finant of the antinonuments of Egypt, and some large "of holy Serjinter. When full-grown, the loss form represented on the sucjers "of Holy Serjinter. When full-grown, the nale is as big as a good sized pointer dog. It is remarkable for its ashen grey colo and its shaggy mane, which covers the neck and shoulders and extends backwards over a considerable portion of the body.—Eng. Ex.

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Some Epitaphs.

SOME curious epitaphs are given in "London Riverside Churches" by Mr. A. E. Daniell, a book recently published by Mr. Archibald Constable. Here is an example from St. Saviour's Southwark;

⁴⁵ Sussmini, Barford departed this life the 20th of August 1652, aged 10 years and 15 weeks, the Monsueh of the world for piety and vertue in soo tender years. "And detahand envyeloth must ary twass for Neth arrateline kinger Klorg bestowd upon her Taneowshel werd with Him a mid of hours Her stage v short, her thread wapucktysen, Darmont and cult, gott levers, her workowst.

This world to her was but a traced play. Shee came and saw't, dislik't and passed away."



THE SACRED BABOON.

Here is one from St. Dunstan's, Stepney:

"To the memory of Betsey Harris, who died suddenly while contemplating the beauties of the Moon the 21th of April, 1831, in her 23rd year."

Some of the inscriptions upon children's tombs are at once amusing and pathetic. Not One of our "Young Folks," of Course.

FARMER (to young thief): "What are you doing under the tree with that apple?"

BRIGHT BOY: "I was just going to climb up the tree to put back this apple, which, I see, has failen down."

MASSEY-HARRIS ILLUSTRATED.

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"I wash I was twins," add Willie, "Why?" "I'd zend the other half of me to school, and this half would go usiling."

IN a hall-room a soft young man said to a sweet girl: "May 1 slt on your right hand?" Her reply was: "Why, of course not, you d kitter take a chair."

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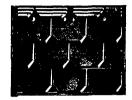
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world " "And I think you are the nices hum in the whole "And I think you are the nices! little girl in the world, "replied her fahler "Course I am." said Maggie. " Ain't it queer how such nice people happen to get into the same family?"

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Oh, ves "said the lashful lover " you married mother, but I ve got to marry a strange girl.

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Skating Stories.

The group were talking about skating. ' I don't pretend to be much of a skater, said the man with his feet on the mantelpiece. "The last time I indulged in the pastime, though, I had the good luck to slip into an air-hole." "You don't call that good luck, do

you?" asked tho man, who had been trying to break into the conversation and

ing to break into the conversation and the activity humself, and the second second second second second I wouldn't call it good luck, "replied the nan with his fect on the manufa!, "but, in this instance, it led to my catching the largest fish ever found in this section of the country. It happened this way: I was skating around the airhole, and at last ran plump into it. The lower part of my body went under the ice, but I was able to hold myself up by the arms.

"At last a man came to help me out, but one of my skates seemed to have become entangled in something below the surface, and he had to call for assistance. Several persons responded, and by their united efforts pulled me and a four-pound united enorts pulled mo and a tour point ock bass through the air-hole. The jaws of the fish were held apart by one of my skato blades. I suppose," he added, by way of explanation, "that I must have struck my foot in his mouth when I first went down."

There was a short pause, and the man who had been waiting for a chance told of an adventure on Lake Superior. He said that while skating there one evening. far from shore, he was pursuel by a monstrous grey wolf. "The wolf chased me about considerably," he said, "but I wasn't afraid, because I always was a good skater, and could beat any wolf that was ever created when it came to getting round on the ice.

"After I had a little fun with the animal, making 'figure cights' and

things like that around him. I thought I things like that around him, I thought I would put him to some use. So I made a dash around to his rear and caught hold of his tail with one hand. I had a shunny stuck in the other, and heat him across the back with it. Well, gentle-men, that beast was so shocked and sur-prised that he didn't know what to do.

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"He jumped around just like a colt that was being broken in. I held on tight, though, and he finally came to the conclusion that he wanted to go home, and ht out for shore.

"Gentlemen, I know you will believe me when I say that that was tho supreme moment of my life. There I was, a hold-ing to the wolf's tul with one hand, beating him with the shinny stick which I held in the other, and flying over the classy surface at the rate of about forty miles an hour. As we neared the shore miles an hour. As we neared the shore he slowed up, and, on reaching the land, haid down and died from exhaustion. "I have his hide at ' yne now," con-cluded the narrator, " and you can see

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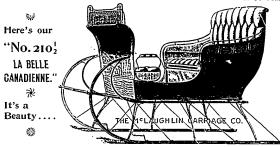
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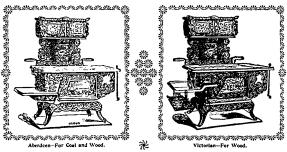


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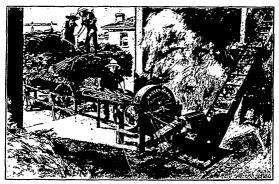
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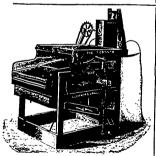
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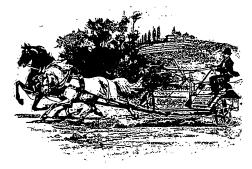
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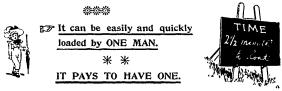


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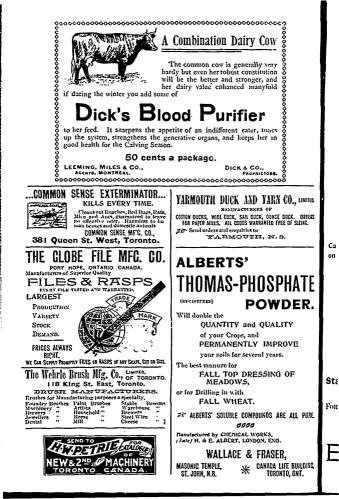
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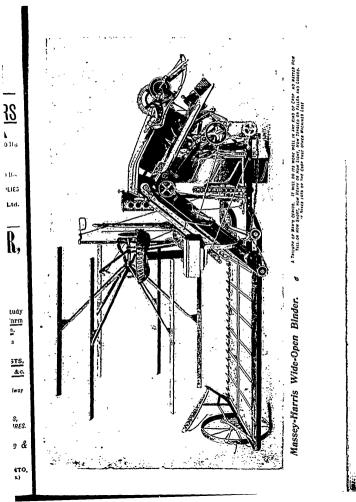
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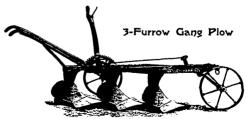
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