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ARE SHOES A BY-PRODUCT?

Exchange: "Are shoes a by-product of beef?" asks the New York Journal of Commerce in discussing the report that one of the large packers is to enter the New England shoe manufacturing business in a small way. It is said these large packers are figuring on getting into the shoe business to enable them to get the greatest possible value out of the hides of the cattle they kill.

OUR SHIPS AND OUR FLAG.

The New Orleans Playhouse prints a Washington dispatch indicating that the managers of the United Fruit Company are desirous of obtaining legislative permission to hereafter sail their fleet of thirty vessels under the American flag, manned by American crews. The vessels are steamers ranging from 4000 to 6000 tons, and all of comparatively new construction.

This is a step in the right direction if there be no provision of subsidy attached. It is to be hoped, when the bill comes up for consideration, that some zealous friend of the re-establishment of the American merchant marine will move as an amendment that the freedom of the flag be given to all American-owned ships, no matter where they have been built.

FARM HOMES HERE AND ABROAD.

Some city folks making their living on the lecture platform but sadly deficient in real knowledge of all things pertaining to agriculture in any country seem to delight in painting dull, dreary pictures of life on the American farm. The terrible isolation, the lack of creature comforts, of company, the long distance to church and school—all these and many more are charged against American farm life.

YEAR'S BUILDING AT DENVER. Denver, Colo.—The detailed report of the City Building Department for the year just ended shows that the value of business buildings erected during the twelve months ending Dec. 31, 1910, was \$1,081,000, the greatest for any similar period in the history of the city.

Daddy's Bedtime Story—The Very Funny Dog, the Frog and the Man



HERE is a story which daddy told his two youngsters, Jack and Evelyn, one evening, and which made them laugh very heartily. Perhaps it will amuse other children: "About a hundred years ago there lived in France a man who was very fond of hunting. One day he decided to go out to shoot birds, but he did not have a hunting dog. So he went to a dealer in dogs and bought one, which the dealer said was a very good hunting dog.

MANY STUDY FARMING.

Report of Regent of Kirksville School to Be Submitted. Kirksville, Mo., Jan. 26.—In the biennial report of the board of regents of the State Normal School here to the state legislature, President John R. Kirk, says that 700 students of the 2,412 who have been enrolled, have studied agriculture.

SOME GREAT PROJECTS.

San Antonio, Tex., Jan. 26.—Interest in irrigation in Southwest Texas is growing rapidly. Some of the greatest projects of the kind in the nation are in this section of the state—in the lower Rio Grande valley, near Laredo, in the Nueces valley, in the Pecos valley and along many other streams in southwestern part of the state in charge for cultivation. Farmers in almost every locality are arranging to conserve the storm waters of the rivers and creeks. Dams are being built and reservoirs in course of construction for storing water to be used upon the land when needed.

RECEIPTS BY WEEKS.

Table with columns for Week ending, Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, Jan. 1, Jan. 8, Jan. 15, Jan. 22, Jan. 29, Feb. 5, Feb. 12, Feb. 19, Feb. 26, March 5, March 12, March 19, March 26, April 2, April 9, April 16, April 23, April 30, May 7, May 14, May 21, May 28, June 4, June 11, June 18, June 25, July 2, July 9, July 16, July 23, July 30, Aug. 6, Aug. 13, Aug. 20, Aug. 27, Sept. 3, Sept. 10, Sept. 17, Sept. 24, Oct. 1, Oct. 8, Oct. 15, Oct. 22, Oct. 29, Nov. 5, Nov. 12, Nov. 19, Nov. 26, Dec. 3, Dec. 10, Dec. 17, Dec. 24, Dec. 31.

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MAN TO MAN

By JOANNA SINGLE

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Tessie was a bone of contention and she did not look the part. She was little and plump and rosy, with dimples dimpling at every movement of her. Her hands were dimpled, her cheeks and her chin.

The worst part of it, the solemn and serious part, is that the two special men were, and presumably still are, brothers. Not merely brothers in misery—and twins at that. And, moreover, they were old enough to know better. Nothing in the world is so foolish about things in general—especially a pretty girl—as the man who knows better. They were twenty-six years old apiece, which adds up to fifty-two, and plainly shows that between them, they should have been able to read Tessie's intentions.

Before her advent as an all-summer visitor at the Farleys', next neighbors to the Martin bachelor hall, all had been peace. Then John and Henry Martin, home from their work one late spring afternoon, went out to potter in their toy garden and commune with nature and each other. They had never deviated from boyhood and were never seen apart save when their work separated them. They made dates with each other, like girls, big, strong, manly young fellows as they were. Tessie declares to this day that she had actually seen them holding hands like lovers.

One day they went into their garden and saw, suddenly thrust up over the vine-covered division wall, a saucy yellow head looking like a strange and lovely flower above the green. They stared a moment, and then remembered their gentlemen's manners. Having no hats on their dark shocks of hair, they could not just raise them, but they straightway forgot the onion patch and bowed beautifully. They happened to do it in unison, which struck the girl as ridiculous.

John came dazedly and happily home about midnight, and his brother feigned sleep. At breakfast they were polite—and cool—to each other. At the end of a week they hardly spoke. Then one morning John woke to just what was going on. His heart went out to his brother, and though he knew he was desperately in love with the small, soft woman thing next door, he determined that neither she nor any other being, on the earth or under it, should cause trouble between himself and his mate. He decided to have it out at once, and rising he took his plunge and then in bathrobe and slippers went into his brother's room. Henry opened his eyes and frowned, but John sat down on the edge of the bed determined to "have it out."



He told Henry he was dead in love with the girl, and made his brother confess to the same thing. They talked it over, fair and square, each bound not to do the other a wrong, each secretly sure that he was the one she cared for—and she certainly must care for one of the two.

They went over things briefly, man to man. It was decided that that evening they would together go to see her, face her together, and together ask her to choose between them. Neither would see or communicate with her before that time. They would be fair, and the beaten man would accept his fate—and not let it interfere with his old feeling for his twin. Then they dressed, ate breakfast in amity, to the delight of the Jap, and went to their work. And at night they came home together in the old way and ate dinner together in the veranda and watched the Farley place, but they did not see her, so presently they sauntered over in a casual way.

They asked Mrs. Farley where she, Tessie, was. And the astute lady, who knew what she knew, and whose eyes had that day been amazingly opened, sent them out to the befowered little summer house. She was glad they both had come, for she thought a common bond would be better than a stroke separately for each. The two talked deceptively for her a moment and went down the winding little trail. The fireflies were thick in the grass, and the dew began to fall. And after a moment's walk they could see a girl's white dress against the dark of the vines. They went straight up to the dress in the dusk, seeing nothing but that. But the girl saw them first and rose.

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Presently they went away across the garden, their arms interlocked in the old fashion, and Mrs. Farley, watching them, considered the beauty of pure, brotherly love. It is presumable that Tessie forgot all about them. To do her justice, her engagement was but a day old. Young Jackson suddenly appeared and she ran into his arms, for absence often shows a woman where her heart really is.

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