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RICH SOIL AND ITS NEEDS.
Northern Missouri is one of the
richest sections of the United States.
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root development, for absorption of
moisture, and therefore for the maximum
production of farm crops.
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Temperate Zone does well in this soil,
and a total crop failure has never
been known. But soil of great wealth
is also ideal for the development of
weeds, and is naturally susceptible to
the prevention of washing away of
the fertility. It not infrequently
happens that the richest sections of
the country receive the poorest hus-
bandry. Agricultural success is too
easy, the struggle for existence is not
severe. Northern Missouri needs
greater improvement in farm build-
ings, and farm equipment, and closer
attention to soil conservation, and to
intensive cultivation.
It is a wonderful country, but there
is danger of our being tempted into
careless ways because of the ease
with which fairly successful crops
can be coaxed from Northern Mis-
souri soil, and those careless ways
may lead us to want at some time.
No soil is so rich that it will not im-
mediately wear out if its fertility is un-
dermined persistently. No soil is so deep,
but that the fields can be ruined by
continuous washing away of the top
soil, and the cutting of great gullies.

THEY ARE NOT ANGELS.
It has never occurred to us that
the ackers of this country are a band
of angels. In fact, there is nothing
in sacred or profane history indicat-
ing that this old earth is a habitat
of angels. We may be candidates for
white wings and harps, but that is
another story. It is a mystery story
that is not going to be solved this
side of the sweet-by-and-by.
Be that as it may, and admitting
that there is nothing angelic about
a packing house or a packer who has
made a success of the business of
supplying the ultimate consumer with
his pork chops and other meat things,
there is a large coterie of yellow jour-
nals, journalists, lawyers and judges
in this man's vale of tears who have
started out to smash an alleged pack-
ers' combine. It does not appear that
the whole proposition is not a scheme
to force the packers to "dig up a
large bundle of boodle" to be dis-
tributed around among the jungle-
men, lawyers, etc. Such things have
been done, and there is no doubt that
the packers look like ready money to
that band of lawyers who are willing
to take cases for half of what they
can compel corporations to dig up in
the way of judgments, or graft for
squashing. The leading packers of
this country are now under indict-
ment and are being haled into court
this week, in Chicago, to defend
themselves on a charge of combining
illegally to restrain and control the
meat business of the country. There
is an uproarious clamor to break up
the meat combine and along with it
comes another clamor to get back to
original principals and the "good old
country cured meats."

SADDLE TO SAVE HORSE.
Indian Ideas Followed Closely in Ac-
cepted U. S. Army Models.
Darlington, Ok., Nov. 15.—Among
the Cheyenne and Arapahoe Indians
in Oklahoma may still be found sad-
dles, such as were made and used by
the plains Indians in earliest days.
They are the rude handwork of In-
dian workmen. Little attempt was
made to fashion the frame to fit the
body of the rider, the main purpose
being to form a covering to protect
the horse's back, with an elevation in
front and behind for the greater se-
curity of the rider in his seat. The
"tree" was covered with green
rawhide, and when this dried it tight-
ened, held the different sections of the
tree firmly in place, and was prac-
tically impervious to weather. Com-
pared with modern saddles, it seems
a joke, yet in large measure it is the
pattern from which was made what
army officers declare is the best saddle
in the world—the McClellan saddle.
For long distance riding the McClellan
has no superior, though at first it
seems hard and uncomfortable.
In the old days Indian warriors of-
ten rode bareback, and without dis-
comfort to themselves, so hardened
had they become to the exercise. The
horse in fact was tougher than his
rider, and in long rides the horse's
back became tender and sore. A
horse's back grows sore from the
swinging of the rider's legs and the
undulations of his body. For that
reason in the cavalry branch of the
United States army, the troopers are
required to ride stiff-legged, which
they could do if they rode bare-
back.

GREATER THAN NIAGARA.
Victoria Falls, in Africa, excel those
of Niagara in the respect that the
water drop is greater, but they are
far behind in the amount of water
passing over them and also in the
horse-power represented. The flow at
Niagara varies between \$2,000,000
and 104,000,000 gallons per minute;
that at Victoria is as low as about
\$,999,999 in August.

Daddy's Bedtime Story—The Farmer And the Old Apple Tree

"TONIGHT," said daddy, "I am going to tell you a nice story about a tree."
"What kind of a tree was it?" came from Evelyn and Jack.
"It was an apple tree, a splendid big tree that had been for many years the pride of the orchard. Every autumn it was loaded with red and juicy apples.
"But the tree had grown old. Year by year it bore fewer apples, and these became smaller and poorer until at last the master made up his mind that he would cut the old tree down.
"Out to the orchard he started with his ax. 'Do not cut down the old apple tree, husband,' pleaded his wife. 'I have spent many happy hours under it. Think how it shaded our children and how its fruit for so many years has added to your wealth.'
"But the farmer said no. The old tree was not paying its way. It was now good for nothing but kindling wood, and it must make way for a younger and better tree.
"Then she saw him going out to the tree his daughter begged him to spare the dear old apple tree. 'I wore its white flowers when I was confirmed and when I was married. I hoped my little baby when it grew older might play under the tree, as I have done.'
"But the farmer said no. There were other trees, and such talk was foolish. 'He met his son on the way, and the son begged him to spare the tree. 'Why, father, the old place won't look like home without it,' he urged.
"But the farmer paid no attention and trudged right on to the tree.
"Then it saw him coming with the ax the poor old tree trembled in every limb, and as a light breeze passed through its leaves the farmer thought it said: 'Spare me, I have served you long and well, and I can still be of much service to you.'
" 'What?' cried the farmer. 'Am I losing my senses to think an old tree can speak to me?' And he raised the ax and struck the trunk a heavy blow.
" 'The tree shivered, and where the ax struck the bark showed a gash out of which swarmed a host of angry bees. The tree was hollow.
" 'The farmer covered his face, but the bees settled on him and stung his hands and neck and wherever there was a place that a sting could be planted.
" 'Then he fled to the house. There his wife and daughter did their best to relieve his pain.
" 'The old tree shall stand,' he said. 'It is worth more to me on account of the honey than any young tree could be.'
" 'Old trees as well as young ones have their uses,' his wife replied. 'There is no honey so sweet as that stored in the heart of an old tree.'"

IN WOMAN'S REALM
GOOD THINGS TO EAT.
Beefsteak With Oyster Blankets.—For the blanketed steak order a sirloin cut at least one and one-half inches thick. Broil in the way and cover with a pint of oysters. Dust with salt and pepper and dot with butter; set in the oven, but not on the bottom of the oven, where the heat is so great as to cook the meat too much and make it hard. Shut the oven door, and in a few minutes the butter will melt and the oysters grow plump and curled along the edges. Be careful not to let the steak remain in the oven a minute too long, for this is not an economical cut and both beef and oysters will be spoiled by overcooking.
Rice Dessert With Cherries.—Drain the sirup from a jar of cherries and put it on to boil, add the cherries and let them heat through. Have ready some hot boiled rice cooked in milk until soft, make a border of it on the edge of a platter, skim out the cherries from the sirup and put them in the center of the rice, pour the sirup over the whole when serving.
Kenilworth Ranch Apple Dumplings.—No one has ever been known to partake of these Kenilworth Ranch dumplings without paying a generous tribute to their excellence. A crust is made like baking powder biscuit with this difference: In place of rubbing into a quart of flour one tablespoonful of shortening, two cups of lard are used, as in pie crust; teaspoonful of baking powder is sifted in with the flour, and enough milk is used to make a soft dough. This is rolled out quickly into a sheet an inch thick, and then cut in squares. In to each square is laid a half apple peeled and cored and the crust is rolled over it. Have ready in a dripping pan a sirup of one cupful of sugar to one of water, lay the dumplings to bake in a quick oven, serve with an old-fashioned molasses sauce.
Molasses Sauce.—To make molasses sauce, which is an excellent accompaniment to a plain rice or apple pudding, mix together one cupful of molasses, a tablespoonful of vinegar or the juice of one lemon, a teaspoonful of butter. Boil ten minutes.
Molded Salmon.—One can salmon, one-half teaspoon salt, one and one-half tablespoons sugar, one-half teaspoon flower, one teaspoon mustard, three-fourths cup scalded milk, one and one-half tablespoons melted butter, yolks of two eggs, one-fourth cup hot vinegar, three-fourths tablespoon granulated gelatine. Rinse the salmon with hot water and drain thoroughly. Remove skin and bone and pick the flesh fine with a silver fork. Mix together the salt, sugar, flour and mustard. Pour over it gradually the scalded milk and when mixed return to the double boiler and stir and cook ten minutes. Then add the melted butter, the beaten egg yolks and hot vinegar. Stir while cooking a moment. Then add the gelatine softened in two tablespoons of cold water. Stir until melted, then add the salmon and turn into molds. When thoroughly chilled serve.

PLAN FOR POULTRY SHOW.
Severance, Kan., Nov. 16.—The Severance Poultry Show association is making preparations for its third annual exhibition to be held here Dec. 6, 7, 8 and 9. Liberal prizes will be offered and the show will be one of the most important that will be held in Northeastern Kansas this winter.
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HERE'S A NEW RECORD. Southern Pacific Trackwalker Has 'Never Seen His Wife.'

San Francisco Chronicle: After walking 202,670 miles through snows, slushes, mud, and mud, and enduring all sorts of hardships, Manuel K. Silva, a Portuguese, decided last month that he'd like to visit his wife. "I've never seen her, and we've been married about fifteen years now," he told the officials in applying for leave of absence. His application was granted and recently he was placed on the pension list. The railroad looked up his record and found that it is one probably without parallel in railroad history. Silva entered the employ of the Southern Pacific in 1879 as a section laborer. A year later he was appointed watchman on the night shift in the snowsheds at the summit of the Sierra Nevada mountains. For thirty years he has held that position working faithfully and steadily and being absent from duty only twice, and then because of illness. For thirty-one years he walked eighteen miles a day, making three round trips every night over a beat of three miles, and this aggregates 6,570 miles a year, or 202,670 miles in thirty-one years, more than eight times around the world. Not since he began work has there been a complete register against him. Fifteen years ago he married the

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MARRYING BETTY

By IZOLA FORRESTER

"I suppose I shall have to take her here for three weeks," Marjorie declared plaintively. She put down the letter from Betty with a heavy sigh. "It is surely all that mother or Betty can expect. She's been away to college, you know, Wally, and I've missed seeing her for two years. But I know from her letters that she's awfully strong and athletic, and her hair always was rather red. Really, Wally, I do think you might pay attention when it's so important."

Wallace laughed, and shook his head. "When it comes to marrying off Bet, or managing Bet, I wash my brotherly hands of the job, also my conscience. If you'll have Bet for a sister, kiddie, you'll have to stand for it."

"But, Wally, I know she'll—she'll smother me. She'll simply absorb all my vitality in a week. Who can I get for her?"

"You mean as a sort of physical exciser for Bet. Somebody to trot her around daily, ride, golf, walk with her, take up Bet's surplus energy so she won't exhaust yours?"

"Oh, Wally, darling, that's it exactly," breathed Marjorie thankfully. Wallace bent down to kiss the pretty upturned face. They had been married only five months, so the honeymoon was still visible in the western sky.

"There's only one man that I know of who might fall in love with a girl of Bet's type, athletic and breezy, you understand—Rex Bretherton. He's just returned from Panama. He hates society and is a child of nature; honestly, Marjorie. We're old classmates, and I haven't seen old Rex in seven years. He plunged into government work around the canal and concessions in the republics, and cut the old New York crowd dead. Worth half a million and more, too. I think he would like Bet."

Marjorie ruminated, her gray eyes twinkling with mischief. "Try him, dear," she said fervently. "Bet will be here Wednesday."

"By way of New York, and up by boat?"

Marjorie nodded, trying to follow his thoughts.

"I am too busy to meet her Wednesday. I'll phone Rex to help



Stared Indifferently Beyond Him.
me out like a good fellow. How's that?"

"Wally, I never dreamed that you were a diplomatist," said Marjorie, gaily. "Maybe they'll fall in love and elope on the way up."

"I shouldn't be surprised at anything Bet did. Poor old Rex. Don't you dare give me away. He would never forgive me."

Marjorie laughed, and hurried away to write Betty.

It was nearly ten when Betty arrived at the Grand Central station. She walked swiftly down the platform, looking for her brother-in-law's round boyish face to welcome her. A touch on her arm startled her, just as she was about to start along the concourse. She turned and faced Rex Bretherton. A change came over Betty instantly. In that brief moment she seemed to grow taller.

And all unconsciously Rex beamed at her in high approval. Betty's wide gray eyes, Bet's heavy chestnut curls, Bet's girlish air of splendid vitality and buoyancy, combined with the unmistakable touch of the sport-cub that clung to her, all swept her overboard on the moment.

"You're Miss Rossmore, aren't you?" he asked. "I am sent to meet you in Wally's place, and see that you get the boat for Neponset all right. He's rushed to death, and awfully sorry. You won't mind, though, will you?"

She ignored the eagerness in his tone. "Haven't you met me before?" she asked pointedly.

"I only wish I could say yes," exclaimed Rex, bluntly, his eyes betraying all the interest he felt.

Her straight brows drew together perplexedly.

"Oh, but I remember you, Mr. Bretherton. I never forget faces. I remember you perfectly, distinctly, although—slowly, cruelly—we were never introduced."

Rex cheerfully overlooked the slight, and piloted her out to his waiting car deftly. But it was a most uneventful run to the pier. From that first moment Bet made it plain ev-

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His Deduction.

Eugene Conner, son of F. D. Conner of the Guardian Bank, who lives in Roxbury road, East Cleveland, is a studious lad, says the Leader. Moreover, he is given to deduce his own facts without much scientific investigation. He attends the Prospect school in the Stambarger village, longing for the time when he may attend Shaw High.

Eugene's teacher asked him one day this week what the principal product of the cod was.

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AS THE TWIG IS BENT

IT IS EASY TO TEACH LITTLE CHILD GOOD MANNERS.

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Good manners, like charity, should begin at home. Let me add that they should begin with the little children, while their minds are in a receptive, plastic condition. With use of the good manners, especially of speech, grow toward a state of perfection. You do not need to have a governess or a tutor for your child. You can begin to train him yourself, being careful to correct every bad tendency and to encourage and praise every good action.

Some little ones are painfully shy in the presence of strangers. Inspire confidence in them and let them gradually become accustomed to the outsider. Do not force the shy child to kiss a stranger or to talk to one when you see that it is positive torture. Wait till he is a little older.

In speech, begin right away with the use of "thank you" and "please." I know children with extremely limited vocabularies who use these terms correctly.

Insist that there be no interruptions when others are speaking. Give a child his opportunity to be heard, and when he asks a question for information, answer him. If he is merely asking for the sake of asking, and pays no attention to the reply, punish him by refusing the next time and telling him why you refuse.

When you call a child, do not permit it to say "What?" It is crude, abrupt and lacks something which is so easily supplied that you should neglect the opportunity to do so. Very much better is, "What did you say, mother?" or "I did not hear, father." Try this for the difference if you doubt my word.

Children can show the required deference to elders not by "Yes, ma'am," for that is obsolete and more the sign of respect shown by a servant to an employer. Better than this is the "No, Aunt Mary," or "Yes, father."

When an older person greets a little child and asks "How are you?" he should not be met by a hanging head and a sullen face. The little one should reply, "Very well, thank you." It is very easy to teach these little things when the boy or girl is young.

A little girl when entering a room should stand beside her mother's chair until introduced. A little boy should always rise when his elders enter a room and remain standing until the others are seated.

Oh, it is easy to bend the twig! I remember the wall and regret of one man who at a mature age had to be taught all the little things that should have been drilled in when he was a little boy.

Today notice the speech of any little one around you. Find out the flaws and begin right away to correct the imperfections. You will be gratified with the results.—Philadelphia North American.

Talking It Over With the Boy.
Experiences of others in bringing up their boys have so greatly aided me in bringing up my own, that, perhaps, a way which helped me through a trying period with one of my sons may, in its turn, be of use.

Although for years I had tried to instill good manners as well as morals, there came a time when one of the boys seemed to forget everything I had been at such pains to teach. He positively ignored the rights of others, and developed little tricks of manner which, while not serious, were exceedingly annoying.

It is a delicate matter to keep calling attention to failings in a big boy of sixteen, and I found our good fellowship was becoming seriously strained.

A simple plan suggested itself—I gave up all fault-finding except on one day of the month. On that day we had a good talk and got over it.

This cleared the atmosphere, sullenness disappeared. I did not feel neglected, yet could stop what had become nagging, and the one serious talk proved far more effectual than constant protests.

"The Truth About Birds."
Let us face the truth about birds; nor be duped by the beauty of their flight's incalculable curves. They are greedy, they are impatient, they are untrustworthy, they are brainless, they are hopelessly unclean. They have not even the qualities of their defects. The least, for example, that one could expect of such maternal creatures would be punctuality. Myself, I have never depended on my woodpecker to wake me at a given time; but I once had a friend who counted on a cardinal-bird. Six mornings he waked her regularly just three hours before breakfast. This, she considered, constituted a precedent. On the seventh morning, she had an early engagement. The cardinal-bird had, by that time, sought other casements, and my trusting friend missed her appointment. This is the real meaning of "flightiness."—Katharine F. Gerould in the Atlantic.

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How Whitefield's Burning Words Moved the Calm Franklin and the Worldly Chesterfield.

Even the calm and unimpassioned Franklin caught fire at Whitefield's burning words; and perhaps no more signal proof of the orator's power could be given than its triumph over the prudence of poor Richard. Whitefield had consulted Franklin about the location of a proposed orphan house, but had refused to adopt his advice, and thereupon Franklin decided not to subscribe. "I happened soon after," he says, "to attend one of his sermons, in the course of which I perceived he intended to finish with a collection, and I silently resolved he should get nothing from me. I had in my pocket a handful of copper money, three or four silver dollars, and five pistoles in gold. As he proceeded I began to soften, and concluded to give him the copper. Another stroke of his oratory made me ashamed of that, and determined me to give the silver, and he finished so admirably that I emptied my pocket wholly into the collector's dish, gold and all."

The same sermon was heard by a friend of Franklin's, who, agreeing with him about the location of the house, had as a precaution, emptied his pockets. Before the discourse was ended, he begged a neighbor, who stood near him, to lend him some money for a contribution. If any men could have resisted the preacher's spell, it must have been the haughty and brilliant Bolingbroke, and the worldly and fastidious Chesterfield; yet the former, we are told, was once deeply moved; and the icy decorum and self-possession of the latter were, on one occasion, as completely overpowered as if he had been an English collier or a Welsh miner.

The preacher had presented the votary of sin under the figure of a blind beggar, led by a little dog. The dog breaks his string. The old man, with his staff between both hands, unconsciously gropes his way to the edge of a frightful precipice. Step by step he advances; he feels along with his staff; it drops down the descent, too far to send back echo; his foot trembles on the ledge; another moment and he will fall headlong into the valley below—when up starts the peer crying out in agony, as he springs forward to save him, "Good God! he is gone!"—William Mathews, Oratory and Orators.

Enormous Egoism.

When the typical "reformers," of the extreme type, tread the world to a little the slightest upon their personal affairs they usually uncover amazing self-conceit. The cocksureness of their belief in their own wisdom and their superiority to the millions who do not agree with them can be paralleled only by their contempt for the teachings of the experience of the world through many centuries.

Often the same men and women who cry out against a stupid and stubborn age because it does not throw overboard all of its most important institutions at their behest refuse to be curbed or guided at all by other persons. They want the human race to give heed to them and dance to their music but their own passions and their whims, their desires and their fancies, must not be interfered with at all.

Egoism is not attractive. It is not popular, and in its grosser forms and manifestations it is disgusting. That is one reason, though not the most potent, for the indifference with which the busy world passes by the grotesque and more or less absurd shrines which the half-baked "reformers," say of the Sinclair type, set up for mankind to worship at in awe-struck gratitude to the builders.—Cleveland Leader.

The Elopement of Lisa.

Has anybody here seen Lisa—Lisa of the mystic smile—Leonardo's lovely Mona Lisa, missing now for quite a while?

Lisa, like an image shrined and sainted, dwelling in the Louvre of Paris, wasn't anything that she was painted centuries ago, maybe. Nowadays, elopements are the fashion. Mona Lisa, star eyed and fair, may suddenly have conceived a passion for some Yankee multi-millionaire. Or, can it be that Mona Lisa had a lover whose rank and fortune were beneath her own? So far as anybody can discover, her guardians left her very much alone.

Mona Lisa, we have seen it stated, may be worth about five million plunk. (By whom she was at that tall figure rated it is not quite certain, and it sounds like bunk.)

But, anyhow, the lady's left the Louvre—with whom, at present writing, no one knows. Is such an outing likely to improve her? How will she be received, where'er she goes? It may be Mona Lisa's crossed the ocean—here is the wildest supposition yet)—obsessed with some vague, half-formed desperate notion that she will change into a suffragette!—New York World.

Tower That Dominates Paris.

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