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MEAT RELATIVELY CHEAP.

Very little is heard nowadays of the extortions of the beef barons. Meat is by no means cheap but every housewife knows that it is the cheapest thing on the list. Butter, eggs, flour, potatoes and sugar have all been advancing until meat looks cheap in comparison. It is a wonder the yellow journals and yellower statesmen are not charging the advance in the whole list to the packers. The cost of living has increased all over the world and for the same reason, there are too many consumers and too few producers.—Omaha Journal-Stockman.

EATING MORE MEAT NOW.

Our meat consumption per capita is growing in no small degree. The United States per capita meat consumption is given by the department of agriculture at 155.3 pounds annually. In dressed meats, while of "dressed and extra edible parts," we consume 123.5 pounds per capita. These figures alone prove the argument to the effect that we are falling behind in production. With the exception of the Australian commonwealth we are the greatest meat-eating people on the globe. By practicing a little more intensive farming we can still produce meats enough to supply greatly increased home consumption. Our farmers will eventually come to realize that they are wasting too much feed and pasturage in meat production. They will eventually learn to mature more beef at an earlier age and thus save feed. We shall be in a sorry state should the time come when we may lose our world-wide prestige of being able to accommodate our food demands with home-grown product.

HIGH COST OF LIVING.

A railroad press bureau, which operates out of Los Angeles sends out a screed on the "high cost of living," in which it attempts to show that the railroads are the only factors that do not properly belong in the category of contributors to the present state of high prices, says the Grass Valley (Cal.) Tidings. The introductory paragraph of the article is as follows:

"Regarding the high cost of living, the eggs, coffee, rice, potatoes, onions, milk, cabbage, meat and poultry consumed in the city of New York during the year 1909, cost the residents of that city \$484,147,900, yet the farmers and producers of this vast amount of food stuff received but \$274,259,990 for it, according to government investigation. As the bulk of this food was produced many miles from its place of consumption, the freight bill on it was \$25,945,999, while the middleman, whose share in producing and delivering the products mentioned to the ultimate consumer consisted of receiving it from the railroads, tacking on a profit and delivering it around the corner, received \$164,812,999 for his trouble."

The above may be a contribution to statistical information, but for common sense give us the declaration of the Hanford Sentinel, which says:

"Cut out this stream of 'high cost of living' and get down to earth. The high cost of a spendthrift career is what is burning the liver and the lights out of the American population. When a man spends \$2 a day for non-essentials and grows because he has to pay 45 cents a pound for butter that will last his table a week, he ought to be kicked into kingdom come. The butter is essential, and so is meat and bread. His tobacco and liquor bill, and his amusement bill added, with suppers and wine on the side, are, of course, relegated out of sight when he figures up the surplus he owes at the end of the month. Then the woman who wears a \$20 hat

Daddy's Bedtime Story

The Melancholy Adventure of an Overdressed Dog



The Yellow Dogs Stared at the Dandy

SHEPPIE had not been very well for several days and spent much of his time by the open fireplace in the sitting room. Jack and Evelyn were quite anxious about his health. "Perhaps Sheppie is growing old," said daddy. "Like all old folks, he may feel the cold keenly." "Poor old Sheppie!" exclaimed Jack. "Then he can sleep in my bed with me." "I'm afraid mother would object," suggested daddy. "We can't let Sheppie freeze," declared Jack. "Well, I fancy when Sheppie is well again he will not mind the cold so much. We will have to fix up his house more cozily." "Evelyn can make him a nice overcoat if she likes out of one of my old coats. She can cut it to fit over his little back and button neatly over his chest. I must tell you about Popsie Perkins, who had a little fox terrier that seemed to feel the cold very much. She made him a neat little jacket of blue flannel and finished it off with red braid and brass buttons.

"When the small garment was finished Popsie thought she would take her doggie for a walk, and out they went. He strutted along as vain as a young peacock until they reached the corner. "A couple of yellow dogs were hobnobbing there, and when they saw Popsie's dog coming toward them, looking as if he owned the earth, they stared at the dandy. One yellow dog looked at the other. 'Let's strip him of his finery,' they seemed to say.

"When Popsie's dog reached them the two yellow dogs stepped up to him. Popsie's dog snarped and snarled. Then the two yellow dogs fell to work. They tore the blue line and red coat to shreds.

"Popsie stood and screamed until a gentleman coming down the other side of the street came to help her. He chased the two yellow dogs away and then took Popsie home with her dog. The little girl was so badly frightened that he did not like to let her go alone. The terrier, with the shreds of his finery clinging to his back, trotted behind, looking very sad. It is not pleasant to be whipped by yellow dogs.

"Popsie made her little dog another coat, a still more gorgeous one of gray flannel, but I've heard whenever she put it on the terrier slunk under the sofa or sneaked down to the cellar. He quite refused to go out again wearing a coat other than that which grew on his back and is approved of in good dog society. So Popsie had to put away the gray coat and let the terrier go about wearing only his own little white coat as he wished. No matter how cold it was the dog seemed quite well satisfied too."

IN WOMAN'S REALM

Grandmother's English Meat Pie.—Two pounds of round steak, one-quarter of a pound of fresh pork, one small onion, one-half small bay leaf, two whole cloves, one teaspoon of tomato catsup, one-quarter teaspoon of Worcestershire, and one quart of cold water. Put all the ingredients in saucepan, covering with the cold water. Cook slowly one and one-half hours then flavor with salt and pepper to taste. Don't salt until stew is finished, as it toughens the meat. Now put this in a shallow baking pan, which has been buttered lightly on bottom and lined on the sides with a good baking powder biscuit dough. Place small inverted jelly glass in center of baking dish. This will in baking take a considerable amount of the juice under it, making pie juicy and won't run out in baking. Cover top with the biscuit crust and bake in hot oven twenty minutes. Serve hot, first with a little butter.

Biscuit Crust.—One pint of flour one-third of a cup of lard, one teaspoon of baking powder, a pinch of salt, and milk to make soft dough. Roll out.

QUILT WORK BAG.—Quilt doll workbags are now popular. These have the ordinary round bottom of pasteboard, to which the bag is sewed in the center. Pasted to one side of the top, so as not to interfere with the drawing string, is the head of a doll, dressed in a big bonnet and neckpiece made of the material of the bag. When finished the bag looks like a maiden of Civil War times; sometimes pink ruffles are added to the outside of the bag to increase the resemblance.

Choose a dark, old fashioned silk or India print and make the bonnet in poke shape, with long pointed lappets around the neck and falling half way down the bag. A similar bag could be made from a gray bandanna handkerchief with turbaned head of a black doll. Put a handkerchief around the neck; at one side of the bag might be a checked apron.

CORSET COVER HELP.—Being tired of getting trimmed corset covers, yet finding them short lived even with the best body material one can purchase, I have devised a way of utilizing the trimming for the life of two covers. Bastle on the old corset cover some inserting (about one-half of three-fourths inches in width) on a line above all worn parts. Stitch solid on upper part and cut lower off at margin of inserting, allowing for a small hem. Take remains of old cover spread out to use for pattern on new material. Hem this at top and sew to practically a new corset cover, making the old one because of the additional inserting, and which will wear as long as the original, with a cost of about 15 cents.

SALT FOR LIVE STOCK.

Should Always Be Kept Where Animals Can Get It.

All farm animals have an instinctive craving for salt. If it is so placed as to be always within their reach, they will consume just as much as they need, and no more. It is only when it has been kept from them for a long period that there is danger of their eating too much. It is therefore an excellent practice to keep it in a box or boxes where they can have access to it when ever they desire. When they are salted, as is the practice with many farmers, only once a week, while some may get enough others may suffer from a deficient supply. Salt promotes an active circulation of the blood, which never becomes thick and sluggish so long as the supply is plentiful; it assists digestion and is often a preventive of disease. It is so cheap that no stock raiser can really afford to deny to his animals all they want of it.

Lace is made from human hair by some German lacemakers.

EXPECT BIG OATS CROP.

Extensive Acreage Will Be Out in Oklahoma This Spring.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Feb. 19.—Wholesale grain companies state that Oklahoma retail dealers have ordered 25 per cent more seed-oats for the late winter and early spring planting than ever before. The moist condition of the soil, together with its pulverized state, due to the deep freeze and sudden thaw of last month, makes a very promising physical condition for oats growers, and they are disposed to take advantage of it.

Oats will be a sure crop in Oklahoma this year, and it is the first crop upon which the farmers will be enabled to realize cash valuations. Oats planted the latter part of this month will be on the market before the middle of July. The Oklahoma oats come upon the market three weeks before the Kansas crop and a month before the Iowa crop, which enables them to bring the growers from 15 to 20 cents the bushel more. Besides, red Texas oats suitable to Oklahoma conditions normally are worth 10 cents a bushel more than the white variety grown in Kansas and Iowa.

Good oats are available at about 50 cents a bushel, and it is stated that Oklahoma farmers will sow for the summer crop this week. It takes about two bushels to the acre to sow for a good stand of the crop, which requires a sowing of 100 bushels. According to statistics show that many Oklahoma growers average securing a yield of from forty to fifty bushels per acre, while thirty bushels is considered a fair rating of the normal. On account of very favorable soil conditions it is believed that this season normal will be as much as forty bushels to the acre, and that the gross income of the average acre of Oklahoma oat-sown land will be \$20.

The splendid oats conditions are regarded as very fortunate for Oklahoma farmers this year, many of whom are afraid to risk seed wheat to dry autumn soil. While the wheat acreage this year is about the same as that of last, it is known that the farmers are able to forecast the favorable winter, the acreage would have been increased by at least half. These farmers will now plant the oats and their profits will be as large—and come even sooner—that if they had been able to carry out their wheat programme.

Another advantage pointed out for the oats grower is that as soon as he harvests that crop he can plant the land in milo maize, kafir corn, millet or profitable crops. Oats is a five-month crop in Oklahoma, and the crop is always cultivated here in connection with a two-crop scheme—a plan that can not be carried out further north.

PLAN TO PROTECT ANTELOPE

North Dakota Game Board Also Decides to Punish "Sooners."

Fargo, N. D., Feb. 19.—"It may not be generally known but there are a number of antelope in the Bad Lands of this state," said Hon. T. D. Casey, of Dickinson, member of the Board of Game and Fish Control of the state, just after the board had ended a recent meeting at the Hotel Gardner, where the members had been in session all day.

"A few days ago I was attending court in Medora, and one of the ranchers who was in the town told me that if I would take a ride of ten or twelve miles with him into the Bad Lands he would show me from half a dozen to a dozen antelope and that there were quite a number of the animals scattered over that section of the country.

"The rancher begged that the board would take some action that would lead to the present protection of the animals and he said if this were done there was no reason why there shouldn't be plenty of them in the next few years.

"That was one of the matters we discussed at our meeting," said Casey and we expect to do what we can along those lines.

"In addition to myself, W. E. Boyerly, of Velva, was present at the meeting, the other member of the board being unable to be present. We also took up the question of 'sooners' hunting. This means persons who start hunting in the spring and summer before the season begins and we will use our best endeavor to prosecute and punish all such. We have instructed the wardens and their deputies to do all in their power to detect and arrest all such cases.

"We have made a good deal of inquiry and find that the prairie chickens are thriving west of the Missouri, that there are plenty of them in the eastern part of the state as well. We believe that unless something occurs between now and the time of the hunting season, the shooting will be even better than last year.

"You can see that we are endeavoring to arrange for the care of the birds where the snow is deep, and this we think will have a great effect for increasing the number of the birds.

"We shall do our best to protect the deer and antelope, of which there are quite a large number in the state, and those who are detected killing any game of any kind out of season may depend upon getting all the law will permit them to receive. We want to give the sportsmen, the true sportsmen of North Dakota, the best hunting possible, and they can help us to a considerable extent, if they will make known to the Board of Control, or to any of the wardens or deputies, any evidence they may have of violations of the law."

WORK ON NEW R. R. STARTS

Construction of Mexico, San Antonio & Gulf Line Under Way.

San Antonio, Tex., Feb. 19.—Work has been begun on the construction of the Mexico, San Antonio & Gulf railroad at a point near the Medina river, about nine miles from San Antonio. Forty teams are at work constructing the grade southward toward Campbellton, in the southeastern part of Atascosa county, and another gang will be started at that place to work northward, so that the grade may be got ready for the ties and rails as soon as possible. It is the purpose of J. E. Franklin of St. Louis, president of the railroad, to have the line completed to the coast within two years.

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BATH TUBS ON FARMS.

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Boston Globe: The importance of the economic factor of comfortable living is admirably illustrated by Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, who says that a bath tub with hot and cold running water in the house is just as important food farm as is a silo for the cows. Wiley in these words went to the root of an important problem. Boys and girls leave the farms because they think they can be more comfortable in villages or cities. But the telephone, rural free delivery, hot and cold running water and a few other accessories can make farm life more attractive and give agriculture an entirely new status. In the "good old days" farmers lived in houses where one either baked before a fireplace or froze on the other side of the room, when communication with the outside world was only occasional, and when hard, grueling work was the regular order of things. Many farmers are just living in a state approximating that of our forefathers, and it is no wonder that their children leave the farm. But as farm life is placed on a comfortable basis, there will be a rush back to the soil.

BOYS IN THE MAJORITY.

Girls Far Outnumbered According to the School Statistics.

Sacramento, Calif., Feb. 19.—For the first time in years the boys enrolled in the public schools of the state outnumber the girls, according to reports compiled by Statistician Job Wood, Jr., of Superintendent Hyatt's office. The total number of boys enrolled in the primary, grammar and high schools is 200,995, or 13,279 more than the number of girls, which is 186,815. The girls, however, outnumber the boys in the high schools, the total being 24,936 girls and 20,453 boys.

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## Her Bisque Doll

By Philip Kean

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Fleurette was eighteen, and she had never owned a doll.

"Of course I am too old for one now," she would say, wistfully, as she passed the shop windows on her way home from work.

Fleurette was an apprentice in a millinery shop. Now and then little Fleurette sighed for luxuries.

"I have never really had a good time, you know, mother," she would say, and her mother would kiss her and sigh. "If only your father had lived, Fleurette."

The future seemed to hold nothing for them except the possibility of Fleurette's success as a milliner. She had been promised three dollars a week, as soon as she learned the first principles of her trade.

When, therefore, she came home one night with a sore throat, there was consternation. "I simply can't be sick," Fleurette said, desperately. "Madame will get some one else in my place if I stay away."

She went to bed that night with her throat wrapped up, and when she struggled to her feet in the early dawn, her head was hot with fever.

"But I must go," she insisted, and at last her mother helped her into her clothes, and started her on her way.

The day was one of deadly and excruciating effort. Fleurette's hot head and heavy eyes seemed to weigh her down. Her needle in her trembling hand seemed to take stitches that accomplished nothing. Madame spoke to her sharply several times, and at last sent her home. "And don't come back until you are rid of that cough," she said.

Fleurette, staggering homeward, felt that she didn't care if some one else did take her place. She wanted only to get to her mother, to lay her hot head on the pillow and sleep.

Her feet were so heavy that at last she stopped, and held on to the railing that ran in front of one of the big windows of the shop where there was displayed box after box of blond and brunette bisque dolls.

"Oh, you pretty babies," Fleurette whispered, "if only I was little



"It seems such a baby thing to want a doll."

enough to curl up in that pink crib, how nice it would be—"

She said it out loud, and a man who had stopped beside her looked down at her sharply.

"Hello," he said quietly, as she swayed and would have fallen, but for his helping hand. "Look here, kiddie, you're in a bad way."

"I think," said Fleurette, looking up at him with fever-bright eyes, "I think I am very ill. But if I am going to die, I think I'd just as soon do it right here, please. You—see, I've never had a doll—"

"You're not going to die," he said briskly. "You tell me where you live, and I'll have you home and in bed before you can say Jack Robinson."

"I don't want to say Jack Robinson," she protested, weakly, but she gave him her number, and, leaning on his arm, was led down a side street to her waiting and anxious mother.

The big man stayed in the front room, while the girl's mother made her comfortable in the luner room, and Fleurette could hear him humming like a big bee as she went off into dreamland.

She had lapsed into unconsciousness by the time the big man had introduced himself to her mother. "My name is Jack Rodman," he said. "My boat came in this morning after a week's fishing on the banks. I own my own boat and in my own town you could find plenty of people who'd tell you that I come of honest folks, and that I haven't gone back on my name. I walked uptown this afternoon and saw the little girl talking to the dolls. She seemed too big for that sort of thing, so I listened, and I saw she was out of her head—but, say, is it true that she never had a doll?"

"Not since she can remember," said Fleurette's mother.

Rodman looked around the plain room. "I see," he said briefly. "Look here, may I come again and find out how she is?"

Mrs. DuBois knew that she could trust those frank, blue eyes. "Yes," she said, "and thank you very much for bringing my little one back to me."

He came in an hour later with some fruit. "I thought if she was feverish the oranges might taste good to her," he said. "Let me help you," he went on eagerly. "Here I am in this old town, my boat has to go to the drydock for repairs and my time hangs on my hands."

In her extremity Mrs. DuBois turned to him gratefully. "We have no friends and I can't leave Fleurette for a moment," she said. "I must have a doctor and medicine at once."

He was up and away in a moment, coming back with a kindly, competent physician, and running out again to fill prescriptions, to get a chicken for broth and milk and eggs.

"Look here," he said to Mrs. DuBois, "you let me do the cooking. I've done it lots of times on my boat—and you let me watch when you get your own out."

In the days that followed Mrs. DuBois often asked anxiously: "Isn't your boat ready to sail?" and Jack Rodman always answered with his big laugh, "There's a lot more to do on her."

It was not until Fleurette began to come back to life that he spoke of his return voyage. "In another week I must be getting home," he said.

"How can we ever repay you?" Mrs. DuBois said.

"Forget it," said Jack slyly, but his eyes were wet. "You must remember that you are my adopted mother—now that I haven't one of my own."

"If you were half as good to her as you have been to us, she must have been proud of you," said the grateful little lady.

"Forget it," repeated Jack with some embarrassment, "and—or, look here, there's just one thing I want to get Fleurette before I go—"

But he wouldn't tell what it was until he came back with a long box, and unfolded from many wrappings of tissue paper a bisque doll.

Fleurette held out weak hands for her.

"Oh!" she gasped, "oh!"

"I thought you'd like her, kiddie," said Jack, somewhat awkwardly.

It was a happy little Fleurette who lay back on her pillows. "You wouldn't think I was really almost nineteen," she asked, "would you? It seems such a baby thing to want a doll, but then you see when you've always wanted a thing—"

"You ought to have it? Of course you should, kiddie. And now there's something else I want you to have."

"What?" asked Fleurette, and Mrs. DuBois looked at him curiously.

"A sea voyage," said Jack Rodman, and he says it would be the best thing that could happen to Fleurette. The fishing's over and I've a good cook, and a couple of other men on my boat, and while things are a bit rough, we should certainly try to make you comfortable."

A week later Fleurette lay on the deck of the White Gull and watched the real gulls overhead. Beside her lay the bisque doll, and Mrs. DuBois sewed happily in the stern.

Jack Rodman, seated at Fleurette's feet, watched her with adoring eyes.

"If I hadn't stopped to look at those bisque babies I shouldn't have met you," he said.

Fleurette laughed. "You must have thought me a perfect child."

"I thought you perfect—" Jack got up suddenly and went over to Mrs. DuBois. "I've got to say it," he told that lady, and his voice floated back to Fleurette.

"What?" asked Mrs. DuBois smiling.

"I've got to tell her I love her," said Jack explosively, "but I suppose I'd better tell you first that I want you for a real mother, not for an adopted one."

"Dear boy," said Mrs. DuBois, and he kissed her.

Then he went back to Fleurette. "I want you to be first mate of the White Gull," he said, steadily, "but I'm afraid to ask—"

"Why?" said Fleurette, the color flaming into her cheeks.

"Because I don't see how you can love a big rough chap like me—"

"I don't love a big rough chap," said Fleurette with shining eyes, "but I love a man with the kindest heart in the whole world—and the name of that man is—Jack."

French Croupier's Tips.

Startling statements regarding the sums gambled away annually at the French casinos and the amount of money given to the croupiers in tips were made in the chamber by M. Kerduozec in supporting a bill for a progressive tax on gambling clubs and casinos.

He said that the amount of the takings at Enghien, the casino near Paris, last year was £380,000, at Vichy, £156,000, and at Trouville, £137,000. The tips to croupiers at Enghien amounted to £69,480, the head croupier receiving over £2,000, while at Vichy and Trouville the tips amounted to £29,280 and £35,320 respectively.

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Every manner of meat, even the humblest, may be made tender and palatable by means of paper bag cooking, if only the cook knows how and is willing to take the pains. Even the humble pig's head and feet. An extreme example, you say? Try it—and see if you incline to gaisny further.

Scrape the outer skin very clean, cut off the ears and nose of the head, scalding both head and feet well and removing all removable integument outside and in. The brains, of course, will have been removed. Break off any sharp projecting bones from either head or feet, blanch them by pouring boiling water upon them, taking out and dropping in very cold water, then drain and season lightly with salt. Lay in a large well-greased paper bag with a stalk or two of celery if at hand and a single slice of onion. The pepper and herbs come in later. Add half a pint to a pint of cold water, according to the bulk of the meat, seal bag tight, lay on trivet, set in hot oven for five minutes, then reduce heat two-thirds and cook for five or six hours. Take up, empty into a bowl, and as soon as it can possibly be handled, pick up, removing all bones. The gristle will have dissolved. Now add the seasoning—pepper, powdered herbs, especially sage, a bare dash of tarragon vinegar, and a bare suspicion of garlic. If there is much liquid, add either sifted cornmeal or bread crumbs, both browned in the oven. Pack smooth in an earthen mold and let get cold. There will be headcheese worth eating.

Nor is stuffed pork tenderloin, which is as full of relish as either goose or turkey, or even the lordly baron of roast beef to be despised. Get large fat tenderloins, have them split, but the halves left together down the side, lay a good breadcrumb or mashed potato stuffing, highly seasoned, with butter or drippings, pepper, sage, and onion, in the split, skewer the edges together over the stuffing, and cook in a well greased bag with a very little water until well done. This is especially economical, in that there is no bone to be thrown away.

Either a fresh ham or shoulder, boned, stuffed and cooked in a paper bag, will furnish a mighty satisfying dinner meat. The oven ought to be very hot and stay so for seven to ten minutes, depending on the size of the meat. Then slack heat one-half and cook until thoroughly done.

A square of rib-pork, the skin cut in checkers, well seasoned and baked in a paper bag with apples or sweet potatoes about it, will need no water, only a well greased bag. Spareribs can be paper bag baked if care is used in handling them to see that the ribs-end do not go through the paper. Loin-roast, cooked thus with either apples or potatoes, or white potatoes with a slice or two of onion, will make any hungry soul rejoice.

Perfect capon is none so plenty in the markets, but if to be had is the best of all poultry. Get a big bird—eight to nine pounds. Stuff, but not too tight, putting a hand in the crop-space. Truss extra firmly, fastening the slices of bacon over the breast and thighs underneath the trussing strings. Grease all the rest of the body liberally with soft butter, put a little butter under the bacon on the breast, then pop into a loose-fitting well greased paper bag, lay on a trivet, set on broiler in hot oven, let cook till bag corners turn very brown, then slack heat half, or even a little more if the heat is fierce, and cook for an hour and a half to an hour and three-quarters.

Choose your goose young and fat, even though you know the paper bag will make a tough bird tender. Singe, wash and drain the same as capon, and hanging in a cold place a day and night improves it. For the stuffing boil mild onions very tender, slicing them and letting them lie in salt water half an hour before cooking. A medium goose will take two to six onions, according to size, and two or four apples. Peel and slice them, cook soft with the onions, adding a very little chopped celery. Mash all together, then add to mashed potato enough to fill the goose, but not too full. Season with salt and pepper, also a tablespoonful of powdered sage and a tiny pinch of mixed herbs. Add a large spoonful of lard or butter, stir it well through the hot mass, let it cool a bit, then stuff the goose, which has been seasoned inside and out, truss very firmly, rub over well with lard, butter or drippings, put into a thickly-greased bag of generous size, add a tablespoonful of cold salt water, seal, and set in hot oven for ten minutes. Slack heat half and cook done, allowing twenty-two minutes to the pound. Serve with mashed turnips, baked squash, baked apples or apple sauce, hot corn bread and sweet cider.

Stuffed Tomatoes, Milanaise.—Cut out freely the stem ends of six large tomatoes, scoop out the seed and part of the pulp, dust the insides well with pepper and salt and put a bit of butter in each. Fill with finely minced cold meat—beef, veal, lamb or chicken, mixed with minced raw bacon and seasoned lightly with salt and pepper. Sprinkle fried bread crumbs thickly over the top, put in a well-greased bag and cook in a quick oven ten to twelve minutes. Serve on a very hot dish.

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## ELKS CAN'T EAT ELK MEAT

When They Tried It in California a Game Warden Made a Raid.

One hundred and twenty Elks gathered at the Elks' lodge at San Rafael the other night to banquet on elk meat, but a game warden descended upon the club, confiscated and bore away the savory, steaming, well-cooked elk meat, and the Elks were forced to dine on beef. It was to be a great celebration in honor of L. F. Douglas and John J. Deane, mighty hunters.

Douglas and Deane had brought back 57 pounds of delicious elk meat from their recent Wyoming elk hunt. Two hundred and fifty invitations were sent, and the cooks converted the delicious meat into savory steaks and roast. The banquet was scheduled for 7 o'clock.

Deputy Game Warden Hunter entered the lodge at 6:30 o'clock, as the Elks were chukking over the savory odor of the cooked meat which permeated the lodge.

"You may have Elks in your lodge," said Hunter, displaying his badge of office, "but, my sirs, elks is deer, and it is closed season for deer in California, and therefore you cannot eat elk."

And forthwith he carted away the banquet food. A makeshift banquet on beef followed, but most of the Elks went home dissatisfied.—San Francisco Chronicle.

DULLS EDGE OF COMPLIMENT

But Amateur Musician Bravely Refrained From Making Explanation to Young Lady.

Every evening for three weeks twin brothers had been practicing for an amateur band concert. One twin, Joseph, played a cornet, and the other, Joel, operated on the violin. Meeting a young woman, Joseph asked her if she would attend the musical feast.

"Yes," she said, "and I think it will be very nice indeed. I've heard you and your brother practicing. That symphony of yours last night on the cornet was exquisite."

Unfortunately the keen edge of this compliment was dulled, because Joseph recalled that he had not played a cornet on the previous night. He had practiced on a trombone, but bravely refrained from making an explanation.

"And there was another piece that caught my fancy," the young lady continued. "It seemed like a Wagnerian extract. Do you also play a saxophone?"

"No, miss," was the amateur's admission.

"I wonder what was the other instrument I heard last night?"

"I can't say positively, but if it was about nine o'clock, I think brother Joel was either putting a new string on his violin or tuning the old piano."

General Invitation.

One morning Miss Lucy Halcomb, the most fastidious housekeeper in Bushby, who was reported to have washed an unfortunate grand-nephew into a decline, opened her front door, having heard strange noises on the piazza.

There stood a tramp, his shoes caked with mud, which he was scraping off with a knife and kicking off by alternate applications of his heels on her door-mat.

"What are you doing?" demanded Miss Lucy, indignantly.

"Doing!" echoed the tramp. "I was starting round to the kitchen to ask the young lady I saw hanging out your clothes if she'd hand me a bite of breakfast. Then I thought I didn't make a very good appearance, and I was about to go on to the next house when I saw this mat with the invitation, 'Please use this Mat,' right on it, so I stepped up here. In about five minutes more I'll look well enough so I can go round to the kitchen."

"Well!" said Miss Lucy. "Well!" and then she closed the door, being unable to think of any appropriate remarks.—Youth's Companion.

Jewels of Indian Princes.

Some of the Indian princes possess jewels which would put those of Abdul Hamid in the shade. At the 1903 durbar the blaze of gems surprised even the Indians themselves. The Maharajah of Darbhanga was wearing a diamond necklace which had cost £20,000, and was considered a bargain at that. Besides a necklace of 13 rows of perfectly matched pearls as large as fibrets, the Maharajah of Gwalior sported a sash depending from his left shoulder to his right knee, the material of which was completely hidden by similar stones. Another rajah carried a sword-hilt out from a single emerald, and in the turban of the Nizam of Hyderabad was the Nizam diamond, which weighs 277 carats, or more than twice as much as the Koh-i-Noor.

One-Time Tramp Reaches Honor.

William H. Davis, recently placed on England's civil pension list with a pension of fifty pounds a year, is probably the first actual tramp in the history of that country to be so honored. Davis is a Welshman by birth and a tramp by preference, having lived the life for many years in this country and England. He is minus a foot, the result of a stolen train ride. After years of vagabondage he turned his attention to literature, and following many bitter disappointments "arrived." He has written both verse and

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### FUTURE FARM WRITERS.

An Article in Collier's Weekly Tells of the Work Boys Are Doing.

The man who writes for the farm papers, reporter or editor, must understand—or at all events he should understand—agriculture, horticulture, dairying, forestry, irrigation, and all the other numerous and exceedingly interesting departments that make up the weekly or monthly farm publications. Unless a man is educated in these departments of learning, it is useless for him to attempt to write about them. If his clothing never has been soiled by sitting on the plowed ground, he cannot with sympathy and understanding write about it.

The successful farm paper must be written by educated farm writers. Where are they to come from? There are schools of journalism in the universities, but these produce only students whose determination it is to engage in city newspaper work. The majority is from the farm or from the small towns, and only too many are bound toward the city and impatient to be gone. In the Kansas State Agricultural College, at Manhattan, something is being done to offset this tendency. This is the work of a new department organized there wholly for the teaching of industrial journalism.

The successful writer is the one who can take the heavy, prosaic discussions of farm questions and present them in an attractive and readable form. Very few people care to read much on these subjects unless they are briefly, clearly, and cheerfully presented. This the young students in the Kansas Agricultural College are learning to do. Every morning, six mornings a week, they are assigned to the several buildings or departments of the college, with instructions, as in a great newspaper office, to get a certain kind of "story." Everything possible is done to awaken their imagination, the hope in this direction being to bring out new and original ways of writing, particularly of introducing a subject. Statistics are prohibited, unless absolutely necessary, and then totals and no details are given. Assignments rich with human interest are arranged for the students. They are taught carefully which part of a "story" should be first, so that it seldom is necessary even after only a few weeks' instruction, to put the bottom of their article at the top. —From Canadian Edition of Collier's Weekly.

### IRRIGATION BY PUMPING.

System No longer an Experiment in the West.

Denver, Colo., Feb. 19.—More than 40,000 acres of soil east of the towns of Brandon and Chivington and 60 miles east of Denver, owned by P. A. Otten, a wealthy Nebraskan, Otten has let a contract for the largest oil irrigation pump installed in this section of the country. The pump will be used to irrigate the entire tract. The tract, with the exception of the ten acres is now nothing more than a stretch of desolate cactus land, but within a year Otten predicts that it will be as fruitful and fertile as the land in the Grand Valley and will be fully 20 times as valuable per acre as it is now. The pump will cost \$22,500. Otten counts that in a year he will have a sufficient crop to make up for this expenditure. The pump will raise 4,500 gallons of water per minute.

As an experiment, ten acres of the tract have been irrigated and cultivated with a windmill used to raise the water. The experiment was sufficient to show the land's fertility. Small pumps have been installed on 150 acres and 640 tracts around Brandon and have demonstrated the efficiency of the pumping system of irrigation in that particular section. The land to be reclaimed is on the Big Sandy creek. The creek resembles Cherry creek in that it rarely has water on its surface. The water runs under ground and sinking wells is a fruitful task. Water can be struck at a depth of 12 feet.

After Otten's tract pump has been installed the engineering company has contracts for others on the same scale in the same section, and complete plans will mean the reclamation of more than 90,000 acres of the sagebrush and cactus covered land.

Heretofore the largest pump installed in this section has been large enough to irrigate only 640 acres. The average cost of an oil pump is \$1,500 an acre. The crude oil used costs no more than 2 cents per gallon.

Irrigating by this means is growing rapidly in popularity and is in use throughout the arid sections of the country.

Irrigation by pumping is no longer an experiment. Its feasibility and practicability has been demonstrated beyond question and in the next few months many such irrigation enterprises will be in operation, the power furnished either by the gas engine, electricity, oil power, etc.

### TWO GOOD ROADS TRAINS

Katy and Santa Fe to Run Specials in Kansas.

Topeka, Kan., Feb. 17.—W. S. Gearhart, state highway engineer has just announced a two weeks' good roads and drainage campaign in Eastern Kansas. The Missouri, Kansas & Texas and the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway companies will run special road trains. The Katy good roads train will start at Junction City, March 4, and will go over the earth roads in Kansas. Both good roads and drainage of low lands will be discussed. The Santa Fe train will start at Atchison, March 18, and only good roads will be discussed. The Katy train will cover the entire line in Kansas while the Santa Fe will keep to the eastern part of the state. The arrangements for the trains have just been started and the schedules have not been made.

"The eastern part of the state needs good roads education more than any other section," said Mr. Gearhart. "The Western Kansas people are up on their toes on improving the earth roads and getting them into fairly decent shape. But there are hundreds of miles of bad roads in Eastern Kansas."

Pneumonia and phthisis cause the greatest number of deaths in London.

### HOW ARAB PRIZES HIS MARE

"Foundation of Wealth is a Mare; Bring Forth a Mare," is One of Their Sayings.

The Arab's regard for his mare is often expressed in sayings that are short and very much to the point, as for instance: "The foundation of wealth is a mare; bring forth a mare." "The greatest blessings are a wise wife and a fruitful mare."

As the Arabs themselves are divided into tribes and sub-tribes, the same system is adopted in regard to the strain of their horses' breed. In fact, the breeding is carried on in the same manner as laid down in the Koran for the Mohammedan marriages. This is one of the chief factors giving rise to the high quality of the pure bred Arab horse.

"Thoroughbred mares are never sold under any conditions, and instances have been known," says Pierre Ponadine in "Life in the Moslem East," "when five and six and ten thousand pounds have been refused; for often such mares that are too old for riding are still kept for breeding purposes."

In olden times stealing a mare was punishable by death. Sheikhs own one or more pure bred mares, according to their position and means, but it is often the case that among the less well to do people a mare is owned by several, the shares being clearly defined and division of colts made according to detailed and often complicated laws. Sometimes one family owns "one leg," while a richer man claims "two legs," etc.

The system of owning a mare in shares is found among certain Arabs in Turkish Arabia and sometimes in the city of Bagdad itself, if any one is fortunate enough to get hold of a half-bred mare.—Tit-Bits.

### RATS CAUSE WATER FAMINE

Thirsty Rodents Gnaw Lead Pipe and Ship's Supply of Drinking Water is Lost.

It is a very serious thing to be waterless at sea. This is what happened recently to the bark Sapphire, bound from South American ports to Puget sound, but the water famine was neither the result of carelessness, drought or a protracted voyage. When half the journey had been accomplished the 400-gallon tank suddenly went dry. As it happened over night and the tank had no hole in it the calamity was a mystery, and some superstitious members of the crew immediately ascribed it to a supernatural agency. But the second mate, a hard-headed Yankee, investigated, and found that a section of the lead pipe leading from the tank had been almost gnawed in two by the army of rats that infested the ship. There was no water on board except that in the tank, which was closely covered, and the creatures, half mad with thirst, had evidently attacked the pipe in a body. The stream of escaping water must have drowned many of them, as there was a great decrease in their numbers. There were about a hundred cases of mineral water in the cargo, and these were broached to supply the crew until some port could be reached to refill the tank. An ingenious sailor also rigged up a condenser from the primitive materials at hand, but this furnished only about a quart of fresh water a day, which was used for cooking. When the Sapphire reached Seattle the captain had the water tank fitted with an iron pipe thick enough to resist all future attacks.

### Antidote for Blushing.

If you blush, put on glasses, advises Dr. H. Campbell, an English physician. Not tin ones to conceal the object which caused your flush. Or, no—but regular glass glasses, "strong convex lenses," he says in the Practitioner. And this is how he demonstrates his proposition: "The artificial myopia thus induced by blurring the surroundings tends to diminish self-consciousness. The female sex is more apt to blush than the male sex, although more men than women seek medical help for morbid blushing."

Among the "horrible examples" which Dr. Campbell came across in practice were those of a young man who was obliged to leave the army because of blushing; of a physician, forty years old, who abandoned his practice because of it; of a minister, thirty-two, who "blushed" himself out of the pulpit.

### Exemplary George.

She admitted being jealous of her husband. Consequently they quarreled frequently, and, womanlike, she confided to her best friend.

"You are unfair at times to George," said the best friend one day, as the two sat on the veranda of the suburban home. "I saw George in the city yesterday and he didn't see me. So I kept watching him. He had a seat in a crowded subway car. At least two score women, most of them pretty as a picture, came in and passed by him or stood in front of him. And George never looked at the face of them; he was deeply interested in his paper."—Philadelphia Times.

### What Troubled Him.

"Doctor," said Dennis, the old gquire's valet, "don't yez think the master is getting mighty thin?" "No harm in that, Dennis," said the doctor; "he was too fat. He'll be healthier when he's thinner." "Likely he will," said Dennis, disappointedly; "but O! won't be able to rear his old clothes then!"

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