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Daddy's Bedtime Story

The Little Slave Boy Who Became Ireland's Saint



TERENCE, the gardener, had asked for a day off that he might take part in the St. Patrick's day parade. Parades always interested Jack and Evelyn, and so, of course, when daddy came in they wanted to know about St. Patrick.

THE FARMER'S FOOD FACTORY.

The farmer used to be a toiler. Now he is a skilled operator of machinery and a capitalist. His factory is the food factory.

TO CHECK RUSH TO CANADA

United States Making Effort to Keep Farmers at Home.

HOW TO BEAT HIGH PRICES

"Eat Flank Steaks" Is Chicago Mayor's Solution of Problem.

LOVE BESTS U. S. RED TAPE

Cupid Triumphs Over the Immigration Officials of Uncle Sam After Long Delay.

RAISED DUCKS IN BATH TUB

Colorado Man Gets Setback by Cold Weather, but Overcomes Difficulties.

JAPANESE SILK IS REVIVED

Chemical Process Has Been Discovered That Strengthens the Fibre and Facilitates Spinning.

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HAS SERVED NATION 63 YEARS

Thomas Harrison, Dean of the Clerical Force in Washington, in Odd Request.

Washington.—In a few days Thomas Harrison, chief clerk in the naval observatory, will have completed probably the most remarkable term of continuous service in the government on record.

No record, comparable to this exists in this government, and it is doubtful if any such record ever existed before.

And there is another thing about Harrison that is unprecedented. He has volunteered to take a position of less salary and less importance, and has insisted upon it when his superior officers were disinclined to authorize it.

A year ago Harrison went to the acting secretary of the navy and asked to be transferred. He said that old age had come upon him; that his faculties could not be expected to respond much longer, and that before incompetency forced itself upon him he wanted to take up other duties less responsible.

Mr. Winthrop listened to the veteran clerk, and then refused the request. The secretary said that any man with Harrison's record was entitled to full pay to the end of his life, if not for present efficiency, then for the work he had done in the past.

This compliment and the recognition of his services pleased Harrison. It made him feel that he had not spent his sixty-two years at hard work without his reward. And he returned to work and remained at work until a week or so ago.

Then the old man wrote a letter to the secretary, renewing his request that he be relieved of responsibility, but that he be given some work that would support him for the remainder of his life.

Harrison was obdurate. He had made up his mind to turn his responsible work over to a younger man, and finally convinced the secretary of the merit of his plea. This time Mr. Winthrop stood aside and ordered the transfer to be made.

Harrison is now eighty years old. Where She Would Be Taught. Women, writes Marion Harland, should emulate the sagacity of their spouses in selecting wisely the food-stuffs and whatever else goes to making up the comfort and comeliness of the home.

Expenses, should be regulated by the sum their husbands can afford to hand to them for the defrayment of domestic expenses. But who is to instruct the raw girl just out of school, in the principles and details of applied household economics?

The almost universal fashion of sending the daughter to boarding school at the age of 12 or 14 and from boarding school to college for four years more, vacations being passed at watering places, the seaside, or abroad, effectually precludes the possibility of learning housewifery from her mother.

Admirable as may be—and in many cases is—the department of domestic science established in our leading institutions of learning for girls, one year of apprenticeship in the kitchen of a home where economy is a present and practical consideration would make a better business partner for the prospective husband than a four years' course in the model offices and demonstration halls of the best equipped college in the country.

The Englishman. An English actor was traveling with an American company and won his way into the heart of every member by his kindly courtesy and quiet consideration. One of the ladies, wishing to find out if a sense of humor was also one of his qualities, propounded to him the following conundrum: "Which dies the harder, a sculptor or a barber?"

The Englishman gave it up, and she replied: "A sculptor, because the barber curls up and dies, but the sculptor makes faces and busts."

The Englishman laughed, not boastfully, but that she attributed to his well-bred reserve, and decided in his favor. Later in the evening he came to her and said: "Miss F., would you mind if I told you something?"

"No," she answered. "I wouldn't hurt your feelings," he went on in his delicate way, "you American ladies are so charming; but you do make some peculiar grammatical errors. That conundrum, now, you know, it isn't busts, it's busts."

New Nets for the "Wanted." Through a Paris contemporary we learn of a novel method adopted by the Prague police authorities to detect the perpetrators of high crimes and misdemeanors. But whether the project will prove a success remains to be seen.

When a person of distinction in the annals of crime is being sought and the police experience difficulty in laying hands on the suspect, in future they will send to every cinematograph exhibition in Bohemia a photograph of the person "wanted." During the entertainment the picture will be shown with some little explanatory note, and at the conclusion each member of the audience will be free to act as an amateur detective. It seems very likely that this method will be fruitful in actions for damages.

That Is Natural. Mrs. Towne—So Hiram Sharp's girl Effie has become a music teacher. Heppzibab—Yes; we call her Eff Sharp—Boston Transcript.

30 Below, Man Wears Straw Hat. Minneapolis.—While the thermometer hovered between 25 and 30 below, R. W. Ricketson won a wager of 25 cents by wearing a straw hat. Ricketson was born in Alaska.

Dead Slang. Is there anything so dead as dead slang? It must be quite fresh, or it offends the nostril. And no one should talk slang without the assurance that it is both infantile and immortal.

Change of Fortune. Knicker—They used to have trouble keeping the wolf from the door. Rooker—Now they have trouble keeping the Welsh rabbit from it.

FLED FROM CHINESE REVOLT

Two Missionaries Arrive in California but Have Little to Tell About the Fighting.

The first missionaries to come out from war-stricken China arrived in San Francisco the other day on the steamship Siberia from Hankow. They are Rev. James Webster, an English minister, who for seven years has been conducting a mission at Hunan, in the vice-royalty of Wu Chang, where the Chinese rebellion had its inception, and Rev. A. W. Martin, who for three years has had a mission at Nanking.

Their reports of the rebellion are rather meager, as both were gathered with all other foreigners into the consulates as soon as the war broke and were kept under excellent protection until the time of their departure.

Mr. Webster, who went to Hankow immediately following news of the uprising, with all other foreigners, left that city two days before it was captured, burned and sacked by the imperial forces. During his stay there the city was under the control of the insurgents, and he says those who had lived in Hankow for years declared that the municipality was governed better by the rebels than it had ever been before.

Mr. Webster sent his family back to his old home at Nottingham, England, last February, and now is on furlough and on his way to join them during the holidays.

Mr. Martin is returning to his home in Iowa with his wife and children. All four of the children were born in China and now are receiving their first view of America.

He and his family, with all other foreigners, were hurried into the American consulate on November 8 as a result of the fighting near Nanking, and on November 9 all the women and children were rushed out of that city by rail to Shanghai. The city's gates were closed, and at the request of the American consul, Gracey, a detail of 104 marines was sent ashore from the gunboat New Orleans to insure protection to the Americans.—San Francisco Chronicle.

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MARCIA'S PENITENCE

By JANE OSBORN

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"It's a dream," Marcia Newbury stood before the soft, clinging white frock she had just taken from the dressmaker's box.

Marcia went to her desk, opened her purse, and did some figuring. "I've got six-ninety-seven. That will leave almost two dollars for cartage, and church, and odds and ends, if I pay five dollars for a pair of slippers. I'll do it. There are some beauties at Jo—"

"She was interrupted by the knock of the maid. "A gentleman, Miss Marcia, for your father. I said he was out of town, so the gentleman said you'd do. His name's Brown."

Marcia went downstairs picturing herself floating about at Mrs. Bronson Jenk's dance that evening in a filmy white gown and dainty white slippers.

"Good morning, Miss Newbury," said a good-looking, middle-aged man, coming toward Marcia with outstretched hand as she entered the room.

"I'm Mr. Brown, of New York, an old friend of your father's," said Marcia, shaking hands with the stranger. "I'm sure father will be very sorry to miss you. I expect him home this afternoon—on the four-fifty-six from New York."

"Well, well," said Mr. Brown. "Just my luck. I've got to take the four-thirty-six back to New York to keep an appointment."

"My father will be sorry," repeated Marcia. "Well, so am I," replied the man easily. "But to get right down to the bottom of the matter, Miss Marcia—I'm in a fix. I depended on your father to help me out—"

Marcia looked up with real concern. "Could I—Is it anything I could do?" she ventured.

"I hardly like to ask you," said the man. "You see, I expected to find a



"I've such a delightful surprise for you"

money order awaiting me here. And it hasn't come."

"Oh, I'm so sorry!" "And to be frank," admitted the man, "I was going to ask your father to lend me enough to get back to New York."

The vision of the new slippers danced before Marcia's eyes. Following them two rather worn black slippers hurried along.

"Would you let me?" suggested Marcia impulsively. "I haven't much cash about—but if five dollars would help—"

A few minutes later Mr. Brown of New York left Judge Newbury's house with Marcia's five dollars, promising to send it back the minute he reached New York. A few minutes afterward Marcia started downtown to buy a package of shoe polish and ribbon enough for new bows on the old slippers. On her way home she met Mrs. Benson Jenks.

"Marcia," said Mrs. Jenks, "I had the funnest experience this morning. You know Benson's away from home. A man—a Mr. Brown of New York—an old friend of Benson, he said—came to his house and I lent him five dollars. He was just strapped and hadn't enough to buy a ticket home. But, you know, Marcia, I think he was a cheat. I don't know why, but—"

Marcia gasped. "Mr. Brown—of New York—five dollars? Why, the fraud came to our house, and I did the same thing!"

When Marcia got home she found a young man pacing back and forth. He stopped as she came up the steps. "Miss Newbury?" he queried. "I'm Mr. Shipley—Peter Shipley—of Boston, and an old friend of Judge Newbury's," he explained.

Marcia eyed him icily. "Oh, are you?" she questioned, her back against the door.

"The maid says the judge is away," said the man nervously. "Well," said Marcia, looking at him out of steady eyes.

"Well," with difficulty, "you see, I'm in a hole. I'm strapped. I haven't any money—and I was going to ask the judge—"

Marcia laughed cruelly. "Really were you?" she said.

The young man reddened. "It is a queer fix. The judge is the only person I know in this town. I've been away and thought I'd stop to see him on my way home. So I telegraphed my partner to forward a money order to me here. It hasn't come. I've got to catch the 12-03 for Boston to keep an important business engagement; and I have only a quarter."

By this time Marcia was in the hall, holding the door half shut. "I'm really sorry, Mr. Brown, or Shipley, or whatever else your name is. But I positively don't see how you dare talk in this way," she said, and slammed the door.

"Father," said Marcia that evening at dinner—she was wearing the new frock and the old slippers—"a Mr. Brown of New York, an old friend of yours—was here this morning and I let him have five dollars."

"Brown? Of New York? I don't remember any such man. Still, it's not an uncommon name."

"Of course you don't," laughed Marcia. She told the story in detail, and told of Mrs. Jenk's experience. The judge laughed heartily. He always called Marcia soft-hearted.

"Never mind the five dollars, dear," he consoled her. "Take it out of the housekeeping accounts and give us rice pudding for dessert until it's paid back."

"But father," said Marcia, ready now to enjoy herself, "did you ever know a Mr. Shipley of Boston—Peter Shipley?"

"Peter Shipley? I should say so. One of the finest young men in the world. Proutz—the Boston lawyer—has just taken him in as junior partner. What about Shipley, daughter?"

It was a somewhat crestfallen Marcia that appeared at Mrs. Benson Jenk's dance that evening. She had foregone a pair of new slippers; she had been foolish enough to let a cheat impose on her; and, worst of all, she had fallen in hospitality and courtesy.

"Although," she consoled herself, "I really didn't have any money left for the second borrower."

"Oh, Marcia," exclaimed Mrs. Jenks when Marcia went into the drawing-room; "I've such a delightful surprise for you. Just before dinner—I had to rush downtown again for something I'd forgotten—I met an old friend of mine from Boston, Peter Shipley, wandering up and down in front of the post office. He said he was expecting an important letter that hadn't come yet. And, as he hadn't planned which hotel to go to, I persuaded him to come here. You see, he is an old friend of your father and he is crazy, for some reason, to meet you. He's awfully nice, Marcia. Do be good to him."

Mrs. Jenks continued oblivious to Marcia's gasp of surprise and flush of embarrassment, and just then Peter Shipley, very good-looking in an out-of-date evening suit borrowed from his host, and with a mischievous twinkle in his eye, came up, was introduced to Marcia, and claimed her for the first dance.

"It's the least you can do," he laughed as he led her away.

"I'll do anything you want me to do, really, Mr. Shipley, to convince you that I am penitent."

A few months later, when Peter Shipley paid one of several visits to Judge Newbury's home, he reminded Marcia of her words at Mrs. Jenks' dance.

"I'll never be convinced that you are really penitent for the way you treated me on that first day, Marcia, less you will stand by your word and do anything I want you to do. I want you to marry me, Marcia."

And Marcia stood by her word.

The Pope's Triple Crown. The tiara, or triple crown of the Pope, was originally a plain high cap, much like those in which the Doges of Venice are so often represented in old pictures and medals. It was first introduced by Pope Nicholas I. in 860.

It is doubtful when the first coronet was added, but the second was placed by Pope Boniface VIII. in 1295 and the third by Pope Urban V. about 1368.

It has been held that the three crowns refer to the Holy Trinity, though that evidently could not have been the original idea or they would not have been added one after the other, with an intervening interval in each case of many years.

Others affirm that they denote the threefold royalty of the Bishop of Rome, one being the symbol of the temporal power over the Roman states; another, the spiritual exercised over the souls of men; and the third the authority over all the kings and potentates of Christendom.

Muffled Knocks. "Rivers, you've been doing some good work in your department of the paper—lately."

"Sure, Mrs. Flickinger, we'll be glad to come out and spend a day with you some time. I know we'll enjoy the ride there and back, anyway."

"How much you resemble your excellent father, Hoesulks! Your nose is a trifle one-sided, and your legs are curved, just as his were."

"Barber, your wife must be a splendid cook; I can tell that you have been eating some mighty fine onions."

"We are willing to accept this furor, your honor. He seems to know nothing—about this case."

Misrepresentation. "You've spoiled the sale of my new novel!"

"What's the matter?"

"You reviewed it under the heading 'Recent Books,' and the printer made it read 'Decent Books,' instead—Judge."

More Germs in Thin Men. Berlin.—In a pamphlet, "Good News to the Fat Men," Dr. Hikkada, Japanese scientist, says there are more germs on a thin man's skin than on the epidermis of a mountain of flesh.

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A few years ago a magistrate was amazed when a prosecutor went into the witness box and swore positively that the prisoner was not the man who had assaulted him. On the other hand, the prisoner asserted that he was the guilty party, and gave a detailed and circumstantial account of the whole affair.

Time, place and every other particular fitted in with the prosecutor's story. The only difference was about the man. The magistrate, however, inflicted a fine of 20 shillings and costs, whatever he may have thought about the puzzle. As a matter of fact, the accused aggressor had paid a proxy to plead "guilty," priming him in all the little necessary facts.

One of the most out-of-the-way occupations in England is finding proxies. Out-of-the-way because, naturally, if such a method of living became known, the police would be making unwanted inquiries. Many a man who has been released on bail is approached by one of these proxy agents, who offers to find a substitute as like him as two peas. The unfortunate man jumps at the chance, for he knows full well that if he steps away from his situation he may lose it, as well as losing what reputation he has got. In nine cases out of ten the deception is never discovered, though very often the police suspect that they are being hoodwinked.

It is not very difficult to discover people who will go to prison for you, for a consideration. Especially is this the case in "committal orders," where people refuse to pay their just debts. A case in point happened quite recently.

A debtor had defied the law, and the officials went to his house and took him away—at least, they thought they were taking him away. In reality, however, the man they arrested was a substitute, who had been waiting for them to come and take him. The actual contemptuous debtor—a commercial traveler, by the way—was doing his usual business in the provinces.

A case of substitution more risky than usual came to light a few years ago. A Hebrew was charged with criminal libel. The accused man was let out on bail, after a short hearing. When the case came up for trial another Hebrew appeared in the defendant's place. Not only was he very similar in face and build, but he was wearing the actual clothes of the real defendant. This substitute was sentenced to six months' imprisonment, neither the prosecutor nor any of the court officials suspecting anything. For the six months' retirement he received the nice little sum of £200.

St. Petersburg.—A cinematograph film was instrumental in furnishing an audience at a picture show with a real five romance. While a scene in a play was being reproduced at a cinematograph theater here, a peasant and his wife, two of the spectators, recognized an actress in the picture as their long-lost daughter. The woman swooned, and her husband, shouting "My daughter!" tried to force his way behind the stage, expecting to find his daughter there. To convince him that his daughter was not there, the manager had the curtain drawn up. Then, ringing up the firm from whom he got the film, the manager was informed that the actress was there and would set out for the theater at once. To the delight of the audience, the young lady appeared on the stage.

FIND LOST GIRL IN FILM

Russian Parents Make Moving Picture Drama Real—Living Actress Appears on Stage.

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\$150,000 FOUND BY BOYS

Spanish Treasure Is Unearthed in Florida Ruins—Chest Contains Gold, Silver and Copper Coins.

Jacksonville, Fla.—Guided by ancient charts found in the ruins of a Spanish shell house on Fort George Island, two boys of this city say they have unearthed Spanish treasure worth about one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. They say the gold, silver and copper coins were found in a strong box about one cubic foot in size, buried about six feet deep.

The boys are Loring M. Hewen, seventeen years old, son of Prof. Shelby E. Hewen, vice-president and general manager of a local business college, and John P. Cling, aged eighteen, son of a pilot at Mayport.

NEW ORDER FOR TROLLEYS

Massachusetts Commissioners Will Compel Cars to Carry Lifting Jacks to Lessen Fatalities.

Boston.—Half of the street railway cars operated in Massachusetts must be equipped with lifting jacks of 15 tons capacity by July 1, according to an order issued by the railroad commissioners. Distribution of these jacks is expected to provide a speedy means of relieving injured persons caught under the wheels of street cars and to hasten the clearing of tracks in breakdowns.

Girl Kicked; Talks German.

Dayton, Wash.—Recovering from unconsciousness which lasted several days after she had been kicked by a horse, Miss Grace Burris, a high school girl, began to talk in German and has stuck to that language ever since, although being in other respects entirely normal in her mental condition.

More Germs in Thin Men.

Berlin.—In a pamphlet, "Good News to the Fat Men," Dr. Hikkada, Japanese scientist, says there are more germs on a thin man's skin than on the epidermis of a mountain of flesh.

COUNT INVOLVED IN SCANDAL

Russian Minister to China Elopes With French Girl and Father Pursues Them.

Peking.—Count Korostovier, Russian minister to China, 59 years of age and a grandfather, has caused a scandal by eloping with Miss Peary, an unusually pretty French girl of 17, whose parents are well known in society here.

Mr. Peary gave chase and found his daughter, disguised as a Chinese boy, pigtail and all. Diplomatic intervention is expected, as Peary has a high position in the postoffice and is universally respected. He declares he will cause the count to leave the diplomatic service for good, but the Russian diplomats here think otherwise, though they do not expect their chief back in Peking.

Revolver in hand, Peary scoured the town, but not finding them, demanded a search of the Russian consulate. This meant some delay. When he got inside at last he found a Chinese boy, whom the consul said the minister engaged as servant, but Peary pulled the pigtail and it came off in his hands.

His daughter refused to go home with him, and consented only when she heard that the minister, fearful of Peary's revolver, had disguised himself as a sailor and escaped on a native junk. Thence, when Peary was home-bound, he took a goods train to Harbin, where he caught the Siberian express to St. Petersburg.

Mr. Peary has applied to the French minister to lay the whole story before the czar personally. Count Korostovier is going out in St. Petersburg in the best of spirits and declares that Miss Peary is the most delightful woman he ever met, and that he will marry her when he gets a divorce.

TO SEEK SUNKEN TREASURE

At Least Charles Miller of Lyons Will Visit New York to Get \$50,000 to Search for \$5,000,000.

London.—Charles Miller, second officer of the National Salvage association's steamship Lyons, recently left London for New York to raise about \$50,000 to carry on the work of recovering the "treasure" in the old man-of-war Lutine, which sank off the coast of Holland in the Zuyder Zee in 1799.

The Lutine was a war vessel captured by England from the French and was reported to be carrying \$6,000,000 worth of gold bars when she was lost with all hands. The salvage work was carried on for some months last summer and among the things brought up after the wreck had been found was a well-preserved cannon with shot intact and a piece of rope.

On one bar of iron drawn up by the pumps, according to Mr. Miller, there was distinct evidence of gold which had adhered to the rust. Captain Gardner, commander of the Lyons, is confident that with a week's fine weather the "sunken treasure" will be discovered. Salvage operations are to be resumed next May. The Lyons meanwhile is refitting at Amsterdam.

BOAT BREAKS SPEED RECORD

Motor Craft With Aeroplane Engine Travels 140 Miles an Hour in New York State.

Rochester, N. Y.—A motor ice boat, built along the general lines of an ice boat but fitted with an aeroplane engine and propeller, has attained a speed of nearly 140 miles an hour in tests on Irondequoit bay during the past few days.

The boat is the invention of Lyman J. Seely, a manufacturer of aeroplane engines. Irondequoit bay is about eight miles long and the distance was covered in about four minutes, allowing for a slowing down of the engine.

The engine and propeller are attached to the front of the boat, which has two runners in front and one behind, the steering being done by a wheel attached to the rear runner.

Sultan's Matrimonial Record.

The Sultan of Zanzibar, whose abdication is announced, has enjoyed the unusual experience of marrying the same wife twice. Some years ago he divorced the Sultana, a daughter of the Imam of Muscat, who, being a royal princess, was his only legal wife. His ministers were much perturbed at this, as the marriage had been arranged for state reasons, and the Sultana had done nothing to justify her husband's action.

After some pressure the Sultan consented to remarry her. There were difficulties in the way, however, as, according to Mohammedan law, no remarriage was possible until the ex-Sultana had married someone else. Eventually she was married to the Sultan's brother-in-law, who immediately divorced her, and she was then reunited to Seyyid Ali. Two divorces and two weddings within six weeks constitute a record hard to beat.

BEST FUN IN THE WORLD

What Charles Battell Loomis Thought About "Making the Slidding Easier" For Others.

Several years ago Charles Battell Loomis, whose death recently brought sorrow to the thousands who had grown to know him through his literary work, wrote a delightful little article on "Lending," from which, because we believe that, like most good things, it will bear repeating, we herewith present an extract:

Isn't it queer how the most of us will cling to our money? Maybe we are bachelors, and have next to no call on our funds, and there is not a day passes that we could not give a young chap a start in business, or make the slidding easier for a few days, but we never think of doing a thing. We listen to a call for \$10, and hand out the threadbare plea of the need of papering the basement or putting a carpet in the attic, and then in sheer ennui we go to the opera and have a supper afterward, inviting a rich friend, and we blow in \$10—perhaps the very \$10 that the poor devil wanted, although we have so many \$10 it would be hard to tell which was which without marking them.

Of course, a man has a right to do what he will with his money, and perhaps if any one of us was rich he would enjoy getting \$10's worth of Caruso's voice far better than he would enjoy helping a deserving man out of a hole to the extent of \$10, but just looking at it abstractedly, it would seem that the best fun a man could have would be looking around for people who needed help, and helping them.

Imagine being a millionaire and going around among the studios or the conservatories and finding out this fellow with talent and that girl with a voice, and helping them to art education, not asking that they return the money, but pledging them to pass the favor along when they themselves had succeeded.

An endless chain of that sort, eh? I'd like to come back here 500 years after it was started just for the purpose of noting how much better the world was by virtue of these benefactions passed along.

That's one good thing about human nature. If a man does a kindly thing, the fellow benefited never rests until he can go and do something for someone else.

From a Washtub to Riches. A short cut from comparative poverty to affluence has been taken by Magdalena Steinhause, who, by holding ticket No. 10774 in the Prussian State Lottery, has won one-quarter million dollars. She is a peasant girl who slaved over the washtub and toiled in the fields of Silesia when her parents were alive in order to augment the slender income of her laborer father and washerwoman mother. Since their death she has continued at manual labor to keep body and soul together, earning at the most \$2 a week.

To an interviewer with whom she discussed her stroke of luck she declared the mere thought of possessing so much money made her giddy. She did not fully realize its meaning or how she'd spend it. Her first thought is to buy a neat little cottage, keep pigs and fowls, drink tea all day long and gossip to her heart's desire with her female neighbors. She said that already she has been inundated with offers of marriage, petitions for help, touting circulars and a gigantic pile of promiscuous communications.

Praise for French Girl Caddies.

The girl caddies at Dinard are very amusing (writes James Douglas in London Opinion). They are also good caddies. Their strength is extraordinary. Some of these sturdy little Breton maids can do three rounds a day without a sign of fatigue. Their names are like one of Rossetti's poems—Rosalie, Cesarine, Julie, Emmeline, and so forth. And their wit is full of salt. They are not clad in rags, like so many of the child caddies in England, but are comfortably garbed and neatly shod. One little girl told me that she earned 15 or 20 francs a week, and that it all went toward her maid. The French boys are not quite so clever as the girls. They are struck so quick of eye and brain. What struck me most about these French youngsters was their physical strength. Our English lads and lassies are not so well fed. Nor are they so well educated. The French girl of fourteen or fifteen is a little woman of the world. She is more than equal of an English girl of seventeen or eighteen in shrewdness and mother-wit.

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GROWING OF CUCURBITS

GOURD CROPS SHOULD NOT BE PLANTED UNTIL WARM WEATHER.

By Dr. J. C. Whitten, Professor of Horticulture, University of Missouri.

The cucurbits, including cucumbers, canteloupes, melons, etc., have similar requirements and are all cultivated very much alike. They require a light, mellow, warm soil. A sandy loam is best. If grown in a heavy clay loam it must contain much vegetable matter to make it loose and spongy. They are fairly rank feeders, and the soil should be rich. Indeed, much of the damage done by insects and diseases will not be noticeable if these plants have enough soil fertility to keep them growing rapidly from the start. On the other hand, grown in a poor soil so the plants are weak, it is almost impossible to keep them free from insects and disease. Sod land turned under is an excellent place for these vine crops.

As a rule, land should not be planted to any of the plants of the gourd family for more than one year in succession. This is particularly true of watermelons. If watermelons are planted more than one year in succession, the grower rarely ever gets profitable crops. Growing plants of the gourd family, then, should be part of a general farm rotation, growing a single crop of the gourds, and following with a crop of corn, wheat, or clover. Farmers are finding a good rotation to be melons or one of the gourd group, corn, wheat, clover, and then melons again.

The land should be plowed in the fall if possible. It should be harrowed and worked carefully in the spring from the time it becomes workable until the melons or other gourd crops are planted. This will kill most of the weeds and will settle the soil fine and compact below, leaving a good seed bed on top. The cheapest cultivation that can be given such a crop is the disking and harrowing of the soil by way of preparation before the crop is planted.

None of the gourd crops should be planted until the weather and soil are warm, as none of them will stand the frost. Ordinarily in this state they may be planted during the last half of April or very early in May. They are usually planted in check rows; the distance varying from 5 or 6 feet apart each way for cucumbers to 8 or 12 feet apart for melons. Perhaps the most convenient method is to cross furrow the land at the distances suggested above. Where the furrows cross, the hills can be made. The earth should be scooped out and a shovelful of manure applied if it is available. The soil is then thrown over this manure so that the top of the hill is level with the surrounding soil. Six to twelve seeds should be planted in each hill in order to secure a full stand of plants and also give opportunity for selection of the best plants when the poorer ones are thinned out. When the third or fourth leaf is well developed, the plants should be thinned, leaving four plants to the hill for cucumbers and one or two for melons.

The early cultivation may be fairly deep while the plants are small and before their roots begin to spread. Not infrequently early in the season rainy weather may prevent cultivating until the weeds get a start. If the early cultivating is deep these weeds may be more readily killed if they do get a start. Later cultivation should be shallow so as not to break off the roots of the plants once they begin to spread out between the rows. In order to maintain shallow cultivation, it should be frequent. After every rain, the crust should be broken as quickly as the land can be worked.

Frequent cultivation, early, lets the spring rains soak into the ground instead of allowing them to wash off from the surface. This enables the grower to store up the early rains of the spring deep into the soil below. The shallow dust mulch maintained on the surface later in the season saves this moisture in the soil, so that it will be available to the plants during the dry weather of July or August.

ter of the soil. Most of our Missouri soils contain abundant potash for most farm crops. The gourd family, especially watermelons, feed abundantly on potash, however, and ordinarily they will respond well to its application. A mixture that will contain the equivalent of the following will be found adequate to most Missouri soils: 100 pounds muriate of potash, 75 pounds bone meal, and 75 pounds nitrate of soda per acre. If desired, the equivalent may be secured through the use of sulphate of potash, acid phosphate, and dried blood. It is more economical, however, to keep up the soil fertility by using clover frequently in the rotation. Where barnyard manure is available, no other fertilizer will be needed.

PROFIT MADE IN SUNFLOWERS

Seed Is Used Mainly for Poultry Feed —Plant May Be Grown on Any Corn Land.

Sunflower seed is used mainly for birds and poultry as feed. It is a native of Kansas and the far western country. Sunflowers can be grown in any good corn land, but it takes the nitrogen out of the soil in great quantities and therefore the crop should not be repeated on the same sod. Plant with a drill or corn planter as you would corn in rows about 3 1/2 feet apart. The seeds should be three or four inches apart in drills and thinned later on to about 18 inches. It requires from six to 12 pounds of seed per acre and it should be planted a little shallower than corn. The cultivation must be very shallow so as not to disturb the roots. After the plants are in bloom pinch off all but three or four heads. Harvest before the seeds are fully ripe, and it is also difficult to protect them from the birds which fall upon them in great flocks.

It is not easy to harvest the sunflower, as they shatter so easily. Sometimes they are threshed by running them through an ordinary separator, while some farmers construct a wooden wheel hanging on supports like a grindstone. On the sides of the wheel nails are driven quite thickly and as the wheel turns round the heads of the sunflowers are held against them and the seeds are thus removed.

The seeds must be thoroughly dry before being stored. They can be saved in sacks or small bins and must be kept perfectly dry or they will quickly spoil. An acre of good land will produce about 1,000 to 1,200 pounds of seed. If ground and mixed with other grains it adds to the palatability and flavor of other stock foods. The large seeded variety is best for poultry and stock, while the small seeded varieties are used more for the table and also for candle making. Manufacturers of poultry and stock feed are the buyers.

Co-operation Among Farmers.

There is no doubt about the fact that co-operation among farmers is becoming more extensive and more profitable. Examples like that of the Ozark Dairy Association, with nearly 700 members, and the Fruit Selling Associations of the southeastern part of Missouri, prove the value of banding together. The standard of the product is raised, and extra charges are cut out, to the benefit of both producer and consumer.

Forage for Hogs.

The time is past when hogs are to be fed in a close lot, with corn and expensive concentrates. The ideal place for hogs, as proved by work done at the Missouri Experiment Station, is on forage where they get exercise and green feed. Cowpeas, rape, and other similar crops form the basis of the best modern systems. Alfalfa stands at the head, where it can be grown.

Exterminate the Weeds.

Weeds are worse than waste on the farm. A weed uses soil fertility that belongs to useful plants. It shades a little piece of ground where grass should grow. It smothered out crops. It isn't necessary to let weeds get a foothold. Before they go to seed they should be mowed. After a few years of careful prevention of seeding weeds would cease troubling the farmer so much.

Care of Sheep.

No matter if an ewe is four years old, if she has a good udder and good teeth and is otherwise in good health keep her two or three years longer. Most excellent breeding ewes can be found in any of the big markets because they are thin in flesh and have been rejected by the buyers, but have no other faults as breeders. Sheep are not particularly greedy, but occasionally one founders from over-eating. This is never the case where they have free access to feed at all times of the day and night.

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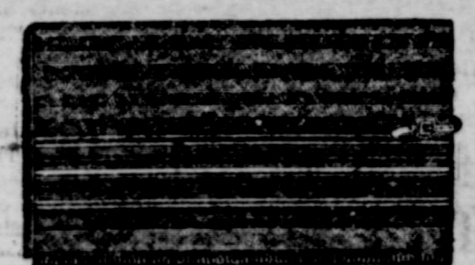
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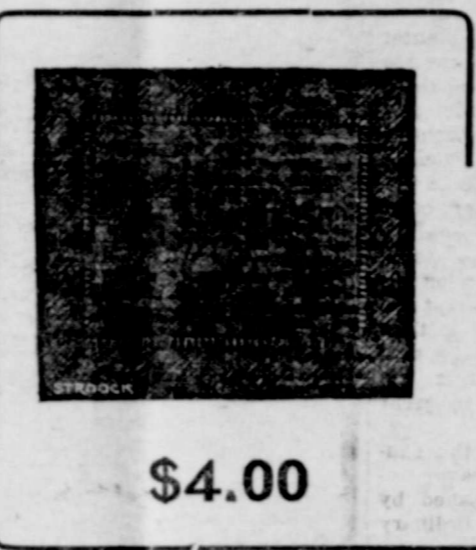


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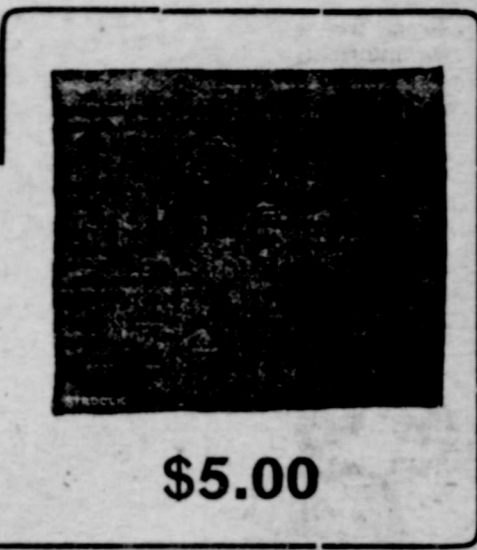
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ALMOST A ROMANCE

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Turning the corner of the Rue de Merinque rather abruptly, Anna's horse took fright at a woman's hat. He reared up on his hind legs and plunged violently forward. Just at that instant the saddle girth broke and the horse reared and fell back. It was a critical moment. Anna was in imminent peril. Just as the rider was about to be crushed under the animal there was a clatter of hoofs and a strong arm encircled Anna. She felt herself drawn into safety. She opened her eyes and there was the strong masculine face of Lord Arthur Athelstan, the handsomest man of the oldest family in England.

Being in the arms of Lord Arthur was much nicer than being crushed under the cruel and relentless back of a horse. To be saved by Lord Arthur was a social triumph, too. It was better than being presented to the king or invited to one of Lady Jane Nod Noodle's affairs. Everybody would know who Anna McGonnigal was now. And when Lord Arthur asked if he might call it was certain that Anna would know everybody!

Lord Arthur was evidently very hard hit. It was certain. The beautiful girl he had held in his arms had made a great impression on his lordly heart. Sir Knight Arthur was not a laggard in love and was most happy when he obtained permission to call. It was Anna's brother who greeted him, however, when he arrived at Anna's residence, and told him to make himself thoroughly at home. "She will be very sorry to miss you," said Anna's brother. "I think she's out suffragetteing this afternoon."

Lord Arthur left his card and walked sorrowfully away. The next day being bright and beautiful, Lord Arthur thought he might meet her riding in the park. She had been so sorry to miss him that Lord Arthur thought she might not object to a casual meeting there. But luck was against him. There was a meeting for the Prevention of Cruelty to Something or Other that day, and Lord Arthur rode and rode, and finally rode home in the beautiful twilight alone.

Then his regiment was ordered to the Sudan. Lord Arthur made up his mind to see her before he went off, and wrote her a pathetic note of appeal, which Anna answered with a beating heart, telling him to see her by all means! That she must see him before he went away to the war! But the letter got mixed up in the voluminous mail of Anna, and Lord

Arthur received only a note accepting the presidency of a society for the promotion of universal peace.—Puck.

A Man-Factory.

The Self Master colony at Union, N. J., is a mill that gets its grit from gutters and levers and grinds from it men who are independent and honest. The method of the colony is to take a man without asking him questions, to put him on his feet by setting him at some useful task, and by giving him complete liberty and 50 cents a week. The Self Master colony has room for 30 men at a time, and the accommodations always are crowded. Its struggle is a keen one, for the colony aims to be self-supporting. It draws its members from seven classes—the man unable to find immediate employment, the man in middle life who has lost his business, the intemperate young man trying to control himself, the country boy stranded in the city, the rich man's son, wayward and estranged from his family, the man discouraged through domestic troubles, and the man run down physically and mentally and needing outdoor work. These are the worth-savers, who, if no help is offered them, drift down through the strata of free lodging-house existence into the mire of hobodom, criminality and hopeless mendicancy.—Henry Carter in the World's Work.

Hiding Treasures Her Manis.

The extraordinary story of a wealthy lady "Magpie," was told in Dublin Chancery courts the other day, when it was mentioned that the residue of the great fortune of Miss Magan available for charities would be about £20,000. The Master of the Rolls, in making orders in the case, said that some day a Thackeray or a Dickens would write a novel around the extraordinary life of the testatrix. The old lady had a mania for accumulating treasure and placing it in the most unexpected places. Searches had been made and treasures found in flower pots and vases and waste paper baskets, underneath stairs, carpets and other places.

Natural Food of Man.

And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb yielding seed, which is upon the face of the earth, and every tree, in which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for food.—Genesis 1:29.

Must Fight Them Off.

As soon as a man becomes rich he finds it necessary to have himself surrounded by a guard whose duty it is to repulse the people who wish to make him richer.

Origin of Naval Salute.

Originally a town or a warship fired off their guns on the approach of friendly strangers, to show that they had such faith in the visitors' peaceful intentions they didn't think it necessary to keep their guns loaded. Hence the naval salute.

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