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Good roads can only be secured through scientific methods of road construction, providing builders and workmen are all that can be desired. This thought was brought very forcibly to our mind when we heard an experienced road builder say that one cannot build a good road without first having the right foundation. Which leads us to remark that while there may be more talk than is necessary or some statements without much foundation, from all we can learn there is not the required foundation to the new road leading from Steele pond at the Branch to the main thoroughfare at Hillsboro Lower Village. Differences have evidently arisen therefrom that appear difficult to adjust at the moment, but it may be possible that after the frosts of the winter and natural readjustments in the spring, that it will be easier to make matters and conditions more nearly like specifications that are required,—as this is given out as the apparent trouble.

From North Branch to the Hillsboro line was a nice country road and much of it was of the improved kind, and in changing the road bed every assurance was given that the new one should be just as good in every way as the one it was to replace. This is what is expected and here seems to be whatever difficulty there is. It is not the change that is objected to, but something just as good is wanted; and we feel sure when the ironing out process is completed that a satisfactory road will be ours to enjoy. It is the going through a reconstruction period that upsets things and creates an unsettled state of mind, yet the time will arrive when this matter will be perfectly satisfactory to all concerned.

The Foundation of Government

Judge Denis E. Sullivan, in the Superior Court, deciding the anti-injunction law passed by the Illinois legislature, holds that "peaceful picketing" is a violation of private rights. Eight strikers parading with banners in front of a retail clothing store in Chicago, urging customers not to enter were given sentences of from 10 to 30 days in jail, and fines up to \$200. Judge Sullivan said:

"To say to a citizen that his country's laws will afford him protection to his rights or property or from the unlawful interference of others, is to invite bloodshed and anarchy. No government worthy of the name can survive or claim the allegiance of its citizens on any such theory.

"Liberty includes the right to own property and make contracts. As the employers in this case had a contract of employment with their workers, the action of others, either non-employees or employees, for the purpose of breaking that contract or preventing the sale of goods, would be depriving the employers of their property without due process of law.

"The right of every man to organize for protection does not include the right to interfere with legal right of any other person to carry on any legitimate business.

"The legislature has attempted to deny to one class of citizens the protection of the courts while granting it to other citizens under similar circumstances. To say to one class that its property may be taken from it or destroyed by another class without compensation or process, is not liberty; it is inviting the tyranny of the mob."

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A FEW THOUGHTS

Suggested By What Is Happening Around

The average building trade wage in Our Country for 1925 was about \$7 a day. In other words, Americans paid wages of \$20,000,000 a day to those who built their new homes in 1925, and paid in every full working day of the year.

In the list showing the amount of tax collected in 1925 on income from interest and dividends, received during the year 1924 by tax payers in New Hampshire, appear the names of the following in Antrim and nearby towns:

Antrim	\$ 938.97
Bennington	73.12
Deering	3.36
Francetown	7.66
Greenfield	178.55
Hancock	2,285.33
Honniker	4,512.89
Hillsboro	1,416.12
Lyndeboro	78.42
Marlow	12.34
New Boston	360.59
Peterboro	14,999.14
Stoddard	19.02
Washington	52.27

It is well to pause at the end of the year and check up on a few fundamentals to which we all must tie. The one big thing that makes success for all of us possible is a sound government which does not crush the initiative and enterprise of the individual. Without this, all our personal efforts would be in vain. An understanding of this basic fact should be in every person's mind. Our nation and people have become great, not by chance but by a well thought out program for government, which has never been excelled and which to date has been subject to little improvement beyond the plan of its founders, 149 years ago. We should bear these facts in mind and constantly call them to public attention in order that we may all truly appreciate the great blessing of liberty under a reasonable form of government such as we have.—The Manufacturer and Industrial News Bureau.

James H. Hustis, president of the Boston and Maine railroad since 1914, except for the war-time period when he was district director of all the New England railroads under Federal control, has resigned, to take effect April 1. For almost two decades, Mr. Hustis has been the head of one or another of the principal New England lines, having served successively as vice president of the New York Central in charge of the Boston & Albany railroad, as president of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad, and for 11 years as president of the Boston and Maine. In asking the board of directors of the Boston and Maine not to consider his name for reelection at the forthcoming annual meeting, Mr. Hustis said he felt that the improved operating and financial results in 1925 made his retirement possible at this time, although similar requests which he had made in recent years were withdrawn each time at the suggestion of the board.

The Virginians

Virginia is a land of history, romance and sunshine; it is likewise the home of attractive and talented women. Our community is to have an opportunity to hear three of its fair daughters on Monday, Jan. 11, at 8 p. m., when the third number of the entertainment course is scheduled. The young ladies are said to be very versatile; they sing, play musical instruments and read. As might be expected their program is flavored with a Southern atmosphere which is reflected in their costumes and dialect. They are highly trained artists and like nothing better than to afford wholesome amusement for their audiences. The Virginians promise an interesting evening.

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Prudence's Daughter

By ETHEL HUESTON

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CHAPTER IV—Continued

Jerrold laughed, but apered quickly. If then it had not been financial need which brought this city youth to the Middle West—it was a matter far more serious. His heart sank within him. He thought of Prudence and her happiness in having Jerry with her.

"I'll call her up," he volunteered. And when he had his daughter on the wire, he said cheerfully:

"Oh, by the way, Jerry, I have a young man from New York here looking for a job—letter from you as a recommendation."

Jerrold waited. He waited until he realized that his daughter had nothing to say on the subject.

"Well, what shall I do with him? Shall I bring him up to the house?"

And then suddenly there came such a torrent of tumultuous words over the wire as caused Jerrold to gasp with dismay, while confusion and consternation spread over his kindly face. Presently a sharp click on the wire informed him that the conversation was at an end. He hung up the receiver. There was a deepening anxiety in his face as he said:

"My daughter says—Do you want to know what my daughter says?"

"Very much."

"I am pained to report that my daughter says if I bring you near the house she'll shut the door on both of us, that you came here for a job and I am to give you a job, and the harder you have to work the better it will be for you, but that personally she hasn't the slightest interest in you or in what becomes of you, as long as you keep out of her sight."

"Well, I'll be d—d," said Duane, and could say no more.

"Both of us," corroborated Jerry's father gently.

This turn of affairs burdened Jerrold with the entire responsibility for the young man. He did not like it. He didn't know what to do with him. He wished Jerry might have been more communicative about her impulses before she yielded to them. He thought she might at least have discussed the affairs of the Harner Motor company with its official head before she involved the establishment in foreign complications of such portentous magnitude.

"Do you like the Middle West?" he asked weakly, remembering his duties as host, although he felt very much as if he had suddenly become the troubled owner of a white elephant placed in his Christmas stocking by some misguided well-wisher.

"Never saw it," said Duane Allerton. And then, suddenly feeling that perhaps some slight explanation was due this plainly harassed father, he went on: "You see, Mr. Harner, I tried to—well, flirt a little—with your daughter in New York. And she didn't like it."

"Oh, didn't she?" Jerrold was surprised. He shot a quick look at the young man. He was very good to look at, even to perturbed and troubled Jerrold. He was inclined to doubt the sincerity of his daughter's dislike.

"But she does flirt," Duane went on positively. "Everybody said so. And besides, I saw her myself. But she seemed to angle me out for her resentment. For no good reason, as far as I could make out."

"Wait a minute. I'll call her up again and tell her she can't do these things." Jerrold spoke quite sternly. But when he got the number, it was Prudence's voice that answered. She said that Jerry had gone wildly away in the "Baby," and didn't know when she would come home, and if her father brought any strange young men around the house she'd never be home.

"See here," said Jerrold sharply, glad it was Prudence, with whom it was much easier to be stern than with impetuous Jerry. "You should have told me about this."

Prudence confessed her complete and absolute ignorance of it, at which her husband felt somewhat better. It was always a source of grievance to him when Prudence knew things first. He began to feel quite gratified because he had been selected for the bearer of the burden.

"Oh, it must have been a shock to you," he said sympathetically.

"Not a bit. I knew there was a man in it somewhere."

"How did you know that? Did she tell you?"

"She told me nothing. I knew by the way she looked."

"Well, what shall I do with him? I don't know what to do with him! I don't think he knows how to work—and he doesn't want to work anyhow. What shall I—"

"I don't know," said Prudence cleverly. "What do you think?"

When Prudence said that, both Jerrold and Jerry stepped warily, afraid of blundering. It was Prudence's way of getting herself out of a tight place. With those few words she could shift the entire responsibility for any matter in the cosmic universe and lay all consequential blame on other, stronger shoulders.

Jerrold hung up the receiver and faced the White Elephant grimly. The White Elephant, it must be admitted, seemed in the least disturbed rather pleased in fact, as though, like Prudence, he washed his hands of the entire affair and left himself to Jerrold's disposal.

And then like a rare flash of inspiration Jerrold saw a way out. He scribbled a note on a piece of paper.

"I tell you what," he said triumphantly. "She's gone out in the car—Jerry, I mean. You go up to the house and see Prudence. She'll tell you what to do. It seems you are expected to take a position and go to work for me. Come in tomorrow if you think you can stand it, and we'll see what we can scare up. But the first thing for you to do is to go right up there as fast as you can and see Prudence."

Jerrold sent a boy from the shop to take him to the house in one of the cars, and Duane found himself standing on the wide veranda of the great white house, shadowy beneath great branching maples with leaves faintly turning to gold at the edges, before he realized that he had no idea under heaven as to whom he had come there to see.

"See Prudence," Jerrold had told him, with vast relief.

"In love like Prudence," Jerry had said on that memorable night in Carter Blake's kitchen.

"Good Lord!" he thought in trepidation. "Am I to blurt it out like that. Lead me to Prudence?" For what or whomever she might be, whether sister, companion, or friend, he had no slightest idea.

In another instant he would have bolted for freedom from this embarrassing predicament, but the door opened in the face of his dismay, and Katie's sober placid features confronted him.

"Er-uh," he stammered nervously, and then he faced it bravely, with that winning smile which never yet had failed to blaze a trail for him. "It sounds rather a fool's errand, I know," he said pleasantly, "but Mr. Harner sent me up and told me to see Prudence."

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springing as they did from the same emotion.

She found herself apologizing for her daughter. "You must really excuse Jerry if sometimes she seems a little self-willed, almost strong-headed, her father says. I can't imagine where she got so much backbone. I'm very easy about everything, and her father is in the hands of anyone who tries to wheedle him, but Jerry has a terrible mind once she gets it made up."

Duane found himself thinking less of Jerry than of Prudence, rather, thinking through Prudence to Jerry again. His impression of that lovely though willful young woman had to undergo a swift transformation now that he saw Prudence. She explained everything he had not understood before. He found her a rational accounting for the moods of a madcap girl.

Prudence did not ask questions. She just talked, laughing with him, at New York, at Jerry, at the Middle West, and at his curious obedience to the caprice of her always capricious daughter.

"And you may have to go to work, too," she told him. "She seems quite to have set her heart on making you work. She used to scoff at the nobility of labor as applied to herself, but she seems to have no such scruples in regard to you. Perhaps she is going to ennoble you in spite of yourself. But possibly you will not mind. You do not look at all lazy."

"I've worked before—as you might say. Well, I never washed cars for a living, but perhaps I can if I must."

He asked Prudence if it surprised or disappointed her, when Jerry gave up her dreams of Art, her hope of becoming a painter.

"Not a bit," this amazing woman told him. "It didn't surprise me, and it certainly didn't disappoint me. I was glad of it. I knew all the time she couldn't paint."

"Then why did you send her—alone—to study to—"

"I knew it," she said. "She had to find out somehow, didn't she?" And then she talked more of Jerry, of a Jerry he had felt might be in existence but had not known in person.

"She may not be much of an artist," she said, "but she's a beautiful, wonderful daughter to Jerrold and me. We don't care whether she can paint or not, she's ours."

After a little, when he felt he could safely venture to intrude upon the intimately personal, he asked rather awkwardly:

"Would you mind telling me—how—you fell in love?"

Prudence blushed a little, laughed delightedly. "Oh, the silliest thing," she said apologetically. "Didn't Jerry tell you?"

And then she told him of that early morning on the lovely Iowa countryside, when she went coasting down a steep grade on a borrowed bicycle into disaster and wreckage at the bottom. When he sympathized, laughing, with the Prudence lying in the dust by the roadside, battered and crumpled and torn, with the ruins of the borrowed wheel about her, and on her conscience—

"Oh, don't be sorry," she pleaded gaily, joining his laughter. "for I opened my eyes and there stood over me—Jerrold—Jerry's father—and we looked at each other—"

Duane's lips were a rigid line. "Love at first sight?" he muttered grudgingly. "I might have known it."

Prudence nodded. "Yes, love at first sight," she repeated softly. "Don't you let anyone tell you there's no such thing. There is! At least there was in our day. Oh, well, perhaps it is not technically and scientifically down in the books as love at first sight. But there is that little pleased winking up, that warm attraction—and if it stops, it is nothing. But if it goes on and on, it is love at first sight. Like ours! But perhaps things are different now, times are changed, and girls are very different."

Duane was looking past Prudence now, beyond her, to the heart of Jerry, her daughter, unchanged with the changing times. In that moment he knew with unshaking sureness why he had come to this remote and curious place in answer to the impulsive appeal of her letter. His eyes, on Prudence's face, saw not hers but Jerry's.

"I'm surprised she didn't tell you about it," Prudence was saying. "From the time she could talk, she has adored that bit of the family history. When she was a baby, and a little girl—yes, and until she was a pretty big one, she would always say she was going to fall in love like Prudence. She thought nothing else was really love! She used to tell perfect strangers with the utmost frankness and assurance that it would come to her like that—love—a sudden look, and knowing—"

"She got over it, of course. When she was old enough to understand, she realized that it doesn't happen like that once in a thousand years, or more."

Duane said nothing. For once, Prudence was wrong. Jerry had not changed. All through her babyhood and into her woman's estate, that had been the dominant hope and faith of her gay romantic heart. And he, with profane, half-drunken fingers, and hot half-drunken lips, had rest to tell

from the beautiful illusion that had been her tenderest dream.

"I love Jerry," he said aloud to Prudence, in a very slow and sober voice. "Did you know it?"

"I—rather thought so," said Prudence, with a little quivering of her sensitive lips. But she smiled immediately. "I—I don't mind a bit," she said bravely, in gentle apology for that betrayal of her lips.

CHAPTER VI

Jerry Calls for Help

Jerrold returned to his home that night in an unnaturally depressed and embittered frame of mind. Why should he be demanded of Prudence in a stern voice, be addled with a process like that—as big as himself, and who by his own admission knew nothing of motor cars beyond the steering wheel. Prudence agreed with him that it was perfectly reprehensible on the part of their daughter, and she couldn't imagine what things were coming to with this new generation!

She balanced herself on the edge of the bathtub while he was shaving, followed him meekly into the room they shared together and stood patiently beside him at the dressing-table while he viciously jerked a fresh tie into place.

"It's the way you've raised her," he said in a tone that cleared himself of

all moral responsibility for Jerry at least, however much Duane might rest upon his shoulders.

"I know it," Prudence agreed meekly. And then she told her husband that she hoped he would be very tactful that night when Jerry came home so that things might work themselves out to a neat conclusion without interference on his part.

"Tact? What do you mean tact?" he demanded.

"Tact—you know what tact is, don't you? It means, say nothing and believe everything you hear," she explained sweepingly. "It means, don't say a word to Jerry about the young man, don't so much as breathe his name—and if she mentions him of her own accord, believe everything she says even if you know she's making it up word for word as she goes along."

Jerrold, who had always found her counsel good, consented to follow the dictates of tact as she portrayed it in his dealing with Jerry. And so all during dinner they talked with passionate concentration of a thousand things that on this night interested them not in the least—of Jerry's houses and her struggles with labor problems, of Jerrold's business, and Prudence's innocent pursuits, of politics, wars and religion, but not one of the three raised a voice on the subject of Duane Allerton.

After dinner they sat down for a practice game of three-handed bridge but when Prudence, playing spades, revoked twice in hot succession without a word of protest from her opponents, she put her cards on the table.

"You're not paying attention," she accused them. "How can you expect to teach me to play bridge unless you watch me? I trumped hearts twice, and here I have two hearts in my hand, and now I don't know what to do with them."

Jerry laughed. "I pretend they're trumps. Anything is fair if you can get away with it," she said indifferently.

And then her father, abandoning the admonitions of Prudence and the guidance of tact, turned on her in desperation.

"See here, Jerry, I'll stand for a lot—and heaven knows I've had to—but when it comes to bringing a strange young man out here from New York and dumping him down on me without warning, and washing your hands of him in cold blood—well, you can't do it."

Jerry stood up. She looked her father straight in the face, but her voice was very gentle. "Why can't I?" was all she said.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Frazee has 71 bull-fighting tabs.

The HAPPY HOME

By MARGARET BRUCE

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Avoiding Petty Disputes

Father had essayed to relate an anecdote, as he and mother and Mary-Girl had gathered around the living-room table after dinner. It had to do with an amusing scene he had witnessed at luncheon in a restaurant that noon, in which a very fat lady, a very thin gentleman, and a comical-looking youth were concerned, and which suggested a certain amusing story to the business man with whom father had been lunching. In his introduction and lead-up to the story, father said:

"The boy looked like that Peterson boy, you know—Charlie Peterson—only he was even funnier-looking."

Mary-Girl spoke up. "Why, that Peterson boy wasn't named Charlie—his name was Fred, wasn't it, mother?"

"I don't know," said mother slowly; "wasn't Fred the older one? I thought Charlie was the little poetic-looking one. There was another Peterson boy—Phillip—wasn't he the boy we used to laugh about?"

"No, Fred!" insisted Mary-Girl. "I know it was Fred."

"Well," said mother, "I remember how Phillip used to go by every day and we always laughed—but go on with your story, dear."

But father, whose story had been interrupted and spoiled by a useless digression concerning the name of a boy whom nobody really remembered—and which didn't matter anyway—retired into an annoyed silence. He



could not go back with any enthusiasm to the relating of the slight incident which he had thought would interest his family. The moment for telling the story had passed, and all because of a thoughtless dispute over a matter wholly irrelevant.

What difference did it make whether the boy was named Fred or Charlie or Phillip? Why not let father continue without an utterly irrelevant discussion of this sort? How many of us do just this sort of thing, in our zeal to correct details which are entirely non-essential? Mother should have gently quelled Mary-Girl's interruption and taught her not to fasten attention upon these unimportant points when a sustained story is being told. It is a lesson for all of us.

Speaking of Walls

"Do you know what I think makes so many walls uninteresting?" asked a home decorator, studying the walls of the living room in which she was sitting, having tea with the hostess and a friend or two.

"But you surely don't call these walls uninteresting," broke in one of the friends, with a hasty glance at the hostess.

"Indeed I don't—that's just why I spoke," answered the decorator. "Do you notice how our lady hostess here has the wall spaces of this room broken up by objects having varied outlines? The trouble with most walls is that there is nothing on them but pictures, and square or oblong pictures at that. There may be variety in size, but there is generally little variety in shape or grouping. Pictures, pictures, pictures! Many women seem to think that nothing else is appropriate on a wall, except mirrors perhaps, and they are similar in effect."

"But look at these walls. Look at that lovely wall clock in exquisite polychrome, with its black ornamental iron frame in delicate tracery. See how it lightens up the corner there, contrasting with the square picture on the next wall space. Not only its color but its outlines make its corner interesting."

"Over on that other wall you see she has broken up the monotony of the pictures by that wall-vase filled with trailing English ivy. These colorful majolica wall-vases are exceedingly decorative in a living room or dining room, especially when hung in a narrow panel between two windows. I'm particularly pleased, too, with that old carved wall-bracket in the shape of a garzoyle, with the quaint lantern hanging from its mouth. In fact, the walls in this room are delightfully different from the ordinary living-room, with walls blocked off with pictures like a checker-board."

"My, you make me blush," said the pleased hostess.

Interesting Items

Redouins make yarn of camel's hair.

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The first wireless signal sent across the Atlantic was the letter S.

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Twice as many city women as country women go crazy, in proportion to numbers.

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Antrim Locals

For any who wish to use the local columns of the Reporter for short advertisements, the price is given herewith and may be sent with the order for insertion: All For Sale, Lost or Found, Want, and such like ads, two cents a word, extra insertion one cent a word; minimum charge 25 cts. All transient ads. of this kind should be accompanied by cash with order.

La Touraine Coffee 59c lb. Heath's Store. Adv.

Thomas Madden spent a week at New Year's with relatives in Newark, N. J.

Ivan Felker, from British Columbia, has joined his family here for a visit.

For Sale—Good Quality Stock Hay; also Wood. James A. Elliott, Antrim, N. H. Adv.

Mrs. George W. Hunt is entertaining her mother, Mrs. Baker, from Marlow.

C. Frank Downes has been confined to his home by illness during the past week.

Mrs. George D. Dresser has been confined to her home with the prevailing hard cold.

Earl Prescott and family, of Groton, Mass., were Sunday callers on his mother, Mrs. W. H. Toward.

Mrs. Gréta MacDowell is on a few days' visit with her son, George C. MacDowell, at Shrewsbury, Mass.

Kenneth Butterfield has returned to his studies at Coiby Academy, New London, after the holiday vacation.

Mrs. R. D. Hall, of Winchendon, Mass., spent a few days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Clark.

Mrs. Faudie Ford, from Milford, Mass., visited her mother a few days last week, returning to her home on Sunday.

Miss Evelyn Parker has been confined to her home a few days with bronchitis, from her duties at the post office.

Ice of very good thickness and quality is being harvested by the farmers and all others who put in a quantity for summer consumption.

Wiring and Repairs—Let me do your Electric Wiring and Repair Work; prices and work right. Adv. L. F. Ordway, Antrim

On December 21st, in the Superior court, at Nashua, decree of divorce was granted in favor of Morris C. Heath from Ruth M. Heath, both of Antrim.

Mr. and Mrs. William W. Austin and Miss Emily Furi spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Francis B. Ertel, in Florence, Mass. Miss Furi and Mrs. Ertel are sisters.

There being no auctioneer in town at present time, and believing that every town should have one, especially for the smaller sales, I have decided to start in this line of work. Give me a call. Prices right. H. Carl Muzzey, Antrim. Adv.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our thanks and appreciation to the many kind friends and neighbors who have helped us in so many ways during the long illness in our family. The gifts of flowers, fruit and food, the thought of the Primary dept. of the Baptist Sunday School, were all much appreciated. May God's blessing rest upon you all.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Lang, Mrs. Annie M. Cram

Moving Pictures!

Town Hall, Antrim
Thursday, Jan. 7
All Star Cast in
Cythera
Society Drama
Paths Weekly
Pictures at 8.00
W. A. NICHOLS, Mgr.

Antrim Locals

Schools reopened on Monday morning, after the holiday recess of two weeks.

George H. Pierce, a former resident, now of Portsmouth, was the guest last week of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Allen.

Ernest P. Libbey, sales manager of the Goodell Company, is on a month's business trip into New York and the Middle West.

The family of D. H. Newell have taken rooms in Concord, on Warren street, where they will reside during the remainder of the winter.

Ladies Wanted—to Finish Silk underwear at home by hand or machine. No canvassing required. Send stamp for reply. VICTOR MILLS, Fort Johnson, N. Y. Adv.

Among those of the local businessmen who have our thanks for calendars received are: Goodnow-Derby Co., Antrim Fruit Co., W. C. Hills.

A party of five of our men, members of the Masonic fraternity, attended a meeting of Woods chapter, No. 14, R. A. M., in Henniker, on Friday evening of last week.

A few New Year's parties were held but on the whole 1925 came in as 1925 went out—calm and contented as could be. Here's hoping the youngster behaves as best I may!

W. E. Butcher is to close up his store for the balance of the winter and go to North Carolina for a couple months' sojourn, returning in season to reopen the Main Street Soda Shop on April 1.

Rev. William Weston, of Marlboro, was in Antrim on Friday evening and spoke before about twenty members of the men's class at the Baptist church, on the topic of mental, moral, and spiritual illiteracy. After the most interesting talk, considerable time was spent in a general discussion of the topic, and a very interesting and profitable evening was passed. An oyster stew was also enjoyed at the close of the evening's program.

New Officers Installed

The semi-annual installation of officers of Mt. Crooked Encampment, No. 39, I.O.O.F., took place on Monday evening at Odd Fellows hall, attended by a goodly number of its membership. Harold Harvey, D.D.G.P., of Hillsboro, and suite of Past Chief Patriarchs acting as Grand Officers, installed the new officers into their respective chairs. Three of the suite were from the Hillsboro Encampment and the balance was made up of local boys. The following are the new officers:

Chief Patriarch—Albert E. Thornton

High Priest—George D. Dresser

Senior Warden—Ellerton H. Edwards

Junior Warden—Arthur Whipple

Scribe—Charles L. Eaton

Treasurer—Everett N. Davis

Guardian—Roscoe Whitney

1st Watch—Archie N. Nay

2nd Watch—John W. Thornton

3rd Watch—Lucellus Thurston

4th Watch—James Ashford

Inside Sentinel—J. Fred Roberts

Outside Sentinel—Philip Knowles

1st G. to Tent—Carlton W. Perkins

2nd G. to Tent—John S. Nesmith

George Dresser not being present will be installed at a later meeting.

At the conclusion of the installation ceremonies, refreshments were served in the dining room by an efficient committee.

Wood Sawing

I have again taken up wood sawing, and will saw for anybody at anytime. Call me by phone or mail a postal card.

Sawed in even lengths.

Small lots up to 5 cords, 3 cuts, \$1.50 a cord.

5 cords and up 3 cuts, \$1.40 a cord.

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Many Subscriptions to The Reporter expire with the old year, and this advertisement is to remind those concerned of this fact. Now that you're reminded, we know you'll want to attend to it before very long.

Some others, whose subscriptions already have expired, would do us a favor by paying us our due—it is a necessary item in a newspaper office, more so now than ever before.

We shall be more than interested in watching the results of this advertisement, for we believe every reader of a newspaper reads advertisements as well as everything else in the paper.

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Typewriter Paper

We still carry a stock of Bond Typewriter Paper, cut 8 1/2 x 11 inches, at prices varying with quality. Extra by parcel post.

This we will cut in halves, if you desire, giving you sheets 5 1/2 x 11 in.

We also have a stock of Light Yellow Typewriter Sheets, 8 1/2 x 11, especially for Carbon Copy sheets. 75¢ for 500 sheets, 12¢ extra by parcel post. Pen can be used on this very well.

REPORTER OFFICE, ANTRIM, N. H.

SELECTMEN'S NOTICE

The Selectmen will meet at their Rooms, in Town Hall block, on Tuesday evening of each week, to transact town business.

The Tax Collector will meet with the Selectmen.

Meetings 7 to 8
CHAS. F. BUTTERFIELD
JOHN THORNTON,
HENRY B. PRATT
Selectmen of Antrim

R. E. Tolman

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ANTRIM, N. H.

SCHOOL BOARD'S NOTICE

The School Board meets regularly in Town Clerk's Room, in Town Hall block, on the Last Friday Evening in each month, at 7:30 o'clock, to transact School District business and to hear all parties.

ROSS H. ROBERTS,
BYRON G. BUTTERFIELD
EMMA S. GOODELL,
Antrim School Board.

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Moving Pictures!

Town Hall, Bennington
at 8.00 o'clock

Saturday, Jan. 9
All Star Cast in
Wife of a Centaur
Chapter Number 3 of
The Flame Fighter
Starring Herbert Rawlinson

Pathé Weekly and Comedy

Bennington.

Mrs. E. R. Keeser is at her home here for awhile.

Mrs. W. B. Russell visited friends in Hancock from Wednesday to Friday of last week.

H. C. Barr is at the Pierce Farm for a few days, in the interests of the Monadnock Mills.

Mrs. Maurice Newton visited relatives in Lowell, Mass., from Friday to Sunday last week.

There will be a public supper in the Chapel of Congregational church on Friday at 6 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Gerrard motored to town from Holyoke, Mass., Thursday last, returning Friday. Running automobiles at this time of year in this climate is quite unusual.

FORTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

Following the business meeting of the Congregational church society on Thursday evening of last week, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Gerrard were escorted over to the Grange hall, where arrangements had been made to observe the 45th wedding anniversary of this worthy couple, the same being a complete surprise to both Mr. and Mrs. Gerrard. The hall was decorated with a huge wedding bell in center of ceiling with streamers of green and white leading to the corners. There were several bouquets of pink roses with green laurel placed advantageously. There being no name for the forty-fifth anniversary, it was decided to give it the name of "Rose Wedding." Mrs. Sadie Balch and Chas. F. Burnham received with the "bride and groom." The bride carried a bouquet of pink roses, to which was attached an envelope containing a sum of money from their friends of whom about two hundred were present. The presentation was made by Henry W. Wilson, in words appropriate for the occasion. Mr. Gerrard responded in very fitting words, but the surprise had somewhat disturbed his usual composure. The ushers were Frieda Edwards, Mildred Foote, Blanche Bosley, Ruth French and Thelma Weston. Another complete surprise to the happy couple was when their son, William A. Gerrard and wife, of Holyoke, Mass., came up to them for introduction, they having motored here for the occasion.

A short musical program was given consisting of singing by a quartet: Mrs. Weston, Mrs. Wilson, Bert Holt and Frank Traxler; Miss Mildred Foote sang Scotch ballads; Mr. MacLoughlin sang two songs; Andrew Adam sang a couple of old Scotland's melodies; everybody joined in singing "Auld Lang Syne" and "Annie Laurie." A feature of the program was the Scotch dance by Mrs. Andrew Adam and Mr. Gerrard.

Refreshments of ice cream, cake and coffee were served. A huge wedding cake, decorated with pink roses and made by Mrs. Gertrude Ross, was rolled in on a tea wagon by Mr. Wilson and presented to Mr. and Mrs. Gerrard. The cake was promptly cut by Mrs. Gerrard and pieces were passed to all present by Mr. Gerrard. The last members of the party separated after the chimes of the clock had announced the New Year, and all agreed they had passed one of the most enjoyable evenings of the Old Year.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerrard were married near Aberdeen, Scotland, 45 years ago, and have resided here about 42 years. They are active workers in the community, holding many offices of trust. Everyone wishes them many happy anniversaries in the years to come.

Card of Thanks

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to every one who in anyway remembered us, by cards or gifts, or by helping along the surprise that came to us so unexpectedly. Also for the bouquet of beautiful roses presented to us, with such a handsome sum of money, so snugly hidden among its leaves. May we in return be able to help some one else to feel as happy as we do.

Allan and Isabell Gerrard

The Antrim Reporter is \$2.00 per year; gives all the local news. Can subscribe at any time.

W. R. C. Notes

The regular meeting and installation of officers was held on Jan. 5, with the following officers for the year 1926.

Pres.—Mrs. Carrie Clark
Sen. Vice Pres.—Mrs. Emma Nay
Junior Vice Pres.—Mrs. Mary Warren
Secretary—Mrs. Julia Proctor
Treas.—Mrs. Anna E. Carter
Chaplain—Mrs. Carrie C. Maxfield
Conductor—Mrs. Mina Faulkner
Guard—Mrs. Florence Hill
Asst. Con.—Mrs. Anna Edwards
Asst. Guard—Mrs. Cora E. Ordway
Patriotic Instructor—Mrs. Mattie Proctor

Press Cor.—Mrs. Ethel M. Whitney
1st Color Bearer—Miss Mildred E. Whitney
2nd Color Bearer—Miss Mabella Eldredge
3rd Color Bearer—Miss Lillian Cameron
4th Color Bearer—Miss Agnes Cutter
Musician—Mrs. Jennie Proctor

Installing officer, Past Dept. President Mrs. Anna Eaton Carter.

During the social hour refreshments of cocoa and assorted cake and cookies were served, after which there were Xmas packages for all.

Ethel Whitney,
Pres. Cor.

FRANCESTOWN

The tranquility of this little village, nestling among the hills and mountains, ended last Thursday night when a large delegation of Bostonians arrived to celebrate the New Year holidays. The villagers welcomed the guests from the metropolis warmly and greeted them with the usual hospitality for which this old town has long been famous.

Following a hearty dinner, the guests and residents joined in a gala New Year's eve party which lasted until 1926 had made its official entry. On Saturday, winter sports were enjoyed, including tobogganing, skiing, skating and numerous other outdoor games and contests.

On Saturday night the guest were entertained by real old-time dancing and music in the town hall. One of the outstanding features of the party was a fiddlers' contest in which many of the old timers from Greenfield, Bennington, Frankestown, Hillsboro, Hancock and Peterboro participated. The Boston guests declared unanimously that the fiddlers' contest gave them the thrill of their lives.

Among the guests from Boston were Miss Gertrude Anderson and Harry Harmon, who constantly entertained with songs and dancing; Miss Flora McInnis, John Mahan, Peter DiNatale, Joseph F. Mulligan, Miss Anna Kittredge, Miss Katherine Maney, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Norris, Catherine Sherman, Lillian Powers, Maurice Maney, Thomas J. Hart, Mrs. Maurice Maney, James P. Glynn, Thomas H. Kittredge and Mrs. Kittredge, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Coleman, Miss Margaret Carney, William Harkins, Albert Mahan, John Birmingham, Patrick E. Kiley, William and Edward Baker, A. T. Hadley, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Keeler, Mr. and Mrs. William L. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Lewis, Catherine F. Dunne, M. J. Tansey, Winifred Kelleher, Albert Youngclaus, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Harrington, Loretta M. Hayes; Lillian McMillin and Nellie Madden of Fitchburg; H. C. Hartwell, Miss Alice Scanlon, Mr. and Mrs. Edward McCaffrey of Leominster.

All were guests of George E. Kittredge, of Mount Crochet House, here where the New Year's eve party was held and which was headquarters for all entertainment and sports.

Rev. Father Bouchard, of Hillsboro, celebrated mass in the large parlor of Mt. Crochet House on New Year's Day for the guests. Sunday morning the guests motored to and went in sleighs to Bennington where Fr. Bouchard celebrated mass. Miss Gertrude Anderson and Harry Harmon sang the hymns of the mass, while Mr. Harmon also acted as organist. Miss Flora McInnis, John Mahan, Peter DiNatale and Joseph F. Mulligan assisted them in the music.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the bearers and all who gave flowers, our kind friends and neighbors, and everyone who assisted us in our trouble, through the sickness and death of our dear one.

Mrs. E. R. KEESER.
Mr. and Mrs. MELVIN W. POOR.
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CHURCH NOTES

Furnished by the Pastors of the Different Churches

Presbyterian—Methodist Churches
Rev. Wm. Thompson, Pastor

Sunday morning worship, with address by the pastor. Subject "Worship."

At noon the church school will meet. At six o'clock, the Christian Endeavor society will hold devotional services.

At seven o'clock, the union service; sermon by Rev. R. H. Tibbals.

BAPTIST

Rev. R. H. Tibbals, Pastor

Thursday, Jan. 7. Union service of prayer at 7.30 p.m. Topic: "Prayer and Effort."

Friday, Jan. 8. Union service of prayer at 7.30 p.m. Topic: "Prayer and Watchfulness." A special invitation is extended to the young people.

Sunday, Jan. 10. Morning worship at 10.45. The subject of the pastor's sermon will be: "How Should I Think of Sin?"

Bible school at twelve o'clock. Annual election of officers. Crossaders at four o'clock.

NORTH BRANCH

The North Branch Sunday school and co-operating friends had their Christmas tree in the Old School House, on the estate of Wyman Kneeland Flint. The large fireplace was all ablaze. The tree was glorious; Mr. W. K. Flint decorated it himself, using the unique tree decorations that belonged to his grandmother when she was a little girl. The tree was covered with different colored electric lights, and when Santa came all lights were out except the glow of the fireplace and the lights on the tree. All the children at the Branch were there—new comers and all—young and old, rich and poor. It is a rare pleasure to see the light of joy in the young eager faces of the little ones, for Christmas is indeed a child's day. "Suffer the little children to come unto Me for their's is the Kingdom of Heaven."

The program by the little ones was unusually attractive. The Christmas carols were the same as last year, as given by the N. B. boy choir; the old spirits of by gone years which may have hovered around were in a wonderful atmosphere of "Peace on earth, good will towards men."

Mr. Flint and his household were all present and were very generous in their gifts of sweets, etc., to the children.

For Sale

Cows, any kind. One or a carload. Will buy Cows if you want to sell.

Fred L. Proctor

Dry and Green Hard Wood

The very best you can buy. Stove length \$11 per load for green wood, and \$12 per load for dry wood.

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Start today to take Father John's Medicine
The Greatest Body Builder

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

The subscriber gives notice that he has been duly appointed Executor of the Will of Emma M. Brown late of Antrim in the County of Hillsborough, deceased.

All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make payment, and all having claims to present them for adjustment.

Notice is hereby given that George H. Caughey of Antrim, in said County of Hillsborough, has been appointed resident agent, to whom all claims against said Estate may be presented. Dated November 30, 1925. Leslie A. Brown.

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New Rays Discovered

Science has established the existence of new rays, stronger than ultra X-rays and 1,000 times greater in frequency, with ionization the same at all times of the day or night and of 10,000,000-volt variety. They were first described by Dr. R. A. Millikan of the California Institute of Technology to the convention of the National Academy of Sciences in Madison, Wis. He has studied them since the World War, beginning where German scientists left off. Millikan won the \$100,000 Nobel prize for first measurement of the electron. The rays, unnamed, are due to atoms passing over to other atoms, with the sun having no effect on the action, he said. They appear throughout space, bombard the earth from all directions at all time and have extraordinary absorbing power.

Was Well Stocked

A day book of a retail grocer located in a New England town shows the entire list of imported articles sold by him in 1925 as follows: Coffee, tea, figs, mustard, pepper, cloves, allspice, nutmeg, ginger, cinnamon, raisins, oranges, sage, prunes, raisins, almonds. Other foods handled by him were: Eggs, molasses, dried apples, dried peaches, cranberries, potatoes, sugar, vinegar, sardines, butter, cheese, crackers, hard, smoked halibut, whitefish, dried herring, rice, ketchup, salt, cream of tartar, beans, corn, coffee, peanuts, beef, veal, pork, lemon extract, onions, cabbage, turnips and native nuts. If this storekeeper had other foods they were not included on his charge account for two years.

Nothing Ever Lost

Elements which enter into the making of a soap-bubble film are as lasting as those which form granite rock; no material thing is ever lost or destroyed, says science. Man's immortality is fairly well assured both by science and the Bible. It was the Frenchman, Lavoisier, who first proved with his fine balance, that in all chemical operations it is only the kind of matter that is changed, the quantity remaining the same. This was the discovery of the conservation of matter to which knowledge of the conservation of energy has since been added.—Copper's Weekly.

Officer's Revenge

A naval officer, who had taken offense at something said at a dinner party by a clergyman who had just been made an honorary canon, and who was somewhat autocratic, resolved to be revenged.

He invited the whole party to inspect his ship next day, and when inquiry was made regarding the use of one of the ship's wooden cannon he had put in a conspicuous place to attract notice, he replied, in a loud tone: "Oh, that wooden thing? It's only a dummy—a sort of honorary cannon!"

The Great Smith Family

The great family of Smiths bear a name which is not only the commonest but the oldest in the world. Professor Mahaffy, when deciphering the Ptolemy papyrus, came upon one bearing the name of Smith, unmistakably writing: "We have never," he says, "found anything like it before, and it is surely worth telling the many distinguished bearers of the name that there was a man known as Smith in the twelfth year of the third Ptolemy, 227 years B. C., and that he was occupied in brewing and selling—beer!"

Wonder of Nature Is

Vision Given to Birds

The vision of birds is an amazing thing. A vulture soaring almost out of view sees a carcass lying perhaps in a quite inconspicuous position; a kestrel hovering at a height of 100 feet, spies a mouse creeping about in the grass; a gannet cruising round 200 feet above the sea observes a fish swimming some distance below the surface, says W. W. White, in the Nineteenth Century Magazine. The gannet's sight is by no means the least remarkable among keen-eyed birds, for it has to penetrate water as well as air. A gannet's hurdle on fish beneath well expresses the matter. At once it checks its flight, pauses for a second, half closes its wings, and lives with tremendous speed. There is a curious corkerlike motion in the downward swoop, and at the moment of entering the water the long, pointed wings are folded.

Day's Length Varies in Different Parts

If you met a man, and he casually remarked that he ate 315 meals yesterday, you would either be amazed at his appetite or take him for a hardened romanticist. But the man may be from Spitzbergen, where they have a day three and a half months in length.

And on the whole it would be wise, if one should undertake to do certain work to receive so much a day in payment to understand just where the work is to be done, or one might have to labor 18½ hours at Stockholm, if it happened to be the longest day of the year, or all the time from May 21 to July 22 if in some parts of Norway. In Petrograd the longest day is 19 hours and the shortest 5 hours. In Finland there is a 22-hour day. In London and at Bremen the longest day is 16½ hours; at Hamburg and Danzig 17 hours, and at Washington about 15 hours.

Prolific Tomato Plant

The bureau of plant industry says that it is not beyond the bounds of possibility to produce one bushel of tomatoes from a single plant. This yield is received, however, by giving individual attention to the plant, allowing plenty of room, liberal feeding and fertilizing. A trellis must also be erected over which the plant can extend its shoots. There is little advantage in trying to get a maximum yield from a single plant, for when the attention is centralized on one plant rather than six the plant takes the space of five or six ordinary plants and the possible failure, due to insect pests or disease, is greater. As many as fifteen pounds of tomatoes can be gathered from one vine without abnormal effort on the part of the grower.

Tribute to Teacher

Frank, age six, was a mischievous lad in school and along with several others, just as bad, managed to give the first-grade teacher no little trouble.

His schoolhouse was situated on a busy street, so that the teacher always went with the children to the street. Frank was telling his father about some of the pranks they played and then began to explain how the teacher coached them never to cross the street without looking both ways for machines, for they might be killed.

Frank exclaimed in surprise: "Yes, sir, dad, as mean as some of those kids are she doesn't want them to be killed. What do you think of that?"

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Hillsborough, ss.

Court of Probate. To the heirs at law of the estate of John E. Harmon, late of Hillsborough, in said County, deceased, testate, and to all others interested therein:

Whereas Henry W. Wilson, executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, has filed in the Probate Office for said County the final account of his administration of said estate:

You are hereby cited to appear at a Court of Probate to be holden at Hillsborough Bridge in said County, on this 29th day of January, 1926, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

Said executor is ordered to serve this citation by causing the same to be published once each week for three successive weeks in the Antrim Reporter, a newspaper printed at Antrim, in said County, the last publication to be at least seven days before said Court.

Given at Nashua in said County, the 29th day of December, A.D. 1925.

By order of the Court,
L. B. COPP, Register.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

The Subscriber gives notice that he has been duly appointed Administrator of the Estate of Harry Rogers, late of Antrim, in the County of Hillsborough, deceased. All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make payment, and all having claims to present them for adjustment.

Dated
Enfield, N. H., Nov. 24, 1925.
PERLEY A. ROGERS.

Executor's Notice

The subscriber gives notice that he has been duly appointed Executor of the Will of Ruby B. Cutter, late of Antrim, in the County of Hillsborough, deceased.

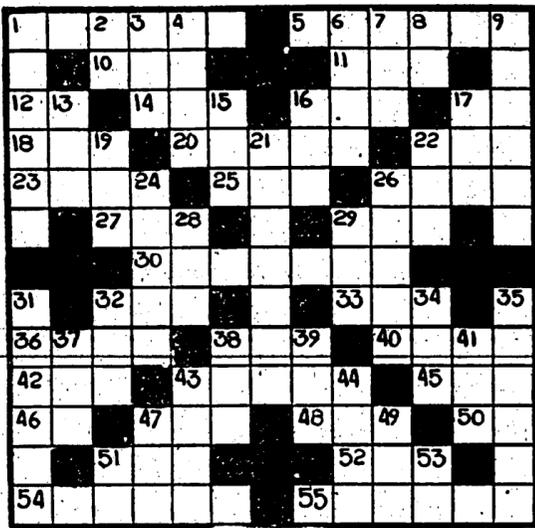
All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make payment, and all having claims to present them for adjustment.

Dated January 4, 1926.
RALPH G. SMITH.

ENGRAVED CARDS

Are needed by everybody. Sometimes when most needed the last one has been used. If YOUR engraved plate is at THE REPORTER office—where a great many people leave them for safe keeping—it might be well to order a new lot of cards before you are all out. If you have never used engraved cards, wouldn't it be a good idea to call at THE REPORTER office and see samples? They are not expensive,—more of a necessity than a luxury.

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



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- Horizontal. 1—Piece of wood used in mending a broken bone. 2—Sworn at. 3—Native metallic compound. 4—A rodent. 5—To raise. 6—Knowledge (Scottish). 7—An implement used for stirring up a breeze. 8—That man. 9—A container. 10—An evil spirit. 11—A feather scarf. 12—Ireland (poetic). 13—Humor. 14—To abound. 15—An immature insect. 16—A flying mammal. 17—Certain dogs. 18—Energy (slang). 19—And so forth (abbr.). 20—A loud noise. 21—An insect. 22—The god of love. 23—To purchase. 24—To go in. 25—Still. 26—Either. 27—A roll (slang). 28—A. I. O. U. 29—Regarding (abbr.). 30—A illuminating mixture. 31—The female parent of an animal. 32—Made a score. 33—Surrounds.

- Vertical. 1—West convulsively. 2—Behold. 3—To annoy. 4—Necessity. 5—A mountain region in Russia. 6—Sped. 7—Street (abbr.). 8—Visions. 9—An organ of hearing. 10—Modern. 11—To be suitable. 12—A garden implement.

The solution will appear in next issue.

Solution of Last Week's Puzzle.



NEW ENGLAND NEWS SUMMARY

The High Lights of Interesting Happenings Gleaned From the Wires For Our Readers

At a meeting of the Newburyport (Mass.) school committee a communication was received from the Teachers' Association asking for a flat increase in salaries of teachers of \$360 per year.

Thirty Black Minorca hens in Foxvale, Mass., are doing their level best to break the high price of eggs by laying from 26 to 28 eggs every day, while other flocks are presenting their owners only a half-dozen daily.

Boston police and perfumers have been warned by New York dealers to watch for a band of men said to be buying up empty bottles that formerly contained expensive perfume and filling them with inferior grades and selling them as the real product.

Massachusetts' cranberry crop of 14,000 acres produced 21.8 barrels per acre in 1924 and 27.9 barrels per acre in 1925, the crops totalling 305,000 barrels and 390,000, respectively, and bringing \$10 and \$9.50 a barrel, respectively.

William Henry Beers, who died shortly after an injury while in his home in Ridgefield, Conn., was worshipful master of Jerusalem Lodge of Free-masons in that town last year when in his 90th year, and was then regarded as the oldest active master in the fraternity in this country. He was initiated in 1859 and his grandfather was master of this lodge in 1824.

The fate of Newgate prison at Granby, Conn., in which British soldiers were confined during the Revolution, became unsettled recently with the death of the owner of the ruin. For years he had maintained it as a museum much visited by automobile tourists, who poked about the underground cells. Now it is suggested that the state of Connecticut take it over and maintain it as a relic.

The report of the bureau of agricultural economics, department of agriculture of the principal crops of the Bay State reveals that the yield per acre for corn, tobacco, rye, and cranberries increased this year over 1924, while the per acre yield of potatoes was less, and buckwheat showed no change. The production of apples in the Bay State was less and of peaches greater.

"Keep off the railroad tracks," is the gospel the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company is endeavoring to spread as a result of fatalities on its lines, which shows that for July, August and September one-half the deaths were those of trespassers. "We have been trying for years," declares General Manager J. A. Droeg, "to educate the public not to use the railroad tracks as a public highway."

Salem (Mass.) building contractors have been asked by the Bricklayers' and Plasterers' Union for a daily wage of \$11, which is \$1 a day more than the rate for the last few years. The union asks that the new rate take effect Feb. 1. Up to this time the dating of any new agreement has always been April 1. A number of contractors have been paying \$11 a day, and some have been paying their masons, cement finishers and plasterers at the rate of \$12 a day. There is only a limited number of skilled bricklayers and plasterers in the Greater Salem district.

Mrs. Frederick G. Smith, president of the Massachusetts State Federation of Women's Clubs, in commenting on the action of society leaders in the nation's capital, about to launch a campaign against "immodesty in dress," said: "Dress is not a matter for general regulations. It should not be cut and dried. Women are privileged to clothe themselves according to their own tastes and pocket books. I see nothing objectionable in the dress of the present day woman. I do not disapprove of the short skirt unless it is carried to an extreme. Extremes are not necessary."

Operation by local interests of the Montpelier and Wells River railroad and the Barre and Chelsea railroad, hitherto operated by the Boston & Maine, was decided upon at meetings of the two roads held at Montpelier and at Barre. The lines will be administered by a Vermont board of directors representing the industries and the communities concerned with their preservation. The Boston & Maine representatives on the boards were succeeded by the local representatives, but it was announced that the Vermont management would receive "liberal co-operation" from the Boston & Maine.

By the will of Prof. Edward S. Morse, zoologist and scientist, who died December 20 at Salem, Mass., his library is left to the Imperial University of Tokio, Japan; Bowdoin College, \$1,000; Peabody museum, Salem, his ethnological and zoological collections, and \$5,000; Institute, Salem, \$5,000; Salem fraternity, \$5,000; Miss Margaret Brooks, his secretary and assistant for years, \$2,000. The residue of his estate, estimated at \$100,000, is left to his son and daughter.

Massachusetts' 1925 apple crop dropped from 3,360,000 bushels to 3,160,000, while the peach production rose from 50,000 bushels to 218,000 bushels.

John Pappas jumped through a plate-glass window when a gasoline explosion set fire to his shoe-parlor in Portsmouth, N. H. He escaped without a scratch.

Members of the Manchester, N. H., Brownie Club have been taking daily swims in the Amoskeag Lodge Pond during the cold snap where they cut a hole in the ice. Among those who take a daily plunge are George Levasseur and Life-saver Hart of Old Orchard Beach, Me.

Mary Costa, aged 9, gave up her life in a vain attempt to save her little brother, Frank, aged 2, in a fire which was discovered in their cottage at East Taunton, Mass. Suffocated by smoke, the body of the little heroine was found crumpled up in the charred remains of her home.

Mrs. Elizabeth Lawrence Davis of Groton, Mass., recently celebrated her 104th birthday in that town. Mrs. Davis has always restricted herself to a frugal simple diet, and to this and her quiet life in earlier years she attributes her remarkable health. She does not recall ever having had a severe illness.

A stick of dynamite weighing one pound was found in a safe purchased at an auction sale in Randolph, Mass. The former owner of the strong box, who owns a large farm in Randolph, is believed to have placed the dynamite in the safe as a measure of safety, forgetting about it when the safe was sold.

Three men were injured and the lives of the crew of the U. S. S. Florida endangered by the explosion of an acetylene tank on board the battleship at the Charlestown Navy Yard. With a roar that could be heard all over the yard and which brought the 3000 civilian employees and the crews of other ships to the scene, the tank was blown to atoms.

The little hamlet of Franconstown, N. H., at the foot of Mount Crocheted and near Peterboro, was the scene of much activity last week. A carnival was held for the benefit of visiting guests. Tobogganing on Mount Crocheted, sleighrides to Hillsboro, Bonnington and New Boston, ski jumping and a barn dance held in Franconstown Town Hall were among the features.

As a result of the cold snap, coal dealers in Boston and suburbs were besieged with telephone calls, letters and visitors in the usual campaign on the part of householders that accompanies every cold wave. Due to the strike domestic anthracite is practically exhausted, but a thriving business is being done in soft coal, pea coal and Welsh coal. Among six dealers canvassed in Boston, Welsh coal as a substitute proves to be far in the lead of all others. This coal, it is explained, is free from slate, burns with very little ash and furnishes good heat.

The Boston & Maine railroad earned a net income of \$571,420.14 for November, according to announcement. This compared with \$112,173.67 for the corresponding month last year. The increase in net income for the month was made possible through an increase of \$176,245.47 in freight revenues. There was a loss in passenger revenues of \$15,165.03. The road continued to reduce its operating expenses for the month. With a saving of \$262,281.87, as compared with last November, the ratio between operating revenues and expenses was reduced from 81.10 per cent. to 74.23 per cent. Operating revenues were \$227,594.65 more than for the month of November in 1924.

The Legislative act making it unlawful for any municipality to use any other time than standard time was accepted by the voters of Maine at the special state election on Dec. 7. It was announced at a recent meeting of the Governor and Council. The totals were 31,414 to 28,454. The act to define certain grades of milk was rejected 38,056 to 19,607. The anti-daylight saving time act was opposed in only three of the 16 counties, Androscoggin, Cumberland and Knox, while the milk grading measure was favored only in Hancock, Piscataquis and Washington Counties. The margins in those counties were slight.

A motorman employed by the United Electric Railways Company in Providence, R. I., died suddenly while operating a Rumford-bound trolley car near the switch at Azawam Hunt Club, East Providence. He suffered a shock and expired before medical aid could reach him. The car had just started to the Rumford terminus when passengers saw the operator away back and forth and then fall in the vestibule. Although the motorman did not shut off the power, the safety device, which works automatically from the controller box, was put into play as soon as the operator released his hold on the handle and the car stopped within its own length.

James Lucy of Northampton, Mass., who gained nation-wide fame when President Coolidge told him the day after his election, "If it were not for you, I should not be here," received another token of esteem from the Coolidges—a Christmas present of three boxes of the best Havana cigars. "It is good to be remembered by friends, especially by friends who might have a right to forget because they are so busy with the duties of high places," the Northampton shoemaker-philosopher said when queried regarding the presidential gift.

Children Cry for

Fletcher's CASTORIA advertisement featuring an image of a baby and text describing it as a pleasant, harmless substitute for castor oil.

Boschee's Syrup advertisement with an image of a person and text describing it as a relief for coughs.

Bayer Aspirin advertisement featuring the Bayer cross logo and the word 'ASPIRIN' in large letters.

Text for Bayer Aspirin advertisement: 'Safe' and 'Accept only "Bayer" package which contains proven directions.'

Illustration of a woman tending to a child who appears to be in pain, part of the Nujol advertisement.

Nujol advertisement text: 'Those bilious headaches can be prevented' and 'Nujol Corrects Constipation in Nature's Way'.

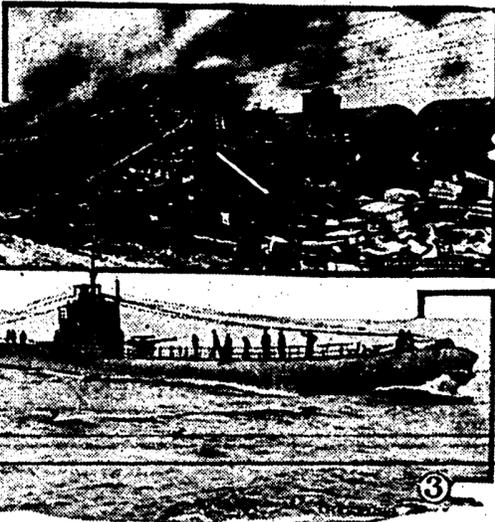
NURSERY RHYME PUZZLE



OM, TOM, the piper's son, Stole a piggy just for fun. The owner could not see the joke, And gave poor Tom an awful poke.



1—New portrait of John H. Walsh of New Orleans, appointed on shipping board to succeed F. L. Thompson, resigned. 2—Oil train on the Wabash road derailed and burned at Williamsport, Ind., with a loss of \$100,000. 3—V-2, newest and largest submarine in U. S. navy, undergoing her diving tests off Provincetown, Mass.



NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Corn Belt Farmers Demand Export Corporation to Handle Their Surplus.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

JUST now the problem of relief for the farmer looms as the most serious that confronts the administration and congress. The President still believes the policies he set forth in his message and in his speech in Chicago are correct and that any form of government control of prices would be dangerous, but he and Secretary of Agriculture Jardine recognize that the farmers of the Middle West are dissatisfied with the Coolidge program and seem willing to try Frank O. Lowden's plan of a commission that would help existing co-operatives in handling surplus farm products, either through storage or for export. Mr. Jardine told Representative Dickinson of Iowa, leader of the farm bloc, that the administration would join in support of a program for dealing with the farm surplus problem providing the plan does not contemplate anything in the nature of price fixing. The McNary-Haugen bill, in modified form, has been reintroduced in the house and is backed by the American Farm Bureau federation, but the administration continues to oppose it.

Out in Des Moines about a thousand farmers, bankers, business men and political leaders met last week at the invitation of the Iowa Bankers' association to discuss the problem and offer congress a solution. After listening to a score of speakers, they adopted resolutions asking: A farm products export corporation; legislation to enable the farmer to obtain prices for his products comparable with the prices he pays for the things he buys which are tariff protected; the removal of legislation against the use of corn sugar in preserving; organization of a federal board to assist agricultural areas in co-operative marketing of their products. It was determined also that Governor Hammill should call within a few days a corn belt conference of representatives of eleven Middle Western states in which the tariff matter will be considered.

From Illinois, also, came a demand for export corporation legislation. Fifteen hundred farmers, gathered in Bloomington for the annual banquet of the McLean County Farm bureau, passed resolutions urging congress to pass this relief legislation.

Meanwhile the Farmers' union, claiming to represent a million corn belt farmers, sent to President Coolidge a telegram asserting that the Des Moines conference was not representative of the agricultural interests of Iowa and that the real issue is the cost of production of agricultural products. The effort of the Iowa bankers was termed "presumptuous interference on the part of non-agricultural groups."

Addressing the Boston chamber of commerce, Senator Capper of Kansas gave warning that unless the tariff was made to apply to agricultural crops, its protection probably would be removed from manufactured products.

SENATOR BORAH of Idaho was a dinner guest at the White House Tuesday, and he assured the President there was no opposition in congress to the plan to send American representatives to the preliminary conference on disarmament. It will be easy to pass a bill appropriating the money necessary for the delegation's expenses. Who shall represent America has not yet been determined. It may be that Ambassador Houghton will head the delegation, and it is almost certain that Minister Hugh Gibson will be a member. Others may be sent from this country.

Dispatches from Geneva indicate that some members of the League of Nations are worried by the prospect that the United States, Italy and Germany may be able to dominate the disarmament movement and force all the European nations to an equality in the matter of armament. It is believed Russia will participate in the conference if the Swiss federal government re-establishes friendly relations with the soviets, as it is being urged to do.

ADVOCATES of American adherence to the world court are confident that the resolution providing for that will be adopted by the senate with several votes to spare. Leaders of the opposition, however, think otherwise and declare that the people of the country are little interested in the question despite the wide propaganda conducted in favor of the court. Senator Norris was reported to have switched and to be ready to vote for the resolution, but he said this was an exaggeration and that he would support the measure only if "proper reservations" were included. Senators McMaster and Norbeck of South Dakota take the same position. Opponents of the resolution believe the debate will be so protracted that it will not come to a vote until late in the winter, although the administration hopes to have the question settled by the end of January, before the senate takes up consideration of the revenue bill.

GENERAL PERSHING is soon to return to the United States for a time, and the trouble hunters have started rumors, denied in the State department, that the President and the general have disagreed over the arrangements for the Tacoma-Arica plebiscite. According to official statements and to the word of General Pershing himself, he is returning on the advice of his physician for the purpose of receiving dental treatment necessary to his health. It was emphasized at the State department that his return had no diplomatic or political significance and that there was every indication that he would go back to complete his work at Arica. In Peru it was feared that his departure would be followed by a "reign of terror" in Tacoma and Arica and that the Peruvian residents there would be further subjugated by the Chileans. The latter already find it difficult to obtain food or employment because of a Chilean boycott.

PROSECUTION of Senator Burton K. Wheeler of Montana for alleged conspiracy in a matter of oil land permits was halted in the District of Columbia Supreme court when the indictment against him was dismissed on the ground that it was faulty, failing to charge a violation of federal statutes. The cases against his fellow defendants, Edwin S. Booth and Gordon S. Campbell, also were wiped off the books. "I hope this will end these persecutions," was Mr. Wheeler's only comment.

ANTHRACITE operators and miners began a joint conference last week in the hope of settling the strike. The first plan suggested, by Alvan Markle, was rejected by the miners because it contained an arbitration feature and they are as firmly opposed to arbitration as ever. The proposal made by Governor Pinchot at Harrisburg a month ago and rejected by the operators was urged by the miners as "a constructive plan for settlement." The operators, however, would not listen to its adoption, arguing that it was "destructive and unworkable." At this writing the conference is still examining plans.

DISSATISFACTION with the settlement of the Italian war debt to America seems to be increasing, and some observers in Washington predicted last week that a majority of the senate would be against the proposition when it came to a vote. The opposition holds that the 75 per cent cancellation of the debt is too generous to Italy and too burdensome to American taxpayers. Another objection is that the settlement does not accurately represent the capacity of Italy to pay. This is shown, it is contended, by the fact that as soon as Italy effected the settlement she borrowed \$100,000,000 of J. P. Morgan at 7 per cent. If Italy can pay Morgan 7 per cent, why, it is asked, can she not pay the United States 3 and 3/4 per cent, as Great Britain is doing and as all the other war debtors, except France, are undertaking.

One of the leaders of the opposition to the settlement in the house is Representative Rainey of Illinois. "We are settling the debts contracted by foreign nations with this government during the war period, at a mere fraction of the amounts they owe us," Mr. Rainey said. "The Italian settlement means this: We propose now to collect from them in a period of 62

years an aggregate sum of money equal to only one-third of the interest we will pay our nationals on the amount of money we borrowed from them to lend to Italy. The settlement with Great Britain has cost Great Britain nothing at all. She has agreed to pay us \$150,000,000 a year for a period of years and she has immediately adopted an export policy with reference to rubber coming to the United States from her colonies by which she collects back from us every year twice as much money as she pays us."

BRIG. GEN. SMEDLEY D. BUTLER is once more in the Marine corps, having withdrawn his resignation after being fired from his job as director of public safety in Philadelphia. He was welcomed back by Major General Lejune and resumed active duty at once, being assigned to command the base at San Diego, Cal.

MARSHAL CHANG TSO-LIN won a great victory over Gen. Kuo Sung-hin, leader of the revolt against Chang in the vicinity of Mukden. Kuo and his wife were captured and their heads and legs were cut off, carried through the streets of Mukden and nailed to a gate of the city. Chang's entry into Mukden was not opposed by the Japanese who have been protecting the place, but they refused to surrender to him eight civil officers of Kuo's army who had taken refuge in the Japanese consulate.

General Feng, leader of the national people's army, captured Tientsin after two weeks of heavy fighting, and then sent most of his troops southward in pursuit of the defeated army of Li Ching-ling.

WHILE a large part of the United States has been shivering in sub-zero weather, Europe has been swept by terrific gales and afflicted with disastrous floods. In Transylvania scores of peasants and thousands of cattle were drowned, and in France the losses were severe. The valleys of the Rhine and its tributaries are flooded. The state of Vera Cruz, Mexico, was shaken by five earthquake shocks and the people abandoned their homes in terror. Mount Popocatepetl, the great volcano near Mexico City, was aroused to activity. From Anchorage, Alaska, came word that Mt. McKinley, the loftiest peak in North America, was sending up great volumes of smoke and steam.

TURKEY is not going to fight England for possession of Mosul, backing out as gracefully as possible by putting forward the statement that the cost of war would be prohibitive for her, but she means to keep the issue alive in memory pending a time when the wrong done Turkey can be righted. That is the substance of speeches made by President Kemal and other officials at the opening of the new Military club in Angora. They asserted the Ottoman army was eager for vengeance.

FRENCH FINANCE MINISTER DOUMER's fiscal project was unanimously approved by the cabinet and submitted to the chamber of deputies, which body sent it to the finance committee. It was predicted the committee would pass the plan, leaving the fight for adoption open to the chamber. This fight, it was certain, would be bitter.

The Doumer plan provides an additional 3,000,000,000 francs in receipts through increasing the income tax and 3,900,000,000 francs through the imposition of an extraordinary and temporary tax of 1.5 per cent on all business transactions. The plan provides that this super business tax may be applied by government decree before parliament ratifies it. Another 1,000,000,000 francs will be raised through augmenting the price of tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, and 600,000,000 francs more will come from increased export duties. Stricter enforcement of the fiscal administration and control is expected to yield an additional 300,000,000 francs and a tax of one-tenth of one per cent on bourse transactions another 100,000,000 francs.

FRANK A. MUNSEY, the New York publisher, left almost his entire fortune of about \$40,000,000 to the Metropolitan Museum of Art. He had intended to make a new will mutualizing his properties and taking care of old associates, but delayed it too long.



Is Winter Time Your Backache Time?

Does Your Back Foretell Every Change of the Weather? Do You Feel Old and Stiff and Suffer Sharp, Rheumatic Pains? Then Look to Your Kidneys!

DOES every cold, chill or attack of grip leave you lame, stiff and achy? Are you nervous and depressed; feel tired, worn out and miserable? Does your back throb and ache until it seems you just can't keep going? Then look to your kidneys! Colds and chills throw a heavy strain on the kidneys. They overload the blood with impurities that the kidneys have to filter off. The kidneys are apt to weaken under this rush of new

work, become congested and inflamed.

It's little wonder, then, that every cold finds so many folks suffering with torturing backache, rheumatic pains, headaches, dizziness and annoying kidney irregularities.

If this is the case with you, don't risk neglect! Help your weakened kidneys with a stimulant diuretic. Begin using Doan's Pills. Doan's have helped thousands. Local users testify to their worth. Ask your neighbor!

"Use Doan's," Say These Good People:

MRS. G. MORRISON, 221 Cross St., Lowell, Mass., says: "Colds settled in my kidneys and backache was the chief difficulty. My back was weakened and housework tired me out. Morning the muscles in my back were lame and twinges caught me when I tried to move. I didn't have any ambition and was run down. I had dizzy spells and headaches, too. I used Doan's Pills and a couple boxes relieved me. I felt better in every way."

TIMOTHY FITZGERALD, 123 Adams St., Lowell, Mass., says: "I had a dull, weak feeling across my kidneys and the muscles in my back were sore and lame. When I bent over, sharp pains caught me in the small of my back and I could hardly straighten. I was tired out when night came. My kidneys acted too frequently at times and again they became sluggish. I used Doan's Pills, and they drove away all signs of the trouble so I felt O. K. again."

Doan's Pills

Stimulant Diuretic to the Kidneys

At all dealers, 60c a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfg. Chemists, Buffalo, N. Y.

Wisdom's Height

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Here Is Advice
Many years ago there lived a wise
man named Ptah Hetep. To his son he
said: "Do not argue with your su-
periors; it does no good. Do not argue
with your equals; make a plain and
courteous statement and be content
with that. Do not argue with your in-
feriors; let them talk and they will
make fools of themselves."—Family
Herald.

Prized by Numismatists
There are some freak coins in the
world that are highly prized. One is
a United States bill printed for \$5
on one side and \$10 on the other.
Sweden at one time had a coin which
weighed 50 pounds. Coins of wood,
cloth and grain are actually possessed
by numismatic devotees.

Valuable "Waste" Paper
In a sack of books sent as waste paper
to a London bookseller's was a work
entitled "Poems by Two Brothers,"
dated 1827. It is worth from \$50 to
\$100 (\$250 to \$300). The two brothers
were Alfred (afterwards Lord Ten-
nyson) and his brother Charles.

Not Entirely
Traffic Cop—"Hey, you! Is that
your car?" Mere Man—"Well, officer,
since you ask me, considering the fact
I still have fifty payments to make,
own three repair bills, and haven't
settled for the new tire, I really don't
think it is."—Pathfinder Magazine.

Pride Purged Parliament
The forcible ejection, on December
6, 1948, from the house of commons of
all members who favored reconciliation
with the king is known in English
history as "Pride's Purge," from
Thomas Pride, officer in charge.

Business Text
"Printer's ink," says the Tifton Ga-
zette, "makes merchandise move faster
than any other agency. The public
today looks for the printed message
because it is the easiest, the best and
the modern way of selling and telling."

Chief of "Great Company"
An Englishman, Sir Robert Knollys,
commanded the "Great Company" of
mercenary soldiers, which terrorized
parts of France about the middle of
the fourteenth century. Knollys later
joined the Black prince.

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grown to enormous proportions, the
plant having been found to form ex-
cellent silage. Sunflower yields from
twenty to twenty-five tons per acre, a
great deal more than the average corn
crop, and the extent to which it has
been cultivated in Canada shows how
this plant, until a few years ago de-
spised as a worthless weed, has be-
come a crop of great economic value.

The importance of the sunflower was
first urged by Dominion government
agricultural experts, who stressed its
value for silage purposes. Farmers
began to plant small fields, and found
the experiment profitable.

Expansion has lately been so rapid
that last year Alberta alone produced
a crop of nearly 24,000 tons, at a
cost which, in view of the food value
of the plant, is declared to be the
cheapest silage or fodder crop yet
raised. Farmers report that live stock
take readily to it.

Jungle Still Unsafe for Tourist Traffic

While a motor omnibus was proceed-
ing along a road through a dense jungle
in Ceylon, the driver noticed a herd
of wild elephants at short distance
ahead.

Thinking to scare them off, a passen-
ger in the omnibus took a shot at the
leader. The bullet grazed its back,
whereupon it bellowed loudly and
charged the omnibus, followed by the
rest of the herd.

The passengers dived beneath the
seats, but the driver stuck to his post
and accelerated steering the car
straight at the leading elephant. As
he approached, he swerved past the
animal.

In a flash the animal stretched out
his trunk and tore the hood from the
omnibus. A chase of more than a
mile followed, but eventually the herd
was thrown off.

Nothing Small About Him

Sir Ernest Cassel, the financier, came
to London when still a boy and entered
the banking house of Bishchoffshelm &
Co. in an insignificant capacity. There
he soon gave evidence of extraordi-
nary ability and he advanced rapidly.
One day the house was confronted
with a difficult situation, the handling
of which presented seemingly insuper-
able obstacles to all. Young Cassel
suggested a solution which appeared
to be feasible and was entrusted with
the task. Having accomplished it suc-
cessfully, to the complete satisfaction
of his superiors, he was called into the
office and informed: "We are entirely
satisfied with the manner in which you
have discharged this undertaking, and,
as an indication of our appreciation,
we have decided to raise your salary
to five hundred pounds." Young Cas-
sel calmly replied: "I suppose you
mean five thousand pounds." Where-
upon everyone looked with astonish-
ment at everyone else, but Mr. Bish-
choffshelm returned just as calmly and
promptly, "Yes, sir."—London Ad-
verser.

Had Their Nerve
A well-known lecturer was promised
\$20 if he would give a talk at a charity
affair in a small town. He com-
menced, and drove in a motor car for
twelve miles through a heavy rain-
storm to keep his engagement. Though
he had come prepared to speak for
only half an hour he found upon his
arrival that he was expected to occupy
the platform for an hour, which he
did. The hall in which the affair was
held was poorly lighted and drafty and
the lecturer was thankful when he
was finally able to leave the platform.
An envelope was handed him, and in it
he found a \$20 bill, together with a
note reading: "If you will give us your
fee God will aid you in your efforts."

Strictly Neutral
A junior football match was in
progress and great excitement was
aroused. One of the backs tackled the
opposing center forward, and after
much wild kicking both fell.
"Foul," said the referee, blowing his
whistle.

"Who for?" asked the home captain.
"Us," came the reply from the high-
ly excited official.—Vancouver Prov-
ince.

Restoring Books
Books that have lain long in a
damp place and acquired a heavy
load of dirt should be thoroughly dried
and cleaned in the sunlight for several
days. This should arrest the odor.
Mildew may be checked by brushing
over the books with spirits of wine or
a few drops of essential oil, such as
oil of cloves, applied with a soft
cloth. The books should be dusted fre-
quently.

Innocence
Just before the polo match one of
the players was talking to a lady
friend who sat in the enclosure.
"Have you ever seen a polo match
before?" he inquired.
"No, never," she replied, "but I'm
sure I shall enjoy it, and I wish you'd
hurry up and begin, for I'm just dying
to see these beautiful ponies kick the
ball about."

Cling to Austrian Pike

Arnold Von Winkelried, Swiss hero,
is said to have decided Swiss victory
at Sempach, in 1288, by clinging to
an Austrian pike he could reach,
thus opening up the enemy's ranks
for compatriots to pass through.

Ought They Have Taken It?

By H. IRVING KING
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HIRAM CROMPTON was a rich man
and like other rich men was fond
of having his own way—and generally
had it. But not always, for when Hiram
ordered Emily Crompton, his dear
wife's niece, to marry Herman Har-
rington, and his own nephew, Ralph
Grassley, to marry Loretta Van Ter-
burg, they both refused to do so—
to Hiram's surprise and greatly to his
angry chagrin.

True, they were both dependent upon
Uncle Hiram; but then, you see,
they wanted to marry each other. They
explained this to Uncle Hiram care-
fully and at length, but the old man
refused to listen to reason, flew into
a towering rage and ordered them
both out of the house. The two or-
phans felt very bad about it. Uncle
Hiram was a Tartar. He had not been
deaf before in years—and years. When
he cast off the rebels he went to his
lawyer and had a new will made in
which he left everything to his cousin,
Jeremiah Crompton, a bachelor, who
had lived for many years in Rome.

Ralph, after a few disappointments,
obtained a position at a salary of forty
dollars a week. Emily got a job in
one of the branch city libraries at a
salary of fifteen dollars a week. Even-
ings they met in the parlor of Emily's
boarding house and planned out their
future. It was to be very splendid;
but they would begin modestly, of
course.

They began to look at flats in the
upper part of the city and on Sundays
made excursions into the country to
inspect suburban cottages, not for-
getting to visit furniture "emporiums"
and price goods sold on the install-
ment plan. They were never more
happy in their lives. It was a lark.
All they felt with regard to Uncle Hiram
was a sincere pity for the old man
left alone in his great house—not an
atom of resentment.

"But, oh, dear, everything does seem
to cost so much," said Emily. "I had
no idea furniture was so expensive.
And rent so high. Hadn't we better
wait until one of us gets a raise in
salary? You are sure to get an in-
crease just as soon as Maldon & Co.
see how valuable you are to them."
So time went by.

"It's no use waiting any longer,"
said Ralph one day. "We'll get mar-
ried right away. I'm bound to have
a raise within two months."
"Perhaps we'd better wait that long,"
said Emily. They did and Ralph
did not get his increase of pay.

"You ought to demand it," said Em-
ily. "Maldon & Co. will give it to you
quick enough if you insist. They know
what you are worth to them. They are
just stingy—that's all."

The next night Ralph appeared look-
ing very blue. He had made his de-
mand—and had been discharged!

He and Emily sat and looked at
each other with a new, strange feel-
ing; a vague doubt of the absolute
certainty of the future. It is an awful
moment when youth begins to waver
in its cocksureness. Emily was the
first to recover herself. "Don't you
worry," said she, kissing him. "Things
are bound to come out all right. Mal-
don & Co. surely did not appreciate
you—that's all."

The very next day they saw a notice
of Uncle Hiram's death in the
paper. They went to the funeral and
wept over the face of the old man who
had cast them off. After the funeral the
lawyer of the deceased Hiram took
occasion to tell Ralph of the purport
of his uncle's will.

"I expected it," said Ralph, a little
dolefully. "He might have left me
a thousand or two," he thought. "It
would have tided me over."
"Don't you mind," said Emily when
he told her. "Poor Uncle Hiram!"

A few days later the lawyer sent
for Ralph to come to his office. "I
enclosed the news of the death of Mr.
Hiram Crompton," said the lawyer.
"To Mr. J. Crompton of Rome, Italy.
In return I have received from Mr. J.
Crompton's man of business there a
dispatch stating that Mr. J. Crompton
died two days after the death of your
Uncle Hiram. He left a considerable
property. Your mother was, I believe,
the sister of Mr. Hiram and the cousin
and only near relative—with the ex-
ception of Mr. Hiram—of Mr. J.
Crompton. You are, therefore, the
next of kin and heir-at-law of both
deceased Cromptons. I congratulate
you upon the handsome property you
have come into."

"Could we take it?" said Emily,
when Ralph told her the news. "Uncle
Hiram never intended that we should
have it."
"We could get married sooner if we
did," said Ralph.

"Oh, I will tell you what we'll do,"
cried Emily. "We'll take it, and
with part of it we'll build flats and
suburban cottages to let for next to
nothing to young people in the fix we
were before this happened."
"Great," cried Ralph.

They were married a week later,
and have ever since been a veritable
providence to rash and imperious
young people determined on matrimony.

Human Emotions

"Why do you weep over the sorrows
of people in whom you have no inter-
est when you go to the theater?" asked
the man.
"I don't know," replied the woman.
"Why do you cheer wildly when a
man with whom you are not acquaint-
ed slides into second base?"

Census Not Popular Among Many Peoples

Superstition among natives in the
Kenya colony, in Africa, has caused
census takers no end of trouble. The
natives believe it is unlucky to count
themselves or their wives when the
official enumeration is taken.

In other countries census taking has
sometimes presented similar difficul-
ties, says The-Bits. The first Chinese
census showed a total population of
23,000,000. It was taken to serve as
a basis for the imposition of a poll tax.
Several years later another census was
taken to evaluate relief during a fam-
ine. The population had grown to
100,000,000.

Infinite trouble is taken in the prepa-
ration of the Indian census, but one
story told by a British administrator
shows there also the way of the cen-
sus taker is difficult. On one occasion
he had to point out to a native enu-
merator some discrepancy in his fig-
ures. "But surely," protested the enu-
merator, "your honor can supply
naughts at discretion!"

South Carolinian Was First American Doctor

The first native of English-speaking
America to receive the degree of Doc-
tor of Medicine was William Bull, who
died in London, England, about 134
years ago.

He was born in South Carolina in
1710, and in his early manhood went
to Europe to study medicine, receiving
his M. D. degree at Leyden. He prac-
ticed his profession with considerable
success in his native colony, and in
1764 became lieutenant governor of
South Carolina, a position he retained
until the Revolution. As Doctor Bull
remained a loyalist, he, in 1782, ac-
companied the British troops to Eng-
land after their defeat by the Con-
tinental army under General Washing-
ton.

Doctor Bull resided in England dur-
ing the remainder of his life.

Poets to Royalty

The office of the English poet laureate
is in the gift of the sovereign of
England, said to have been created
during the reign of Edward IV (1461-
1483). The appellation is derived from
a custom of the English universities,
which continued until 1512, of present-
ing a laurel leaf to graduates in rhet-
oric and versification—the "king's laure-
ate" being a graduated rhetorician
in the service of the king. It was for-
merly the duty of the poet laureate to
write an ode on the birthday of the
king, but this custom has been discon-
tinued since the reign of George III.

The first poet laureate, in the modern
sense, was Edmund Spenser, who was
granted a pension of £50 by Queen
Elizabeth in 1569. Ben Jonson was
the first to receive the office by formal
letters patent.—Kansas City Star.

Historic London Church

The Church of St. Michael, one of
Wren's churches, which has just been
reopened after extensive renovations,
is one of the most historic churches in
London. It is built on the site of that
erected by Dick Whittington, and in
which he was buried, but the original
was so entirely wiped out in the great
fire that no trace of Sir Richard Whit-
tington's grave now remains. The
renovation scheme included the paint-
ing of the walls and ceiling, and the
moving of the heavy altar railing for-
ward to form a choir screen. The re-
presentations of Moses and Aaron
found in all Wren's churches are in
this case exquisite statues which for-
merly stood on pedestals beside the
altar. They have now been accommo-
dated in niches in the walls some few
feet above their original location.

Christian Martyrs

The dates of the most violent
Christian persecutions under Roman
emperors were as follows: Nero, 64-
68; Domitian, 85; Trajan, 105; Mar-
cus Aurelius, 169-177; Septimius
Severus, 193-204; Maximus, 235-238;
Diocletian, 294-305; Valerian, 254-260;
Aurelian, 272; Diocletian, 303-313
(the era of the martyrs). The reason
for Christian persecution according to
Roman historians, was not on account
of their religious beliefs so much as
as by the Christian refusal to con-
form to the state religion and na-
tional law. Religion was an integral
part of Roman law.

Polar Explanation

Early efforts in polar exploration
were largely for commercial inter-
ests. During the Twentieth century
the renewal of exploration in the
Arctic and Antarctic regions has been
due largely to the spirit of scientific
research, but also for geographic
pleasurement. Peary, at the North
pole, made a great number of ob-
servations which are very valuable
in the study of geography, physiog-
raphy, meteorology and oceanography.

South American Honored

The statue of Gen. Jose de San
Martin in Judiciary park is the first
statue of a South American to be
erected in Washington. It is a replica
of one in Buenos Aires and was
thought a fitting gift to this country,
since Gen. San Martin was a patriot to
whom many South Americans accord
the reverence that people in this coun-
try pay to the memory of George
Washington.

Too High

"I simply can't get over it," said the
sweet young thing as she passed in
front of the rail fence.

Her Birthday Present

By H. IRVING KING
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THE town was a New England
community of about 15,000 in-
habitants. The principal man in the
town was Jacob Fullerton whose
wealth had assumed such proportions
as to cause his fellow townsmen to
ask each other, "How much do you
suppose old Jake is worth, anyhow?"
Jacob's daughter, Madeline, was fair
to look upon and, though now ap-
proaching the age of twenty-six, was
still unmarried. Whereat people won-
dered. The answer was that she was
in love with Harold Farington and
her father would not hear of her
marrying that young man. Harold
would not hear of her marrying him,
either—he was poor.

Madeline would have eloped with
him; but he had a horror of being
considered a fortune-hunter and, more
than all, considered that he had no
right to take the girl he loved from
the wealth and luxury with which
she was now surrounded to share his
present privations.

Harold's father had been obsessed
with the idea that nature had in-
tended him for a great financier—
whereas nature had intended him
for no such thing. The result of this
little misunderstanding was that, af-
ter divesting himself of an inherited
fortune, Farington senior had died
of worry and chagrin, leaving his son
with an education and a profession
and naught else besides. So Harold
had set out to practice law in his
native town. But so far the two older
lawyers there had seemed sufficient
for the needs of the town.

Into Harold's little office walked
one day Jacob Fullerton, beaming
with smiles. Harold could hardly
have been more surprised had the
soldiers and sailors' monument in the
square casually dropped in on him.
For a year Jacob's only recognition
of the young lawyer had been a scowl
and a nod. "Well, Harold my boy,"
said the man of money; "how's busi-
ness?"

"Not very good, Mr. Fullerton," re-
plied Harold; "the people of this com-
munity don't seem, as yet, to ap-
preciate my legal ability."

"Hum," said Jacob. "Well, you can
afford to wait awhile. Your father, I
am sorry to say, was not a very good
judge of values; but he doubtless left
you some securities upon which you
can realize until you get established?"

"I regret to say, sir," returned
Harold, "that as far as I can find
out, none of the securities left me
by my father is of the slightest
value."

"Too bad, too bad," sympathized
Jacob. "That sort of thing is rather
in my line, you know—perhaps I
might pick out some of them for
which a market might be made. Well,
good day. Haven't seen you at the
house for a long time. Madeline was
speaking of you only yesterday. Come
up to dinner tonight. It's her birth-
day." And he went out leaving Harold
in a state of pure bewilderment. What
was up? Was it possible that among
that assortment of financial junk
stowed away in an old trunk there
was something of value after all—
something that Jacob wanted? Yet
how could that be? Harold's dubious
holdings had been pronounced worth-
less.

He was still wondering when the
office door opened to admit another
visitor—this time a stranger. The
stranger looked all business and im-
mediately proceeded to business. "Mr.
Harold Farington I presume?" in-
quired the stranger. Harold assented.
"Your father, the late Marcellus Far-
ington," went on the unknown, "was
possessed of 1,000 shares in the Val-
pedras Live Stock company. And land
in Texas—unsuitable for cattle
raising—attempt a failure. Well, some
rich men with money to fool away—
New Yorkers—think that, by expend-
ing a million or so—artificial infla-
tion—they may, in about twenty
years from now, be able to make the
property pay. At present worthless.
Give you five dollars a share for your
stock. What do you say?"

"Let you know tomorrow after-
noon," replied Harold. And that was
the best the stranger could get out
of him.

As soon as the unknown had de-
parted Harold called long-distance
and talked with a former classmate
of his, now in a Wall street office,
asking him what he knew about
Valpedras. That night after dinner
Jacob took Harold into the library
and broached the question of stocks
and bonds.

"Before we go into that matter,"
said Harold, "I wish to ask you for
the hand of your daughter."
"Why, why, my dear boy?" cried
Jacob, "you are not in any financial
condition to marry; especially with
a girl brought up as my daughter
has been."

"Oh, you I am," replied Harold.
"I am the owner of 1,000 shares of
the Valpedras company. Oh has been
discovered on the land—and I am a
rich man."

"And you know it when I was talk-
ing to you this morning," roared
Jacob.

"No," replied Harold, "I learned
it over the telephone about an hour
later."

"Humph," said Jacob, "that stock
of yours is worth half a million—
perhaps a great deal more. Settle
half of it on Madeline and you can
have her. Madeline! Come here and
get your birthday present."

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