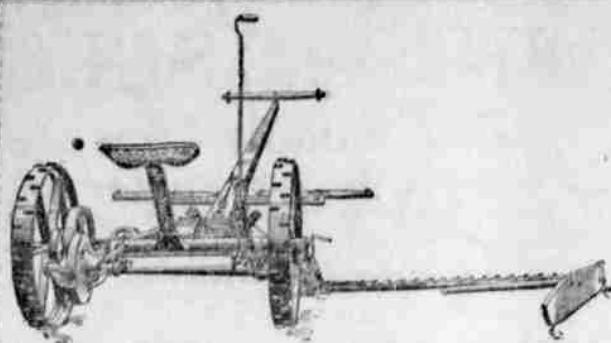




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By Idah McGlone Gibson

GLENDENING'S WIFE.

"Immediately upon my arrival to the city where Harry lived, Mrs. Glendening came to call upon me and Harry invited me to a very poor dinner at his home. This seemed to annoy him a great deal as when he had been in my apartment, service and food had always been above reproach.

"I know that sounds rather foolish, Doctor George, but I wonder if you can understand that it was rather a triumph for me and I am sure that I was happier than Harry that evening.

"I found Mrs. Glendening a very good looking woman with a most exaggerated ego—an ego that seemed to feel that she could do no wrong. I felt that she would not for one moment think that Harry, having known her, could possibly care for any other woman.

"I remember how hard it was to keep my lips from curling up into a smile when she told me that it sickened her to see how the women ran after Harry and how it bored him.

"She said that if these women only knew that after Harry left them they never thought of them, they might not make such fools of themselves.

"I did not dare look at Harry but I almost felt the color come into his face.

"I think that perhaps Mrs. Glendening might have kept Harry's love because he really did not ask much from the woman he cared for—if she had not been so lazy. She did not even like to work her mind and she only exerted herself when she was invited to some social affair where she might receive the constant flattery her egotism craved. She certainly never seemed to exert herself for him.

"She had evidently worked out a theory by which she considered love as free and that as Harry had presented his love to her some years ago, no one could take it from her as long as she wanted to keep it.

"You, of course, know that you can not buy love with money, Doctor George. I sometimes think that you cannot buy it at all. Love can only be rented and you must pay in the coin of love's realm for it, not monthly or weekly or daily, but hourly.

"Mrs. Glendening as far as I could see, never did anything and she only exerted herself as far as insisting that Harry should wait upon her slightest whim.

"Sometimes, when we three were together, I used to wonder what would happen if we could read each other's thoughts. Lately I am not so sure that I would not have been quite as surprised had I read the minds of Harry and Doris Glendening as they would have been at a knowledge of what was in mine. At the time, however, I thought I knew Harry's mind as well as I did my own and that I had a pretty fair inkling of what Doris was thinking about.

"Harry always allowed Mrs. Glendening and I to do the talking. He sat there between us and smiled upon us both alike and at times I almost came to the conclusion that

that smile upon which I had placed so much faith was a kind of free luncheon which he handed out to anyone, rich and poor, beautiful and ugly, wife and sweetheart alike.

"However, I endured these times because there was not a day that I did not see Harry alone all that autumn and early winter. Sometimes I caught his smile and tossed it back to him across a restaurant table.

"There among all the crowd we were alone. Sometimes it was a few precious moments at his office. Sometimes it was for long sweet hours as we motored about the country and sometimes—blessed sometimes—it was in my own little studio apartment where I would return for a week or two at intervals and Harry would contrive to come for an over-Sunday visit.

"Before long I found myself buying Harry from his wife. I would take her shopping—which she adored—make her some little gift that she fancied hoping that she would think it was she to whom I was interested and happy to be with instead of her husband. On these days we would end usually at one of the hotels for tea where Harry would join us. Or I would invite them both to the dinner dances at the hotel and play gracious hostess all the evening for the chance of just one dance with Harry.

"All at once I seemed to sense that I was doing something that was very despicable—something that I would utterly condemn in anyone else. Sometimes it seemed to me that everything must be right because I was sure that Doris Glendening knew. Sometimes the unworldly thought found lodgment in my brain, that she knew that Harry and I loved each other and did not care as long as her station and perquisites as a wife were kept intact.

"At last the situation became intolerable and I received an assignment from another magazine to write a series of human interest stories in my own city. The article that I was writing for Harry had come to a place where I could easily and quickly finish them.

"I went back to my home and decided suddenly to stay.

"My absence seemed to make Harry's love grow fonder and he spent many, many week ends with me. He seemed to have the utmost faith in me—or perhaps I ought to say that he had the utmost faith in his own ability to keep himself the only one in my heart whether he was with me or away from me. That is what I thought at the time, but now, Doctor George, I am almost sure that he didn't think anything about it. I am almost sure that now, I have gone completely out of his life. He is just as happy, perhaps happier than before I had begun to seem a responsibility to him.

"I think that Harry Glendening is suffering the torments of the damned," said Claverling. "Not because he has lost the love of Margaret Earle but because, for the first time he has looked upon himself as he really is.

"When do you think, Mr. H., that Margaret found this out?"
Tomorrow—Margaret and Harry.

FARM NEWS

POISON LARKSPUR SPECIMENS ON EXHIBITION

(By County Agent B. W. Cooney.)
Mounted herbarium specimens of Tall Larkspur or Poison Larkspur (Delphinium Troilolifolium) have been received at the office of County Agent Cooney as well as the local forestry office in the Federal building.

These specimens which include notes on the plant collected as well as photographs of it in its habitat were collected on South Myrtle Creek in this county by Grazing Examiner Ingram of the forest service and as the photographs indicate this plant is very abundant in places in this section of the country.

The Tall Larkspur which occurs on the mountain ranges on the Umpqua forest, particularly in Fish Creek valley is a different species than that which occurs in the lower country in this county, states Mr. Ingram, though all species of Larkspur are poisonous to cattle and extensive losses of cattle occurred last year from Larkspur poisoning on that range.

Larkspur of which there are a number of species are commonly grouped for convenience into "tall" or "low" Larkspur, reference being made to the height growth of the particular species which to the stockmen expresses the chief distinguishing character between the groups. Low Larkspur is found usually from 6 to 20 inches in height and occurs on the better drained soils and drier slopes and the individual plants are commonly more scattered where they occur and hence less dangerous to livestock.

Tall Larkspur on the contrary is found on the moist rich bottom soils along streams, in draws and in swamps. As the name implies Tall Larkspur is readily distinguishable from Low Larkspur by its larger size and greater height. A robust plant usually from 2 feet to 6 feet tall it is often, however, confused with Tall Acornite (Aconitum Columbianum) which it somewhat resembles and which is not poisonous to cattle as far as is known. While Low Larkspur are poisonous to cattle throughout their life the Tall Lark-

spurs are most poisonous early in the season particularly when other feed is scarce and up to and including the flowering period. After that the plants become tougher, coarser and are less palatable to stock. The seeds, however, are known to be extremely poisonous.

Sheep are not poisoned by the plant which is grazed with impunity by this class of stock under ordinary conditions and for this reason sheep have been used on cattle ranges to reduce the Larkspur before cattle are allowed on the range. Poisoning with cattle may occur, however, when as little as 3 per cent of the total weight of the animal has been consumed in one day.

Grubbing out the Larkspur plants, while expensive, is the most effective preventive measure, says Mr. Ingram and this has been accomplished with excellent results by stockmen in co-operation with the forest service over extensive areas infested with this plant on the high mountain ranges on the national forests, resulting in the elimination of losses which in one year more than paid for the cost of grubbing out the Larkspur plants.

When in Roseburg stockmen do well to see these mounted specimens of Tall Larkspur. They can obtain, also, from County Agent Cooney, as long as the supply lasts, a copy of Oregon Bulletin 187 entitled, "The Principal Poisoning Plants of Oregon," which gives valuable and interesting information on the poisonous plants common to the state of Oregon.

It is expected that specimens of other poisonous plants common to this section of the state will be mounted shortly and placed on exhibition for the information of stockmen and others interested in the development of this industry in Douglas county.

TURKEY IS SOME MEAT, BUT

"WHY BUY" THOSE CAPONS
(By County Agent B. W. Cooney.)
The turkey is some grand old bird and belongs at the top of the list, but as in his wisdom he has developed a rival of no mean importance. This rival is the capon. If you want to enjoy a feast for the whole family make for yourself a few capons

RAVAGES OF JIM CROW IN SPRING

His Raids on Cornfield Are Largely Responsible for His Unsavory Reputation.

ATTACKS OTHER WILD BIRDS

Does Farmer Big Favor, However, by Devouring Grasshoppers, Caterpillars, White Grubs and Other Insects.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Like most outlaws, the notorious Jim Crow has some points that are commended among law-abiding citizens, but when he is a bad bird he is a hard-boiled egg. His springtime ravages on the cornfield are largely responsible for his unsavory reputation, but he has added to it by occasional raids on the poultry yard, depredations on wild birds, and attacks on crops other than corn. At certain seasons and in certain localities he becomes such a nuisance and a detriment to farming that he must be warned by making an example of some members of his gang.

Jim is only about half bad, and because of his better half, which does not mean his wife, who is just as black as he is, it is not advisable to treat him too harshly. Nearly one-fifth of his food is made up of insects, and he includes on his menu some of the farmer's worst enemies—grasshoppers, caterpillars, and white grubs and their parents, the May beetles.

Been Going Too Far.

Probably we could not get along so well without Jim Crow as with him. Killing off the whole family, if that were possible, would be a short-sighted policy. So, when the United States Department of Agriculture recommends the poisoning of crows, this measure should be looked upon merely as a warning to Jim and his family that they have been going too far and that they can't get away with everything. They are very tough enough not to need many repetitions of the lesson.

Every spring farmers revive their old feud with the Jim Crow family, carrying on a desultory battle by means of scarecrows, epithets, and the more effective deterrents of coal tar and poison. Coal tar, which may be secured at gas plants and some paint shops, is not a poison, but it imparts a disagreeable gassy odor to the seed grain that is distasteful to crows and other pests. It has the advantage, not possessed by some other deterrents on the market, of not affecting the germination of the corn when used in limited quantities. A tablespoonful is used to half a bushel of seed.

Strychnine Is Favored.

The best deterrent, however, is strychnine, which may be applied to corn in a paste made up in the proportion of one ounce of powdered strychnine, two tablespoonfuls of starch, and one and one-half pints of water to 20 quarts of corn. The starch and strychnine are put into the water, which is heated to boiling, and stirred well when the starch begins to thicken. This paste is poured on the corn and stirred into it until thoroughly distributed. The corn is spread to dry and is then ready to use. This method is better than the old one of steeping the corn in a strong strychnine solution. Because of their wariness it will not be possible to kill many of the crows, but a little of this



At Certain Seasons Jim Crow Is Decided Nuisance.

poisoned corn scattered over the field of sprouting corn will get a few of them and the rest will take the warning and leave. Using whole corn for bait lessens the danger of poisoning smaller seed-eating birds. Care should be taken not to distribute the poisoned grain near the farm buildings where domestic animals might pick it up. The crows usually do their corn pulling at some distance from the buildings.

Before going ahead with poisoning operations which involve the spreading of poison it is always advisable to look up laws and local regulations regarding the distribution of poison. Local conditions may modify practices a great deal, especially in thickly populated regions.

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