

WHERE WEEDS ALWAYS WIN

Farming in Tropical Panama Consists of a Continuous Fight With the Invading Jungle.

A Florida orange-grower would turn gray if he had confronting him the problems which face any one who attempts to grow fruit in Panama.

The grass problem alone is enough to stagger the heart of the bravest planter. Think of your own vegetable garden in midsummer, when the days are steaming hot and the weeds are growing about as fast as you can pull them out.

When I was shown what looked from the deck of a launch like virgin forest, with great trees covered with creeping lianas, and was told that it had all grown up in eight years from cleared land, and when I recollected how fungus and insect pests hunt a clearing, I could better comprehend the feeling that, after all, for the individual of small means, there really is no other way to farm than to cut down and burn, plant and get a crop or two; then, when the plants and weeds of the returning forest drive you out, move on. It is the way of the native everywhere; clear a spot, rush in, rush out again, and let the land grow up to trees.—David Patricello in the National Geographic Magazine.

STORE FUTURE FOOD SUPPLY

Woodpeckers Are Wise Birds and Never Take the Chance of Finding Larder Bare.

California woodpeckers often pass much of their idle time in the light occupation of filling holes in tree trunks with pebbles. When they are really industrious, however, they manufacture these asymmetrical holes and fill them snugly with acorns.

The vast number of such holes that a single tree trunk can contain may be inferred from the fact that in 50 feet of a fallen pine tree in the San Jacinto mountains of California it was estimated that there were 31,500 holes.

BOOKS READ BY TRAVELERS

Much Difference in Choice Displayed by First and Second-Class Ocean Voyagers.

The writer of the daily literary causerie in the New York Evening Post has had the curiosity to explore the collections of books provided by a steamship for the use of her passengers.

WORLD ALWAYS HAD "CANDY"

Honey Probably is Earliest Form of Sweetening Known, and It Was Made Use Of.

The Egyptians made candy as well as pyramids, and made candy without sugar. Sugar and chocolate were unknown to the Egyptians. They used honey as their sweetener, and flour and crude starch were the basis of their confectionery.

In the Middle Ages what we would call candied fruits was the principal confection. They were boiled in honey. As a business the druggist was the first candy maker. Sugar at that time was considered a drug, and from coating drugs with sugar the pharmacist learned to coat nuts and other things. In the sixteenth century sugared roses were considered the best of confections. It was not until the seventeenth century that sugar became a big industry, and it was in the latter part of the century that confectioners were recognized as a distinct class.

Convincing Argument.

A counsel for the defense once got the better of Judge Branwell. He requested leave to address the jury in Welsh, of which Branwell was ignorant. It was a simple case, and permission was given. Counsel said only a few words, and the judge left the decision to the jury with little comment from him. He was, however, startled at the prompt verdict of acquittal.

"What was it," he inquired afterward, "that the learned counsel said to the jury?" "Oh," was the reply, "he just said, 'This case, gentlemen, lies in a nutshell. You see yourselves exactly how it stands. The judge is an Englishman, the complainant is an Englishman, the prosecuting counsel is an Englishman. But you are Welsh, I am Welsh, and the prisoner is Welsh. Need I say more? I leave it to you.'"

Timely Advice.

Brown had attended an auction sale of furniture and antiques and had bought a grandfather clock. After the sale he looked round for someone to carry his purchases back to his house, but alas! he could find nobody.

Just Matter of Zeros.

Two French workmen were talking at a public bar. Of course, since they were not talking about horse racing, they were talking about politics.

The Wicked Judas.

During a visit he paid to Oberammergau several years ago the late Mr. Andrew D. White, the American diplomat, made the acquaintance of the Judas, whom he described as by far the best actor in the whole performance. Mr. White remarked to him that he ought to have a double salary, as the Judas had in the miracle plays of the Middle Ages, when this was thought due to him as compensation for the injury done to his character by his taking that part. At this the Oberammergau Judas smiled pleasantly, and replied: "No; I am content to share equally with the others. But the same feeling toward the Judas still exists." He then told Mr. White the following story. A few weeks before, while he was working at his curving bench, the door of his workshop opened and a peasant woman from the mountains came in, stood still, and gazed at him intently. On his asking her what she wanted she said: "I saw you in the play yesterday. I wished to look at you again. You look so like my husband. He is dead. He, too, was a very bad man!"

One Better.

The South Side Political, Social and Athletic club had split into two factions regarding its choice for its next president and the meeting hall was jammed when election night came round. As the chairman started to call the gathering to order, the doorkeeper stopped a member who was entering, perusing under the weight of a canvas sack slung over his shoulder.

"Little Corporal."

"Little Corporal" was the title familiarly bestowed upon Napoleon III. by his admiring soldiers after the Battle of Sedan (1870). In allusion to his small stature, youthful appearance and surprising bravery.

Islands of the Madeira.

There are two islands in the Madeira river between the falls of Santa Antonia and its junction with the Amazon. Many of them are nine or ten miles in length. The most important one is Araras, which is populated and covered with rubber trees.

What Happened When Sheila Elliston Refused Love

By idah McGlone Gibson

SHEILA MEETS PHIL

"I was sure, Mr. Spencer," smiled Sheila Elliston, "that you were the rude man who told me not to be a fool this afternoon."

The silvery little laugh with which she recalled the episode in the street made up all joy in.

"I wonder what she would think if she knew what Phil told me about her," I thought to myself.

Phil did not leave much to her imagination for he was still holding her hands and saying: "I was just telling my sister I was afraid I had lost you in the excitement and I knew I could not find another—"

"Fool," she bantered.

"Please, please. I was afraid you were going to be run over with that great bus. I did not mean to be ugly."

Thinking that they ought to be interrupted before Phil proposed to Sheila on the spot and insist upon the wedding ceremony being set for the next day, I broke in:

"Did you finish all your shopping, Sheila?"

"Yes, Mrs. Wilmington. The movers, the packers and the cleaners have all promised me to be on deck tomorrow, and I think in a few days your home will be livable, if not exactly as you planned."

"What have you been doing, Kay? Buying a house?" demanded Phil.

"Yes, dear. You didn't think that I was going to have a perfectly eligible bachelor brother settle down in this secluded country house?"

"Oh, I don't know," Phil replied, looking straight at Sheila. "This house suits me perfectly. If you are moving on account of me, I vote to stay right here. It is far from the madding crowd."

"Lovely in summer, Phil, but I think we will have to get back into the city in time for the theater and music and social life this winter. You know I have not been out at all since."

"And we are planning great things, Mr. Spencer. Mrs. Wilmington is going to be a social leader this winter."

"And what about you? Will you visit us?" asked Phil, eagerly.

"You don't quite understand my presence, here, Mr. Spencer. I am Mrs. Wilmington's nurse."

"I wish that bus had broken my leg," exclaimed Phil, grinning.

"Oh, you needn't fear, brother mine, that I am going to let Sheila get away just because my fractured bone is mended. She promised me this morning that she was going to stay."

"A short, while longer," finished Sheila.

"Why a short while?" Phil demanded.

Sheila did not answer. Instead she said: "Will you excuse me, Mrs. Wilmington? I will get into my automobile."

ADVICE TO THE LOVELORN

A Daily Column of Questions and Answers Conducted by a Woman Who Knows. Address your Letters to Mrs. Ellsbury, Care Roseburg News-Review

Dear Mrs. Ellsbury: Before my wife married me, she was engaged to a certain young man of this city who is also a good friend of mine. He has been coming to our house since we were married, with other young people, as a guest and he has been taking us all out riding in his car. I am very jealous of him, although I am sure there is no cause, and would like, if possible to keep him away from the house. Should I make my wife stop inviting him to the house, or should I tell him myself to stay away. You don't have to tell me that this is not the right way to feel, as I know it is not.

JACK.

Ans. It certainly is not the right way to feel, and I think you are very

foolish if you do not try to curb this feeling. It is equivalent to saying that you do not trust your wife. You should realize that she loves you, and is not interested in any one else if she married you. However, if you persist in feeling this way, the best plan would be to tell your wife not to invite him to the house.

Mary Jane—If you have grounds enough to believe that this is true I certainly would advise you to break off the engagement. If you do not care to tell him personally, you could drop him a note, telling him that you are not sure of your own mind, you think it would be wiser to terminate the engagement.

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