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er earned that much before. In my childhood my father paid a man twenty dollars per month and kept a horse for him, putting up with various tribulations in the way of much rapping to town and staying out nights. Careful inquiry among our neighbors revealed the fact that twenty dollars per month is considered a fair price for a young and inexperienced farm-hand, with one dollar per day on working days for a grown man.

"Now two hundred and forty dollars per year doesn't look very attractive to the average youth, even if living is thrown in. The time was when a young man could pay attention to a young lady without much expense but that time is past. Entertainments, suppers, lectures and all forms of amusement have doubled in price, but the wages have remained stationary. And when the young man begins to think of setting up a home of his own, what can he do with the savings of two hundred and forty dollars per year? It is no wonder the sons of former's take to town as soon as they are old enough to work."

### A VERY CLOSE CALL.

The Old Ducky Came Within One of Shooting the Buck.

"Come mighty high killin' a fine buck dis mornin'," said an old negro. "Comin' long through de woods, an er ole buck he jump up, an', bookerty, bookerty, he run off a little ways an' stop sth. Come in one er shootin' him, sah."

"Why didn't you shoot?"  
"Didn't hab my gun wid me, sah."  
"Then how did you come in one of shooting him?"

"Kaze, sah, I come in one o' takin' my gun wid me."

"Why didn't you take your gun?"

"Didn't hab none, sah."

"You are an old idiot!"

"Look heah, doan' 'buse er man dat way when ye ain't got no cause. I ain't got no gun kaze a feller dat I wuz gwine ter buy one from axed me jes' a dollar mo'n I could pay. So I come in one o' gittin' de gun. If I had er got it I would er tuk it 'long wid me, an' if I'd er had it I could er shot de buck easy, sah. So doan' come 'roun' 'busin' er man when de facks is all erin yer. I hab knowed folks to fetch trouble on derselves dat way. Er person oughter be keertful in dis heah worl' o' science and speckerlation. Good mornin', sah. Since yer's acted dis way I wouldenter gin yer none o' de meat ef I had er killed it. Fo' you talked dat way I woulder made yer present o' some o' de buck. See what you got by it, sah!"—Uncle Remus' Home Magazine.

### SIRIUS, THE DOG STAR.

It Gives Out Thirty Times More Light and Heat Than Our Sun.

The dog days are the hottest part of the year, a period which the ancients associated with the hellical rising of Sirius, the dog star—that is, when Sirius and our own sun crossed the meridian at the same time in midsummer. The great heat was supposed to extend from twenty days before the rising of Sirius until twenty days after; hence the total dog days were forty. The Romans dated the period from July 3 to August 11.

The dog days can be no longer identified with the rising of Sirius owing to the effects of precession, the star rising later every year. In time Sirius will cross the meridian in midwinter. At present the dog days are popularly supposed to extend from July 15 to Aug. 15, but are not associated with the star. This is the hottest and most unpleasant period in our latitude.

Sirius, the dog star, may be easily recognized, as he is five times brighter than any other star in our firmament. He gives out thirty times more light and heat than our own sun, but is 25,000 times farther away. He now rises . . . out 10 1/2 degrees south of the east and in our latitude is with us from October to May. In midwinter he is in full view for ten hours every clear night.—Christian Herald.

### WHAT IS DIRT?

How the Question Was Answered by a Professor of Chemistry.

An old college professor used to say to his students: "What is dirt? Don't be afraid of a little dirt, young gentleman. What is dirt? Why, nothing at all offensive when chemically viewed. Rub a little alkali upon that dirty grease spot on your coat, and it undergoes a chemical change and becomes soap. Now rub it with a little water, and it disappears. It is neither grease, soap, water nor dirt."

"That is not a very odorous pile of dirt you observe there. Well, scatter a little gypsum over it, and it is no longer dirty. Everything you call dirt is worthy of your notice as students of chemistry. Analyze it, analyze it: it will all separate into very clear elements."

"Dirt makes corn, corn makes bread and meat, and that makes a very sweet young lady that I saw one of you kissing last night. So, after all, you were kissing dirt, particularly if she whitened her skin with chalk or fuller's earth."

"There is no telling, young gentlemen, what is dirt, though I may say that rubbing such stuff upon the beautiful skin of a young lady is a dirty practice. Nice, pearly face powder is made of bismuth—nothing but dirt."—Exchange.

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### IMPORTANCE OF VACCINATION

Folly in the extreme is shown by the person who refuses to be vaccinated or have his family vaccinated. Elbert Hubbard, of the Philistine, is about the only sane person in the whole world who fight vaccination, and sometimes it is a serious question as to Hubbard's every-day sanity.

Lately there has been more or less smallpox around La Grande and Island City. One case had never been vaccinated and he developed the old fashioned smallpox, proving beyond a question that vaccination, to say the least, dilutes and reduces the severeness of the disease.

Authorities should not waver in their duty to humanity by forcing vaccination in the schools and elsewhere. It is necessary, absolutely necessary. Then let there be no delay.

### SAYS FARMERS WILL HAVE TO PAY THEIR HELP MORE.

A contributor to the current issue of Farm and Fireside, says "at the time is coming when farmers will have to increase the wages of their help. Following is an extract:

"There is one phase of the question that the farmers rarely touch upon in speaking of farm-labor difficulties,

and that is the wage problem. Back as far as 1870 farmers were paying about as much for hired men as they are now, yet nobody ever seems to take into consideration the fact that if better wages were paid young men might be attracted to the farms.

"In my childhood a neighbor of ours who needed a man the year around paid a young capable farmer one dollar per day, furnished him house-heat, fuel, chickens, cow, pig and garden, and considered himself fortunate to have him. That is about as much as the married laborer can get now, and often farmers deduct for holidays and

stormy periods when there is only the feeding on hand. Personally, I know of graduates of agricultural schools being offered only twenty-five dollars and board per month, the same wages paid to untrained and untaught workers. On our own farm a young college student (not an agricultural student, worked last summer for twenty dollars per month and board and was well pleased to get it. To be sure, he was only a boy, and a boy with several fingers off one hand, which rather handicapped him, but he was faithful, honest and intelligent. He set his own price and said he nev-

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