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 leadership of Doctor Klein is now in
 the tropical section of Africa applying
 the remedy. There are records of 170
 Congo natives who have been treated.

Parrot Foils Cops Who Try to Raid Drug Store
 New York.—For weeks a cockatoe
 foiled efforts of police to raid an
 apartment in Chinatown, where it had
 been reported opium was being
 smoked. Whenever a white person ap-
 proached the apartment door, the pol-
 ice say, the cockatoe, in a rage,
 would shriek the Chinese equivalent
 for "police" and the persons inside
 would escape.
 Recently the police rent a small

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DAIRY FACTS
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 hot weather than a good supply of
 ice. In dairy farming it is an invest-
 ment that pays a good return in the
 amount of produce that it saves from
 spoiling. Moreover, ice is winter's
 only crop and it may be had for the
 harvesting.

The icehouse shown is made by the
 use of silo forms. Three doors allow
 the ice to be stored, or removed with
 a small amount of lifting.
 If silo forms are obtainable, it takes
 a surprisingly small amount of material
 to build such an icehouse, and it

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Save Helper Calves.
 Here's a good rule to follow—save
 your helper calves and sell your bull
 calves. If he is a pure bred he is
 worth good money to an older breed-
 er—sell him. But it is different with
 the helpers, give them a chance to
 prove their worth in the milk pail.

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 cent makes better butter than if thin.
 For this reason a better price will be
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 qualify for the advanced registry of
 the breed to which she belongs.

She Played "Absent"

By DOROTHY R. SCOVILLE

In almost every little village there is
 a mystery. Sometimes it is a person,
 sometimes a house. Safety Harbor has
 no exception. It had Mrs. Semple.

After ten months of Mrs. Semple's
 living in Safety Harbor, the town-
 people knew just as much about her
 as when she first came, and they didn't
 know anything about her then.

Bill Crosby, who had the building
 contract for Mrs. Semple's house, didn't
 even know what she looked like. His
 orders came from her lawyers. The
 house was a smallish one, but cozy
 and pretty; away from any neighbors,
 though. Everyone remarked at the
 time the lumber was hauled to the
 spot, what a far away place she had
 taken. But it was a pretty location;
 close to the beach, and nestling in a
 grove of young pines that overlooked
 the harbor and the sound.

The day the house was finished Mrs.
 Semple came. Jim DeCosta drove her
 up, and he told all about her; said she
 was a mighty nice looking woman, but
 she had sad eyes. That was the most
 he had noticed about her—the sad eyes
 part.

The Sunday after she arrived she ap-
 peared in church. She was dressed in
 quiet, dark clothes, but they were nice
 things. She evidently had money.
 Everyone welcomed her, and she
 seemed a friendly kind; but the funny
 part about her was that although she
 smiled with her mouth, her eyes were
 not smiling a bit. They were sad, just
 as Jim DeCosta had said.

Of course that started folks talking,
 and wondering why her eyes were sad,
 but no one had the courage to pry into
 her affairs.

As winter came on the women's clubs
 and societies began to have their
 meetings. Then there was the hospital
 work and the church work. Mrs.
 Semple was invited to everything. She
 was a willing worker, and a generous
 contributor to the funds. But somehow
 she didn't seem to enter heart and soul
 into things. She seemed to be trying
 to forget something—no one could find
 out what. She never spoke of her per-
 sonal affairs. After quite a bit of hint-
 ing, they did find out that her husband
 had died a few years back, of tropical
 fever in South America. He had been
 in some kind of government work
 there. Outside of that, they found out
 nothing.

Then Christmas week came. All the
 societies were busy with baskets for
 the new little hospital, and for the
 Mariners' hospital, and with comfort
 bags for the Seamen's Bethel, Safety
 Harbor being quite a place for ships
 to come in out of the storms that
 rampage outside. Safety Harbor, in
 the younger days, was quite a whaling
 port, anyway, but now most of the old
 houses of the whaling skippers belong
 to summer people.

Mrs. Semple contributed a lot of
 money toward the work the societies
 were doing, but she seemed to do more
 for the Mariners' hospital and the
 Seamen's Bethel than anything else.
 The funny part of it was that she
 would never go near either place.

Sometimes the clubwomen would go
 over to the Bethel, when there were
 some boats in, and would give little
 entertainments for the boys. Mrs.
 Semple would never do anything like
 that. She always had a headache when
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 thing was all trimmed with green and

Crepe paper and bolly. Over in the
 corner was the Christmas tree, loaded
 with the comfort bugs and candy.
 There were about 45 men there—a
 good many young fellows. All the
 chairs were filled and some of the
 fellows were sitting on the magazine
 tables that were pushed back against
 the wall.

There was a little cleared space
 around the piano, and that was where
 all the entertainers sat. Mr. Ward
 said a few words to the men, asking
 them to help out in the singing when
 they were asked, and then the pro-
 gram began. There was a piano solo
 first, by Mrs. Randall. She played
 nicely, too. Then Rose Preston sang
 a solo; she has a lovely voice.

Mrs. Semple was to play her 'cello
 next. She seemed nervous at first, but
 after she began to play she got over
 it. The 'cello made quite a hit among
 the men, so she played again. It
 was that piece, "Absent," that she
 played; it's beautiful, but it's sad,
 too. Everything was as quiet as a
 tomb when she played. It was
 enough to bring tears to anyone's
 eyes, the way she played it.

Right in the middle of it, the door
 opened ever so quietly, and a young
 man came in. He stood there for a
 moment, listening. His face was as
 white as a sheet, and his big, black
 eyes were staring at Mrs. Semple as
 if he saw a ghost. Just then Mrs.
 Semple looked up from her 'cello, and
 caught sight of the boy—he wasn't
 any more than that. She stopped
 playing as quickly as if she had been
 suddenly changed into a wooden
 figure, and her face got white, too,
 and her big, black eyes stared back
 at that boy.

"Dick!" she whispered, with tears
 in her voice.

"Mother!" said the boy, holding
 out his arms and stumbling forward.
 Then everyone began to talk at
 once, and laugh, to hide their tears.
 Mrs. Semple stopped the notes herself.
 With her arm around the boy, she
 told what it all meant. Tears
 glistened on her cheeks, but her voice
 was as happy as any mortal's could
 ever be.

"Oh, everyone! I want you to
 know how happy Dick and I are to-
 night!" she began. Then she told
 how her son had gone to sea on a
 freight boat; there had been a col-
 lision one icy night, with many of the
 crew lost. Her son had been among
 those who were missing. Then her
 son took up the story. He was a
 dark-haired boy, who looked just like
 his mother. Big black eyes, fine
 cut features, and the same low voice.

He had drifted for days in a life-
 boat. When he was picked up his
 memory had died in that terrible ex-
 perience, and since dead men tell no
 tales, there was no one to identify the
 lifeboat and its one living seaman.

In hope of meeting someone who
 knew him, or of going some place he
 would recognize, he went to boat-
 ing. That was the first time he had
 been into Safety Harbor. He was on
 his way to the news store to get a
 newspaper when he had heard the
 'cello playing, and it somehow stirred
 up his memory.

When he heard that favorite piece
 of his, "Absent," his memory began
 to return, and he came into the Bethel,
 where he found his mother.

She said afterward that she never
 had believed her son was dead, even
 after she had looked for him every-
 where and never found him. That was
 why she wanted to be where she could
 watch the ships come in. She said
 she felt that he would come back to
 her.

Faith does a lot sometimes.

How He Answered.
 A man of considerable position and
 importance confessed, with a merry
 twinkle in his eye, to a serious blow
 to his reputation from an unexpected
 quarter.

His small son returned from school
 and confronted his father with the
 question, "Father, what are you?"
 "What am I, my boy? Why do you
 ask?"

"Well, father," was the reply, "Jen-
 kins came up to me in the dinner
 hour and said, 'What's your father?'"
 "And what did you say?" asked his
 father.

"I didn't say anything," answered the
 boy. "I just hit him."—Tit-Bits.

Paying the Chinese Doctor.
 The Chinese pay their doctors to
 keep them well. Much as big busi-
 ness corporations pay lawyers a re-
 tainer fee, the Chinese pay doctors to
 prevent sickness in the family. If a
 Chinese patient becomes ill the pay
 of the doctor stops until the patient
 recovers, when it is resumed. A Chi-
 nese doctor visits a family at certain
 intervals, and by examination prevents
 disease instead of curing it.

Have Plenty of Trunks.
 If one has trunks enough, he can
 always be finding lost and forgotten
 treasures.

Add Another "O."
 Aim rather to be thorough with your
 work than merely to be through with
 it.

CUTTING AIR FRICTION ON TRAINS
 Railroads Reduce Coal Cost by the
 Use of Planes on Their Locomotives.

For many years attempts have been
 made to get rid of a part of the resist-
 ance which a railway train encounters
 in rushing through the air, says the
 Washington Star. It is easy to un-
 derstand that the pressure on the
 front of a swiftly moving locomotive,
 which equals the force of a strong
 gale of wind, can only be overcome
 by an expenditure of energy greater
 than would otherwise be required to
 run the train. If that pressure could
 be removed, or considerably decreased,
 less coal would have to be burned.

Experiments to diminish the pres-
 sure were begun many years ago, and
 in some cases a practical outcome has
 been reached. One plan adopted is
 very simple, and involves inclined
 planes attached to the fore end of the
 engine in such a way that instead of
 a square front it presents to the air
 a sharp prow, like that of a ship.

DAIRY POINTS

Considerable Reduction in Calf Raising Costs

The high cost of raising calves can be considerably reduced by supplementing their expensive ration of milk with other food, says Prof. S. W. Mead, New Jersey State College of Agriculture.

"The supplemental food method of raising calves has been used with considerable success," and while the calves so raised will not be quite as fat and sleek as calves which are raised on the maximum amount of milk, they will, nevertheless, develop into healthy, normal animals.

"Allow the calf to remain with the dam for 48 hours. The first milk or colostrum is laxative in its action and insures the proper action of the bowels for the first few days.

"Take the calf from the cow at the end of 48 hours and feed it from a pail. The amount to be fed depends on the size and vigor of the calf. On the average, three feedings a day, totalling six to eight pounds, are given during the first few days.

"This amount should be increased gradually as long as the calf's appetite remains good and as long as scours do not set in. If the calf does scour, the milk should be taken away for one or two feedings and a dose of castor oil administered.

"By the time the calf is three or four weeks old it should be given all the alfalfa and clover hay it will eat and a good grain mixture. The following has been used with success:

400 pounds of	200 pounds of
corn meal	meal, old pro-
100 pounds of	cess
wheat bran	100 pounds ground

"The more grain and hay the calf eats the less milk will be required. In parts of the country where skim milk is available the calf should be changed gradually at two or three weeks of age from whole milk to skim milk. The amount of skim milk fed, however, should not exceed what would usually be given of whole milk.

"By the time the calf is four months old the milk feeding may be discontinued and the calf raised on grain and hay. But remember, the calves will not look so fat and sleek as those fed milk to a later age, though their ultimate development will be the same."

New Publication Gives Practical Information

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture)

The raising of dairy calves, beginning with the cow before the calf is born and carrying the young stock along to two years of age, is the subject of a recent Farmers' Bulletin, No. 1330, Feeding and Management of Dairy Calves and Young Dairy Stock, now ready for distribution by the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

The new bulletin is full of practical information covering all the essentials in the production of good dairy animals for breeding and milk production. It includes chapters on feeding before birth, weaning the calf, teaching to drink, cleanliness, pasteurization of milk for feeding, quantity and quality of milk fed, frequency of feeding, roughage for calves, grain feed, milk substitutes, quarters, stanchions, prevention of horns, water and salt, marking calves for identification, diseases, and several chapters on the feeding and management of young stock before the calf age.

The bulletin may be had free of charge by writing to the department as long as the supply lasts.

Calves to Develop Well Must Have Sanitary Pens

If calves are to remain healthy and develop perfectly they must not only be correctly fed but must have sanitary quarters when in the stable. Recent investigations have shown that lack of sunlight is a powerful contributory cause of rickets in all young animals. Direct sunshine kills germs and, therefore, lessens the liability to scours and other calfhood ailments. Calf pens are too often dark, damp, dirty and badly ventilated.

Foul bedding is even more common and is equally detrimental.

Dairyman Should Know Every Cow in His Herd

No dairy cow has ever produced her maximum unless her feeder knew her. Knowing her means more than simply calling her by name and reciting the names of her ancestors. It means understanding her every need, desire and condition. By means of a pair of scales, a Babcock testing outfit and a little work, every dairyman could know what each cow in his herd produces, and thus have a sound basis on which to feed and judge the individual merits of each cow in his herd.

Contagious Fowl Cholera Is Easily Distributed

Fowl cholera is a germ disease which is very fatal, says Harry Emberton,