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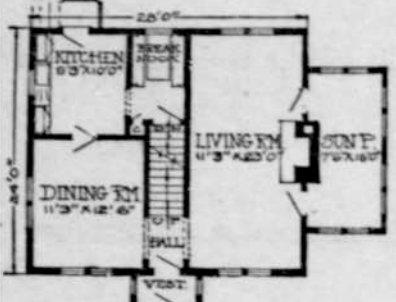
We are sure you will agree that this is a fine example of the colonial design. Don't overlook the floor plan with its center hall and large sun room off the living room. The entrance is one of our best colonial designs.

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There are many variations of the colonial type home, but the one shown in the accompanying illustration is about as near the true colonial as it is possible to get. The only variation from the colonial in this home is the addition of the sun porch at the right. Without this porch this home is exactly the type that will be found in so many New England villages.

This is a two-gable, rectangular house, 28 feet by 24 feet. On the first floor are the living room, dining room



First Floor Plan.

and kitchen, and on the second floor three bedrooms and bath. The entrance door is directly in the center of the house, with the living room at the right of the hall and the dining room at the left. The true colonial

Sound Muffling Now Demanded in Residence

Proper home construction will go a long way toward solving the problem of children and grownups living together comfortably.

This problem occurs in every household of which children are members. When guests are being entertained, the children usually are sent upstairs and are warned to be absolutely still lest the guests be annoyed by the sound of footsteps on the floor above. Even more distressing is the mother's attempt to keep her guests distracted, while water is being drawn for baths or while the plumbing is being flushed in the bathroom overhead.

Even if guests are not present, when father comes home with nerves all on edge from the racket of a day's work in office, store or factory, the children's noise is an unwelcome disturbance. The maxim that children should be seen but not heard often is carried so far that they must be scolded and repressed into quiet.

So for the sake of the kiddies as well as of their elders, sound muffling is becoming part of the standard definition of livability. Up-to-date home-builders now demand quantities of construction which their parents would not have thought of requiring. Thorough insulation is the first of these qualities, and sound deadening is the second.

Wall Paper

In small rooms most people think it necessary to select tiny wall paper patterns, but this is not always wise. Small close patterns with almost no background, shut in a little room, making it seem even smaller than it is. A good-sized pattern in light clear colors, with plenty of light background showing will do much to make a tiny room seem larger. Small scenes with perspective in the drawing are an ideal selection.

Knotty Woods Again Coming Into Favor

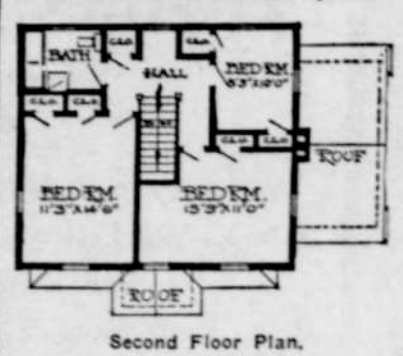
Imitation is a sure sign of appreciation and it is but a short step from the growing admiration for the old-time rooms paneled in knotty pine, to the present day fashion which favors the skillful use of other woods containing charming variations in grain effect.

This may seem to be something of an innovation, for, except in the case of the cedar chests, which are so often seen in bedrooms and halls, are always liberally bespeckled with knots, clear wood had come to be considered essential.

But an inspection of old furniture and the interior trim in rooms of other days, reveals that this has by no means always been the same. In fact, many examples of the use of knotty wood can be found, and when skillfully done, the effects are most interesting. The present tendency to use knotty wood is, therefore, not new.

Supporting and emphasizing this trend of taste are the very real advantages of conservation of wood re-

sources and reduction of construction costs. It is in this angle of the subject that is emphasized by the national committee on wood utilization, which operates in connection with the Federal Department of Commerce. As this committee points out, small, tight knots do not mean defects either in beauty or strength, and the difference in cost between clear grades and those having a few tight knots is as much as 50 per cent.



Second Floor Plan.

place is the sun parlor which is 7 feet 6 inches by 16 feet deep. To the left of the entrance hall is the dining room, the same width as the living room and 12 feet 6 inches deep. At the back is the kitchen, 9 feet 3 inches by 10 feet with a breakfast room adjoining.

Colonial stairs run out of the entrance hall to the second floor. There are three bedrooms, two at the front and one at the back and a bathroom, all opening off the hall.

The house is built of frame set on a concrete foundation with a basement of the dimensions as the house proper. An attractive feature of the home is the entry way which is enclosed. The platform and steps of brick lead to it.

For prospective home builders who want to get the greatest amount of space for their money, this design is good. At the same time there is no more attractive house than the colonial.

Plan Home for Cold Days as Well as Warm

Every home-minded individual should set aside two days for the planning of the home.

If a house is planned on these two days sight will not be lost of the primary purpose of a home.

The first day is the hottest day of summer when rooms resemble ovens and when sleep is next to impossible. The second is the coldest day in winter, when the breath can be seen in the north bedroom and when the coal heap is the only thing that melts. For years we have been paying too much attention to generating heat and too little to keeping it where it belongs.

Only in the last few years have scientists found the solution by applying to buildings the principle of heat insulation around which household refrigerators are built.

It simply consists of placing in the walls and roof of a house a material which is a natural barrier to the passage of heat. In winter the insulation keeps out the cold, in summer it keeps out the heat. In terms of household comfort insulation means uniform temperature throughout the house every day in the year.

Know What You Want Before Starting House

The man who has a definite amount of money he can afford to spend on his home—and no more—should have his mind made up before he starts out on just what he wants and he should also make sure that everything is in the contract. In other words, plans and specifications should be thorough. Changing almost any little thing in a house after the construction has started runs into money. Therefore the wisdom of having a plan made out by an expert in the drawing of specifications and the designing of houses.

For Art's Sake

Picture Dealer—An American offered me \$2,000 for this picture. Customer—I wouldn't offer more than \$5.

Dealer—Take it—we must not let all our old masterpieces go out of the country.—Passing Show.

Who's the Loser? "I was sorry to hear that your bus had run off with your maid."

"Oh, it wasn't so bad. Her time was up this week-end anyway."

Cheerfulness "I told my daughter to be home by ten o'clock."

"Was she cheerful in considering your instructions?"

"More than cheerful. She laughed out loud."

True to Form Wife of Professor—What is the matter—are you drenched? Professor—I had a bath and forgot to take off my clothes.—Lustig Blaetter.

LIFE'S LITTLE JESTS



ONE BY ONE

A second-hand dealer had five wooden figures. He put them together and called them "The Five Senses."

One was sold, so he named the four "The Four Reasons."

Another was sold, so he called the three "The Three Graces."

Another was sold, so he called the two "Adam and Eve."

Another was sold, so he called the remaining one "Deserted."—Vienna Fauu.

WHERE SHE AGREES



"Well, if you're gonna fuss with me all day I'm les going out and take in a movie."

"Well, just you wait a minute."

"Why is there something else you want to say?"

"No! I'm going to the movies with you."

"Stop, Look and Listen!"

Of listeners there are two kinds: There are 'the listeners true, and 'listeners who merely wait until the other's through.

Didn't Recognize It

He and she had just finished a round of golf.

"What do you think of my golf?" asked she.

"I haven't seen you play yet," said he.

"Why, I have just played 18 holes with you!"

"Oh, was that golf?"—Stray Stories

Proof Enough

"If you have no radio now why are you so sure you wouldn't like one?" asked the radio salesman.

"Because," growled his victim, "the people above me, below me and those on each side of me all have them and I'm not going to be tortured any more by having one in our own apartment."

The Tie That Binds

The Bride—Are you sure your marriage service is just as valid as any other?

The Justice of the Peace—More so. Remember, you promised to obey this man, and if you don't I can fine you for contempt of court.

HER REGULAR DOSE



Doctor—"What you need, Mrs. Ittley, is a regular dose of iron. Washerwoman—"Sure an' don't I get a regular dose of the iron every day of me life, doctor?"

Irresistible Intrusion

My Radiol! My Radiol! Yes, all me with delight, the old alarm clock out I throw. And stay awake all night!

Unfortunate

"Miss Elderleigh was a girl who could have married anybody she pleased."

"Then why did she remain single?"

"She didn't please anybody."—Humorist.

The Same Idea

"Bow ties are artistic," said Trent.

"And show a man's natural bent."

"Well, though not artistic," said Boggs, "the same thing is true of bow legs."—Montreal Star.

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An Adventure of the Scarlet Pimpernel

BY THE BARONESS ORCZY

STORY FROM THE START

The Scarlet Pimpernel, known during the French revolution as the most intrepid adventurer in Europe, is an Englishman. At a house party given by Sir Percy Blakeney the latest adventure of the Scarlet Pimpernel, the rescuer of the Tournon-d'Agenays, is being related by Sir Andrew Froukles. The Scarlet Pimpernel is really Sir Percy Blakeney, popular London dandy. The failure of Lauzet, revolutionary chief of the section in which the Scarlet Pimpernel has been operating, to prevent the escape of the Tournon-d'Agenays brings the condemnation of the government upon him.

Chapter II—Continued

"But suppose," he murmured, "they think better of it and allow the diligence to proceed in peace. Or suppose that they are engaged in their nefarious deeds in some other department of France."

"Then," Chauvelin rejoined coolly, "all you'd have to do would be to continue your journey to Paris and set your family down in the Conciergerie, ready to await trial and the inevitable guillotine. No harm will have been done. There'll be a family of traitors less in your district anyway, and you must begin the setting of your comedy all over again. Sooner or later, if you set your trap in the way I have outlined for you, that cursed Scarlet Pimpernel will fall into it. Sooner or later," he reiterated emphatically, "I am sure of it. My only regret is that I don't think of this plan before now. However, there's nothing lost, and all I can do now, my friend, is to wish you success. If you succeed you are a made man. And you will succeed."

Chauvelin concluded, rising and holding out his hand to his colleague, "If you follow my instructions to the last letter."

"You may be sure I'll do that," Lauzet said with earnest emphasis.

And the two sixth hounds shook hands on their project and drank a glass of wine to its success. But before Chauvelin finally took leave of his friend he turned to him with renewed earnestness and solemnity.

"And, above all, my good Lauzet," he said slowly, "remember that in all this your watchword must be 'Silence and discretion.' Breathe but a word of your intentions to a living soul and you are bound to fail. The English spies have their spies, who serve them well. They have a long purse which will alternatively purchase help from their friends and treachery from ours. Breathe not of your project to any living soul, friend Lauzet, or your head will pay the price of your indiscretion."

Lauzet was only too ready to give the required promise, and the two friends then parted on a note of mutual confidence and esteem.

CHAPTER III

Enmeshed

A fortnight later the whole of the little city of Moissac was in a ferment owing to the arrest of one of its most respected tradesmen. Citizen Deszeze, who, anyone would have thought, was absolutely above suspicion, had been put to the indignity of a summary perquisition in his house. He had protested—as was only natural under the circumstances—and in consequence of this moderate protest he had been dragged before the chief of section at Mantes and had to submit to a most rigorous and most humiliating interrogatory. Nay more! He was detained for two whole days, while his invalid wife and pretty little daughter were well-nigh distraught with anxiety.

Then, on the top of that, there followed another perquisition: just as if anyone could suspect the Deszeze family of treason against their country. They certainly had never been hotly in favor of the extreme measures taken by the revolutionary government—such as the execution of the erstwhile king and of Marie Antoinette, of d'Orleans and of France—but Citizen Deszeze had always abstained from politics. He had been wont to say that God, not men, ruled the destinies of countries, and that no doubt what was happening these days in France occurred by the will of God, or they could never occur at all. He for his part was content to sell good vintage wines from Macon or Nuits just as his father had done before him, and his grandfather before that, for the house of Deszeze, wine merchants of Moissac, in the department of Seine et Oise, had been established for three generations and more, and had always

been a pattern of commercial integrity and lofty patriotism.

And now these perquisitions! these detentions! and finally the arrest, not only of good Citizen Deszeze himself but of his invalid wife and pretty little daughter. If one dared, one would protest, call a meeting, anything. It was almost unbelievable, so unexpected was it. What had the Deszeze family done? No one knew. Inquiries at the commissariat of the section elicited no information. There were vague rumors that the poor invalid citizeness had always remained pious. She had been taught piety by her parents, no doubt, and had been brought up in a convent school besides. But what would you? Piety was reckoned a sin these days, and who would dare protest?

The servants at the substantial house inhabited by the Deszeze family were speechless with tears. The perquisitions, and now the arrest, had come as a thunderbolt. And now they were all under orders to quit the house, for it would be shut up and ultimately sold for the benefit of the state. Oh, these were terrible times!

The same tragedy had occurred not far away from Moissac in the case of the Tournon-d'Agenays, whom no one was allowed to call comte and comtesse these days. They, too, had been summarily arrested, and were being dragged to Paris for their trial when, by some unforeseen miracle, they had been rescued and conveyed in safety to England. No one knew how, nor who the gallant rescuers were; but rumors were rife and some were wild.

The superstitious believed in direct divine interference, though they dared not say this openly; and now their hearts they prayed that God might interfere in the same way on behalf of good Citizen Deszeze and his family.

Poor Hector Deszeze himself had not much hope on that score. He was a pious man. It is true, but his piety consisted in resignation to the will of God. Nor would he have cared much if God had only chosen to strike at him; it was the fate of his invalid wife that wrung his heart, and the future of his young daughter that terrified him. He had known the citizen commissary practically all his life. Lauzet was not a bad man, really. Perhaps he had got his head rather turned through his rapid accession from his original situation as packer in the Deszeze house of business, with a bed underneath the counter in the back shop, to that of chief of section in the rural division of the department of Seine et Oise, with an official residence in Mantes, a highly important post, considering its proximity to Paris. But all the same, Lauzet was not a bad man, and must have kept some gratitude in his heart for all the kindness shown to him by the Deszeze family when he was a lad in their employ.

But in spite of every appeal Lauzet remained stone hearted.

"If I did anything for you, citizen, on my own responsibility," he said to Deszeze during the course of an interrogatory, "I should not only lose my position but probably my head into the bargain. I have no ill will toward you, but I am not prepared to take such a risk on your behalf."

"But my poor wife," Deszeze protested, putting his head in his pocket and stooping to appeal to the man who had once been a mental in his pay. "She is almost bedridden now and has not long to live. Could you not exercise some benevolent authority for her sake?"

Lauzet shook his head. "Impossible," he said decisively.

"And my daughter," moaned the distracted father, "my little Madeleine is not yet thirteen. What will be her fate? My God, Lauzet! Have you no bowels of compassion? Have you not got a daughter of your own?"

"I have," Lauzet retorted curtly, "and therefore I have taken special care to keep on the right side of the government and never to express an opinion on anything that is done for the good of the state. And I should advise you, Citizen Deszeze, to do likewise, so that you may earn for yourself and your family some measure of mercy for your transgressions."

And with this grandiloquent phrase Lauzet indicated that the interview was now at an end. He also ordered the prisoner to be taken back to Moissac, and there to be kept in the cell until the following day, when arrangements would be complete for conveying the Deszeze family under escort to Paris.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Base Honor on Cathedral

Although it has only three streets and less than 100 houses, St. David's, England, claims that it is a city because it has a famous cathedral.

Limitless Variety of Nature Seen at Doorway

We are up and away nowadays, speeding fast for change; yet in meadows near my own doorway I have learned more of the limitless variety of nature than I have learned in following marvels very far. The trees that I know best are never twice the same, because of the way of the wind with their leaves, of the sun upon them, of their noonday shivering and their evening shadow. Can the sea with its waves give more of change than a June meadow of long grass, where the wind has its way through a long afternoon? Where can you find beauty that will surpass these green waves, rising, falling, breaking, strewn with blossoms of buttercup, daisy, and red clover? The salt ocean has no such fragrance as that which comes from hay and clover and sweet grass newly shorn. Have you ever watched the winds and tides in fields of wheat and rye, the long golden waves, the swift shadow of bird wings across them, and, just above, against the sky, slow-sailing white clouds that drift and drift in summer seas of dim blue haze?—Margaret Sherwood in "Familiar Ways."

Time Out

Sophomore—Say, what's all this I hear about Coach putting Bull Fuller on the third team? Bull's the stiffest triple-threat man in the conference.

Junior—You mean "was." That job he took last summer as a hod carrier to harden himself just about ruined him.

Sophomore—How'd you mean, "ruined him?"

Junior—Coach says Bull's mind isn't on the play any more. It's on the whistle.

How to Be Well Dressed

To be well dressed, a woman must know the new, and then, with greatest care, select from that what is best and most suitable for her to wear.—Farm and Fireside.

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Rabbits to Help Out

Meat Supply of Russia

The chief officials of the Russian commissariat of agriculture and trade at a meeting in Moscow with the collective farming organizations of the R. S. F. S. R. (Russia proper) have decided to rely on the rabbit to supplement the scarcity of meat that is expected to last for the next few years. The conference appointed a special committee of high officials, who were instructed to produce between 2,000,000 and 3,000,000 "pedigree rabbits" during the present year, and to superintend the construction of state factories for the mass production of canned rabbit flesh, rabbit sausages and rabbit pasties.—San Francisco Chronicle.

You and Me

Little Charles was learning the alphabet.

"Now, this is big U," said his mother, pointing to the capital letter, "and this one beside it is little u. Can you remember that?"

"Oh, ye," the child replied confidently.

The next day his mother pointed to the same letters again.

"Can you tell me this morning what these letters are?" she asked him.

Charles's face beamed with pride as his chubby little finger pointed to the bold letters in his book.

"This," he said, "is big me and this is little me."

Pa in 'Em

Lewis O. Chasey, secretary to Governor Leslie, tells this story:

A visitor at a home heard an unusual commotion in an upstairs room.

"Say, sonny," he said to the youth with him, "what is that terrible noise upstairs? It sounds like the house was falling down."

"Oh, that is just ma dragging pa's pants around," replied the lad.

"Why, dragging a pair of pants around wouldn't make that much noise would it?"

"Yeh, 'cause pa's in 'em," the lad replied.

Her Charm

Lord Blessus—What I admire about your Miss Trimlines is her charming Americaneese.

Mr. Eaglebird—Her Americaneese? They are pretty and dimpled.

A woman isn't necessarily smart because she says things that make other people smart.

Good manners must be made a habit; otherwise you'll slip when you lose your temper.

The more care with which a young man has to save to get married, the more he values marriage.

Millions now use Russ Ball Blue. Makes clothes snowy white. Get the genuine.—Adv.

The trouble with the average man is that he isn't honest with himself.

Lengthened nights shorten days.

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CAN'T PRAISE IT ENOUGH

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Helped Her So Much

Kingston, Mo.—"I have not taken anything but Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for 18 months and I cannot praise it enough. I weighed about 100 pounds and was not able to do any kind of work. My housework was done by my mother and my out-of-doors work was not done. I have taken four bottles of the Vegetable Compound and now I am well and strong and feel fine. I got my sister-in-law to take it after her last baby came and she is stronger now. I cannot praise it enough."—Mrs. HATTIE V. EASTIN, R. 1, Kingston, Missouri.