### A GOOD WORD FOR THE CROW.

#### Despite the Damage He Doss He a Good Scavenger.

In spite of the crow's instinct to feed on the eggs and young of other species (which he shares in common with several other birds), who would really wish to see him quite exterminated, even if it were possible to exterminate so resourceful a follow?

His destruction to crops is certainly fur less than that of the bobolink in the southern rice fields. He is an efficient scavenger, and his destruction of white grubs, cutworms, wireworms and grasshoppers is of great value. Above all, however, his place in our landscape is such that his passing would leave a dreary vold.

Winter or summer we are conscious of him against the sky, against the fields or sentinel on a patriarch pine. In the misty mornings of summer when the sun has not yet rolled up the curtains of cloud from the mountains we hear his voice far off in the woods, rousing us from slumber, and when autumn has come and our sugar groves are a glory of crimson he is still there, his distant call floating down sweetly from the upland woods and testifying in some strange way the height of the peaks beyond.-Harper's Magazine.

## LAY OF THE NIGHTINGALE.

It Stops When the Little Birds Why Come Out of the Shell.

It is generally assumed that a bird sings because he is happy, but science goes deeper for an explanation of the why and wherefore of the bird's song. Nature's optimistic loy in constructive progress is expressed in the singing of the male birds who charm their mates to further their wooing and continue after eggs are laid to encourage the fuifilment of hatching.

The song stops when the little birds come out of the shell. The nightingale for weeks during the period of nest building and hatching charms his mate and human ears near him with the beautiful music of his love song. But as soon as the little nightingales come from the eggs the song changes to a sort of guttural croak, implying anxiety and sense of responsibility.

If the nest and contents were de stroyed the nightingale would at once resume his beautiful song to inspire his mate to help him build another nest and start all over again the loving work of being fruitful and multiplying .-Cincinnati Commercial-Tribune.

#### Economizing Labor.

Two laborers were engaged to deepen a well which had become dry. One of them sent his mate down into the well while he sat at the top and directed the work. He first ordered the other man to "dig a bit on this side," then "dig a little more on that side." until the latter, tired of both the work and the orders, exclaimed, "You sit up there and use your tongue, while I have to do all the work!" "One man here giving directions," said the man at the top, "can do as much as ten men down Thereupon his mate threw there." down his pick and climbed up beside the other man. "What are you doing here?" inquired the latter. "Two men

#### LABOR AND ART CLASHED. Main

#### The Battle Was Rather One Sided and Labor Won the Night.

Among the experiences which Sir Frederick Cowen, the eminent compose er, relates in his book "My Art and My Friends" is the following: Once while conducting in Melbourne a terrible noise of hammering started overhead as soon as the concert began.

"I put down my haton and stopped," writes Sir Frederick; "so did the noise. Thinking it was over, I began again; so did the noise. I then sent a mesmenger with a polite request that the noise should cense. After about ten minutes, during which the hammering grew more and more persistent, the essenger returned, and I said to him; 'Did you give them my message?'

"Yes, sir," "'And what was their answer?"

"They said, "Tell Mr. Cowen we've got our contract to finish by a certain time and we min't going to stop for no oncert or nobody."" "Upon this I turned to the audience

think fore "'Ladies and gentlemen, as you have

saibly noticed, there has been a fight between labor and art. Labor has

won. I am very sorry, and I wish you all good night." "Then I dismissed the orchestra, and there was no concert that evening."

FIRE RISKS ON FARMS.

Safety First Should Be as Much the Rule There as Elsewhere.

A contributor to Farm and Firesid shows how appailing fire risks are on farms. He tells how to reduce some of these fire risks and writes in part as follows:

"The inveterate smoker is about as dangerous as a walking stick of dynamite. It makes me shudder to see a man smoking around the farm buildings. One man I know never will forget the way he was run off the farm

when I caught him smoking a cigarette while stacking hay. "Another dangerous practice of which

the average man is guilty is that of carrying ordinary matches loose in his pockets. He should carry either safety matches or keep the ordinary kind in a metal box.

"On most farms the lantern is still the usual light for working about the buildings after dark. A good way to keep it clean and safe is, first, to take out the burners and clean them by boiling in strong soapsuds. This will keep the ventilating passages of the burner working property. Then wipe

all leaking or spilled oil off the base. "Never set a lantern down. Either hold it or hang it up. Then when it is accidentally struck it will swing instead of upsetting."

#### A Gladatone Anecdote.

Lord Alverstone tells this anecdote f Gladstone in his "Recollections:" "Mr. Gladstone was very much in terested in the Caucasus. I had a friend, Captain X., who had recently come home from that district, and I gave him a letter of introduction to Mr. Gladstone. A few days later I met Mr. Gladstone in Parliament street. He stopped me and said, 'Your friend,

Leather Medals,

Discretion.

with horror-"that little boy next door

just said the awfulest thing."

"Come tell mother, dear."

"Eiste, tell the instantly."

going to tell."-New York Post.

Sound Advice.

Why He Failed.

"He was never in the office."-De-

Gentle Gertrude.

Penelope-Gertrude is a gentle crea

ture, isnt she? Percival-Yes; instead

Liquid

OF

Paste

Saves Work.

Get a Can Today

"Mother"-Elsie's eyes were round

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"How do you mean?"

it.-Youngstown Telegram.

Building in Washington, Our nectooral camitol at Washington is a beautiful and impressive building It fronts cost and stands on a plateau eighty-eight feet above the level of the Potomac. The entire length of the building from north to south is 751 feet 4 Inches, and its greatest dimension from cast to west is 350 feet. The area covered by the building to 153,112

THE NATION'S CAPITOL.

Dimensions of Our Basutiful

square feet. The dome of the original central building was constructed of wood, covored with copper. This was replaced in 1856 by the present structure of cast trop. It was completed in 1865. The entire weight of iron used is \$,000,200 pounds. The dome is crowned by a bronze statue of Freedom, which is 10 feet 6 inches high and weighs 14,085

The height of the dome above the base line of the east front is 287 feet 5 luches. The height from the top of the balustrade of the building is 217 fect 11 inches. The greatest diameter at the base is 135 feet 5 inches. The rotunda is 97 feet 6 inches in diameter and its height from the floor to the top

of the canopy is 180 feet 3 inches. The senate chamber is 113 feet 3 inches in length by 83 feet 3 inches in width and 36 feet in height. The galleries will accommodate 1,000 persons. The representatives' hall is 139 feet in length by 93 feet in width and 36 feet in height.-Philadelphia Press,

# PLANETS AND OUR WEATHER.

Despite Popular Belief There Is No Connection Between Them.

That the planets and the moon have an effect upon the weather on the earth is a common belief. This belief is baseless, for all changes of weather depend upon differences in tempera-

Rainfall is due to the accumulation of water in the atmosphere. This water can accumulate only by being evaporated from the surface of the earth. And evaporation requires heat. Winds also are due to heat-greater warmth In one place than in another causing the air to rush toward where the warm air is rising.

If the moon and the planets could furnish heat they, might affect the weather. But the beat they furnish is to infinitesimally small that it is not enough to change the temperature an appreciable fraction of a degree. The mount of heat they send us has actually been measured, but it needed the most delicately sensitive of instruments to perceive it.

Another proof that neither the planets nor the moon have any effect upon our weather is that careful comparisons of the weather with the positions of the planets and the moon show that there is no relation between them. If there were we should have the same weather when the planets were in the same position, which is not the case.-New York World,

Japan's Good Roads.

Japan is peculiarly well off in respect of good highways. The Tokaido, which runs from Kloto to Tokyo, is over 300 miles in length and, as the Captain X., knows more about the Cau testify, is

# Don't Spend Two Dollars

When you can make \$1.50 buy just as much at our Closing Out Sale as you buy ordinarily for \$2.00.

At the prices we are making, our large stock of Groceries and Crockery is not going to last forever.

To live you are compelled to buy Groceries; to keep clean you have to buy Soap, Dutch Cleanser and Gold Dust. You have to use Tubs, Wash Boards, and Boilers. If you eat you must use Cooking Utensils and Dishes. Make your plans to invest all you can particularly in Groceries and Cooking Utensils and Soaps. It is good business; it is making money when you get such bargains as our Closing Out Sale.

You can figure it out yourself, make your own prices. You all know what most groceries sell for; deduct onefifth from the usual prices anywhere and you arrive at our prices. On Cooking Utensils you may deduct one-fourth; on Aluminum 30 per cent.

# **BONHAM & CURRIER**

Proposals for Street Work | Proposals for Street Work

up here," answered his mate, "can do as much as twenty men down there!"-London Strand.

#### Skiing on the Water.

The ski is recommended as both a life saving device and a pleasure craft, combining safety with novelty. It cannot sink, makes better speed than a swimmer and does not tire the rider as swimming does. It is more practicable for long distances and can go through water where there is a heavy undertow, as it sits so high in the water that it is not caught in the grip of the undercurrent as the legs of the swimmer are. It doesn't take a long time to master, as the surf board does; requires no skill in balancing and sticking on and has the great advantage of being equipped with a motive power, whereas the ordinary surf board must be pushed and paddled out to sea before it can be ridden in.-Outing.

Where Art Ceases.

All art is a matter of nature or life acted upon by man; a part taken out of its accidental surroundings and given artistic form. At either side of the field of true art is a waste place where art ceases to have beauty. And the waste on the one side is reached when the artist becomes so enamored of life that he forgets to interpret, to give artistic form, and only brings forth a photographic image, while the waste on the other side is reached when the artist perfects his form but forgets to put life into it.-Sheldon Cheney.

#### The Outdoor Life.

"The doctor says I don't take enough interest in outdoor pastimes." "Are you going to profit by his suggestion ?

"Yes. I'm going to sit down and read every word on the sporting page." -Washington Star.

#### Cause of the Pessimiam.

Orator-On the surface things are often right, but it is when we explore the depths of things that we see the deceptions of our fellow creatures. One of the Crowd-Guvinor, you've been buying a barrel of apples, haven't you?-London Tit-Bits.

#### The Real Need.

Book Agent-This book will teach you how to economize. The Victim-That's no good to me. What I need is a book to teach me how to live without economizing .- Philadelphia Ledger.

#### The song that nerves a nation's heart is in itself a deed .- Tennyson.

**Deafness Cannot Be Cured** <text><text><text><text><text>

casus than any man I ever met' A structed. There is also the Nakasendo, few minutes afterward I met Captain which is even longer and passes X, in Pall Mall, I said to him, Well, through some of the finest scenery in you have made a great impression, Mr. the world. The reason of Japan's ex-Gladstone.' 'Have IT he said. 'Yes.' cellence in the matter of roads is that I replied. 'He says you know more in the old days, not so very long ago, about the Caucasus than any man be the daimios, or territorial nobles, had ever met.' 'Well,' said Captain X., 'that to journey to Tokyo once a year in oris very strange, for, though I was with der to pay their respects to the sovhim for three-quarters of an hour, I ereign. They traveled by road, with to the provisions of the charter and ordimade only three observations," " great retinues, and if the highways

were not in perfect condition, feudal justice was meted out to the delin-Leather medals were originally conquents.-London Spectator. ferred as a genuine mark of honor.

When King John of France, captured Good Company. at Agincourt, was forced to pay to Ed-As friends and companions, as teachward III, of England a ransom of ers and consolers, as recreators and 3,000,000 gold crowns to effect his re- amusers, books are always with us and lease he was left without precious always ready to respond to our wants. metal for coins or decorations. So he We can take them with us in our wanfound it necessary to pay the paince derings or gather them around us at expenses with leather money. He also our firesides. In the lonely wilderness used leather medals when he wished to and the crowded city their spirit will confer honor on some nobleman. The be with us, giving a meaning to the custom quickly arose of presenting seemingly confused movements of huleather medals as a burlesque distincmanity and peopling the desert with their own bright creations.-John Al-

fred Langford.

Rescued by Nature. "Were you ever lost in the woods?" "Almost."

"Who rescued you?" "Oh, I couldn't possibly tell you; it "Nature." "What do you mean?"

"The wind was blowing so hard that the girl didn't hear me when I pro-Elsie backed toward the door. "I think I'd better run out in the garden posed."-London Standard. and play. I feel it couing on that I'm

Smoked Ceilings. Smoke from a lamp or gas often soils a celling in the one particular spot. "I wish Ingomar to think only of while the rest remains beautifully white. It is useful to know that solled "I would not distract his thoughts ellings crused by inmp and gas will

too much from business, my dear." be rendered less conspicuous if rubbed counseled her mother. "Remember you over with dry whiting. will need a great many expensive things."-- Louisville Courier-Journal. Just What He Meant. "Is the rain still keeping up?" "Why, what d'ye mean? I haven't

"I understand his marriage was seen any rain." "That's what I asked you, if it was "Yes; he tried to run it the way he

still keeping up?"-Exchange. Cheap. "Mrs. Gabby just loves to indulge in cheap talk." "Then let her try a little conversation

on the line between New York and San Francisco."-New York Times. Children of Today.

of whipping the cream she just scolds "If you don't give me a piece of your chocolate. Edith, I'll tell mamma that of the State of Oregon for Multyou are secretly engaged "-Fliegende It belongs to great men to have great Blatter (Munich).



Warranty deeds, Quit Claim Deeds, Realty and Chattel Mort-Off. Lasts gages, Satisfaction of Mortgages, 4 Times as Contracts for Sale of Realty, Bills Long as Others, of Sale, Leases.

Note the lacel on your paper.

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the recorder of the city of St. Johns, until May 25th, 1915, at 8 o'clock Johns until May 25th, 1915, at 8 o'clock p. m. for the improvement of Pittsburg p. m., for the improvement of S. Ivanh street from the north line of Crawford street, from the east line of Burlingto street to the ferry slip, in manner pro- street to the west line of Richmond St. vided by Ordinance Number 660, subject in the manner provided by Ordinance to the provisions of the charter and ordi. No. 661, subject to the provisions of the nances of the city of St. Johns and the Charter and Ordinances of the City of estimate of the city engineer on file. Engineer's estimate is \$4,850.29. neer, on file. Bids must be strictly in accordance with the printed blanks, which will be furnished on application at the office of the recorder of the city of St. Johns. And said improvement must be com-

pleted on or before 60 days from the date of the last publication of this notice. No proposals or bids will be considered unless accompanied by a certified check payable to the order of the mayor of the of St. Johns, certified by a responsible bank for an amount equal to ten per cent. of the aggregate proposal.

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The undersigned administra- Charles Bredeson estate,

tor, in pursuance of an order of Notice is hereby given that the Court, hereby gives notice the undersigned has been apthat he will sell at public sale on pointed administratrix of the es-Thursday, May 27th, at 2 o'clock tate of Charles Bredeson, dep. m., the following described ceased, by the County Court of property, for cash cash: Lots 5 the State of Oregon for Multno-and 6, Block 6, Point View Ad- mah County, and has qualified. dition to the City of St. Johns, All persons having claims against being the property of Anna West- the estate are hereby notified to

hereby reserved. By order of the City Council.

PROBATE

May 7, 14 and 21, 1915.

lund, deceased. The sale will present the same to me or my take place on the premises. attorneys, Geeslin & Sever, 1036 Chas, Lindquist, Admr. Chamber of Commerce building, B. L. Snow, Attorney for Admr. Portland, Oregon, with proper

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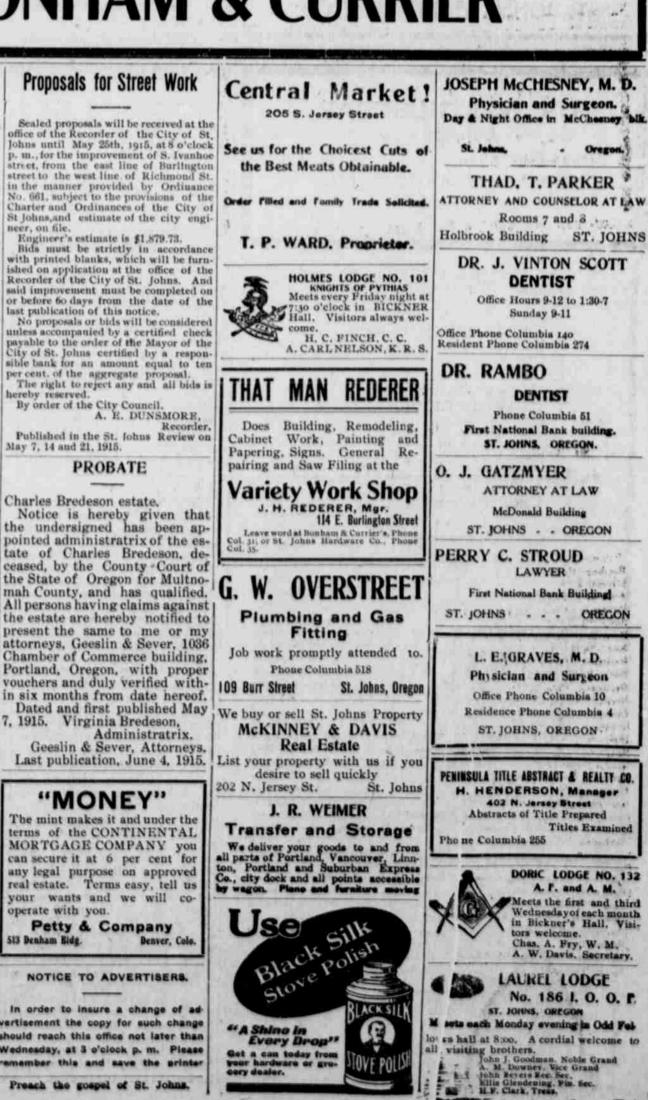
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