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## THE LIVES OF FARM-WOMEN

Some Mere Existences of Ceaseless Drudgery, Utter Hopelessness and Direst Despair.

Sitting at my window lately, says Mary C. Bell in the Oregonian, and idly looking forth at the ever-varying panorama of the street. I noticed a farm wagon standing at a residence gate across the way. On the seat was a woman who patiently—I hoped—held the lines with one hand, while she encircled a heavy, sleeping child with the other arm. The farmer carried samples of fruit from door to door, with an eye to business.

It was slow work. The sun shone down, broiling hot on the woman's defenseless head. She sat bowed forward, looking oh, so tired and dejected! She was "spruced up" for her trip to town, I felt sure. On her hat was a real "plume," which, having lost all its graceful curl, could not stiffly defy wind and weather. The dust of the country road was liberally besprinkled over her apparel, and gave a finishing touch to the forlornness of her looks.

The seat the woman occupied was simply a board with a patchwork quilt. A coop of poultry was in the back of the wagon. Some boxes of vegetables and fruit and baskets of eggs were also there, awaiting disposal. In the midst of these riches of the farm, the woman sat, looking meager, toil-worn and as though she had not a ray of joy in her life.

A "FARM-WOMAN."

Looking pitifully at her, I mentally classed her among the many of her ilk I had known when I also was a "farm-woman," but—trust me!—not an over-worked one.

Those poor, tired souls! Early morning saw them hard at work—cows to milk, breakfast to prepare, washing, ironing, scrubbing, cooking for "hired hands," baby-tending. There was fruit-drying and canning and poultry-raising—all summer long, this eternal, unvarying routine of work. And, besides all this, the garden hoe must be wielded by her skillful hands, else must the table lack of vegetables. When the farmer, assisted by a stout horse, had "broke up"

the garden ground, his duty in that direction was ended.

While the children were too small to assist her, all these duties fell to the woman's share, and hers alone. As the boys grew strong enough for work they were "put at" the plowing, and the multitudinous duties appertaining to the lot of the farm-boy.

The farmer-husband worked, too. But to his aid he summoned machinery of the best, and also the help of the "hired hand" or hands. At evening he rested from his labors, while he discussed—and settled—the political affairs of the country, with the assistance of the hands, and usually all chewed tobacco and spat with emphasis.

Meantime, the good wife was washing the supper dishes, preparing food against an early breakfast, and putting the little ones to bed. Her work was not finished for hours. At last, the kitchen work, being done, she sat down to patch a small pair of trousers or mend the farmer's shirt. And finally, with a sigh of utter weariness she betook herself to bed and forgetfulness—the desideratum of her existence.

Even then she was not safe. If the children were ailing or fretful, it was she who must be "up and down" to attend to their wants. And just as that deep, blissful sleep of early morning came, that might have restored her exhausted forces, she heard the farmer stirring, and his impatient call: "Come! come! it is time breakfast was started; I want to get in a big day's work today!"

"A big day's work!" she thought, hopelessly. When, since the day she married him and came to this farm, had she done other than a "big day's work?"

Never had she known respite, save at the birth of her children. This crisis, that brings only dread in most cases, is really a sort of pleasurable interregnum to a farmer's wife of the above-described type. She can "lay off" from the stress of duties—for a few days, at least, and be ministered to and considered in a manner that soothes her very spirit.

To be continued.

Many persons have had the experience of Mr. Peter Sherman, of North Stratford, N. H., who says, "For years I suffered torture from chronic indigestion, but Kodol Dyspepsia Cure made a well man of me." It digests what you eat and is a certain cure for dyspepsia and every form of stomach trouble. It gives relief at once even in the worst cases, and can't help but do you good. Sold by Clarke & Falk's P. O. Pharmacy.

### Christmas Specials!

White Baked Marble Statuary. . . .



Busts. Figures; singly or in groups; various subjects. Beautiful ware; highly artistic and quite the rage.

75c to \$2.00.

### Wedgewood Novelties.



Placques, Trays, Puff Boxes, Vases, Etc.

50c to \$1.50

### Dolls.—Special values.

15-inch kid-body doll . . . . .25c  
Bisque babies; movable limbs, blonde curls . . . . .10c

### Christmas Specials!

## Special Christmas Offering!

### LADIES' FINE JACKETS at a THIRD OFF!

We start the Christmas shopping season in our Cloak Department today with a general price-reduction of one-third on all our Ladies' Jackets worth ten dollars and over. This is an important announcement and will be readily appreciated by the public.

A. M. Williams & Co.'s fine jackets at a third below regular price—at this season of the year—is an offering that commands the attention of all who desire to be well dressed.

Although Jacket selling has been a big feature of our business this season, there is still a good assortment of styles in all sizes.

### The latest Styles Included



\$10.00 Jackets reduced this week to	\$
12.00	8.00
13.50	9.00
15.00	10.00
18.00	12.00
20.00	13.34
25.00	16.67

### Christmas Specials!

## Our Special 25c Counter

of Gift Things

Is quite an attraction, and well it should be. Here you will find

Photo Frames

In gilt, in white metal, leatherette, etc. valued regularly at from 35c to 50c.

Jap. Woodenware,

Highly enameled in black, and decorated in gold. Card cases, glove boxes, jewel cases, handkerchief boxes, tie boxes, waiters, crumb trays, brushes, etc. etc. worth regularly to \$1 each.

Medallions,

Mounted in fancy gilt frames; oval shapes.

Also Celluloid Back Mirrors.

Placques.

Reproductions of noted paintings by the old masters.

China Puff Boxes

with metal tops.

Fancy Metal Ash Trays,  
Pin Trays, Ink Wells,  
Mustard Jars, Salt Cellars, etc.

## A. M. WILLIAMS & COMPANY

### Brave Men Fall

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run-down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. Listen to J. W. Gardner, Idahoville, Ind. He says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he is all run down, and don't care whether he lives or dies. It did more to give me new strength and good appetite than anything I could take. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50 cents, at Blakeley's drug store. Every bottle guaranteed.

### Dissolution of Partnership.

The partnership heretofore existing between A. M. Stringer and T. S. Kennerly, under the style of The Dalles Distillery Company, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent, A. M. Stringer retiring and T. S. Kennerly continuing the business and paying all debts and collecting all bills.

The Dalles, Dec. 10, 1900.

A. M. STRINGER  
T. S. KENNERLY.

### Played Out.

Dull Headache, Pains in various parts of the body, Sinking at the pit of the stomach, Loss of appetite, Feverishness, Pimples or Sores are all positive evidences of impure blood. No matter how it became so it must be purified in order to obtain good health. Acker's Blood Elixir has never failed to cure Scrofulous or Syphilitic poisons or any other blood diseases. It is certainly a wonderful remedy and we sell every bottle on a positive guarantee. Blakeley, the druggist.

### Card of Thanks.

I desire very earnestly to thank my good neighbors and many friends for their kindness and good treatment towards me during my illness, and especially to Dr. Hugh Logan, whose treatment has been so successful.

MARTIN JARSHA.

Wanted—Men and women of good character and references, to represent an established house, splendid opportunity for advancement. Address P. O. Box 587, Portland, Oregon. nov15-1mo

Help is needed at once when a person's life is in danger. A neglected cough or cold may soon become serious and should be stopped at once. One Minute Cough Cure quickly cures coughs and colds and the worst cases of croup, bronchitis, grippe and other throat and lung troubles. Sold by Clarke & Falk's P. O. Pharmacy.

When the stomach is tired out it must have a rest, but we can't live without food. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure "digests what you eat" so that you can eat all the good food you want while it is restoring the digestive organs to health. It is the only preparation that digests all kinds of food. Sold by Clarke & Falk's P. O. Pharmacy.

Now is the time when croup and lung troubles prove rapidly fatal. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results is one Minute Cough Cure. It is very pleasant to take and can be relied upon to quickly cure coughs, colds and all lung diseases. It will prevent consumption. Sold by Clarke & Falk's P. O. Pharmacy.

Don't use any of the counterfeiters of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Most of them are worthless or liable to cause injury. The original DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is a certain cure for piles, eczema, cuts, burns, sores and skin diseases. Sold by Clarke & Falk's P. O. Pharmacy.

Popular price Lazzell's perfumes for Xmas, 25 cents, 50 cents and \$1. Apply at Donnell's. 10-4

We offer for a limited period the twice-a-week CHRONICLE, price \$1.50, and the Weekly Oregonian, price \$1.50, both papers for \$2 a year. Subscriptions under this offer must be paid in advance. 11

### For Sale.

Wagon, team and harness. Price \$100. Apply to O. NICHOLSON, Dr. Shackelford's bldg., west end Second street.

### For Sale.

A few choice Hereford bull calves eligible for registration. Inquire of n1-4tdw J. L. KELLY, The Dalles.

### Money to Loan.

Five hundred dollars to loan on real estate. No commission. Apply at this office. n21-4tw

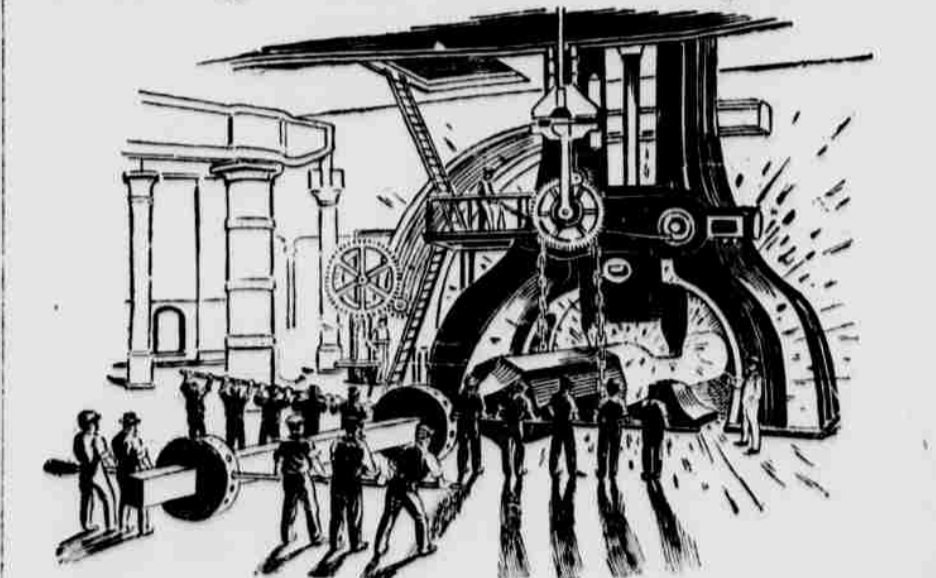
### Livestock Show Closed.

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—The International Livestock Exposition came to an end today with the judging of the merits of different feeds as shown by the carcasses of the animals slaughtered for this purpose Thursday, and the awards to the students of the agricultural colleges on their skill in judging stock. Today was children's day, and the largest crowd of the week was in attendance. "Big Hooker," winner of the grand sweepstakes as the best steer in the stock class, was a failure in the dressed carcass contest today. The decision of the judges on the hoof was entirely reversed. "Hooker's" percentage of tallow was enormous, and he was declared by one of the judges to be a sorry carcass. The

feature of the day was the almost uniform reversals of the decisions of those who judged cattle on foot. One steer not considered ripe enough by the foot judges was adjudged too fat to take a carcass prize by the judges on the hooks.

To remove a troublesome corn or bunion. First soak the corn or bunion in warm water to soften it, then pare it down as closely as possible without drawing blood and apply Chamberlain's Pain Balm twice daily; rubbing it vigorously for five minutes at each application. A corn plaster should be worn for a few days, to protect it from the shoe. As a general liniment for sprains, bruises, lameness and rheumatism, Pain Balm is unequalled. For sale by Blakeley, the druggist.

## Rolling Mill Consumption



Seven out of every ten men who work in rolling mills, iron foundries and glass factories die of consumption. You know how early in life these men pass away. The usual symptom is a rasping, persistent cough—sometimes short and hacking, sometimes hard and dry. The patient grows weaker and thinner day by day. Death eventually conquers. The trouble comes from intense heat and the constant inhaling of the fine particles of dust and iron that fill the air. These particles, under a microscope, show ragged, sharp edges, which tear and mutilate the delicate lining of the throat and lungs. Expectant sores are thus formed, and here it is that the germ of consumption finds a place to feed and multiply. Acker's English Remedy was discovered in England, and is the only cure in the world for Rolling Mill Consumption. It heals up the sores, strengthens the mucous membranes of the breathing organs, permanently stops the cough, builds up the constitution and imparts vigor to the whole system. It must either cure or it costs you nothing. One bottle does wonders. Try it. What it has done for many others it will also do for you and your loved ones.

Sold at 25c, 50c, and \$1 a bottle throughout the United States and Canada; and in England at 1s. 2d., 2s. 3d., 4s. 6d. If you are not satisfied after buying, return the bottle to your druggist, and get your money back.

We authorize the above guarantee, W. H. HOOKER & CO., Proprietors, New York.

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