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GOD WILL SPRINKLE SUNSHINE.

If you should see a fellow man with trouble's flag unfurled... God will sprinkle sunshine in the trail of every cloud.

A THOUSAND ODD.

66 OLD on, Fred! Got something to tell you! Fred Harkins turned, and seeing his special chum Charley Green sprinting toward him...

"That's so!" said Charley, catching up the joke. "Well, come over after you close up, then."

At a glance Fred recognized the well-dressed stranger on the hotel piazza. But something, perhaps the shadows from the flaring lamp, now gave his face a hard and even desperate look.

"Give me change for a five," he said, abruptly. At a glance Fred recognized the well-dressed stranger on the hotel piazza.

"Not for my kind of business, I reckon," answered the man with a harsh laugh. "Come, out with it!"

"This completely staggered Fred. How was he to convince the robber? Perhaps by showing him how small a sum there really was.

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS.

THIS IS THEIR DEPARTMENT OF THE PAPER.

Quaint Sayings and Cute Doings of the Little Folks Everywhere, Gathered and Printed Here for All Our Little Ones to Read.

One pleasant morning many years ago the members of the Balde family took their seats in the big wagon.

Although it was a week-day, all were dressed in their Sunday best. Mother Balde wore a pretty merino gown, short-waisted, scant in the skirt...

"Father Balde's coat was long-tailed and buttoned up tightly; his shirt-bosom was ruffled, and around his neck was wound a black satin stock.

"Give me that rope," said his father. "He's more stunned than hurt, I guess. Lay the revolver on the counter. Now tell me just what has happened."

"Well, he could make somebody else fire it, if 'twas already cocked," persisted Fred. "I know the first thing I saw afterwards was Tom spitting, with his tail as big as two."

"Caught a burglar!" he repeated, in delight. "That's a jolly sight better'n my woodchuck!"

As Mr. Harkins thought, the desperado was more stunned than hurt, the wound proving very slight. When he came to himself they put him, tied hand and foot, into the team and took him over to the county town.

As for Fred himself, he makes a great get of his companion in that stiffling adventure. Charley Greene and he have rigged up a red leather collar with brass bells and have re-named him "Thousand-Odd."

Certain Indians of South America use a certain poison which is called ecal. A grain of it has the effect of starting an irresistible desire for exertion.

The extraordinary unhealthiness of British India is fully detailed in a recent report. In the Surma valley, which is estimated to contain about 2,500,000 people, there were only 75,000 births in 1898, but 84,000 deaths.

An Irish student says the posthumous words of an author are those he writes after he is dead.

TRICKS OF THE TRADE.

Men Do Not Always Get What They Pay For.

At the cigar stand of an uptown hotel last evening a guest asked the dealer for an imported cigar.

"Are these real imported cigars?" asked the purchaser, depositing his quarter on the little change mat.

"If you desire to buy a cigar made by Cuban workmen, and the real imported thing, examine the box for the internal revenue stamps.

"There is a difference in both the smoke and the flavor of a cigar made by Havana workmen and those made at the principal tobacco mar's here.

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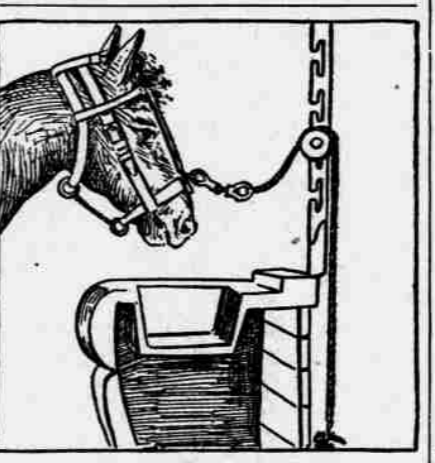
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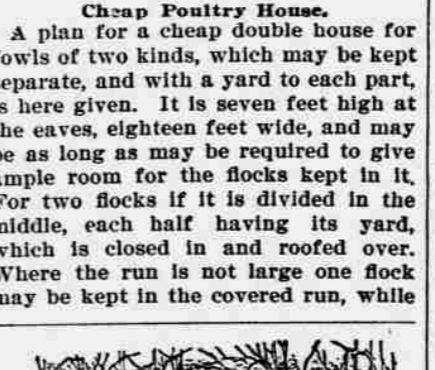
Horse Tie for Stables.

Horsemens will appreciate the value of the device pictured in the accompanying cut, the object of the invention being to reduce to a minimum the liability of getting the animal's feet tangled up in the tethering rope.



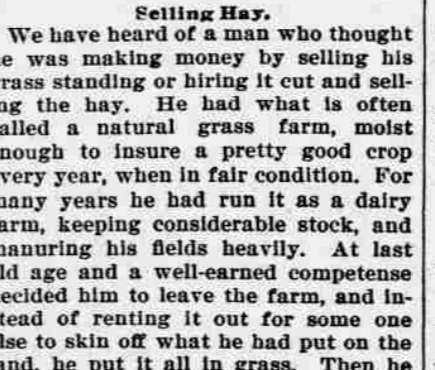
IMPROVED TETHERING DEVICE.

ment for taking up the slack in the rope, without in any way pulling on the halter sufficiently to annoy the animal. The rope is passed through the front of the manger, resting on a pulley, which may be adjusted to any desired height.



A DOUBLE POULTRY HOUSE.

The other is let out. The house is a very cheap one, being built of common strips around the yard, and of rough boards covered with tarred roofing paper well secured by strips nailed down over it.



Selling Hay.

We have heard of a man who thought he was making money by selling his grass standing or hiring it out and selling the hay.

Renewing an Asparagus Bed. An old and run out or neglected asparagus bed can be best improved after the season for cutting is over, by putting on a liberal dressing of manure in June or July and plowing it in, not taking much care to prevent breaking the roots or to save seedling plants.