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offers such as the one above stated. As

A One-Man Saw.

shown in the cut, should be about eight

feet high to admit of having a pendent

sufficiently long to give the required

length of stroke. The weight on the

outer pendent should be just sufficient

to prevent the saw from riding. The

spring from main post to the saw



CORVALIS

you remember the case, Gregson?"

"No more than was necessary for

now," he said. "There is nothing more

Gregson had a stretcher and four

the purpose of our examination."

No. sir."

to be learned."

and carried out.

with mystified eyes.

them?" observed Holmes.

CHAPTER III-Continued.

No. 3 Lauriston Gardens wore an illomened and minatory look. It was one lay all around. of four, which stood back some little way from the street, two being occupied and two empty.

The latter looked out with three tiers of vacant, melancholy windows, which were blank and dreary, save that here and there a "To Let" card had developed like a cataract upon the bleared panes.

A small garden sprinkled over with a scattered eruption of sickly plants There is nothing new under the sun. separated each of these houses from It has all been done before." the street, and was traversed by a narrow pathway, yellowish in color, and consisting apparently of a mixture of clay and gravel.

The whole place was very sloppy far away expression which I have alfrom the rain which had fallen through ready remarked upon. the night. The garden was bounded by a three-foot brick wall with a that one would hardly have guessed fringe of wood rails upon the top, and the minuteness with which it was conagainst this wall was leaning a stal- ducted. Finally, he sniffed the dead wart police constable, surrounded by a small knot of loafers, who craned soles of his patent leather boots. their necks and strained their eyes in the vain hope of catching some glimpse asked. of the proceedings within.

had imagined that Sherlock Holmes would at once have hurried into the house and plunged into a study of the mystery. Nothing appeared to be further from

his intention. With an air of nonchalance, which under the circumstances seemed to me to border upon affectation, he lounged up and down the pavement, and gazed vacantly at houses and the line of railings.

Having finished his scrutiny, he proceedly slowly down the path, or rather down the fringe of grass which flanked the path, keeping his eyes riveted upon palm of his hand. We all gathered the ground.

Twice he stopped and once I saw him smile and heard him utter an ex- plain gold had once adorned the finger clamation of satisfaction. There were of a bride. many marks of footsteps upon the wet. clayey soil, but since the police had Gregson. "Heaven knows, they were been coming and going over it I was complicated enough before! unable to see how my companion could hope to learn anything from it.

Still, I had had such extraordinary evidence of the quickness of his percentive faculties that I had no doubt he could see a great deal which was hidden from me.

At the door of the house we were met by a tall, white-faced, flaxen-haired of London. Gold Albert chain, very panion's hand with effusion.

he said.

"And what does it mean, now that rou have found it?" asked Gregson, in deprecatory tone.

"Mean? Why, it means that the riter was going to put the female name Rachel, but was disturbed before he or she had time to finish. You mar my words, when this case comes to be cleared up you'll find that a woman named Rachel has something to do with it. It's all very well for you to laugh, Mr. Sherlock Holmes. You may be very smart and clever, but the old hound is the best, when all is said and

"You are sure that there is no done. wound?" he asked, pointing to numer-"I really beg your pardon!" said my ous gouts and splashes of blood which companion, who had ruffled the little man's temper by bursting into an ex-"Positive!" cried both detectives. plosion of laughter. "You certainly "Then of course this blood belongs have the credit of being the first of us to a second individual-presumably the murderer, if murder has been comto find out, and, as you say, it bears mitted. It reminds me of the circum every mark of having been written by the other participant in last night's stances attending on the death of Van Jansen, in Utrecht, in the year 34. Do mystery. I have not had time to examine this room yet, but with your permission I shall do so now."

"Read it up-you really should. As he spoke he whipped a tape meas ure and a large, round, magnifying glass from his pocket.

As he spoke his nimble fingers were So engrossed was he with his occuflying here, there and everywhere, pation that he appeared to have for-gotten our presence, for he chattered feeling, pressing, unbuttoning, examining, while his eyes wore the same away to himself under his breath the whole time, keeping up a running fire of exclamations, groans, whistles and So swiftly was the examination made little cries suggestive of encourage-

ment and of hope. As I watched him I was irresistibly reminded of a pure-blooded, wellman's lips and then glanced at the trained fox hound as it dashes backward and forward through the covert, "He has not been moved at all?" he whining in its eagerness, until it comes across the lost scent.

For twenty minutes or more he coning his tape to the walls in an equally incomprehensible manner.

men at hand. At his call they entered the room, and the stranger was lifted In one place he gathered very carefully a little pile of gray dust from the As they raised him a ring tingled floor, and packed it away in an envel-

down and rolled across the floor. Le- ope. Finally he examined with his glass the ground, the sky, the opposite strade grabbed it up and stared at it the word upon the wall, going over every letter of it with the most minute "There's been a woman here," he exactness. cried. "It's a woman's wedding ring." This done, he appeared to be satis-

fied, for he replaced his tape and his He held it out as he spoke, upon the glass in his pocket. "They say that genius is an infinite round him and gazed at it. There could be no doubt that that circle of capacity for taking pains," he remarked, with a smile. "It's a very bad definition, but it does apply to de-

"This complicates matters." said tective work." Gregson and Lestrade had watched still had fruit to eat and that the very "There's some contempt.

nothing to be learned by staring at it. They evidently failed to appreciate What did you find in his pockets?" "We have it all here," said Greg- that Sherlock Holmes' smallest actions son, pointing to a litter of objects upon were all directed toward some definite one of the bottom steps of the stairs. and practical end.

"A gold watch, No. 97,163, by Barraud, "What do you think of it, sir?" they

both asked. "It would be robbing you of the credman, with a notebook in his hand, who rushed forward and wrung my com-sonic device. Gold pin-bulldog's it of the case if I was to presume to head, with rubies as eyes. Russian help you," remarked my friend. "You "It is indeed kind of you to come," leather card case, with cards of Enoch are doing so well now that it would be "I have had everything left J. Drebber, of Cleveland, correspond- a pity for any one to interfere." There ing with the E. J. D. upon the linen. was a world of sarcasm in his voice as "Except that!" my friend answered. No purse, but loose money to the ex-pointing to the pathway. "If a herd tent of seven pounds thirteen. Pock-of buffaloes had passed along, there et edition of Boccaccio's 'Decameron,' tinued, "I shall be happy to give you



A Good Word for the Spider. Following the wave of nature study now passing over our land will come a better understanding of the economy

of nature. We are not only learning to know better the habits of animals, birds and insects, but our eyes are being opened to the effect of one upon the other and God's great plan in it all. How few of us regard the spider, for instance, as other than an enemy. Spiders are ugly to be sure, some of them are even repulsive, but would we not be able to find in them some-

thing not so bad after all, if we stopped to think what they are and what they do. You say, "Oh, they catch flies, of

course." So they do, and flies are microbe carriers, but flies are not their only food. Caterpillars, grasshoppers, locusts, June bugs, mosquitos, moths, and leaf eating beetles are their far, more numerous victims.

The most useful of all our spiders are those that destroy the caterpillars which prey upon the foliage of our shade and fruit trees. Have we not all seen the large, unsightly webs on fruit trees, elms, ailanthus, and maple in Mexico and Arizona. trees? These nests are made by the

tinued his researches, measuring with larvae of different kinds of web worms "You can take him to the mortuary the most exact care the distance be- and each nest is the home of a colony tween marks which were entirely in- of worms that crawl out at night to visible to me, and occasionally apply- devour the surrounding leaves. A single web contains hundreds of worms

> and as the web protects the caterpillars from their bird enemies they would so rapidly increase that the trees would be bare of foliage if it were not that spiders also make these nests their homes and devour the worms in great numbers.

Until I learned of the spider inmates I thought when I saw a tree disfigured with one or more ugly webs that the

next year the increase would have been so great that the tree would be stripped. I discovered my neighbor whose negligence I had so deplored

the maneuvers of their amateur com- trees whose sad fate I had prophesied "You're sure it doesn't simplify panion with considerable curiosity and would often come forth in beauty the next spring and be without a vestige

of a web through the entire season. I the fact, which I had begun to realize, did not know why until a spider showed me.



Rainy-Day Friends. One lonesome day I felt so bad, Because it rained, you see: I couldn't go to see my friends,

God in Angles sang the Strang Bulbiantanya biatanya woves the waves for Britains never will be slain." "Bulbiatanya" has a fine South African twang about it.

Lord Kitchener a Schoolboy. Lord Kitchener received a part of his education at a school about four miles

from Montreux, not far from the point where the Rhone enters the Lake of Geneva. "Grand-Clos," as the school was called, numbered some thirteen boys, and the headmaster was a cler-

gyman of the name of Bennett. They seem to have had an enjoyable time there. A former master of the school, who have studied the silo problem insays the London Express, describes dicates that the circular form is pref-Kitchener at the age of 15. "He was erable. There are, however, many of medium height, broad chested, a square and rectangular silos in successvery model of strength, but not pas- ful operation. Especially is this the sionately addicted to sports. Solitary case with those having rounded corners. in his habits, not chumming especially | Where great strength and large capacwith any of his school fellows, he ity are demanded the frame circular

Where Potatoes Grow.

Humboldt says that at the time of the discovery of America the potato was cultivated in all the temperate parts of South America from Chile up the coast. The Spaniards at first noticed it in Peru. The variety of potato cultivated in Europe and North America grows wild in Chile. Different species of the plant are found growing wild in most parts of South America, and, it is claimed by many botanists,

GIVING TO UNCLE SAM.

Donations that Are Constantly Coming in for the Government.

Among the miscellaneous receipts of the national government are included gifts of money from persons, here and abroad, who desire to "do something" for Uncle Sam. It was recalled on a recent anniversary of the death of Gen. Nathaniel Lyon, who was killed in the

Civil War, at the battle of Wilson's. Creek, that he left by will the most of his property to the United States Gov-

In fact, it is in times of war that people are most stimulated to make gifts. Miss Helen Gould's contribution of one hundred thousand dollars during the war with Spain is well remembered. Among those who gave in smaller amounts was a New York man, who sent one thousand dollars to be used in the secret service, "without any accounting for it." He had read that in former wars such funds, without the ordinary legal restrictions, had been of great service to the detective corps. An Englishman enclosed a postal order for one pound sterling, "as a contribution toward carrying on your war with

clergyman, came half a guinea, which above the other, with a stationary a cloth, so that it may be thin enough he hoped might "furnish a cup of cold ladder placed alongside running to the to work well in the nozzle. And sides, water to some member of the army or top of the silo, as shown in the cut.

love of country, and this is a return

which we can all make, in peace as

well as in war .-- Youth's Companion.

AN OLD DEBT.

Wagner Paid the Reckoning After

Lapse of Fourteen Years.

and rushed into the inn. -

him through the woods.

of May."

so long before.

ten at length.

to get a man to do it.

dressed the hostess, with a smile:

navy.

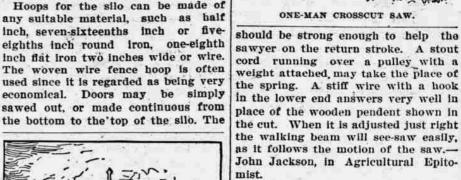


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Circular Form of Silo. The consensus of opinion of those worked quietly and steadily, and silo will best meet the requirements. proved always amenable to discipline." This form of silo can be made quite

durable by plastering the inside with cement. The circular stave silo, owing to its simplicity and economical construction, seems to fully meet the requirements of the farmer. With the form of silo properly erected the waste of silage is reduced to the minimum. Hoops for the silo can be made of

any suitable material, such as half inch, seven-sixteenths inch or fiveeighths inch round iron, one-eighth inch flåt iron two inches wide or wire. The woven wire fence hoop is often used since it is regarded as being very economical. Doors may be simply sawed out, or made continuous from



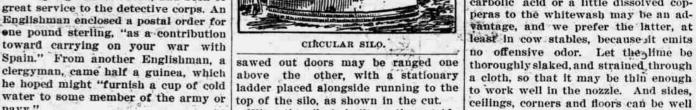


CIRCULAR SILO.

cord running over a pulley with a weight attached, may take the place of the spring. A stiff wire with a hook in the lower end answers very well in place of the wooden pendent shown in the cut. When it is adjusted just right the walking beam will see-saw easily, as it follows the motion of the saw .--John Jackson, in Agricultural Epito-

Aids to Whitewashing.

The use of the fruit-spraying pumps makes easy the task of whitewashing stables, henhouses and cellars, and it is much more effectual than the use of the brush, because by making the stream a little larger and more forcible, which most spraying nozzles admit of, a stream can be sent into cracks and crevices where the brush would not reach. It may not prove as penetrating or as powerful a disinfectant as the gas from burning sulphur and charcoal, but it takes next rank, and can be used where it might not be well to use the sulphuric acid gas, as in cellars under living rooms. If it is to be used as a disinfectant, or as an insect destroyer, the addition of a little carbolic acid or a little dissolved copperas to the whitewash may be an advantage, and we prefer the latter, at least in cow stables, because it emits



of buffaloes had passed along, there et edition of Boccaccio's 'Decameron,' could not be a greater mess. No doubt. however, you had drawn your own conclusions, Gregson, before you permitted this."

"I have had so much to do inside the house," the detective said, evasively. "My colleague, Mr. Lestrade, is here. I had relied upon him to look after this."

Holmes glanced at me and raised his eyebrows sardonically.

"With two such men as yourself and Lestrade upon the ground, there will not be much for a third party to to find out," he said.

Gregson rubbed his hands in a selfsatisfied way.

"I think we have done all that can be done," he answered. "It's a queer case, though, and I knew your taste for such things."

"You did not come here in a cab?" asked Sherlock Holmes.

"No. sir."

"Nor Lestrade?"

"No. sir.'

"Then let us go and look at the

With which inconsequent remark he strode on into the house, followed by Gregson, whose features expressed his astonishment.

him with that subdued feeling at my graph again?" heart which the presence of death inspires.

It was a large, square room, looking all the larger for the absence of all furniture.

Opposite the door was a showy fireplace. On one corner of this was stuck the stump of a red wax candle.

The solitary window was so dirty that the light was hazy and uncertain, manner. giving a dull gray tinge to everything. which was intensified by the thick layer of dust which coated the whole apartment.

All these details I observed afterward. At present my attention was centered upon the single grim, moupon the boards, with vacant, sightless eyes staring up at the discolored ceiling.

It was that of a man about forty three or forty-four years of age, middle-sized, broad shouldered, with crisp, curling black hair, and a short, stubby beard.

His hands were clenched and his arms thrown abroad, while his lower limbs were interlocked as though his death struggle had been a grievous one.

On his rigid face there stood an expression of horror, and, as it seemed to me, of hatred, such as I have never seen upon human features.

This malignant and terrivie contortion, combined with the low forehead, blunt nose, and prognathous jaw, gave the dead man a singularly simious and

ape-like appearance, which was increased by his writhing, unnatural pos-

greeted my companion and myself. "This case will make a stir, sir," he trickled down the wall! That disposes

seen, and I am no chicken."

"There is no clew," said Gregson, 'None at all." chimed in Lestrade.

Sherlock Holmes approached the intently. .

with name of Joseph Stangerson upon any help I can. In the meantime, I the fly leaf. Two letters-one addressed to E. J. Drebber and one to Joseph his name and address?" Stangerson.' "At what address?" "American Exchange, Strand-to be duty now. You will find him at 46

left till called for. They are both from Audley Court, Kensington Park Gate." the Guion Steamship Company, and Holmes took a note of the address. refer to the sailing of their boats from "Come along, doctor," he said; "we Liverpool. It is clear that this unforshall go and look him up. I'll tell you one thing which may help you in the tunate man was about to return to New York. case," he continued, turning to the two "Have you made any inquiries as to detectives. "There has been murder

this man Stangerson? lone, and the murderer was a man. "I did it at once," said Gregson, He was more than six feet high, was have had advertisements sent to all the in the prime of life, had small feet for newspapers, and one of my men has his height, wore coarse, square-toed gone to the American Exchange, but boots, and smoked a Trichinopoly cigar. He came here with his victim

e has not returned yet." "Have you sent to Cleveland?" "We telegraphed this morning." "How did you word your inquiries?" "We simply detailed the circum- all probability the murderer had a flor-

stances, and said that we should be id face, and the finger nails of his glad of any information which could right hand were remarkably long. help us." "You did not ask for particulars on

they may assist you." any point which appeared to you to be crucial?' other with an incredulous smile.

"I asked about Stangerson." "Nothing else? Is there no circum-

stance on which this whole case ap-Holmes walked in and I followed pears to hinge? Will you not tele-

"I have said all I have to say," said German for 'revenge;' so don't lose Gregson, in an offended voice.

Sherlock Holmes chuckled to him- your time looking for Miss Rachel." self, and appeared to be about to make ome remark, when Lestrade, who had been in the front room while we were

holding this conversation in the hall. reappeared upon the scene, rubbing his hands in a pompous and well-satisfied

"Mr. Gregson," he said, "I have just made a discovery of the highest importance, and one which would have lyn the other day, one of the boys prebeen overlooked had I not made a care-

ful examination of the walls." The little man's eyes sparkled as he spoke, and he was evidently in a state tionless figure which lay stretched of suppressed exultation at having scored a point against his colleague. 'Come here," he said, bustling back into the room, the atmosphere of which

felt cleaner since the removal of its ghastly inmate. "Now, stand there!"

He struck a match on his boot and neld it up against the wall. "Look at that!" he said triumphant

I have remarked that the paper had

failen away in parts. In this particular corner of the room a large piece had peeled off, leaving a yellow square of coarse plastering.

"Across this bare space there was scrawled in blood-red letters a single word:

RACHE.

"What do you think of that?" cried the detective, with the air of a showman exhibiting his show. "This was overlooked because it was in the darking Mail. est corner of the room, and no one

Lestrade, lean and ferret-like as thought of looking there. The murever. was standing by the doorway and derer has written it with his or her own blood. See this smear where it has

remarked. "It beats anything I have of the idea of suicide, anyhow. Why was that corner chosen to write it on? I will tell you. See that candle on the mantelpiece. It was lighted at the time, and if it was lighted this corner

darkest portion of the wall."

Nor could they come to me Then mamma said, "I'll make friends should like to speak to the constable With whom you'll like to play;" who found the body. Can you give me

And so she folded paper up A sort of fanlike way. "John Rance," he said. "He is off

She snipped and snipped with scissors then

The paper opened wide, and such a lot of little girls Before me then I spied! They all took hold of hands, like this Just so they wouldn't fall. And I made noses, eyes and mouths (With pencil) for them all.

gave them names, and set them in A row on my footstool; played they were my conmany, My sisters, and my school. n a four-wheeled cab, which was I took them boating in a pan, drawn by a horse with three old shoes And riding on the train; and one new one on his off foreleg. In

We "Ring Round Rosy" played a while, And-I forgot the rain.

We "snapped the whip" and skipped the rope,

And played menagerie, Lestrade and Gregson looked at each And mamma gave us pop-corn balls "If this man was murdered, how was And frosted cake and tea. Oh. dear! 'twas such a lovely time

"Poison," said Sherlock Holmes, The hours just flew away! curtly, and strode off. "One other I really hope 'fore long we'll have thing, Lestrade." he added. turning round at the door; "'Rache' is the -Youth's Companion.



Paper for Invitations.

Up at primry school No. 9 in Brookout their party invitations. One style has the small sheets of heavy white sented a note from his mother, asking paper decorated at the top in colors to be allowed to go home at 2 o'clock. with a little girl and small boy fencing. The teacher looked at him severely. On another are two wee "new women" 'See here," she said, "you've been in bloomers exercising with dumb-bells out a great deal lately, and here you and Indian clubs. Other note paper Now, we bears on the top a scene of tiny sumcan't do things that way. If you are mer belle and her attendant cavalier coming to school I want you to stay on board a yacht. What is known as What do you want to go out "harlequin paper" is decorated with

an elephant in scarlet trousers playing

The elephant played the trombone With his trunk so very long. He played the airs so finely, That never a note was wrong.

Our Patriotic Songs.

How many boys and girls of 12 can write the words of "The Star Spangled Banner" and "America?" We ought to know our patriotic songs as well as we know our multiplication table. In England the other day the Brighton school board examined the children on "Rule Britannia," and the ard Wagner, then a rebel, now amnes-London Chronicle published the work. tied by the king." One boy wrote down as the first line of

the chorus, "Royl Brick Tanner, Brick Tanner rules the Way." Another began, "Rore Britainer." A third thus which Prof. Burt G. Wilder is presi- adjured his country, "Rail Briltanil, dent, has received more than 100 be- Briltanil Ralls the Way," doubtless quests of the brains of highly educated thinking of the Cape to Cairo project. people, as a result of the circulation A fourth, more ambitions, gave a of a unique form of "will and testa- whole verse, thus: "The nations not

still stern to God most all this was the the fool-killer would be the first to hide Chelter and Chelter of the Stall and | if he saw him coming.

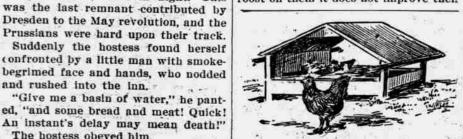
When the silo is built on the outside Two little girls in St. Paul sent to of the barn, a roof is needed. This Washington one dollar and forty cents may be simply a shed roof constructed at about the same time. One man now with plank, or a neat, inexpensive shinsends to the Treasury four times in gle roof, as shown in the cut. every year a present of seventy-two

dollars, the amount of his pension, A Suitable Dust Bath. which he purposes not to retain so long All chickens seem to thoroughly enjoy a dust bath, and its use undoubtedas he holds a Government position. These gifts are small in the aggre ly is a benefit to their plumage, besides gate by comparison with the national ridding them of lice. If the plumage is to be kept clean and bright, especialexpenditure, but they reveal a benevly on birds intended for exhibition pucolent purpose. What the Government desires of all its sons, really more than poses or of white varieties, it is essenmoney gifts, is an earnest and abiding

tial that the dusting place be kept absolutely dry, as otherwise it will soil the plumage and the fine bird on which you may pride yourself will look very dingy.

The roofed box in the sketch will give an idea of how birds may be provided with a dry dust bath in nearly all kinds of weather. Cloths may be tacked across the top ends, with hooks

The little Steiger Inn, near Dresden, The four braces are made of 4x4 has celebrated its centennial, and this, at bottom for stormy weather, if the among other memories, is quoted by box is in a field. Some poultry raisers the Staats-Zeitung as belonging to it. allow their fowls the liberty of the In 1849, on a morning in May, the sheds where the farm machinery is hostess of the inn heard distant firing, housed and here they get a fine dusting and saw armed insurgents running in all sorts of weather, but if the birds along the road, as if in flight. This roost on them it does not improve their



AN ALL-WEATHER DUST BOX.

ooks nor the working of the farm implements. Better keep them out, and "Well, I hope I have credit enough assign them quarters more fitting. The cost of cleaning machinery of hen manure on some farms would build palatial abodes for the hens and make

them a profitable part of the farm .--So the hostess sent her son to guide John G. Knott, in Farm and Houne.

Schemes of the Tree Agent.

Fourteen years after a well-dressed It is really surprising how frequentlittle gentleman presented himself one ly farmers are taken in by tree sharps. day at the door of the inn, and ad-One would suppose that the information concerning tree growth and soils "Good day, Frau Wirthin! I have possessed by all farmers would be sufcome to pay my debts. I have not forficient to make them suspicious of big gotten what you did for me that ninth stories, but it is evident, from the way in which the rogues thrive, that they He then paid for the breakfast eaten find easy victims in the farming communities. One of the latest schemes Now," said he, "that is off my conis for the tree agent to offer to plant an science. Perhaps you would like to acre with trees for \$100 and to care know whom you have trusted so long. for the trees for five years. In addi-Allow me to introduce myself as Richtion he agrees that the firm he represents will buy all the fruit from the

trees at an advance of from 10 to 25 per cent over the ruling market price. It A word to the wise may be sufficient would hardly seem as if any man of in--yet doubtless you have observed that telligence would be taken in by such a most of the letters you receive are writproposition, yet hundreds of dollars are being put in the pockets of these It is easier to get a man to tell you rogues by unsuspecting farmers. There how a thing should be done than it is are many nurserymen in the country who sell their products entirely

sprayed in one-fourth the time needed for the use of the brush. Applied during the hot weather, it does not take long to dry, and two coats can easily be given if one does not look thick enough when dried .- New England ' Homestead.

Handy Hay Derrick.

W. A. Clearweather, of Indiana, sends Iowa Homestead a sketch of a derrick which he has found very handy for building stacks



stuff. The post may be either round or be ten feet high. The pole "a" should square and should be about thirty feet long, so as to make a good-sized stack. It should be made of pretty good timber. White oak is good and seasoned red elm is also very good for this purpose. Have the blacksmith make a fork like that seen at "b" to fasten on the top of the post upon which the pole revolves. An old buggy spindle is a very good thing for putting on this piece. The illustration shows the location of pulleys and the method of adjusting the pole for stacking. In stacking set the derrick to the wind-

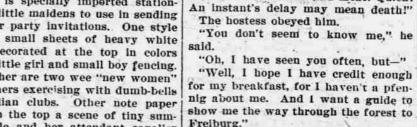
ward of the stack.

Feeding Grain to Steers.

Feeding grain to steers on grass is justified when pastures are short and where these cannot be supplemented with some kind of fodder. Where steers are partly warmed up with grain before being turned to grass it may prove an excellent practice to continue feeding them about one peck per day. By following this practice the animals may be kept going from the first day. Such animals may be marketed earlier than those that are grass fed alone and invariably will command a little higher price. It is generally advisable to grind corn for grass fed steers. Animals on grass alone frequently lose weight during the first weeks after being turned out, so that the time required to make this up is entirely lost. When grain is feed it is a good plan to feed a little roughage, such as timothy or clover hay; during the first week after turning to grass in order to prevent scouring.-Iowa

Homestead. Poultry as Insect Destroyers.

No one who has not made observation in that direction can form any estimate of the large number of insects destroyed by farm poultry in a season. The guinea is constantly at work and carefully searches every square foot of land. In an orchard a flock of active hens, such as Leghorns, will do excelthrough agents, and such men are re- lent service, and they will need but The man who is always calling for liable, but they do not tell improbable little assistance, if any, as they will tories or exhibit wax fruit and claim secure more food than may be supt to be genuine; neither do they make posed



There is specially imported stationery for little maidens to use in sending

(To be continued.) Why He Wanted to Go

have a note to go out again.

"My mother wanted me to go to New a trombone, and below: York," replied the small boy.

"Wouldn't Saturday afternoon do just as well?" "No, ma'am." "Do you have to go at 2 o'clock?" "Yes, ma'am." "Wouldn't half past 2 do as well?" "No, ma'am'.' "Well, what do you have to go nvwav?"

These are only a few indications, but

With which Parthian shot he walked

away leaving the two rivals open

t done?" asked the former.

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"Please, ma'am, my cousin's dead." The expression on the teacher's face was wonderful to behold as she gave the boy permission to go .- New York Even-

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The Cornell Brain Association, of body and kneeling down, examined it would be the brightest instead of the ment," which he drew up and asked so blest has he but still in stern but them to sign.