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A STUDY IN SCARLET

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PART II—Chapter I—Continued.

"Cocks and hens," cried the little girl, gleefully, pointing at their ill-omened forms, and clapping her hands to make them more conspicuous. "Say, did God make this country?"

wilderness than that you should prove to be that little speck of decay which in time corrupts the whole fruit. Will you come with us on these terms?"

CHAPTER II.

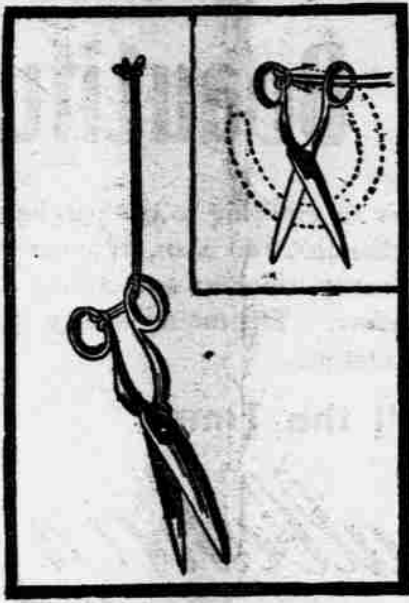
This is not the place to commemorate the trials and privations endured by the immigrant Mormons before they came to their final haven.

CONTENDING FOR A PRINCIPLE.

Good Example of the Quilbes That Prevail in Legal Practice. An English writer gives a good example of those quilbes which prevail in certain minds.

Children's Corner

New Trick with Scissors. Can you fasten a pair of scissors to a wall with a piece of cord and then remove them without breaking or cutting the cord? It seems impossible, yet it can easily be done.



HOW IT IS DONE.

drawn through the right handle and secured to a nail at some distance. Next the noose at the left handle must be drawn through the other handle and so onward until it is between the two blades.

Big Chief and the Chicken. "How! Swap?" "How?" was the Big Chief's way of saying "How do you do?"

Jennie was 7 years old, and lived with her parents in a tiny rough-built stone house one mile north of the line which separates Kansas from the Indian Territory.

Little Lucy Ferrier was borne along pleasantly enough in Elder Stanger's wagon, a retreat which she found to be the most comfortable.

Stranger Meat Dishes. A globe trotter says that in Antwerp and Rome, with lordly meat markets at their disposal, the natives—and not the poverty stricken natives, at that—dine off broiled cat and pick poor swine's bones with a relish.

An Electric Rat-Trap. Electric rat traps are in use in Amsterdam. They are connected by a wire with a supply of electricity.

Too Much Attention. A little sermon which will be appreciated by nurses and doctors was innocently preached by a small girl who little knew the bearing of her tale.

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wonder and fear, for there was the Big rooster's long green feathers stuck in the Big Chief's hat.

"W-h-y-y, you bad man!" said Jennie's mother, pointing to the feather. "Ugh!" said the Big Chief, pointing to Jennie as he gathered up his reins and spurred his pony into a gallop.

Three Little Kittens. Three little kittens, so downy and soft. Were cuddled up by the fire. And two little children were sleeping aloft.

What noise can that be? The mistress said. "Meow, meow!" "I'm afraid a poor little kitty-cat's fallen out of bed!

Good Little Girl. The story is told of a little girl in England who, when rain water was seen to be dangerous, she said she could and then sold it for a cent a bucket.

Little's Jack Horner. No more I'll prod a hornet's nest. I really do not think it best. The creatures don't know how to play.

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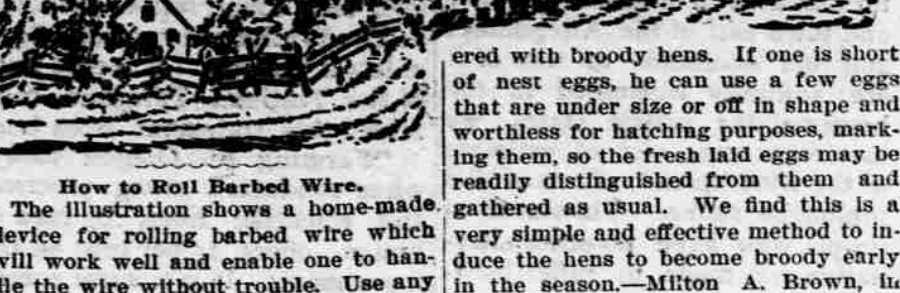
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Never to his dying day does the bereaved Trappist learn that he was praying for his own mother.

FARMS AND FARMERS

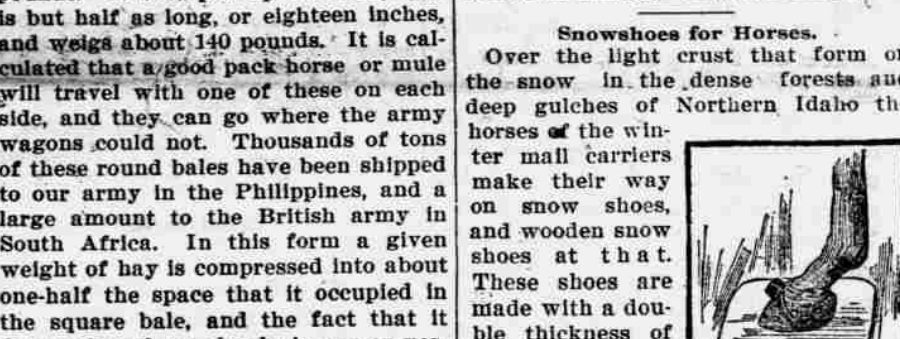


How to Roll Barbed Wire. The illustration shows a home-made device for rolling barbed wire which will work well and enable one to handle the wire without trouble.



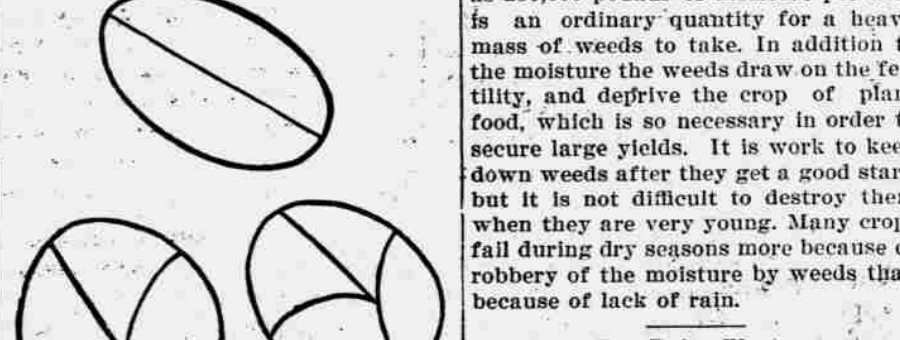
Hay in Round Bales. The cylindrical bale has become very popular for hay and cotton, and many shippers are discarding their old presses to get one that will press it in this form.

Snowshoes for Horses. Over the light crust that form on the snow in the dense forests and deep gulches of Northern Idaho the horses of the winter carriers make their way on snow shoes.



Robbery of Moisture by Weeds. One who is inexperienced, and who has made no experiments in that direction, can form no estimate of the quantity of water taken from the soil by weeds.

Cutting Potatoes for Seed. Here are some outline drawings showing how to cut potatoes for seed. In the first case the potato is cut in two pieces; in the second and third, in three and four respectively.



POTATOES CUT FOR SEED. The half won. The other half of the battle may be won by proper spraying and tillage.

Alfalfa on Sandy Soil. The claim that alfalfa will not thrive on sandy soil is not borne out by experiment. Col. B. W. Richards, secretary of the Laurel Hill Cemetery Company, who has a farm at Hammononton, N. J., has grown alfalfa for several years, and on a plot consisting of white sand.

In Favor of Sheep. It is sometimes asserted that cattle and sheep require the same amount of feed per 1,000 pounds of live weight, according to Prof. Curtis. This statement seems not to be well founded.

To Secure Broody Hens. We often hear people complain of the scarcity of sitting hens. When we are short of sitters we place four or five extra nest eggs in several nests, and in a very few days usually find them cov-