## BOWSER'S HENS.

He Almost Trades His House For a Chicken Farm.

BUT THE MRS. OBJECTS TO IT.

And After Much Discussion the Happy Family Decide to Settle Their Differences in the Divorce Court-Mr. Bowser Reneges.

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when he came home to dinner.

"Why, I saw a man peeking and peering from the outside, but he didn't "More dragging me down-morecome in." replied Mrs. Bowser. "Perhaps he hadn't the time to see

the interior." building a house like ours?"

"I hardly think so." "Just wanted to peek and peer, eh?"

"Perhaps." When Mr. Bowser got ready to ex- right, however. I'm tired of city life plain why Farmer Cavendish was and shall hall the change. It will also snooping around the neighborhood he be a great thing for your backaches would do so, but not until then, and it and shivers. And think of us standing was no use to ask questions. It was together in our back door of a morning half an hour after dinner when he said: and seeing the sun rise! Why, that "Mrs. Bowser, on one or two occa- alone will be worth"-

sions we have discussed the subject of starting a chicken farm." "Yes; I remember." "I had a chance to make a small for-

not make a dollar."

tune, but you discouraged me." "I simply showed you why you could "You mean you juggled figures on



"I BAW A MAN PERRING ABOUND."

have about made an exchange with Farmer Cavendish. He takes this house, and I take his farm." "And you start your chicken farm?"

"Exactly." "When do we go?"

"Not until next spring. That will give me lots of time to read up on "Well. I'm not going to say a word

to discourage you."

Bowser's Bargain.

"You couldn't if you tried, I have been over the figures time and again, and I know just what I can do with poultry. I have also had a banker verify my figures. I can make thousands of dollars a year right off the reel." "That will be uice. You have the

figures with you, I suppose." 'I have." "Well, you have the name of being

a very shrewd man, and I am glad to hear that you feel you have at last struck a big thing. The outdoor life will be a great thing for you. Will you let me look over your figures?" "You want to pick them to pieces, as you did before."

"But how can any one pick a bank er's figures to pieces?"

"That's so-that's so," said Mr. Bowser, with a sigh of relief. "Well, here they are, and you can look them over." After about five minutes' study Mrs. Bowser asked:

"What does Mr. Cavendish leave on the farm?" "Why, nothing at all," was the reply.

"Not even a pig nor a farm implement?" "I-I guess not. You see, I'm going to make a chicken farm of it, and why

should be leave anything?" "You will have to have at least one

horse, won't you?" "Oh, certainly,"

"And a cow and a pig?"

"Yea."

"Are you going to buy all the feed for them and your hens to boot or raise it?"

"Raise it, of course," replied Mr Bowser, looking a little startled. "Then you must have a plow, a drag.

boes, shovels, seeds, rakes and a hired man. If you simply buy what is eaten It is going to cost a lot of money." "There you go, finding fault already."

"It's simply a matter of business. There is an outlay to be figured on here. It involves several hundred dollars a year. You must see that."

Opposition. I knew you would!"

"No opposition at all, Mr. Bowser, again.-Boston Transcript. I see you propose to start out with

"I do, and I figure on 180 eggs a

"If you get ten dozen a day it will be a big average. Very few bens lay every day. You can put your income at \$2.50 a day for a long time."

"Why, brotlers will bring me in at least \$10 a day," he shouted.

chickens hatched, and it takes weeks any other magazine before the Ameri

walked about the room.

You'll have to have a carpenter at work for one year's subscription.

for many days." "Hear her go on! Just bear her!"

"You can't possibly attend to the many things connected with poultry held in Adventist church Sunday, De raising, but must hire a boy at least. cember 8, at 11 a.m. Subject of less Have you figured on his wages and son-sermon, "God, the Only Cause an Have you figured on his wages and board? Mr. Bowser could not utter a word in

"You must have a one horse wagon to drive to and from the market. What

will such a vehicle cost? How far did you say the Cavendish farm is from a shipping point?"

"Four hundred million miles!" shricked the chicken man in his agony. "I see," said Mrs. Bowser, in the same calm and even way. "that you

figure on buying 200 hens at 25 cents each. Please tell me who has hens to AS there a farmer named part with at that price. You'll be lucky Cavendish here this after to get the scrubblest kind at that fignoon to look over the ure. The farmer can kill them and get house?" asked Mr. Bowser double the money. Good layers will Without Pain;" with apologies to cost you at least 75 cents each."

The Family Jar.

"I'm sorry If you think so, but it Servant in the House." seems we ought to figure close on an "Was Mr. Cavendish thinking of enterprise like this. The way it looks to me you'll want several thousand dollars in cash to get a start, and then the eggs and brollers may possibly pay for the feed and hired help. It's all

"Woman," interrupted Mr. Bowser in tense tones, "you have a lawyer?"

"So have I."

a divorce without publicity." "But why not have publicity-lots of than heretofore.

publicity?" she asked. "If you are going to start a ben farm you want all the advertising you can get. It will \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* be worth \$500 to your scheme to have + BUSINESS LOCALS the papers come out with: 'We understand that Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bowser have sought the divorce court because they could not agree as to bow many eggs a speckled hen should lay In a week, working only union hours. 30 words or less, \$1 per month if Any banker in the country could have paid in advance. No advertisement given them the exact number."

Mr. Bowser choked and gasped and went back on him, and he walked down the hall and out of the house. Where he went no one knows, but he came sneaking in at midnight, and ten minutes after he struck the bed he was muttering in his sleep:

"Two hundred hens! "Five bundred broilers! "Twenty dozen eggs a day! "Mrs. Bowser must go!"

A Resentful Man. "I see that your wife's father and mother are living with you now."

"The old gentleman has permanently retired from business, has he?" "Retired? That's hardly the name for it. He has been kicked out."

and his wife in their old age?" "Not a cent. I'll have to support

them the rest of their lives." "Well, it's lucky that you are able to

"It may be lucky enough, but there's one thing that makes me mighty sore

whenever I think of it."

"What's that?" asked me, when I told him I wanted or call Observer office. to marry his daughter, if I thought I would be able to support her in the style to which she had been accustomed."-Chicago Record-Herald.

The "Gentler" Sex. Woman is a creature of moodgenerally the imperative mood .-

New York Times. 

Manliness.

"Mac, I bear ye waas courtin' bonny Kate Macpherson," said Donald to an acquaintance one morning.

"but I found ott she had nae siller, so street. I said to myself, 'Mac, be a man.' And I was a man, and noo I pass her by wi' silent contempt."-Christian Reg-

Blessed Are the Pacemakers. The Village Grocer-What are you

running for, sonny? The Boy-I'm tryin' to keep two fellers from fightin'.

The Village Grocer-Who are the fellows?

The Boy-Bill Perkins and met-Puck.

Previous Engagement. "Jack, mon. I'll play ye a roon o' gowf on the links the morn."

"The morn?" (doubtfully). "Aye, the morn." "Weel, I'll play ye. But I had intended getting married the norn."-

Fun Magazine

Good Material. Jack-Now that your engagement is broken are you going to make Bianche send back your letters? Harry-You "I see that you are opposing me, as bet I am I worked hard thinking out those letters. They're worth using

Taylorsburg, Ohio,-Abe Skinner the village pessimist, laughed himself "I see, you are going in for incu-bators. Just count on raising half the chickens hatched and it takes weaks and weeks for a chick to become a can public today. It is a magazine that broller. Meanwhile you can figure on will keep the whole family in a good the gapes taking off about a fifth of humor. The staff of Biff contains the greatest artists, caricaturists, critics "I knew she would—I knew she and editors on the continent. It is would?" exclaimed Mr. Bowser as he colors. It will keep the whole family "Mr. Cavendish has no ben farm and afford to spend 50c a year to do this. therefore has no coops or wire fencing. Send this clipping and 50c today to What are you going to do about 'em? The Biff Publishing Co., Dayton, Ohio, 12-10

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# PEOPLE'S ELECTRIC PAGE

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**Experiment With Great** 

subject, "Brotherhood," as taught in spring he started, side by side, in his hothouse two beds of chysanthemums, Electricity Wins in Washing Race.

Roses and carnations similarly elec-

A garden situated in the greenhouse yard and given the "Electrical

per cent for cucumbers.

cept that the one with the poorer qual- Five pretty girls, operating electric ity of plants was subjected to electri- motor driven washing machines and cal current passed along insulated wringers, raced against six ladies of tric Motor will do. wires forming a netting four feet pronounced color who used ordinary above the ground and connected with wash tubs, wash boards and wringers. an Electric Iron next present day in-

The plants in the electrically treated and while the machines automatically Slay Utterly."

space, despite their handicap at the washed the clothes, the girls spent enouga electric current for doing much housework and cooking without any housework and cooking without any All are cordially invited to these growth, and at maturity they were ting with the visitors. The colored increase in your monthly bill. found to be much hardier and the women worked their hardest to win Each Sunday morning the pastor loss sustained in transferring them to the \$100 offered if they succeeded in iron with anything except an Electric sewing machinuc when Electricity will gives a ten-minute sermon to the pots for sale was much less because accomplishing one-half as much as Iron, the strength and time saver.

age and ultimate loss of plants. trifled showed remarkable growth and washed one-third as many clothes as yield about four times as great in had their adversaries with the motor | 4 20 minutes. the same length of time as could be driven machines. obtained by the former methods of the vast difference between antiquated

Other investigators interested in the application of electricity to agricul-Success He Says

ture have determined that the electrified process stimulates the growth and brings to earlier maturity, cereals, fruits and vegetables. Their statistics show in some cases an increase in quantity of 36 per cent for strawberrand the growth of plants. Early one per cent for communities and 30 per cent for communities.

One pint small oysters, one cup to cream or milk, one tablespoon to flour. Make the cream sauce, the Bring oysters to a boil in their the less than one minute.

Raise a large passenger electrons and the growth of plants. Early one per cent for tomatoes and 30 to the sauce, Fill patty shells and serve the minute.

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one filled with choice and promising in a clothes washing contest at a plants, the other with weaklings- recent electrical show in Chicago, ing. gleanings from the first lot. The two electricity won the race against hand second time to get you an Electric beds were treated exactly alike, ex-

a galvanized iron wire imbedded in By a simple turn of the switches the girls started the electric motors,

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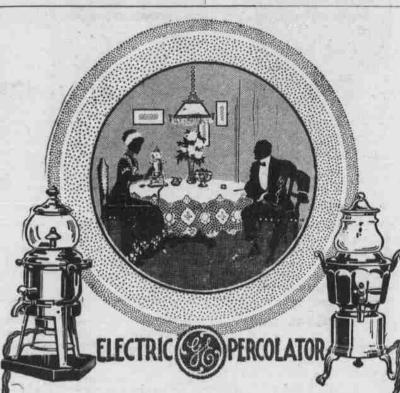
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pert testifies the signature to a note a railroad to Crescent City. upposed to have been given Samuel

sum involved is \$2500.

found guilty of murder in the second degree at St. Helens this week. He starts for the pen today.

Sectarian lines were pretty gener-

ally laid aside all over the state in Lieutenant to Captain in the regular celebrating Thanksgiving. Grants Pass is discussing the pro-W. H. Williams, hand writing ex- osition to vote \$200,000 bonds to build

McLain, now dead, is a forgery. The of McMinnville, grew 232 potatoes from one vine, in his city lot; the

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