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ROMANCE OF A SHOVEL.

An Idea That Won a Fortune For a Railway Laborer.

The simplest labor saving device may quite possibly be worth a fortune. One day a good many years ago a number of men were at work on the roadbed of a line of railway in course of construction between Birmingham and Manchester. They were cutting through a hill and moving the material by loosening it with picks, shoveling it into barrows and wheeling it away. The shovels they were using were known as Irish shovels, with a square cornered blade about fifteen inches long. The work progressed but slowly, and the subcontractor in charge rebuked his workmen for not making quicker progress. One of them replied that if he would grind off the corners of the shovels it would be easier to get them into the earth, and, consequently, they would be able to work more quickly.

The contractor ridiculed the idea, which he considered a piece of insolence on the part of the workman, but the navy was quite in earnest and not easily discouraged. When the work was completed he discussed the matter with a friend of his at Sheffield, who persuaded an ironmonger he knew to make a dozen or so as an experiment. The tools were offered to a large contractor, who promised to let some of his men use the new shovels and report results. About a week afterward the contractor returned with the information that his men were fairly quarreling as to who should use the new tools, some arriving to work a quarter of an hour before time in order to be there first when the tool box was opened. The navy's suggestion had proved a good one. A patent was secured and an agreement made between the navy, the manufacturer and the contractor. When the navy died he left a fortune of over \$25,000, the proceeds from royalties on the manufacture of shovels under his patent.—Pearson's Weekly.

DEATHBED SCENES.

And the Question of Prolonging Life to Its Utmost Limit.

Even the lengthening of a man's life by a day may make death easier by giving him the opportunity of soothing a guilty conscience, of signing a will, of redressing an injustice, of healing a breach of friendship, the memory of which might inhibit another life, of saying farewell to a son or daughter who had come in haste from a great distance. Any one who has seen deathbeds knows how anxieties of this sort may darken the last hours and how their removal may reconcile the sufferer to death. It seems to us that this talk of the right to die and the wrong doing of doctors in seeking to prolong a life that is hanging by a thread springs from the unwholesome sentimentalism and the inevitable accompaniment of selfishness which are among the unhappy notes of the present time.

To the older writers the death agony was the final struggle of the soul leaving the body, and by a confusion of thought due to the acquired meaning of the word it has come to be generally believed that the parting of the spiritual from the material part of man is painful. Those whose lot it has been to stand at many deathbeds know that this is not the case. Sir William Osler says that he has careful records of about 600 deathbeds, studied particularly with reference to the modes of dying and the sensations of the dying. Of these ninety suffered bodily pain or distress of one sort or another, eleven showed mental apprehension, two positive terror, one expressed spiritual exaltation, one bitter remorse. The great majority gave no sign one way or the other.—British Medical Journal.

Chinese Criminal Law.

Curiously like the Moslem and Roman customs, the fixed laws of China are carved in stone and set up in the streets. Chinese criminal law, which is founded on the "Chau Kung," or ritual of Chau, is based upon the accused confessing, and no punishment can ensue until this is brought about. Before the confession is accepted they are offered all the samchua they desire to drink, and in most cases they are allowed to choose whether they will ride in a ricksha or be carried in a sedan.—J. S. Thomson's "The Chinese."

Severing Old Ties.

Willie was sent out by his mother to the woodshed to saw and split some stove wood out of a pile of old railroad ties. Going outdoors shortly after, she found the youth sitting on the sawhorse with his head bowed down in his hands. She asked her hopeful why he didn't keep at his work.

"My dear mother," he replied with much feeling, "I find it so hard, so very hard, to sever old ties."—Lippincott's.

Plenty of Purpose.

"I have here a poem."
"Is it a poem of any serious purpose?" Inquired the editor of the High-Frow Magazine.

"It is, sir. It was written to pay my board bill with."—Kansas City Journal.

Humility.

If thou wouldst find much favor and peace with God and man be very low in thine own eyes. Forgive thyself little and others much.—Archbishop Leighton.

His Protest.

Mrs. Benham—Before you married me you said that I was a queen. Benham—Well, I no longer believe in a monarchical form of government.—Chicago News.

If you are looking for a cosy modern home close to Coquille this is it. Owner must sell. Price is so low and Oh well what's the use of reading, just call on the Coos Collection Co. and they will tell you all about the three acres of fine cleared land and running water in house, good sidewalk etc.

TIMELY HINTS FOR FARMERS

Winter Feed For Fowls.

From now on all the feed the fowls get must be provided for them. They will need grain food, green food and animal food. The grain food is easily procurable, provided you have the price. For green food lay in a supply of second growth clover hay or alfalfa. When scalded this is almost as good as green clover, and the birds are fond of it. The problem of supplying animal food is easily solved. Buy a green bone cutter, get bones from the butcher and grind them up. If you cannot afford the bone cutter get the bones and boil them, making a soup wherewith to moisten and mash feed. Then cut up the bones with an ax or a maul. In addition to the above, supply grit, charcoal and clean water, and four hens ought to lay all winter.—Kansas Farmer.

The Early Laying Pullets.

It would be a good idea to watch the early hatched pullets and mark those that lay the earliest. The pullets that lay first and longest are ideal breeders from which to establish a prolific laying strain. Keep all such pullets and in the hatching season give their eggs to some good brood hen and keep the strongest of the chicks. When they have reached maturity it must be remembered that the males as well as the females come from a laying strain. In mating them the following year cull out all the poor layers and in a few years you will have a strain of heavy layers that will be a source of pleasure and profit to you. It is only by selection of the best and the elimination of the poorest that the different strains of poultry can be improved.

The Farm Buildings.

The progressive farmer is always building or improving his buildings. He may not increase his equipment beyond the proper limits of his business, but he is constantly on the look-out for some profitable improvement. For a man of this kind the more permanent building materials always have an interest.

Successful Dairying.

Some people have an idea that the only way to make dairying profitable is to have every possible contrivance that one can think of. This is hardly right or just. Many a man has been a successful dairyman with a limited equipment.

The Winter Cow.

Fall and winter is the great harvest time for butter fat. To be sure it costs a little more to produce it at this time, but the price is so much better that there is no question as to the advisability of the winter cow.

CLEAN AND OIL THE FARM HARNESS

Neglect In This Matter Results In Serious Loss.

If any farmer will stand at a large milk receiving depot or other point where farmers' teams assemble he will probably be struck to note how few of the horses have clean, well kept harness. The harness in many cases looks as if it had never been cleaned for months. Considering the rise in the prices of all good harness and the cheapness of good harness composition and oil, it is a good investment to buy a small stock of these preparations and apply to the harness once a week.

A single set of harness can be oiled over with a brush in half an hour. It is not necessary to open up all the buckles every time as the oil can be well worked in with the brush. By doing this the harness is always in a soft, pliable condition and can be easily altered for different horses in a few minutes instead of having to wrestle with dry, hard straps in buckles and having the leather cracking in many places. By going over the harness every week small repairs can be detected and made before they go too far. Any man who uses a knife to make a hole in harness should be made to buy a new strap or keep the leather punch handy.—Rural New Yorker.

Making Sugar Cured Ham.

The following recipe for the making of sugar cured ham has been used for fifteen years by W. C. Hutchison, until recently president of the Missouri state board of agriculture: To 100 pounds of meat use 40 pounds of common salt, 10 pounds Orleans sugar, 4 pounds black pepper, 3 pounds saltpeter and half a pound of cayenne pepper. Mix thoroughly, then rub half the mixture on the meat, let it lay for two weeks, then rub on the remainder, after which let it lay for four weeks, then hang and smoke. Later wrap in newspapers, sack and hang in a cool, dark place.

Avoid Musty Grain.

There is no economy in feeding musty grain of any kind to the chickens, even if it can be had for a quarter of the price of good grain. The fowls will eat it if other food is withheld, but it is not good for them.

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THE PAUSE AT DINNER.

Grim Story of an Englishman's Banishment to Egypt.

How completely in any domestic emergency the master can count on his Berber servants is illustrated by this grim anecdote from Mrs. E. L. Butcher's book, "Egypt as We Knew It." An Englishman of very high rank in the Egyptian service wished to give in his own house a dinner party to the prime minister and other Egyptian and English notables. He was a bachelor and did not often entertain, but he spoke to his servants and told them that he particularly wished the dinner to be successful.

The Egyptian, or, rather, Berber, servant has a quick sense for the honor of "our house," as every good servant calls his master's abode. So the servants bestirred themselves, and the guests sat down to an excellent dinner beautifully served.

Good fish succeeded good soup, and then there was a pause. The host talked his best, but began to feel nervous. However, after a delay hardly long enough to attract the notice of the guests the even procession of dishes began again, and the evening was most successful.

After the guests had departed the host said a word of praise to his head servant and then remarked:

"By the way, there was rather a long wait after the fish. Why was that?"

"May it please your excellency, the cook died of cholera."

"What?"

But investigation put the fact beyond a doubt. The cook, attacked at the last moment, but anxious for the honor of the house, had worked on till he fell dead at his post, and his body had been then hastily laid aside, and the marmite finished the cooking.

I learned this story after the Englishman had left the country. I never heard that any of the guests suffered or even knew what had happened.

FEAT OF A MACGREGOR.

Wonderful Physical Strength That Was Used to Climb a Rope.

Sir William MacGregor was the hero of such an adventure as one expects ordinarily to read about only in fiction of a certain hue.

The steamship Syria, with a lot of Indian coolies on board, struck on a rock about twelve hours from Suva, the capital of Fiji.

Dr. MacGregor, then acting colonial secretary, organized a relief expedition, clambered over a broken mast that was the only path to the emigrants and again and again returned with a man or woman on his back and sometimes a child, held by its clothes between his teeth.

A man of vast physical strength, MacGregor wanted it all for his final feat. Down below on the reef was a woman who had fallen overboard, and got at the spirits and was mad with drink. The captain of the ship and a police officer who had gone after her were being swept out to sea. MacGregor slid down a rope, caught the knot of the woman's hair in his teeth and with his hands seized the two men and dragged them both into safety.

He went back to Suva in a borrowed suit of pajamas, having left all his clothes and a good deal of his skin on the coral reef.

Modest, like many heroes, MacGregor left himself out of his own report, and it was from the governor that the queen first heard the whole story.—London Graphic.

The Name of Arizona.

Arizona, probably Ariconic in its original form, was the native and probably Pima name of the place—of a hill, valley, stream or some other local feature—just south of the modern boundary, in the mountains still so called, on the headwaters of the stream flowing past Saric, where the famous Pinalchas de Plata mine was discovered in the middle of the eighteenth century, the name being first known to the Spaniards in that connection and being applied to the mining camp or real de minas. The aboriginal meaning of the term is not known. The name should probably be written and pronounced Arizona, as our English sound of z does not occur in Spanish.—H. H. Bancroft, "History of the Pacific States."

Charles Reade as He Ate.

One of the strangest men in regard to his diet was Charles Reade. Writing about his meals at the Garrick club, one of his friends placed one of his menus on record: "He took a cauliflower, flanked by a jug of cream, as first course and a great salad to follow, washed down by curious drinks of the shandy-gaff order. He would drink coffee associated with sweets, black pudding and toasted cheese to the amazement of any onlooker."

A Comfortable Roll.

There is a Philadelphia sporting man who is famous for the roll he always carries. Another man said to him one night:

"I suppose in strange hotels you always put your roll under your pillow, eh?"

"No; oh, no," said the sporting man. "I couldn't sleep with my head so high."—Exchange.

He Moved Away.

There was a merchant in our town who was not wondrous wise; he vowed that he could get along and never advertise. His rivals now are all convinced that advertising pays, for he was forced to get along in less than ninety days.—Chicago Journal.

Happiness and misery are the names of two extremes, the utmost bounds whereof we know not.—Locke.

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