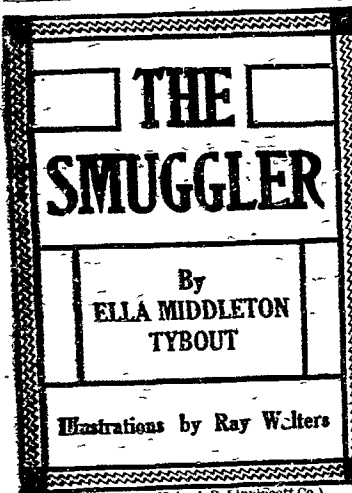


SERIAL STORY



Illustrations by Ray Walters

Three girls - Elizabeth, Gabrielle and Elise - started for Canada to spend the summer there. On board the steamer they were frightened by an apparently demented stranger...

CHAPTER VIII.—Continued.

I could not think of anything to say, for at critical moments my vocabulary always proves inadequate, so I merely took her hand and stroked it gently.

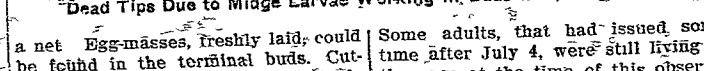
we interfere with a fellow-creature in his effort to preserve life, since the life he took could not be restored by his capture. But my last thought that night was of Lady Edith and the look in her brown eyes as she held the little key.

It was rather a dangerous theory, I thought, although as I looked at Mr. Graham's ruddy face and heard his careless laugh I quite understood that he would generally live up to what he said. And I had a quick recollection, too, of the package Elizabeth had opened; was that caused by a sudden impulse, I wondered, and had he extracted his full measure of satisfaction out of it?

DESTRUCTIVE WORK OF THE CATALPA MIDGE

Insect Attacks Buds and Ends of Branches Causing Crooked, Irregular Growth—By H. A. Gossard, M. S., Entomologist, Ohio.

Three distinct forms of injury are chargeable to the larvae of the catalpa midge: 1. To the leaves, causing a form of leaf spot. 2. To the terminal buds and ends of the branches. 3. To the seeds in the pods.



Some adults, that had issued some time after July 4, were still lying in the cage at the time of this observation. The average life of the fly is probably from three to four days to a week or ten days.

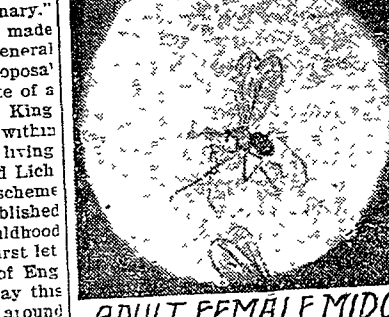
Three or four pounds of haint scattered under a tree over a circle approximating that of the spread of the limbs will in all probability destroy the larvae in the soil as well as stimulate the tree.



EGGS OF THE MIDGE



LARVAE OF THE MIDGE



ADULT FEMALE MIDGE

Stages in Development of Midge—Much Enlarged Adult Midge, Being About One-Sixteenth of an Inch Long.

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If in early spring, the leaves, grass and trash beneath the trees are raked together from a wide circle around the trunks and burned, and these cleared circles are then drenched with kerosene emulsion.

While methods of planting probably have little or no effect on the multiplication of the midge, it seems to have a direct relation to correction or injuries caused by the midge.

Take Care of Horse's Feet.—No foot no horse, is an old saying and one that should appeal to every man who owns a horse.

from three to four weeks. While most of the larvae descended into the sand to pupate, some did not, but transformed wherever they happened to be.

A POSER. Mrs. Whim—You needn't say woman has no mechanical genius. I can do anything on earth with only a hair-pen. Mr. Whim—Well, sharpen this lead-pencil with it. Apparatus to Empty Canal Boats.

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Christmas in Foreign Climes



ENRICO DE MAISON



CHRISTMAS ON A GERMAN MAN OF WAR



THE WEINCHTSMAN IN GERMANY



TREE FOR CHILD MODELS IN PARIS

IF AN American, who had not seen much of the world, should awake on Christmas morn while a German, French, English, Italian, Swiss or Danish Christmas celebration was in progress in his vicinity, he would imagine himself within the exclusive confines of a home for the mentally incompetent.

The American Christmas is a matter-of-fact festive occasion. People begin buying presents a week before; they present them Christmas morning and the next day return to work, the entire affair forgotten until the following brings the season around again.

Not so in the countries across the water. They observe every tradition in the mother lands; they plan for weeks and the festivities which mark the birth of Jesus Christ are carried on for a week or more. The Christmas tree in Germany is allowed to remain decorated far into the next year, extending over a period of several months.

Unique ceremonies grace the Danish, French, Swiss and Scotch Christmas celebrations and that which the Teutons foster have been handed down from ages. In Mexico one of the treasured customs is the breaking of the Pinata, a tradition being connected with the little ceremony which ushers in Christmas day. A queerly constructed effigy of a woman is hung up in a corner of a room and a child blindfolded, armed with a stick, proceeds to dislodge the old woman from her position close to the ceiling. When the feat is accomplished the presents contained under the covering of the dress of the figure are distributed.

The beauty of that little game is the uncertainty attending the possibility of the woman being dislodged and second, the uncertainty as to whether the less favored of the family circle will draw any presents from the treasure store beneath the skirts of the woman.

Christmas, of course, is observed only in Christian countries, but some heathen, in fact, nearly all of them, have one day or another on which to receive and send presents to their friends and others who are not friends. In countries ruled by absolute monarchies, the rulers are sometimes afraid to open their gift receptacles for the reason that oftentimes treacherous persons inclose fancy little bombs not marked in the invoice. Of course such undesirable persons do not have any more Christmases to celebrate, affairs being arranged in that manner if they are caught.

While the Christmas idea is practically the same in most countries of the globe which observe the day, there is a great variety of presents and a certain nation's desire for gifts made in wide variance to that which the next door neighbor believes in. Germans as a rule give the children presents, most of which are made in this country, while Americans are always particular about buying the babies toys marked "made in Germany."

is taken into consideration by some persons. The young man, probably, was sorry for the abrupt termination of his friendship with the young lady; but perhaps it was for the best. That was his version of it, anyhow.

Most English speaking nations celebrate Christmas just as we Americans do, but each has its little self-made variation. In Italy they celebrate with a grand dance, as a rule, and they take great pains to be attired in gaudy raiment. The Danish are very deliberate about their Christmas festivities and great fetes and gifts are the order of the day. The Swiss are fervent in their worship of the Saviour on that day and the little children dressed for gala affairs parade the streets in order that their parents may look at them and compare them with the "kids next door."

Many persons who have read much history and who have been able to persuade themselves that the present century is all wrong as to the date of the birth of Christ, are skeptical as to whether we should observe the sacred day when we do. Estimates as to when Christ was born extend clear from June to January 26.

Prior to the fourth century Christmas was not observed on December 25, for there was no period of uniformity in observing the day among the early churches. The skeptical persons who have studied the thing from end to end say that on December 25 it rained in Judea and then attention is called to the Biblical statement that shepherds were watching their flocks when Christ was born. Now how could they watch their flocks when it was raining? is the argument of the unbelievers that December 25 is the correct day of feast.

proportion to population is the largest national distributor of gifts. There are many concerns in Germany, England and France which confine themselves exclusively to the manufacture of gifts such as are exchanged only during the celebration of the birth of Christ. Besides being a holiday which should be devoted to worship of Jesus Christ, it is a day which is looked forward to by merchants as a big source of profit.

In other countries, as in America, there are many small Christmas tragedies enacted because of the dislike which some folks take to gifts and because of the thoughtlessness of others in omitting some of their friends. Some make it a rule, and advertise it well, that they have decided to confine gifts to the immediate family circle, so that none will take offense if they receive no gifts from their hitherto cherished friends. Of course the ones who are notified of the change in the routine are careful to scratch off the names of the friends who have eliminated them so that when Christmas comes there is no needless embarrassment.

The poets once sang: "It is not the gift, but the spirit of the giver," and also "Don't look a gift horse in the mouth." There are dozens of little Christmaslike axioms of that kind which are used and misused toward the end of the year. That first saying has been cleverly shifted about in this manner: "It is not the gift, but the price which the giver putteth into the gift."

The proper Christmas spirit as told from the pulpit is far from that which many follow out in selecting presents. Mother countries exhibit less interest in costly gifts than does America. Travelers in countries of the old world have been surprised at the great number of Christmas presents which are home-manufactured. Several weeks before the glad event, the families sit themselves down in their rooms and start, secretly, work upon the Christmas gifts. In the country districts of certain parts of America this custom is still retained.

Long a Temperance Worker.
"Mother" Stewart, who died recently, was 92 years old. She devoted her life to the temperance cause. Mrs. Stewart established the first W. C. T. U. in Ohio at Osborn in 1873. In 1876 she visited England and organized the first W. C. T. U. in that country. Following the civil war she lectured extensively in the southern states on behalf of the war sufferers.

Five years ago "Mother" Stewart became interested in the teaching of Alexander Dowie and visited Zion City where she remained one year, since which time she lived with friends at Hicksville. Until five years ago she resided in Springfield, O., where she led in many temperance crusades. Scarcely a woman in America could boast of the praise from pulpit and press like "Mother" Stewart.

CONSTITUTIONAL OBJECTION.



Mrs. Thrifty—Well, if you're thirsty I'll give you a glass of water to drink.
Weary Willy—I dare not touch water, mum. I've got an iron constitution and it might rust it.

Bessie's Task.
"Mamma," said little Bessie, at table one noon, "I'm to write something to read at school next Friday, but I've forgotten what the teacher called it."
"An essay, perhaps," suggested Bessie's father.
"An oration," offered the little maid's high-school brother, teasingly.
"A valedictory," prompted a senior sister.
"No," said Bessie, suddenly brightening. "I remember now what it is—it's an imposition."

She Spoke Too Quick.
Mr. Crimsontalk—I see by this paper that women are barred from the island of Ferdinand de Norouha, belonging to Brazil.
Mrs. Crimsontalk—That's like the selfish men! Don't want the women to have any privileges!
"I forgot to say, dear, that the island is only used for convicts!"

The Mistral.
The mistral is a cold northwest wind which does much damage at certain seasons in France and Italy. From the close of autumn to the beginning of spring, it is especially violent. It dries up the soil and causes dangerous storms on the Mediterranean sea.

A Natural Cause.
"I think," said the smart child, reflectively, "that Hungary must be the most human like of all the nations."
"Why so, my child?" asked the fond papa.
"Because," the smart child answered, "it is governed by its D-et."

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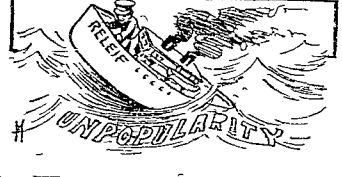
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Washington Whisperings

Interesting Bits of News Gathered at the National Capital.

Naval Officers Experts in Diplomacy



UNPOPULARITY
WHEN it comes to diplomatic maneuvering to accomplish their designs the officers of the navy can give pointers to the Russians and the Japanese. As an instance the case of the hospital ship Relief may be cited. It will be remembered that last winter President Roosevelt made an order that the Relief should be commanded by a medical officer. The men at the navy department were amazed that a doctor should be given command of a vessel, but there was no appeal from Mr. Roosevelt's order. The Relief was detailed to accompany the fleet on its trip around the world. Letters from men who are with the fleet have been received here telling of the sad experiences of the hospital ship and her commander. In describing these experiences one writer prefaced his letter as follows: "The Relief is the most unpopular institution in the navy. There is no exception. The Relief has everything else beaten."

The story is that the Relief has been burdened with woe ever since the cruise began, and that every officer of the navy, except the doctors, is tickled to death that this is so. The fine officers who didn't approve having a doctor as their commander have found many ways, the story goes, of making life miserable to the men in charge of the hospital ship. Of course the suggestion of a service conspiracy to this end would be resented and could not be proven, but there is a sub rosa intimation that something very like a cabal has been formed with the purpose of proving how much a doctor doesn't know about running a ship. Whenever the fleet has been the Relief has usually limped along behind the procession. She has had trouble getting supplies, getting coal, getting consideration of all kinds. It always just happened this way and nobody in particular was to blame. It is hinted that when the fleet returns suggestions will be made in many quarters that the cruise has demonstrated that nobody is competent to manage a war vessel who is not an accredited officer of the navy. In other words, that the experience of the Relief, with a medical officer in command, has been a hopeless failure.

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Sees Great Future For Siberia.
More than 500,000 persons emigrated from European Russia to Siberia in 1907. Vice-Consul Chandler of Dalny reports, and of this record-breaking number fewer than ever before returned to their homes. Every colonist arriving in Siberia receives 37 acres of land free, paying no taxes the first three years and only half the regular taxes the next three.
Siberia imports \$10,000,000 worth of goods by caravan from China annually, almost entirely tea, while Siberia exports to China only \$750,000 worth of articles annually, and many of these originate in European Russia.

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Unthinking and Unfair Criticism.

Criticism by the farmers' clubs of the state fair management and by inflection of President Postal, is so patently unfair...

What are these facts? Four years ago the state fair of Detroit was not in existence. There was no money on hand to bring it into existence...

Anti-Fat Diet. Fresh fish broiled or broiled chicken, game, lamb or mutton, lean beef and veal...

Now is the time to buy your trimmed hats at reduced prices of the Misses McHugh.

Many ills come from impure blood. Can't have pure blood with faulty digestion, lazy liver and sluggish bowels...

GIFTS GALORE.

Low Prices on Holiday Goods at the Library Tea Co., Detroit. For useful and ornamental articles for holiday presents...

School Notes.

The Fifth grade has a Santa Claus calendar. The Fourth grade pupils are learning "America." The Seventh grade room is trimmed very prettily in holiday.

Strive for Enlightenment.

As with nations, so with individuals—education counts. Enlightenment brings men to the front...

Disappearance of the Eland.

Among the rapidly disappearing wild animals is the eland or Cape elk, which is a native of South Africa and one of the largest antelopes...

ALL TIRED OUT.

Hundreds More in Northville in the Same Plight. Tired all the time. Weary and worn out night and day. Back aches; side aches...

Irish Wit.

An Irishman who was trying to sell his horse was asked by the possible purchaser if the animal was timid. "Not at all, at all, soir. He sleeps in a dark stable all alone every night, which is the same as saying soir, that he's a brave fellow," replied the Irishman. And he sold the horse.

Women Fishermen.

On the coast of Holland, Belgium and Northern France the fisherwomen are a familiar sight, with their great hand nets and quaint costumes. Many of the towns have distinctive costumes by which their women can be recognized anywhere...

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Starting tomorrow, the 19th, for the five days until Christmas the heavy vote will be cast. Look to the buying end contestants as now is the time to swell your total. We have decided to aid you in this by putting on sale a coupon book, good for \$5.00 in trade, at our store any time during the year 1909.

Grand Special Sale of Toilet Sets, Etc.--Four Days Only

December 21-22-23-24. These are strictly holiday goods and make the most serviceable of Christmas Presents. Prices will be lower than ever before.

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D. T. B. HENRY, PHYSICIAN AND Surgeon. Office and residence 31 Main street. D. T. H. TURNER, HOMOEOPATHIC Physician and Surgeon. Office next door west of Park House on Main street...

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Wayne.

At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Wayne held at the Probate Court Room in the City of Detroit on the seventh day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and eight... EDGAR O. DURFEE, Judge of Probate ERVIN R. PALMER, Probate Clerk

C. C. Yerkes, Attorney, Northville.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Circuit Court for the County of Wayne. In Chancery. SARANTHA M. GROVES vs. AUGUSTUS C. GROVES. Sub pending in the Circuit Court for the county of Wayne in chancery at Detroit on the 18th day of November A. D. 1908...

MORTGAGE SALE.

Defiant having been made in the contents of a certain mortgage made by John Fullford of Birmingham, Oakland County, Michigan, to Robert Bird of Port Huron, Michigan, dated the 13th day of April 1881 and recorded in the office of the register of deeds for the county of Wayne and state of Michigan on the 7th day of May A. D. 1881...



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NORTHVILLE.

The City in Brief.

P. E. White is still very low.

Warren Stowe is very ill at his home on Rogers street.

Give the Record your Christmas visitors early next week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bert Snyder Thursday, Dec. 10, a daughter.

Regular meeting of Orient Chapter, O. E. S., this (Friday) evening.

Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Terrill entertained eleven friends at dinner Thursday.

Schrader Bros. have more furniture suggestions for Christmas in their ad this week.

A. K. Dolph has just had electric lights installed in his house on Randolph street.

Record correspondents should get their items in the fore part of next week on account of Christmas.

Gorton is offering clothing at reduced figures in this week's ad previous to moving into larger quarters.

Ed McFarlin and Frank Willis had a two round fist encounter Saturday night in which Willis came off the victor.

Frank Taylor, Harlan Roberts and L. L. Brooks have been drawn as jurors for the January term of the circuit court.

N. E. Bogart, who has rented his farm on the base line, has purchased Mrs. Beulah Thompson's house and lot on north Center street.

Mrs. A. B. Smith entertained about twenty couples last evening as a surprise perpetration upon her husband. It proved a very enjoyable affair.

In the issue of the Record of Jan. 1 will appear a story by Captain Dickson, entitled, "The Iron Pot—Still a Mystery." Be sure you read it. It's very fascinating.

Regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. next Monday afternoon in the Baptist church parlors. Roll call, "Merry Christmas Thoughts." Let everyone come with a merry thought.

Invitations are out announcing the wedding of Miss Grace E. Yerkas of this place to Mr. Ross B. Dusenbury of Mt. Pleasant, to take place at the home of the bride's parents in this village, Dec. 29.

Gardner sells a one pound box of our chocolates for 25c for advertising purposes.

Ten pages this week to take care of our advertisers.

First sleighing of the season yesterday morning.

Mrs. S. J. Lawrence is slowly recovering from her recent illness.

The Record would make your friend an excellent Christmas present.

Little Ralph White has been suffering with an abscess on his neck the past week.

If you wish a good paying investment just read what our advertisers say this week.

The "500" club was delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. Angie Hueston Wednesday evening.

The old corner bank building that Wm Gorton will soon vacate, would make a fine up town D. U. R. waiting room.

Our calendars will be ready for distribution Dec. 28. It must be remembered that calendars will not be given out to children.

Mrs. Melissa Dingman has been seriously ill at her home on Randolph street requiring the services of Miss Emeine Lapham, the nurse, the past week. She is on the gain now.

The Winter Night club will meet this evening and debate the question, "Resolved that the present tendency toward socialism should be viewed with alarm." There will be no meeting of the club next week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hills entertained about a dozen little people Monday afternoon in honor of their little son, Reginald's, sixth birthday. The youngsters had a great time playing games, etc., after which a delat lunch was served.

A special Communication of Northville Lodge, No. 186, F. & A. M., will be held Monday evening, Dec. 21, for the purpose of installation of officers elected for the ensuing year. Members are requested to take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Schrader Bros. have some very neat and artistic calendars which they are giving to their customers, it being a picture of their stores here and at Plymouth, together with the heads of the firm. It is a work of art and certainly very fine. They will not be given to children.

Mr. and Mrs. John Chamberlain and children of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Taylor and children of Union City, Mrs. Howlett and daughter, Mrs. May Gunsolly, of Plymouth were entertained last Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor in honor of their fortieth wedding anniversary.

Wm. Gorton has leased the V. O. Whipple store on Main street, his present quarters having become too small to accommodate his large and increasing business. He will now give the people a first class clothing and "haberdasher" store. Mr. Gorton expects to move into his new quarters about Mar. 1.

Mrs. E. C. Hinkley perpetrated a neat surprise on her husband last week Saturday night by inviting in about thirty friends for a card party and luncheon during Ed's absence down town. The fellows were all hid in one of the front rooms and the house darkened. When Ed. opened the door he thought he had run up against a band of wild Indians. A delightful time was had.

John McKay of Romeo, a member of the State Live Stock Sanitary commission, was here Monday to investigate the hog cholera reports. He found some bad cases at the farms of Messrs. Watt, Durfee, Haab and Creiger, a mile east and a mile north of here. Watts cases were the worst and a number of his had died, and the others had also all suffered great loss. A quarantine was ordered by the state commission and an expert will be sent here in a day or two to take further measures to wipe out the disease.

Don't forget to buy your wedding and Christmas presents of Mrs. T. H. Turner at Carpenter & Huff's.

Letters for the following persons are advertised at the postoffice this week:

A. A. Schuetzler

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Names of Type.

The names of different sizes of type in use are as follows, beginning with the smallest: Excelsior, brilliant, diamond, pearl, agate, nonpareil, minion brevier, bourgeois, long primer, small pica and pica. A numerical designation is now generally used in America each being twelve points and excelsior three points.

How to Fish.

On many occasions one might imagine the fish saying to the anglers: "Take me while I am in the humor;" but they take no notice of it and often attempt the feat when they are not. It is little use trying to catch fish either in the sea or fresh water when they are not in the humor to bite—Fishing Gazette

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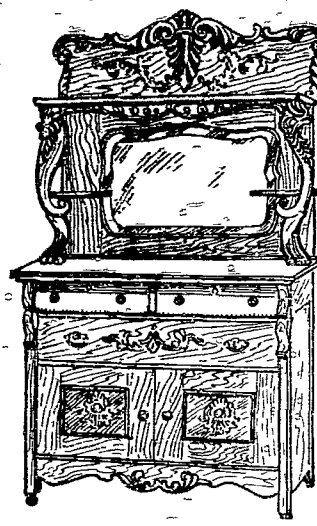
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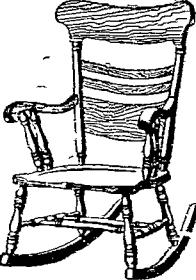


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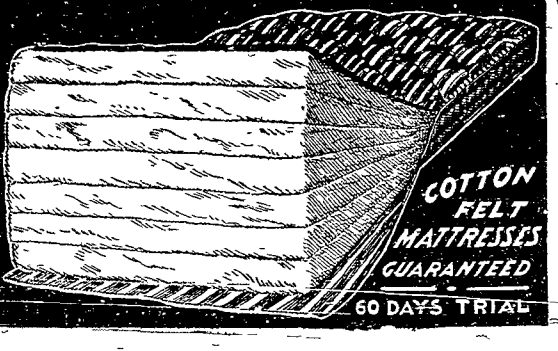
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Author of "CAPN ERI" PARTNERS OF THE TIDE

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SYNOPSIS.

Mr. Solomon Pratt began comical narration of story, introducing well-to-do Nathan Scudder of his town, and Edward Van Brunt and Martin Hartley, two New Yorkers seeking rest.

CHAPTER VII.—Continued.

"What in the nation?" says I. "Hello, Sol," says he. "Where's the folks?" "Turned in," says I. "What's up?" He seemed real disappointed.

it. Likewise there was a shell work-basket in a shell frame with about a third of the shells missing; and two silver coffee plates on black velvet; and a worsted mottó thing with "What Is Home Without a Mother?" on it.

"Restler: When I'd roll over, upon me word the sounds was 'orriying. Like the water washing around that boat of yours, it was. I dreamed about being adrift in that awful boat all night. About that and ghosts."

and I went down to meet him. Van didn't give him a chance to talk; just as soon as the stuff was put on shore he announces that Scudder must go right back and drive him over to East-wich. Nate backed and filed, as usual, telling how busy he was, and how he hadn't ought to leave, and so on.

The KITCHEN CABINET. THE TENDERLOIN. "Toughy" says I. "Once on a time a member of the force, said he just pined for tenderloin. The round steak was too coarse."

HAD ASKED FOR AN ANSWER. Willie had not been a very good boy that day, and in consequence of certain inexcusable derelictions he had been sent to bed with the sun.

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A Carlyle Wedding.
Craigenputtock, where Carlyle's "Sartor Resartus" was written, has just been the scene of a notable wedding. The bride was Mary Carlyle of Craigenputtock a grandniece of Thomas Carlyle, a farmer, of Eagle, Dumfriesshire, a son of Thomas Carlyle's famous nephew. Carlyle is about four miles from Craigenputtock, Carlyle's birthplace, and this village is the original of the *Edinboro of Sartor Resartus*—*London Standard*

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The Reform of Society.
It is a mistake to imagine that human society can be reformed by mere organization; for the church at least, treatment in the mass can never take the place of treatment of the individual. You must have that personal effort, the one life bending down to lift up the other—*Exchange*

The Grocer's Natural Mistake.
Mr. Dash was a grocer with lofty social aspirations, and he decided it would be beneficial to his status to join the local golf club. In due course he presented himself on the links, faultlessly dressed, and secured the services of a hardened caddy. The youth appeared dubious from the outset, but when, at the first vigorous onslaught, a peppering of Mother Earth was sent into his eyes and gaping mouth he became positively disgusted.
"You're makin' a mistake, mister," he said, pointedly. "It's no customary to put the tee in the caddy at golf."
"Tid-Bits."

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Anything injurious here? Ask your doctor.
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Will it stop falling hair? Ask your doctor.
Will it destroy dandruff? Ask your doctor.

Does not Color the Hair

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SALEM NEWS.

George Merritt was a Detroit visitor last week.
Many of the items did not appear in last week's print for lack of space.
The Ladies Aid held their supper and bazaar last Friday with successful results.
Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Stanley of Northville spent Sunday with G. P. Conroy and family.
The Missionary Circle which met with Mrs. Geo. Merritt last Wednesday afternoon was well attended and very instructive.
Misses Elda and Carrie Merritt entertained about thirty young people last Thursday evening. Ice cream and cake refreshed the merry crowd and with games and fun of all kinds a very enjoyable evening was spent.

NOVI NEWS.

John Miller is visiting in Detroit for a few days.
Charley Deer is working for Parke, Davis & Co. of Detroit.
Miss Camilla Rianer spent part of last week at Northville.
Mrs. Lee Wooster and Mrs. Hollis spent Monday in Detroit.
Miss Mary Hill of Pontiac visited her mother over Sunday.
Miss Inez Konkright of Wixom is home for a week's vacation.
Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Rix left Wednesday for a trip to California.
Miss Lulu Sandison visited her sister at Walled Lake over Sunday.
E. C. Holmes and Frank Hill have formed a partnership in buying stock.
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Geer of Plymouth visited at J. O. Munro's over Sunday.
Mr. Kenny of South Lyon is putting down a drive well for Job Leavenworth.
Mrs. Nellie McIntyre of Bay City was the guest of Miss Banks Saturday and Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Burton Leavenworth of Northville were callers at James Munro's Wednesday.
Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Brown and daughter, Gertrude, spent three days in Detroit last week.
Arthur Simmons and Miss Lucile Simmons leave Monday for a two weeks' visit in Canada.
Miss Lucile Simmons will have a Christmas tree and entertainment in her school Friday evening.
Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Taylor returned home Thursday from a two weeks' visit in Lansing and Abilon.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Thornton and children and Miss Jennie Burch spent Sunday with L. O. Banks.
The Griswold school will have a Christmas tree and entertainment in the school house Monday evening.
Mr. and Mrs. L. Flint spent last week visiting friends in Detroit. Mrs. Flint has been sick so long we

are glad to know she is able to be out again.

Mrs. Clara Biery and daughter, Alma, of Northville were guests of the former's son, Floyd, a few days this week.
Don't forget the library is open Friday afternoons. Anyone can have books by paying twenty-five cents a year.
The Baptist and Methodist churches unite in having Christmas exercises which will be held in the Methodist church.

WALLED LAKE NEWS.

Miss Jennie McCoy is still very ill.
Born to Rev. and Mrs. G. V. Pixley Saturday a son.
C. H. Hosner intends to start moving his mill building soon.
Clarence Parmelee has returned from visiting relatives at Saranac.
Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Ford of Millford spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Jennie McCoy.
The ladies made over thirty dollars at their supper and bazaar Saturday. A pleasant social time was enjoyed by all.
The lecture by Dr. Haller Friday evening was greatly enjoyed by all who attended. His description of his trip abroad was very interesting. Before the lecture there were solos by Mrs. DuPuis and C. E. Rose and a duet by Miss Angell and Mrs. Angell.

All trimmed hats at reduced prices at McHugh & McHugh's.

AUSTRALIAN

Scheme by Wagon Protection
Consul General...
It is estimated that... will have to pay the... for the state insurance of... what is equal to an annual... of not much more than one... per cent, upon the value of the property, whereas if companies did the insuring the men would—according to departmental estimates—have to pay at the rate of between one-half per cent and one per cent. The government has already accepted the responsibility for the 250 houses which have either been erected or are being built. The houses are wooden, and many of them are situated in localities where the fire fighting machinery is not of the most modern type. The companies offered to insure the places at premiums varying from \$255 to \$425, allowing ten per cent discount. This would have cost the 250 settlers the price of about two houses a year.
The government program provides for the building of 500 new houses within the next two years. This will bring the total number up to 750 houses. According to the departmental estimates, if the government were to accept the insurance companies' terms it would cover the cost of six houses a year in insuring this number. The government hopes instead to charge the settlers less than would the companies, yet establish a substantial fund from which to meet all losses.

HE GOT BACK.

Scotland Yard Detective is Buncoed and That Leads to a Story.

Cecil Page, a Scotland Yard detective, was buncoed in New York out of a large sum of money. Discussing the trick that had been played on him, Mr. Page said the other day:
"I'd get back at those chaps if I had the time. A Scotland Yard detective is a dangerous individual to bunco. If my engagements at home were no pressing, I would stay here till I landed those audacious rascals in prison."
"You mustn't play tricks on Scotland Yard, you know," said Mr. Page, more complacently. "Scotland Yard if you try it, gets back at you ever time. It is like the story of the watch."
"There was a London music hall manager, Shoemith—by name, who was very fond of his joke, especially after dinner, when he had a bottle of champagne inside him."
"Well, one night after dinner Shoemith entered an Oxford street jeweler's and said to the clerk:
"My man, what are those things there—those round, flat things, white on the one side and yellow on the other?"
"Why, sir, they are watches; burning case watches, sir," the clerk answered.
"And what are they for?" said Shoemith.
"To indicate the time," says the clerk.
"Fancy!" says Shoemith. "Do you know, I've heard of them. And how much do they cost?"
"From five to fifty pounds, sir."
"Are there printed directions for making them go?"
"Oh, no," said the clerk. "To make them go is very simple. You merely wind them once a day with a key."
"And when do you wind them—in the evening or in the morning?"
"You must wind yours, sir, in the morning," the clerk answered, gently and patiently.
"Why in the morning?"
"Because in the evening you are drunk, Mr. Shoemith, and would be a bit it."

SABINE'S CURATIVE OIL.
Itching Piles.
In relation to the very common ailment we need but say that we have several private testimonials from eminent pile specialists, commending Curative Oil, and who are now using the oil in their practice. They inform us that for Itching Piles Curative Oil is superior to any remedy they have ever used. In using the oil as an injection use a small syringe holding about a teaspoonful. Also apply the oil externally, and in severe cases apply absorbent cotton saturated with Curative Oil held in position by means of a bandage.
Prepared by Phillips Drug Co., Warren, Pa. For sale by Murdock Bros.

Incurable. From Alabama comes the story of a hand shaking ghost. Even death, it seems, cannot break some men of the habit of running for office.

Authoritative.
A lady novelist writing a political story wants information as to how a political convention is conducted. Generally speaking the convention is opened with prayer and conducted with five aces and a razor—*Louisville Courier Journal*

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MISSING DAY AT HUNGERFORD

Curious Old-Time Custom Which Still Prevails in an English Village.

The little town of Hungerford was recently the scene of the quaint celebration of Hocktide.
The property of the manor, which comprises a valuable trout fishery, has lately come within the purview of the charity commissioners, who have established a scheme for the future administration by popular trustees, but with the proviso that the holdings of the manorial court, with its picturesque old world customs, should be allowed to continue.
The functions began with a series of blasts on the historic horn, and then the tuffin men, armed with staves set forth on their perambulations, their duty being to demand a penny from every male householder and a kiss from each lady who crossed their path. As a rule the privilege is granted with much good humor, and husbands look on with equanimity.
Meanwhile the Hocktide jury were sitting in solemn conclave, appointing the constable and coroner and other ancient officers whose duties are more or less obsolete—*London Standard*.

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Male Friends' Remarks.
Remarks have been made lately as regards the apparel, dress and close friendship between men. Perhaps something in our own modern life accounts for our lower note in these things. Perhaps, too, much that belonged to interchanges between man and man is now possible between woman and man as well—*London Light*

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and the tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.
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Sold by Druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

The American Girl Abroad. At the luncheon hour in the Strand recently the traffic was held up, pedestrians puzzled after the nearest fire alarm, constables spread their arms and the crowd increased. From the side of the crowd the struggling wayfarer peered and heard the snap of the camera through the official silence. It was an American girl snapping her companions—*London Chronicle*.

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Mammoth Beets of New Mexico.
From Mora comes a story of sugar beets more than two feet long and weighing only a trifle less than 17 pounds. There are said to be two of these monster tubers there, and it is claimed they were grown on the farm of a native who lives several miles up the valley from the town of Mora. It is the intention of the Mora county grange to send these monster beets to the irrigation congress.—*Las Vegas Optic.*