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OPEN-AIR CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES GREAT

NORTHVILLE'S FIRST MUNICIPAL ONE EVEN EXCEEDS EXPECTA- TIONS

WITH PROGRAM OF SONGS AND SPEECHES, BAND MUSIC, AND GIFTS GALORE.

Northville's first municipal Christmas celebration was certainly, in the expressive language of the day, "some success." The immense tree, towering nearly forty feet toward the sparkling winter sky, was so beautiful a sight when its scores of red white and blue lights flashed into view as the electric current was turned on Saturday night, that there was an involuntary chorus of exclamations from the hundreds of spectators. The branches had been lavishly adorned with tinsel and "snow" and the entire effect was indescribably pretty, winning unqualified praise for the Edison company's representatives who arranged the lights with such telling effect, and also for the decorating committee. A prominent official of the company pronounced the tree the finest one he had seen this year and fully equal to, if not even better, than the much admired and widely advertised one in Detroit. One of the largest winter crowds ever seen on our streets was assembled to listen to the program, which was ably carried out as planned, although the music committee had been greatly hampered in training the children by the fact that the schools were not in session during the week. The singing of the Christmas hymns was led by Mrs. Griffin and the band joined in the music with excellent effect. The invocation by Rev. Frank A. Brass was one of the finest ever given on a public occasion here suggesting many inspiring thoughts, of infinite value to all who listened with reverent and receptive hearts. President Filkins won repeated applause by his brief address, in the course of which he alluded in terms of high praise to the fraternal and community spirit which had so pervaded our town for the past year, the unity of interests and the enthusiasm for civic betterment that culminated in this Christmas celebration in which all might participate. The climax of the occasion for the little folks approached when, thrown into relief by the glare of red fire, Santa Claus suddenly appeared on the top of the Huff building and culminated when a duplicate Santa came into view on the Lapham bank on the opposite corner, and, after a round, rosy "santa" had showered oranges among the expectant crowd, both became the head distributors of bushels of stockings-filled generously with candy, peanuts and oranges, and a like number of gifts in the way of "musical instruments." By the wise plans of the committee in charge not a single child in the big crowd was missed in the distribution of the gifts, unless by neglect of the opportunity provided. The entire affair, from its inception to its satisfactory conclusion was a gratifying illustration of what can be accomplished by a public-spirited community even on short notice. Everybody worked with cheerful alacrity from first to last—the ladies who made the hundreds of stockings and filled them with the 240 pounds of candy, 48 dozen oranges and 63 lbs. of peanuts provided; the Oddfellows' club under N.C. Schrader generously responding to the request for money; Mrs. Noble, Mrs. Griffin and the band to provide the music in fact, it would not be amiss, were it possible to do so, to publish a list of names that would include a large percentage of the inhabitants of the village. It would be an injustice, however, not to specially mention in addition to those whose names have been given, Mrs. Kittie Harmon, Miss Ada Richardson and Mrs. Ada Ambler who did such efficient work in purchasing the supplies, Floyd Northrup and Marvin Sloan for their effective Santa Claus act, Mr. Hotton, and the Edison Company, without whose generosity it would not have been possible to carry out the affair, and C. J. Ball who presented the magnificent tree, and also Clifford Sherline who did such faithful service in the transportation of everything that had to be delivered anywhere by means of the Schrader truck.

Green cut bones for chicken feed at 1 lb. We have a new bone cutter will cut fresh every day. Palace Market. 23k1c.

MY TOWN.

I know my town and I love my town,
And I want to help it be
As great a town to every one
As it seems to be to me!
I praise my town and I cheer my town,
And I try to spread its fame;
And I know what a splendid thing 't would be
If you would do the same!

I trust my town and I boast my town,
And I want to do my part
To make it a town that all may praise
From the depths of every heart!
I like my town and I sing my town,
And I want my town to grow;
If I knocked my town or I blocked my town,
That wouldn't be nice to know!

I think my town is the very best town
In all the world—to me!
Or if it's not—I want to get out
And try to make it be!
I talk my town and I preach my town,
As I think a person should
Who has more at stake than to win or make
For the love of the common good!

I bet on my town, and bank on my town,
And I think it fine to feel—
When you know your town and you love your town
That it's a part of your honest zeal.
I'm proud of my town, I love my town,
And I want to help it rise—
And that's the way to help a town
Not curse it and despise.

FOLGAR MCKENZIE

RALLY AT ANN ARBOR.

Preparations have been made for the largest gathering of farmers ever held in this part of Michigan, when the Gleaners of the Ann Arbor district hold their Federation rally at Ann Arbor on Thursday, January 18, 1917. There will be three sessions—a Federation session in the forenoon, to which all Gleaners are invited to attend, a public session in the afternoon and a closed session in the evening. Ann Arbor will furnish a part of the forenoon program, at the Hill auditorium, U of M. The address of welcome will be made by Mayor E. M. Wurster. Harry B. Hutchins, president of the U of M, and Prof. Filbert Roth of the Forestry department, will make addresses. A musical program of one hour will be given by the faculty of the U of M school of music. Prof. Earl W. Monroe will play the big Columbia pipe organ, and last but not least the ladies will furnish hot coffee and tables for the lunch. At the afternoon session every citizen of Ann Arbor will be extended a cordial welcome.

Besides the local talent Miss Lucia Bellamy of Ionia, will give several of her popular recitals, Ross L. Holloway of Detroit, will deliver an address, military and fancy drills and other features will be added.

Besides the ritualistic work at the night session, Grant Slocum, founder of the order, will be present and deliver an address on the issues of 1917.

GARRICK THEATRE, DETROIT.

Detroit is to be visited soon by another one of those uprightly and snappy musical comedies, "Love O' Mike." The engagement will be played at the Garrick theatre, Detroit, all next week. "New Years" week attractions, commencing with a special matinee on Monday afternoon, "New Years" day, and judging from the advance reports concerning this attraction the musical comedy will be a pronounced factor in the holiday jollification. The musical character of the play is Lord Michael Kildare, with whom all the girls are madly in love, much to the annoyance of the boys who adore the maids in question. Hence the title, "Love O' Mike." His Lordship will be played by no less personage than Lawrence Cross-smith, the celebrated English comedian who has been playing in America for several years.

ORPHEUM THEATRE, DETROIT.

With John Wade and cast of associate players the Orpheum theatre, Detroit, next week, starting Monday afternoon, will offer one of the most delightful dramatic sketches this playhouse has ever staged. It is entitled "The Carol Cameo." There isn't a woman in the cast, "The Carol Cameo" is a splendid little play, well enacted. John P. Wade, the star, is an excellent actor and his presentation of southerner is said to be most realistic and human. Seven other acts will be found on the program as well as Universal feature films, the screen program being changed daily. On Friday night during the first show local amateur dancers will meet in the weekly prize contest, the audience selecting the winners. The coming Sunday night show starting at 11 o'clock, to welcome the New Year.

Dancing in Cattermole Hall Saturday evening. Good floor and good music. Come up and enjoy yourself.

EAT BUTTER AND EGGS OR HAY

SO SAYS PROF. MCCOLLUM OF THE STATE DAIRY AND FOOD DEPT.

At the meeting of Dairy and Food officials in Detroit last summer, Prof. McCollum of the University of Wisconsin, after several years of experiments in feeding white rats announced the most important discovery yet made in food lines. Prof. McCollum fed rats on corn, wheat, oats, rye, cooked beans, green peas, corn gluten, flaxseed oil meal, onions and peanuts. Rats were fed on each of these grains alone and on a mixture of all of these substances. In all cases the result was the same, viz for a period of 90 days they grew at about half the normal rate and then ceased to grow after that time. Prof. McCollum tried substituting for the butter and egg fats, various other fats such as lard tallow, olive, linseed and other vegetable fats but none would take the place of the butter and egg fats.

Physicians now prescribe milk, butter and eggs as the most suitable and easiest to digest foods for tuberculosis patients. Persons who, at the present time, are advising the non-consumption of butter and eggs should understand that such advice may be injurious, especially to the growing child and nursing mother. In all his experiments Prof. McCollum found but one food that contained this valuable unknown element and, strange to say, that was alfalfa hay which is made by grinding alfalfa hay. The boycotters who are abstaining from the use of butter and eggs, Michigan's most valuable products, should at least consume some ground alfalfa hay in its place. It can be obtained at any store where poultry feed is sold at a reasonable price.

LANG-WARD.

In the presence of a company of relatives of the bride and groom, at the home of the bride's aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. George Capell, Miss Myrtle Ward and Roscoe G. Lang were united in marriage, Dec. 21, with Rev. F. A. Brass as the officiating clergyman. The bride is one of Northville's most charming and highly esteemed young ladies, a graduate of our High school, class of 1913. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Lang, well known prosperous members of Novi township's farming community and is a graduate of Ypsilanti High school. After the serving of a bountiful luncheon, the young couple went directly to their new home at 285 Vancouver street, Detroit, where Mr. Lang is engaged in the real estate business. Congratulations and all sorts of good wishes go with them from their many warm friends here. The new Mr. and Mrs. Lang will be at home to their friends after Jan. 1, at the address given.

CARD OF THANKS.

I wish to thank the King's Daughters and all who sent me flowers as Christmas gifts.

MRS. LAURA BEEBE.

TRY A LINER IN THE RECORD.

Essence of Will.
You cannot admire will in general, because the essence of will is that it is particular.—G. K. Chesterton.

DEATH OF L. J. SONNENBURG.

No death that has occurred in Northville for a long time has called out so many expressions of regret and sympathy as that of Louis J. Sonnenburg, who died of pneumonia Saturday, Dec. 23, after an illness of but a few days. Mr. Sonnenburg, who was but 36 years of age, was a man of excellent habits and character, respected by all who knew him. He had been a resident of Northville nine years, all the time in the employment of the McKahn Fuel & Ice Co., who valued his industry and trustworthiness to the highest degree. The funeral services conducted by Rev. F. L. Walker were held Tuesday from the Methodist church. Mr. Sonnenburg leaves a widow and six young children, the oldest but fourteen years of age. Other relatives are a brother and sister in Hemlock, a brother in St. Charles and a father in Saginaw.

OUR LATE EPIDEMIC.

As an example of the way rumors are enlarged from small foundations, some recent visitors on their way to Northville were informed that there were seventeen bad cases of small-pox in the village. As a matter of fact there have been but seven cases all told, and but one severe one among them. As the Record goes to press there are none at all as the last infected house has been fumigated and the last patient liberated. Health Officer Dr. T. H. Turner is receiving much commendation for the efficient manner in which the situation has been handled and the spread of the disease so promptly checked, by the closing of the schools and other protective measures.

BEET GROWERS' MEETING CALLED.

The executive committee of the Michigan State Grange has been investigating the beet-growing conditions in the state, and has decided that the growers are not getting a fair deal. As a step toward a better state of affairs in the future a mass meeting of the beet-growers of Michigan has been called for January 2, 1917, at the Saginaw auditorium, to consider the entire situation and to discuss and adopt measures for the protection and betterment of this very important agricultural industry.

CARD OF THANKS.

I wish to thank the friends and societies who so kindly sent flowers and assisted in any way and especially Rev. Walker for his kind and comforting words in the last illness and death of my father.

ARCHIE BRADNER

CARD OF THANKS.

I wish to express my thanks to the various societies and friends for their many acts of kindness and for flowers sent during the illness and death of my husband.

MRS. BERTHA SONNENBURG

Dancing in Cattermole Hall Saturday evening. Good floor and good music. Come up and enjoy yourself.

Wanted, to Rent, For Sale, Etc.

For Rent, For Sale, Lost, Found. Wanted notices inserted under this head for 1 cent per word.

UPHOLSTERING—Bring your furniture to F. R. Woodworth, Rogers St. for upholstery. Samples of goods shown on request. Telephone 258-W. Work guaranteed. 23w4p.

LOST—Right hand fur glove, Saturday night, between Center street and Exchange hotel. Finder leave at Record office. 23w1p.

WANTED—Men who desire to earn over \$125 per month write us today for position as salesman; every opportunity for advancement. Centralem Co., Cleveland, Ohio. 231p.

WANTED—Two or three table boarders. Mrs. Mattie Cook, North Wing street. 23w2c.

WANTED—Small coal heater. Northville Motor Sales Co. Phone 252. 23c.

WANTED—General trucking and one horse work. W. D. Benton. Phone 86-W, Northville. 18w1f.

FOR SALE—Horse, harness, robes, blankets, 2 buggies, cutter; also No. 1 baseburner stove. Geo. Goodell, Northville. 23w2p.

FOR SALE—two pair of coaster bobs. Inquire of P. S. Palmer, Northville. 23w1c.

FOR SALE—10-lbs extracted honey net weight, delivered. Postal card will bring the goods. D. Jiver, Northville. 15tf.

FOR CHASE Brothers Co., nursery stock leave your orders at the furniture hospital, Huff Hardware Bldg west entrance. Best goods that Rochester, N. Y. can afford. A. S. Huff, general agent of Northville. 36-42-tf.

150 WORKMEN WANTED

at once on building construction. Apply Harry Derr, Superintendent of construction, Harrison Motors Corporation, new plant, Wayne, Mich 23c.

TO ALL OUR FRIENDS
AND CUSTOMERS—A
PLEASANT AND PROS-
PEROUS NEW YEAR, AND
THANKS FOR THE MANY
FAVORS OF THE PAST,
AND HOPES FOR A CON-
TINUATION OF SAME IN
THE FUTURE.

JAMES A. HUFF.

Northville. Hardware.

The man with money should
open Bank Accounts
for his children.

It is
his
Duty



If you will give your child a toy BANK when he is a baby and teach him to put his pennies into it, then later give him a Bank book and teach him to go to the Bank, you will give him the best New Years present he shall ever have, and you'll start him on the road to wealth.

TRY IT.

BANK WITH US. WE PAY 3 PER CENT INTEREST.

NORTHVILLE STATE SAVINGS BANK.

WE DESIRE TO THANK OUR
MANY FRIENDS FOR THEIR PAT-
RONAGE DURING THE YEAR JUST
CLOSING, AND TO WISH EACH
AND ALL A HAPPY AND PROS-
PEROUS NEW YEAR.

WITH THE CASH DISCOUNT WE
ARE OFFERING, AND AN IN-
CREASING DESIRE TO RENDER
BETTER SERVICE, WE SOLICIT
YOUR BUSINESS IN THE FUTURE.

C. E. RYDER.

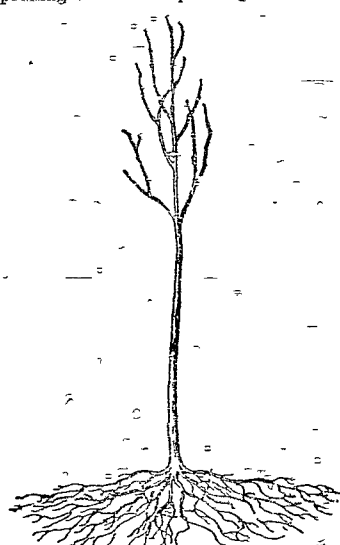
Pruning

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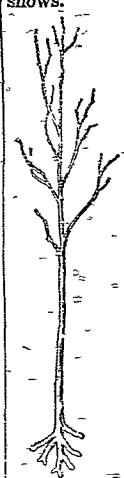
The Principles of Pruning.

All are agreed that trees intended either for orchard or ornamental purposes are best if nursery grown. Nursery-grown trees, however, are produced under conditions which subject them to more or less crowding, with the result that the normal development has been changed. The planter should at planting time have in mind the natural form and habits of the plants with which he is dealing and should therefore use the knife so as to bring about results which will allow the tree to assume its normal shape.

As the trees and plants are removed from the nursery, a greater or less proportion of the roots is necessarily lost in the operation of digging. If the trees are large, only the main roots will be left upon the plant, while if small, a very much larger proportion of the fine, fibrous, feeding roots can be retained. Then, too, the distance which plants are removed has a direct bearing upon the amount of root surface which is left at planting time. Plants which can be dug and immediately resat suffer much less than do those which have to be shipped long distances. The planter should take these factors into consideration in pruning the tree at planting time.



As has been observed, there will be a severe loss of root area in removing the plant from the nursery, depending upon the size and age of the plant. All mutilated or dead roots should be removed, and in cutting away roots it should be the aim to make the cut in such a manner that a smooth clean surface is left, which, when the tree is placed in position, will come in contact with the moist soil either of the sides or bottom of the hole. With most of our ornamental evergreen and deciduous trees a little root area should be cut away as is practicable. Many of the fruit-bearing plants, however, such as the apple, pear, peach, plum, and grape, will stand quite severe root pruning, as the drawing in this article shows.



When a tree has attained to a fruit-bearing size and shows no indications of fruiting, but continued to maintain a vigorous growth of branches and is evidently barren as the result of excessive luxuriance, a judicious root pruning will have the effect of encouraging the formation of fruit buds. Trees in this condition, if root-pruned about the first of August, will receive a check to growth which will cause the formation of fruiting buds during the fall and show a flowering disposition the following spring.

The operation is performed by digging out a circular trench at a distance of from 3 to 6 feet from the stem, according to the size and age of the tree, and from 2 to 4 feet in depth, cutting all the roots that may be encountered or can be reached. If but few strong roots are met with and if it appears evident that strong taproots exist, the soil should be undermined with a sharp mattock, severing all the strong roots that can be reached, the soil is then returned, being well-firmed as the trench is filled, and the process is completed.

Some Asiatic conifers, such as the Japan cedar, continue their growth so late in the season that they are overtaken by frost, to the injury of leading shoots. Many of the evergreen trees from the Pacific coast suffer in a similar manner. These plants are apt to take a second growth when the weather is moist and warm during the fall, which growth is mostly destroyed by the first frost. Root pruning in August will prevent this late growth, and the trees will pass through the winter without injury.

be supplied at a price which will permit a profit on the feeding operation. Viewed from an economic standpoint, there are some fundamental considerations which should first receive attention. In general farm practice it is advisable, so far as is economical, to use the feeds produced on the farm. Often the freight rates and the middleman's charges, if saved, will constitute a good profit for the feeder. This is especially true of roughage. Such feeds are bulky and in most cases must be baled at a considerable cost; the freight rates also are much greater in proportion to the nutrients contained than on the grains.

Cost of ration	Cost of maintenance	Available for milk production	Proportion of ration available for production
Cents	Cents	Cents	
10	10	5	One-third
15	10	10	One-half
20	10	15	Three-fifths
25	10		

When land is high in price and the markets for dairy products are good, it is often impracticable to grow all the feeds on the farm. In such cases arrangements first should be made to grow the roughage, on account of the high cost of transporting these feeds. In most cases the prime object of the farm under such conditions will be to supply the greatest possible quantity of roughage.

It is a difficult problem to provide a winter feeding of roughage which will make the best use of home grown roughage and at the same time insure full production. Only a general discussion of the problem can be attempted.

Silage.
In addition to containing the proper nutrients in the right proportion, part of the ration should be of a succulent nature. It is extremely difficult, if not impossible, to keep cows in full production throughout the winter without some succulent feed. There are two chief sources of succulent feed for winter feeding—silage and roots. Of these, silage is in almost universal use by commercial dairymen. While at most any green crop may be used for

silage, the heavy yields of corn, as compared with other crops, and its comparative ease of handling, together with its keeping qualities, make it the leading silage crop. Where the cost of land and the prices of dairy products are high, and the system of farming of necessity is intensive, it is questionable whether the dairyman should consider any other silage crop.

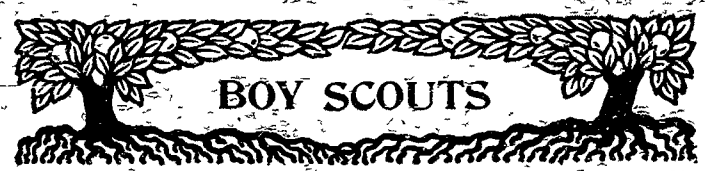
Roots.
The chief function of roots in cattle feeding is to supply a succulent feed. Under general farm conditions the quantity of nutrients grown per acre in root crops is small in comparison to the cost of production. These root

crops, however, can be preserved during the winter equally well, whether large or small quantities are fed each day, and therefore have special application when only a few cows are to be fed. Of the different root crops, mangel-wurzels furnish the greatest yield per acre. Other kinds of beets and turnips and carrots may be used. Turnips, however, should be fed after milking rather than before, as they cause a bad flavor in the product, if fed immediately before milking. Carrots impart a desirable color to the milk.

By multiplying the length by the breadth of a hay stack and then multiplying this by the "over" (starting at the base on one side, over the top and to the base on the other side) and dividing the result by four will give the number of cubic feet.

Production of alcohol from the 1916 Austrian potato crop has been forbidden.

A substantial rise in the price of bed spreads is expected soon owing to the high price of cotton.



A BADGE OF HONOR

One of the first requirements which a boy scout must comply with is that he shall know the significance of the scout badge, and in compliance with this he learns that the trefoil refers to the three points in the scout oath; that the scroll with upturned ends suggests a smile, for "a scout is cheerful," and the knot is to remind the boy to do "a good turn daily."

This satisfies the requirements of the test, but it is in fact only a small part of the significance of the scout badge. It is possible that when the first scout wore the first badge it meant not much more than is stated in the Handbook, but with every year, as the movement builds up history and traditions, and a record of things accomplished, the significance of the scout badge grows.

Today the boy who goes to a strange place wearing a scout badge will not depend on chance in selecting his companions. The scout badge and certificate give an entrée to the companionship of scouts; in other words, it leads to the companionship of boys who are trustworthy and loyal, who are courteous and clean and reverent—the type of boy with whom any parent is glad to have his boy associated. For one thing, which is of tremendous importance, it means clean Sundays away from home.

With the badge come companions also of another sort as, for instance, responsibility—for the scout knows that many things are expected of him; firmness—for the traditions of the organization and the example of others are behind him—these and many other suggestions of the scout badge are a good company for any boy.

Handling and Marketing Potatoes

In order that the present large losses may be eliminated and that conditions in the potato growing industry may be bettered in general, growers should exercise more care in digging and handling the tubers, should work toward the establishment and strict observance of grades, and should carefully study marketing needs and conditions. This is the advice of specialists of the Office of Markets and Rural Organization of the U. S. Department of Agriculture in a recent publication, Farmers' Bulletin 753, "Commercial Handling, Grading, and Marketing of Potatoes."

Early and Late Potatoes.

There are two definite crops of potatoes in this country each year. The southern early, or "new" potatoes, which are perishable, and the northern late potatoes, which are only semi-perishable. The treatment of these crops must differ considerably. In the South digging begins in Florida, Texas and southern Louisiana in May and is done mostly by forks and plows. In some of the hotter sections it has been found advisable to plow up the potatoes in the late evening and pick them early the following morning. Picking into rectangular, open-slatted crates, the slats having rounded edges, has been found most satisfactory. The potatoes should not be hauled loose in wagons, since such treatment may bruise them seriously. For shipment, the southern potatoes are packed in hampers and double headed barrels in Florida, and in barrels with burlap covers in other States along the Atlantic coast. In Texas sacks are used.

Grading for the southern potato crop has been rather extensively adopted, with good results, the graded potatoes bringing better prices. Mechanical graders are used in some sections.

The marketing of the southern crop is effected largely through cash buyers at shipping points. Shipments are also made through distributors and on consignment to agencies in distant markets. In some sections, it was found, co-operative associations of growers handle the marketing, achieving successful results. One of the largest of such associations operates along the eastern shore of Virginia. This association sold over 6 million dollars' worth of potatoes in 1914. This organization, like others of its kind, grade strictly and makes use of definite brands for the best grades of potatoes. It insists that the potatoes bearing its brand shall be bright, free from second growth, disease, and other defects. Scabby, worm-eaten, or sunburnt potatoes are barred. Associations operating on the same general plan exist in most of the other Southern States.

The Northern Potato Crop.

Northern, or late potatoes, are dug in August and September. Forks are used to a certain extent for digging this crop, but most of the acreage is dug by plows and digging machines. For the successful use of the latter, soil conditions must be good. Under favorable conditions the use of such machines has been found profitable. There is much loss from bruising potatoes in all types of digging. Deep plowing with plows and machines should eliminate most of such losses.

Picking in the North is mostly by hand, but some combination digging and picking machines are in use. If the potatoes are to be graded as picked, growers should carefully inspect pickers in the work, since the inclusion of a few diseased, cut, or defective potatoes is sufficient to discount an entire shipment, the selling value being largely determined by the poorest tubers in the lot rather than the best. Even the less perishable northern crop may be injured by hauling from the field loose in wagons. This practice usually involves subsequent handling, often with shovels and scoops, which further bruises the potatoes. A good practice, say specialists of the Department, is to pick the potatoes into open-slatted crates and haul the filled receptacles to storage or grading houses or to cars.

Grading.

Many sizing machines are used in the North to grade potatoes and, since

they give more accurate results than hand grading, their use should be extended. In addition to sorting, these machines are of service in removing dirt. This is an important fact since there are many complaints by buyers of the presence of dirt among potatoes and greater allowances are being demanded in price adjustments on this account. The mechanical sizer simply sorts as to size and the stock must be further graded by hand to eliminate potatoes affected by sunburn, dry rot, scabs, frost, or other defects.

All grading should be done preferably on the farm. If the grower ships ungraded stock to market, it must be graded there where labor is more costly. In addition to paying, in lower prices received, for this labor, he also pays freight on the rejected potatoes and loses the culls, which he might have utilized on the farm. Grading is facilitated where the grower has sufficient storage space for a large part of his crop. In this way potatoes which do not show the effects of frost or other damage when first dug may be detected later and sorted out before the crop is marketed. If the potatoes are shipped without sorting, the damage usually brings about rotting of the injured potatoes before the market is reached and reduces prices on the whole shipment.

Standardization.

In the bulletin already mentioned, the specialists of the Department do not make specific recommendations for the adoption of standard grades, but, for the assistance of those interested in bringing about standardization, they suggest that two regular grades and perhaps a special grade for extra fancy potatoes should meet market needs. It is suggested that specifications for the No. 1 grade should be drawn to make it as good and attractive in appearance as is reasonable and practicable. These specifications should practically eliminate potatoes damaged by frost, sunburn, blight, common scab, dry rot, decay, second growth, cuts, bruises, dirt, and also undersized or coarse stock. The minimum and maximum sizes for both No. 1 and No. 2 grades are still a subject for careful investigation, discussion, and demonstration. However, a minimum of about 2 inches is maintained for grade No. 1 in a number of early or "new" potato sections, and the commonly discussed minimum for this grade is from 1 1/2 to 2 inches. The minimum diameter for a long variety should probably be a little smaller than for a round one. Since it is practically impossible in grading any perishable products commercially to secure a perfect grade, reasonable tolerances should be allowed. The No. 2 grade should include the better of the remaining potatoes.

The studies of the market specialists of the Department indicate that there is an unnecessary diversity in the containers for potatoes in use. These now range from the 1-bushel hampers for the early Florida crop to double headed barrels. The 2-bushel, or 120-pound burlap bag is suggested as perhaps the most satisfactory container for general use. The lack of proper grading and packing, the specialists say, causes a large part of the marketing difficulties now experienced in the potato trade.

Marketing.

Marketing conditions in the North differ widely from those in the South, since about three-fourths of the crop is stored. Local buyers, warehousemen, and distributors are the chief factors in marketing the northern crop. The bulletin already mentioned lists 8 methods of selling that growers may adopt. These are: In the field, for cash by the load at the cart; to cash traveling buyers in carlots; to local warehousemen, through distributors, by wire, on consignment to a broker or merchant, or through co-operative marketing organizations. The bulletin also discusses the outlets for distributors and methods of railway billing. Copies of Farmers' Bulletin No. 753 may be had free on application to the U. S. Department of Agriculture so long as the Department's supply lasts.

Feeding Of Dairy Cows

By Helmer Rabild, H. P. Davis, and W. K. Brainerd.
Of The Dairy Division, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture.

Successful feeding of dairy cows from an economic standpoint involves the providing of an abundant supply of palatable, nutritious feed, at the minimum cost per unit of feed, and supplying it to the cow in such way as to secure the largest production for feed consumed. This bulletin will attempt to give some factors involved in the economical selection of feeds and to guide the producer in supplying them to the cows.

Liberal Feeding Necessary for Profit.

The dairy cow has been likened by many writers to a machine or a manufacturing plant. This comparison can be applied literally, with certain reservations. A certain proportion of the power furnished any machine is used for running the machine itself and is not in any sense productive. In a steam engine this is represented in the exhaust steam, in heat which escapes without producing steam, and in the friction of the working parts of the engine. In the manufacturing plant it is represented by the managerial, the clerical, and sales forces. These forces, while necessary for the successful operation of the business, are, in a sense, unproductive.

In the feeding of the dairy cow this overhead expense, this unproductive force, is termed the "maintenance ration," and is that portion of the feed given the cow which is used by her to perform her own functions, such as heating the body, pumping the blood, digesting the feed, and moving the body from place to place. This feed, from a productive standpoint, is entirely lost to the farmer. The cow can produce without loss of body weight only after she has exacted this toll of maintenance. Having received feed enough to maintain her, practically all the feed she consumes above this can be used for milk production. This maintenance ration is a fixed charge, and the more feed a cow can consume above that required for maintenance the greater the amount available for production.

Feeding for profit can, therefore, be defined as liberal feeding, or feeding to the full capacity of the cow. This point is illustrated by the following table of approximate figures.

It will be noted in this table that when the cow is fed only a maintenance ration no feed is available for milk production; when she is fed twice this quantity, half the feed can be used for milk production; when she is fed two and a half times the maintenance, three fifths of the feed can be so used. One of the most common mistakes in the feeding of dairy cattle on our farms is that the good cows are not fed a sufficient quantity of feed above that required for maintenance. This is especially true of the highly specialized dairy cow; that is, the cow which when fed all she will take makes it all into milk, except what is needed for maintenance. It is, however, unfortunately true that all cows in the dairies of the country are not this kind. Some cows when fresh make all the feed above maintenance into milk for a period of several months before they begin to lay on flesh; others, if fed heavily, begin to gain in weight soon after freshening. From the standpoint of economical milk production one can not generally afford to give a dairy cow more than she will consume without gaining in weight. There are times, however, when it is desirable to make exceptions to this rule; for example, practically all highly specialized milk producers in the early part of the lactation period lose in weight; that is, they produce milk at the expense of their own body flesh. When such cows approach the end of their milking period they normally regain the flesh they have lost in the early part of this period. The feeder can, therefore, well afford to feed such cows liberally, being assured that the feed will be returned to him in the form of milk when the cows again freshen.

Winter Feeding.

The problems involved in winter feeding are usually distinctly different from those of summer feeding. Pasture (or green feed), usually the basis of summer feeding, is not available. Broadly speaking, there are two factors involved in this problem, first, to satisfy the needs of the cow and, second, to suit the pocketbook. The cow must have an ample supply of feed of a palatable nature, and this feed must

Introducing a new department to be continued indefinitely for the purpose of discussing the various agricultural topics pertaining to western Michigan. It is the opinion of the editor, also of the writer, that this column can be made more interesting and of greater value to the reader by general discussions rather than to set forth a series of formal agricultural articles. In other words, live items relating to our rural life from all parts of western Michigan will be paraphrased in this column duly analyzed and condensed.

Further the results of varied experiments in crop production, plant breeding, spray practice and so on, observed at the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railway Demonstration Farms will be used from time to time. A Query Department will be maintained and a conscientious endeavor made to fully answer every question received bearing on any subject affecting our rural life. Let it first be understood that the

writer of this and forthcoming lines does not assume to know everything covering our many agricultural problems. Neither does he pretend to know all that is to be gleaned pertaining to any one branch of farm practice. He does, however, propose to be frank in admitting the points with which he is unfamiliar and accordingly will take questions relating thereto, to County, State, Federal and other authorities who by their actual experience and studies are qualified to give an authentic opinion.

It is the avowed purpose of the editor and the writer to make this column solely an educational feature and not a means of exploiting any single interest, given community or personal hobby. Our arguments and comments will express our honest convictions, come straight from the shoulder, and be free of decorative frills. Criticisms will, of course, be welcomed, and discussed at such length as the subject may seem to merit.



OUR POULTRY DEPARTMENT

ERNEST B. BLETT GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

CO-OPERATION

Every person who handles poultry should be a member of a poultry club, according to N. L. Harris, superintendent of the poultry farm of the Kansas State Agricultural College.

"Poultry clubs are organized to benefit the farmer and the breeder," says Mr. Harris. "They not only help him commercially, but also aid him in maintaining the vitality of the flock."

"There are certain times of the year when the poultry packers are on the lookout for certain kinds of poultry and poultry products. If they know of a locality where they can get a car load of the produce, they are willing to pay several cents above the market quotations. If the community would organize and raise one type of poultry, it would be only a short time until there would be an established market. Prices would also

be above those received for ordinary mixed birds.

"One of the great advantages of this class of organization is the elimination of the necessity of having to send off for so many breeding animals. Those who are interested, can see just what they are buying and know what sort of a record is back of the males. By proper management a few high class males purchased once in three or four years will furnish ample new blood for the entire neighborhood."

The different organizations in the county might successfully co-operate with each other through the medium of the county agent, points out Mr. Harris. He is better able to keep in touch with the large packing concerns than is the average farmer.

The idea of organization is not entirely new. It has been successfully practiced by breeders of horses, cattle, and hogs. There is no reason why it should not be used just as successfully among poultry breeders. It is only a question of time until poultry clubs will be extensively organized and will combine not only breeding of poultry but producing of poultry and marketing of eggs.

Million Dollar Incomes Scarce In Michigan

A Very Small Percentage of People in Michigan Claim an Income That Exceeds \$4,000 Annually, Mostly Single Persons

Washington—Is Michigan to be considered lucky or unlucky as regards the state income tax? It probably all depends upon who pays the tax. Of all the states in the Union, Michigan ranks thirteenth in the total of the internal revenue paid.

Statistics that have been listed for Michigan show this state to be prosperous, but not real hogwash. There were only two men who reported that their incomes were in excess of one million dollars for the year, according to the annual report of the United States commissioner of internal revenue for the fiscal year ending June 1, 1916.

There are only 6,966 persons out of the entire 3,074,560 residents of Michigan who admitted that their incomes exceeded \$4,000 annually and of these 7,247 were men, 438 were unmarried women and 92 were married women who made separate reports from their husbands. The report shows that there are 1,719 more single persons who can boast of incomes between \$3,000 to \$4,000 than married persons.

Incomes ranging between \$500,000 and a million were admitted by but seven Michigan men while only four claimed they made between \$400,000 and \$500,000 annually. Four claimed an annual income of between \$300,000 and \$400,000; one between \$250,000 and \$300,000; nine between \$200,000 and \$250,000. All of these twenty seven Michigan men with personal incomes in excess of \$200,000 annually are in the Detroit collection district.

The Grand Rapids district reported one income in excess of \$150,000 and eleven in the \$100,000 class. The Detroit district showed 210 incomes between \$150,000 and \$200,000 and forty-two more in excess of \$100,000.

FIRE DEPARTMENT CALLED TO BURN DOWN HOUSE

First Time in the History of State a House Was Legally Ordered Burned to the Ground That Had Caused Five Deaths in Past Year and Half.

Escanaba—Every city in Michigan has a fire department to put out fires, but so far as known there is only one city in the state that uses it to burn down buildings. This city burned down a house recently by due process of law, under orders of the mayor and a city board.

During the past year or two there had been five deaths from tubercu-

losis in that house, and City Health Commissioner Dr. A. J. Carlson and Mayor B. J. Mackilkin decided that the house was a hot-bed for the disease that could hardly be made safe by the ordinary processes. So they declared that not another citizen of Escanaba was going to lose his life in it. When after the thorough work of the fire department all that remained of the house was a heap of ashes, several billion tuberculous germs that would undoubtedly have taken more lives in the near future had passed out of the world.

It was the first time in the history of Escanaba and perhaps the first time in the history of the state that a dwelling house was deliberately and legally burned to the ground, and it illustrates the new spirit that is taking hold of people in all parts of the state in the determination to stamp out tuberculosis. While the house was not a valuable property, a few years ago it would have been unthinkable for a city government to destroy a home for what at that time was considered the notion of health faddists.

BETTER TEACHERS FOR THE RURAL SCHOOLS

No man of prominence has ever emphasized the value and importance of professionally trained teachers with better logic than did J. Sterling Morton, Secretary of Agriculture in President Cleveland's Cabinet, when he said:

"We demand educated educators. We demand professionally trained teachers, men and women of irreproachable character and well-tested abilities. We demand from our legislators laws raising the standard of the profession and exalting the office of the teacher. As the doctor of medicine or the practitioner at law is only admitted within the pale of his calling upon the production of his parchment or certificate, so the applicant for the position of instructor in our primary and other schools should be required by law to first produce his diploma, his authority to teach, from the normal schools."

"We call on uneducated quack or charlatan to perform surgery upon the bodies of our children lest they may be deformed, crippled, and maimed physically all their lives. Let us take equal care that we intrust the development of the mental faculties to skilled instructors of magnanimous character that the mentalities of our children may not be mutilated, deformed, and crippled to halt and lurch through all the centuries of their never-ending lives. The deformed body will die, and be forever put out of sight under the ground, but a mind made monstrous by bad teaching does not, but stalks forever among the ages, an immortal mockery of the divine image."

This plea of Mr. Morton for professionally trained teachers was made the platform of the first national conference on teacher training for rural schools which met at Chicago in September, 1914, in its nation-wide campaign for professionally trained rural teachers.

The passenger and freight depot of the Michigan Railroad company, the printing and editorial offices of the Clio Messenger, a barber shop, restaurant and rooming house, all in one building, were destroyed by fire of undetermined origin, at Clio at an estimated loss of \$15,000.

J. L. Reichert, plumber and tin smith of Boyne City, has been notified that a patent had been granted on an improved device for toilet rooms. Mr. Reichert says that by his invention possibly millions of dollars would be saved in plumbing bills. The additional cost will be insignificant. Already he has been approached with offers from people for the sale of his invention and others have offered capital with which to start a factory.

MICHIGAN NEWS BREVITIES

SHORT NEWS STORIES FROM ALL OVER OUR STATE

The present indications are that the 1916 bank clearings of Grand Rapids will be upwards of \$47,000,000 greater than in 1915 which was considered the banner year. Building permits will be close to \$3,250,000 which is near \$1,000,000 more than last year.

A committee of three was appointed by the Michigan State Horticultural society at their annual session in Grand Rapids and directed to co-operate with the Michigan Director of Markets with the end in view of working out an advertising campaign that will be practical, effective and that will finance itself.

Students of the Lapeer high school who use intoxicating liquors or tobacco will not be allowed to graduate. Claud Ersorn, a Nunica farmer, was saved almost certain terrible death by his shepherd dog that attacked an infuriated bull which had Ersorn penned in a corner of the field.

The farm house owned by John O'cott at Perry, but occupied by George Hunter, caught fire and was totally destroyed because of the high wind and lack of help. Nearly all the furniture was saved. The loss is covered by insurance.

A rag on a stove pipe threatened serious loss to the Parent restaurant of Dowagiac when it caught fire and dropped to the quilts on a bed, setting them ablaze.

Theodore Hines of Nunica has received a sentence of 60 days in the Grand Haven county jail on the charge of stealing chickens. It is claimed that at one time he had a dog that was trained to kill chickens.

James Fitzgerald, 19, son of Sheriff Fitzgerald of Bay City, was severely injured while carrying the football during a game.

Thomas Eddy, postmaster and business man of Eagle for many years, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Clarence Davenport at Grand Ledge. A limb of a tree in the woods fell 25 feet, striking a glancing blow on the face, head and shoulders of Otto Lewis of Ceresco rendering him unfit for work for some time to come.

Carl G. Kleinstuck, a Kalamazoo capitalist and prominent in state and national humane societies, died in Florida from the result of a paralytic stroke induced by injuries sustained when he attempted to commit suicide some two months ago.

Carl Coehler, 60 years old, tried to break the windows of an Ann Arbor bank to get lodging for the winter. He was so chagrined that he wept when the justice gave him only 30 days.

Matt Pfeiffer, Tawas City, 23 years old, while hunting rabbits, stumbled while carrying a shotgun and shot himself in the left side. He is in a very critical condition.

Dr. Herman Ostrander of the Kalamazoo State hospital, announced that 11 cases of scarlet fever had broken out at the hospital for the insane and that one ward is under quarantine. Three attendants are among those under quarantine.

Active steps to secure a \$60,000 armory for Muskegon have been launched by the Muskegon Chamber of Commerce which has appointed an armory committee, composed of John C. Beukema, Louis Lunstorf, former Lieutenant Governor John Q. Ross and Lieutenant Colonel F. C. Whitney.

John Schmidt, president of the Ann Arbor board of public works, died at his home after being confined for a month.

More than \$2,000 was realized from the three day carnival at Monroe, given by the Monroe Yacht club.

For the third time within several weeks burglars broke into Morrill, Lambie and company's store of Hastings, stealing \$10 in cash and a quantity of stock.

Silverware and jewelry to the value of \$700 was stolen from the V. S. Mosher home at Jackson.

For the first time within the last few years the Barry County Agricultural society is on a firm financial foundation with \$1,122 in the treasury and all debts paid.

Eaton Rapids may have a branch of the Borden Condensed Milk company's industry.

Having won a fight to increase the price paid for each hundred pounds of milk in Calhoun county, the dairymen's organization is mapping out a plan for obtaining further profits. They propose to employ a salaried officer to manage their marketing and the buying of produce, such as grain and feed for dairy farms, co-operatively.

R. W. Judson, president of the Continental Motor Works of Grand Haven and an aviation enthusiast, has purchased the Jarvis Harbeck summer home property near Spring Lake, where he will erect hangers for his two aeroplanes.

Big commercial stores in the heart of Detroit were in complete darkness at their busiest time, an hour before closing, elevators were stalled between floors, women's purses were snatched and stores closed when Nelson H. Archer fell across the switchboard at the Detroit power plant, receiving 23,000 volts.

A rear end collision between two freights in the yards at Morrice threw off a car load of lumber and the caboose. No one was injured.

When fire broke out in the What Cheer coal mine at Flint, nine men were trapped in a shaft 120 feet below ground. Seven were hauled to the surface unharmed, but Emmett Landers, of Bay City, and Richard Muldoon, of Cleveland, were cut on the head by falling timber and overcome with smoke. They were revived with pulmotors and taken to a hospital where it is said they have good chances for recovery.

George Chivers, Jr., met with a serious accident at No. 2 mine. St. Charles, when a fall of rock completely covered him. He was saved from instant death by the rock resting on the coal and machine. Fellow workers rescued him from his perilous condition.

Rev. Ethel Langlois, for 23 years pastor of St. Anne's church, Linwood village, died at his home in Pinconning, where he had been living since his resignation two years ago. Rev. Langlois was born in Quebec 53 years ago.

H. W. Hardie, of the Hardie and Ekeblad Company, jewelry manufacturers of Holland, are opening a way for the inventive genius of high school students in the art department by asking for jewelry designs.

Burr Gould, 46, giving his home as Freehold was sent to the Bay City jail for a term of 30 days upon failure of paying a fine of \$10 imposed upon him on the conviction of obtaining money upon false pretenses.

Charles B. Binns, 57, a West Olive farmer, fell to the ground dead from heart failure while sharpening a knife preparatory to cutting up a hog he had just killed.

BY THEIR FRUITS

He can't believe wrong who does the right. He can't be false who lives the truth. These are axioms, and yet are we told that unless we subscribe to certain specified doctrines and interpretations of truth, our life is a failure, so far as realizing future happiness is concerned.



CURRENT EVENTS

By PAUL LEAKE

During the first eight months of the year Japan shipped to the United States \$67,426,035 worth of silk, a new record.

The night hawk performs the longest journey of any land bird; its trip is 7,000 miles from the Yukon to Argentina.

A portable vacuum cleaner invented by an Englishman can be used as a seat, table, cabinet, music stool or pedestal.

A ton of the Atlantic Ocean yields 81 pounds of salt, the Pacific Ocean 79 pounds, Arctic or Antarctic 36 pounds, and the Dead Sea 187 pounds.

Electric automobiles are rapidly taking the place of Jmriches at Tokyo, Japan.

More than 5,000 women are now employed in the municipal railway service in Vienna, Austria, but few, however, act as drivers because of the steep hills and hand brake equipment.

Washington statisticians estimate the cost of hauling farm produce is reduced 25 cents per ton mile by good roads.

Last year the United States manufactured 10,965,835 postage stamps.

Jacob Sassoon, dead in Bombay, India, claimed direct descent from King David, the psalmist.

A Boston department store has decided to share profits with employees.

Electric semaphores are being used in San Francisco to regulate street traffic.

The peanut crop of Texas is valued at \$24,200,000.

Great Britain expends yearly in municipal pensions \$588,495.

The annual output of New York clothing manufacturers is valued at \$532,000,000.

The postoffice department reports that there is now on deposit in postal savings banks of the United States the sum of \$104,200,000, placed there by 650,000 depositors.

Owing to the war there is a decided shortage in the world's supply of amber.

More than three-quarters of the world's supply of nickel comes from Canada.

A new automobile tire is composed of an elastic composition resembling rubber built up around a frame of rattan.

Two, instead of three doughnuts are now sold for a nickel in Chicago.

More than one million dollars in pennies were coined this year.

Hurricane Isle, Maine, has one solitary voter.

Philadelphians are requested to wear slippers when playing golf in order to save the turf.

To cut the cost of milk the women of Warberth, Pa., are going to install "community" cows.

Under British war regulations Londoners cannot buy tobacco after 8 o'clock in the evening.

Last year Brooklyn speculators bought logwood for dye purposes at \$110 a ton. It is now worth \$180 a ton.

There are 30,000 Japanese workers in California.

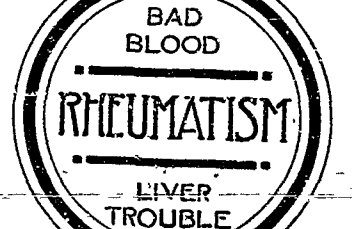
Coal mine explosions are to be prevented by an application.

Opals are a mingling of Silica, flint and water and their iridescent fire is said to be due to the water.

The new battleships to be built for the United States will, according to experts, be torpedo proof. Tests have shown it would take 10 torpedoes to sink one whereas two are sufficient to sink our present ships.

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AMERICAN EXTRAVAGANCE.

It is somewhat annoying to those who have always been obliged by circumstances to avoid wastefulness, when we are told that the American people as a whole, are considered the most extravagant and wasteful in the world, in the opinion of other nations, but we can't deny the general charge, nevertheless. The reckless, even absurd prodigality of our multimillionaire society people, as we read of their ways in the newspapers, the reckless manner in which they scatter money in their frantic pursuit of pleasure and their strife to outdo each other in clothes, houses, entertainments and everything else, have filled us with disgust again and again, but there are many other lines along which, as a nation we have not been careful, notably in the conservation of natural resources. However, we are learning fast. We have awakened to the fact that our forests, water power, animal species, mineral deposits, etc., are well worth taking care of, and our enormous annual increase of population is teaching us the inevitableness of making intensive farming a speedy solved problem in relation to our soil and climatic conditions. We certainly are not an economical people in the aggregate now, but we unquestionably will have to be, within a few of the future generations.

Dearborn has a Burbank of its own, in the person of a local greenhouse proprietor, who has a new tomato which he calls the "Alliance" the product of a tomato eggplant and pepper combination. If he could only introduce an onion flavor into the composite fruit his fortune would have been made as all the tomatoes would have required for ketchup. This is one of the cases where graft is not only permissible but praiseworthy.

Northville is certainly to be congratulated on the enterprise and efficiency of President Perkins and his council whose initial action and practical backing up of the entire project made possible the finest municipal demonstration our village has ever had—our first community Christmas tree. That the beautiful event should and will be made an annual custom seems to be the generally voiced opinion.

What authority has anybody for the silly habit of writing it "Xmas"? asks a disgusted quonist writing to one of the big dailies. We don't remember what the b d answered but any country printer who hasn't been fortunate enough to annex a typesetting machine can tell you why he does it, the supply of "C's" always runs short at holiday time.

Dear, dear! What next? Hi Sost has struck another blow. Monkeys have so risen in value that the Federal public-health service can scarcely afford to buy the poor little duffers to try out disease germs on. The little animals will be really "missing links" if the scarcity continues. Of course the War did it.

A 20 year-old Pontiac divorcee received her decree one day and was married to a new partner next day. Evidently such axioms as "a burned child fears fire" etc. have no application in her case.

And leap year is almost gone too! All those timid bachelors who have been in hiding during 1916 can soon come forth without danger, and enjoy another four years of immunity.

Old Wine in New Bottles. Dad (from the hall)—"Why, Marjorie, how dim the light is in here!" Freddy (the fiancé, not a college graduate in vain)—"Yes, sir. Professor Munsterberg has a theory that brilliant light benumbs the intellect. We are experimenting to find the degree of illumination by which the attention is kept vivid and the mental functions active."—Judge.

The Girard-Hawkins Plant**How It Was Saved From Ruin**

By BARBARA PHIPPS

The firm of Girard & Hawkins was organized for the erection and operation of a large manufacturing plant. Edward Girard, son of the head of the firm, soon after the work was begun went abroad for a tour previous to settling down to his life's career. On his return he was to enter the service of the Girard-Hawkins company. He had not been away long when his father died suddenly. After several cablegrams between Edward and his mother it was decided that he should finish his tour. Mr. Hawkins was abundantly able to supervise the erection of the factory and to start its operation.

Six months later Edward received a letter from his mother announcing the death of Mr. Hawkins just as the works were finished and were about to be operated. Mrs. Girard was much worried as to the further development of the Girard-Hawkins company. It was impossible to find a good business man with experience in the same line to take an interest in it and run it. But Hawkins' share had fallen to his only child, Isabel, who was still a minor. She was under the control of her guardian, a brother of her father, who seemed bound to wreck the enterprise. He had failed at numerous business efforts and was now bent on establishing himself as full manager of the Girard-Hawkins company. This Mrs. Girard believed would bring the company to grief, and she would not consent to it. The consequence was a deadlock, with the prospect of a foreclosure under a mortgage on the property.

From an irresponsible gadabout Ned Girard suddenly found himself called upon to extricate a valuable property from ruin. Many a man has been developed by such a situation, and young Girard had in him the makings of a successful man. Realizing that he had suddenly been plunged into a great responsibility he set himself down to think what he should do. There are persons who have the faculty of diving into questions and talking out the meat while others are looking for it in the substances which contain it. Where was the kernel of the nut in this instance? One half of it was in himself, the half owned with his mother. What constituted the other half? The guardian uncle? Ned looked beyond him and thought at this minor daughter, Mrs. Girard had described her as a schoolgirl, seventeen years old. She was being educated abroad, and at the time of her father's death was at school at Geneva, Switzerland.

When Ned began to study the problem before him he was packing to return to America. When he finished his deliberations he was packing to go to Geneva, his object being to get control of his business partner. That is to say, he aimed to get such an influence over her as would enable him to circumvent her guardian uncle and thereby save the Girard-Hawkins company from wreck.

Ned, on his arrival at Geneva, made inquiries as to Miss Hawkins and found that she had received news of the death of her father and was looking for an escort to return to America. Ned at once wrote to some American friends of his who were at Lucerne and were about to leave for home. These persons were two maiden ladies whom he had known since he was a boy. He asked them to stop over on their way home at Geneva, where he would join them and escort them to the United States.

Only too glad to have his assistance and his company, they did as he desired. When they reached Geneva he told them he had heard that a young girl, an orphan, who had just lost her father in America was anxious to find an escort across the Atlantic. The ladies sent word to the school where Miss Hawkins was, stating what they had heard and offering to take her under their care. The offer was accepted, and Ned felt that he had made a beginning.

Now, these ladies had engaged passage on a steamer that was to sail from Naples. Therefore Miss Hawkins, to avail herself of their care, must also sail from Naples. It mattered not to her what port she sailed from, and the party, Ned included, left Geneva for Naples via Milan, Florence and Rome. Ned knew that the vessel on which they had engaged passage would not sail for several weeks, which the ladies would put in between Florence and Rome. His advantages were thus trebled as to the time he would spend traveling with Miss Hawkins, but far more than trebled in another respect. The young lady might be confined to her room by seasickness on the voyage, while on land this was not to be expected, and a couple with nothing to do but to see sights are in a fair way to fall each under the other's influence.

The partnership between the late Mr. Girard and Mr. Hawkins was purely a matter of business, and their families had not met. Indeed, there was only one person in Mr. Hawkins' family, his daughter, whom he had left abroad when she was twelve years old. She knew nothing about his business affairs, not even that he was part owner of the Girard-Hawkins company.

Thereafter when Ned Girard was introduced to her, he was simply "Mr. Girard and nothing more." He did not enlighten her or any one else that on the successful management of a manufacturing enterprise their future status in respect to wealth or poverty depended. Nevertheless it was not likely that a girl of seventeen could be dawdling through the picture galleries of Florence or over the seven hills of Rome with an attractive fellow of twenty-three without feeling any interest in him.

It is not only the fact that young couples traveling for pleasure have nothing to do but to enjoy each other's society that comes to their beginning attached to each other. There is something in the novelties they see together that adds to the enthrallment. This is especially true of Italy. The enchantment that prevails in the medieval city of Florence is enough to bring about a love affair between a Cyclops and a maiden. There is the river Arno that runs through it, the bridges, including that antique structure, the Ponte Vecchio, and the historic associations, all included within a circle of beautiful hills which look as if they had been reponced by a divine painter with higher colors than nature is wont to lay on.

And Rome! Girard, who had been there before and was well versed in its historic lore, took the girl to the Pincian hill and showed her the panorama of the city, the old Campus Martius, the tomb of Hadrian, colossal St. Peter's, flanked by the long hill range, the Janiculum. He may have had business in mind, but his tongue told of the building of the Eternal City. Then he took her to the Forum, the Coliseum, the baths of Caracalla, and all the while he made these structures live again with a people of 2,000 years ago.

There was time before sailing from Naples to visit Pompeii, where not far distant a light smoke was curling from the mountains that had poured forth fire and smoke, followed by the white ashes which had buried the city, to be forgotten for eighteen centuries. At Sorrento there were the ever changing colors of the bay, of Naples spread out several hundred feet below them. In the quiet of an orange grove Girard told the little girl his "story." Naturally she listened to it with rapture.

The ocean voyage over, the party separated at the dock at New York. Girard did not tell his fiancée of the business relationship existing between them. He did not care to run any unnecessary risk. They would be brought together in a business way soon enough, and then the struggle for mastery between her lover and her guardian would commence. Girard told her that he lived in the same location as herself but nothing more.

"Goodbye for the present," he said at leaving her. "In a few days I will be with you again." Girard on reaching home sought the guardian of the half interest in the Girard-Hawkins company at his office and in an interview flatly declared that he would not consent to the guardianship assuming control of the enterprise.

"Very well," was the reply. "I will not consent to any one else than myself assuming the control."

"You are not the owner of the property. You are merely the guardian of a part owner. She may not assent to your claim. If she represents to the chancery court that she believes your management will wreck her property she will be protected."

"My word was never confidence in me." "So be it," replied Girard, risking all on the love he had won. "Bring me to your ward and let her choose between us. If she supports you in your claim I agree that you shall become president and manager of the company."

"Tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock she shall be here." Whether the strength of young love for a stranger would be stronger than reliance on an elderly man, her father's brother, Girard did not know, but he did not believe that the guardianship would not long struggle successfully against the young love. At the appointed hour he went to Hawkins' office, and the ward arrived a few minutes later. On seeing Ned she stood for a moment like a statue, then threw herself into his arms.

Her guardian did not then call upon her to choose between himself and Ned. There had been something between these two of which he was ignorant. Ned and his fiancée left the office together and Hawkins proceeded in due time to investigate what had happened. But Ned was in every respect ahead of him. The lovers had no sooner left the office than Ned told his fiancée the whole story. But this was not necessary to win her to his purpose. Love was quite enough for that.

After an interview between the lovers Isabel consented to leave everything to Ned, and he was authorized to tell her guardian that Ned was her duly appointed agent to carry out any plan that he considered to be a benefit to the property. But the guardian could not be ousted till Isabel came of age, and that would not be for half a year at least.

Hawkins accused Ned of dishonorable conduct, but it availed nothing. Under instructions Isabel would consent to nothing her uncle insisted upon, giving notice that he could do what the law permitted him to do for six months until she would come of age and would receive her property. There was no use in Hawkins controlling the plant for so short a time, and he gave in. Ned interested a man in it whose qualifications were excellent and the business prospered. Ned went in at the bottom and worked up to the top. He is now president, and the stock of the company is all owned by Edward and Isabel Hawkins Girard.

Wixom Whisperings.

Born December 25, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sanders, a son.

A Collins of Detroit was the guest of his sister here, Christmas.

A. H. Henessay of Toledo, Ohio, visited his son, George, Saturday.

Mrs. J. J. Wines of Detroit visited her mother, Mrs. Mary Talk, a part of this week.

Glean Congdon and wife of Flint spent Christmas with Wixom and Novi relatives.

Little Virginia Johnson is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Harry Benton at Saginaw, this week.

John Chamberlain returned last week from a visit with his brother's family at Owensdale.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Belford of Newark came here to attend the school exercises last Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Edna Parker returned home last week, after an extended visit with her daughter near Lapeer.

Dell VanLeuvan and wife of Flint spent Christmas with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Gillick.

The Misses Hopkins are home for the holidays; Avis from Appleton, Wis., and Rena from Carson City, Michigan.

Mrs. Nellie Hussey and son, Jay and daughter, Florence, of Novi spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Martin.

Mrs. John Gordon and son, Earl, of Pontiac attended the Christmas tree exercises at the church Saturday evening.

E. A. Hautebergue visited his son, Leo, at Ypsilanti last Saturday. Leo is very low with tuberculosis, with no hope for his recovery.

The Sunday school "Class in the Corner" gave a farewell surprise to Pauline Williams Wednesday evening at the home of Frances and Lucetta Proud. Pauline will soon leave for Grand Haven, much to the regret of all the Wixom people.

Walled Lake Warbles.

Jerome Compton has gone to Florida to spend the winter.

Miss Young spent the week-end at the home of Dr. Chapman.

Todd Bradley was unable to attend school last week on account of illness.

Miss Parthena Dickerson has been a sufferer from rheumatism the past week.

Mrs. Olive Baker, Mrs. Della Pratt and Fred Pratt spent Monday in Pontiac.

Mrs. Frank C. Harlow of Pontiac visited her aunt, Mrs. N. B. Johns, Wednesday.

Mr. Harold Strong of Riverside, Calif. visited friends here the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Russell of Highland Park spent several days this week with friends here.

The Misses Madge and Bly Gungley of Ypsilanti are spending their vacation with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. William Parmenter and family spent Christmas at the home of Fred Parmenter.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Austin entertained their children and grand children at dinner Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Arthur and daughter, Helen, visited relatives at Northville for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Chafy entertained at a family dinner party Christmas and also Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Smith.

Elucidation.

"Now, Thomas," said the teacher, "can you more fully explain the adage, 'Old men for counsel and young men for war'?" "It means," replied Thomas, "that the old men do the quarreling and then let the young men do the fighting."—Fun!

Cowardly.

A man may praise a woman's pie, but that's no sign he will eat it!—Buffalo News

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Tubing Sheet; all Muslins 10 per cent off. Sheets 60c, 70c, 80c for 50c, 60c and 70c. All Scrims, 20 per cent off.

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Northville Newslets.

The dove of peace is fluttering
again.

Mrs. J. W. Kator is recovering from
her illness.

Peace? You bet! Whoop'er up
and push'er along!

Ypsilanti, also, had a municipal
Christmas tree this year.

Mrs. Jacob Crommer who has been
ill for several weeks is not much
better.

Justice J. O. Knapp is slowly re-
covering from a several weeks' siege
of grip.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Bates enter-
tained a party of friends from Wayne
at Christmas dinner.

Edward Bogart, who has been very
sick with gump during the past two
weeks is now improving.

We crowded a whole lot into this
sinful old year 1916, most of which
should be crowded out again.

Charles LeFever and family moved
from Bealtown last week to the
Guthrie house on Dunlap street.

Rev. J. E. Webber was called to
Linden the latter part of last week to
attend the funeral of his grandmother.

And now Birmingham is to be the
next town to have a tabernacle and a
series of revival meetings. Here's
hoping.

Orient Chapter O. E. S. will have a
special meeting Friday evening, Jan.
4. Members will please keep the date
in mind.

The Aid Society of the Presbyterian
church is to meet next Wednesday,
January 3, at 2:30 o'clock, at the home
of Mrs. J. E. Webber.

The new Pere Marquette R. R.
bridge south of town is now completed.
It is of cement with a 21 foot arch and
is a fine structure of its kind.

Under the state law, Mrs. Sonnen-
berg will be eligible to receive a
mother's pension. This will be the
first instance of the application of this
law in Northville.

Winter—the real, official almanac
winter began last week Thursday,
Dec. 21. And we all knew it was
winter too, even if we didn't acquire
an almanac last year.

Mrs. Loeser, who has been for
some weeks in Harper hospital where
she was operated on for the removal
of tumors, is recovering nicely and
is expected home soon.

Mrs. Julia Crapen, a sister of Mrs.
Addie McKahan and formerly a North-
ville resident, died last week at
Milford where her home had been for
the greater part of her life.

The Dubuar Manufacturing com-
pany presented each of its employes
with a fine big chicken as a Christmas
gift, which was certainly some
present at the present price of poultry.

Flint is the latest Michigan city to
get "classy" enough for blackhand
outrages. A fruit store there, kept
by an Italian, was wrecked by dynamite
the other night, and for the
fourth time at that.

D. U. R. conductor Herman Kreeger
of Farmington, formerly of this vil-
lage, is nursing a few broken ribs as
the result of a Christmas hunting ac-
cident. A fall, not a shot, was the
cause of the injury.

The King's Daughters made their
customary quiet holiday-time dis-
tribution of a large number of baskets
filled with good things for Christ-
mas cheer to the less-fortunate
members of the community.

Rural mail carriers of Michigan
have been notified that they are to get
back pay covering the years from July
1st, 1911 to July 1st, 1915, when Post-
master General Burleson continued to
pay at the old rate after congress had
authorized a \$100 increase of pay.

Miss Lida Richardson arranged a
pleasant birthday surprise for her
mother, Mrs. T. G. Richardson, Tues-
day evening, by inviting in a small
party of ladies, serving them with a
dainty "Christmassy" luncheon which
she had prepared under much diffi-
culty in order that the surprise might
be complete.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Vradenburg en-
tertained a large party of friends at
Christmas dinner. Their guests were
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Leverington and
children of Hannibal, Mo., Mrs. Julia
Lowden and Mary and James Lowden
of Highland Park, Mr. and Mrs. L. L.
Vradenburg and children and Miss
Beth Vradenburg of Detroit, Harry
Farwell of Plymouth and Mrs. Paulina
Vradenburg and Mr. and Mrs. George
Farwell of this village.

Dancing in Cattermole Hall Satur-
day evening. Good floor and good
music. Come up and enjoy yourself.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Erwin entertain-
ed nearly twenty relatives at dinner
Christmas day.

Mrs. Catherine Wing who has been
ill for the past three weeks, is im-
proving in health.

The King's Daughters will meet
next Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at
the home of Mrs. Geo. Alexander.

Not only did people enjoy the mun-
icipal Christmas tree Saturday evening,
but every evening since, as the lights
and decorations were purposely left
intact.

Miss Nellie Huger, pianist in the
opera house at Plymouth, played at
the Alseum theatre Monday evening,
Miss Gertrude Brown taking her place
at Plymouth.

Mrs. C. C. Keyes, who moved here
from Milford some time ago has stored
her household goods and gone to
Farmington for the winter, where
she has obtained employment with
Mrs. L. S. Rowle.

Belleville schools have had to be
closed on account of a diphtheria
epidemic, and a thorough course of
examinations, culture, taking anti-
toxin treatments and disinfection has
been instituted there.

Lots of Northville folks went lots
of places and had lots of visitors for
Christmas, besides those mentioned in
this issue of the Record, but as they
failed to tell us about it, we cannot
tell our readers about it.

The Farmington Enterprise and the
Rochester Era were two papers that
came to the Record's exchange desk
all dressed up in brilliant extra pages
covers, and with many extra pages
filled with advertising matter.

N. H. Caverly, a former resident
here, whose spine was fractured last
summer in an automobile accident is
dead. He was 58 years old and was
the proprietor of the Western hotel at
Brighton. He leaves a widow, one son
and one daughter.

A considerable number of Northville
homes had a "Christmas candle" in
their windows Sunday night. The
custom is a very pretty and appro-
priate one and was largely followed
this year in Detroit as well as in many
of the smaller cities and villages.

The Michigan State Grange is to
have a paper of its very own after
Jan. 1. This is the Michigan Patron,
a farmers' paper, hitherto published
by Jas. W. Helme of Adrian. Mr.
Helme will continue to be connected
with the paper as managing editor.

Thirteen voters in Northville's
school district recently met and voted
a \$15,000 debt onto that district—
South Lyon Herald Well the other
"teen dozen knew all about it, and
could have gone and voted but didn't,
so very few of 'em are kicking about
it.

Mrs. Mary Sinclair was removed
yesterday in the Farmer ambulance
from the home of a son at Oxbow Lake
to the home another son, E. H.
Cotcher, at 168 Sanderson avenue—
Pontiac Press Gazette. Mrs. Sinclair,
for many years a resident here, has
been very ill for some weeks.

The job of carrying the U. S. mail
from the depot to the post-office is
now open owing to the resignation of
Frank Perrin, who has held the con-
tract for a number of years past.
Bids will be received for this messen-
ger service, and the requisite blanks
and information can be obtained at
the post-office.

Farmington News.

Adolph Nacker was in Detroit one
day last week.

Mrs. Perry Wixom was in Detroit
one day last week.

Wm. Dickerson is on the sick list,
nursing the measles.

George McClelland was in Birming-
ham one day last week.

Miss Leona Becker and mother were
in Detroit one day last week.

The M. E. church gave a cantata
at the town hall Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Thayer and son,
Howard, spent Christmas with Mrs.
Thayer's parents at Novi.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Green and son,
Forest, were guests of George Gren
of Detroit one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hinborn of Pon-
tiac, former Farmington residents, are
the proud parents of a baby girl.

The Christmas exercises of the Ger-
man Sunday school were held at the
church Christmas eve, with a pro-
gram of music, recitations and a tree.

Dancing in Cattermole Hall Satur-
day evening. Good floor and good
music. Come up and enjoy yourself.

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R. A. M.
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COMMANDERY NO. 39 K. T.
Regular Jan. 2

ORIENT CHAPTER NO. 77
O. E. S.
Regular January 19

WEEKLY CALENDAR.

BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES.
(By the Pastor.)

The subject of the morning will be
"One Word the Secret of the World's
Progress."

The evening subject will be "Multi-
plied Visions."

The Sunday school will elect officers
next Sunday. Try to be present.

Monthly business meeting of the Aid
society Tuesday afternoon in the
church parlors. In the evening of
the same day the church will hold its
annual election of officers. Let all
endeavor to be present.

On Thursday evening, Jan. 4, the
monthly covenant meeting will be
held. At this time we shall act upon
those who have expressed a desire to
unite with the church. Some will be
received as candidates for baptism,
others will be reinstated and still
others will be held subject to a term
of fidelity after which, if steadfast,
they will be received to full member-
ship.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES.
(By the Pastor.)

Next Sunday will be the last Sunday
and the last day of the year of 1916.
The program of services has been ar-
ranged accordingly. For the morning
service the topic will be, "Closed for
Inventory." The doors of the church
will be open for the reception of
members.

The Sunday school will meet at
1:30. Let every member be in his or
her place to make this session of the
school the best of all the year. Come
and bring your friends with you.

In the evening we will hold an old-
fashioned watch-night service and the
program will be full of interest from
start to finish. It will begin with the
service of the Epworth League, at 8
o'clock, instead of at six. The meet-
ing will be under the direction of Mr.
Roy Clark, in the auditorium of the
church, and everybody is invited.
The regular preaching service, opened
by a song and special music by the
choir, will begin at 9 o'clock. The
pastor's topic will be "Remember."
Following this service there will be a
social half-hour, during which light
refreshments in the form of a pot
luck lunch will be served. At 10:30
a symposium service, with the general
topic, "How to make the new year
better the old." 1. In the Sunday
school, discussion led by C. S. Filkins.
2. In our work for men, discussion
led by N. J. Cole. 3. In the Ladies Aid
society, discussion led by Mrs. E. J.
Cobb. 4. In the Missionary society,
discussion led by Mrs. F. W. Wheaton.
5. In the Epworth League, discussion
led by E. M. Bogart. It is expected
that every one will share in the dis-
cussion of the various topics as stated.
At 11:30 the pastor will conduct a
love feast and devotional service,
closing as the clock strikes 12. A
most cordial invitation is extended
to everybody for all the services of
the day.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NOTES.
(By the Pastor.)

Morning service at 10 o'clock.
Communion and reception of members.

Sunday school at 11:30. A splen-
did New Year resolution would be to
attend the Sunday school for the year
of 1917.

Christian Endeavor at 6 o'clock.
The best place in town for the young
people at this particular hour.

Evening service at 7 o'clock. Sub-
ject, "Preparations For New Ventures"
A New Year sermon.

It is very appropriate that the last
day of the old year should fall on Sun-
day. The best place to make a re-
view of the past year and prepare for
the new should be at a religious ser-

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Presbyterians and those not
affiliated elsewhere should let nothing
interfere with church attendance next
Sunday.

Mrs. Roy and Miss Thelma Ambler
will entertain the Martha Chapter of
the Westminster Guild Wednesday
evening, January 3.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY.
Christian Science service in the
Ladies Library Sunday morning at
10:45 o'clock.

Features at the New
Alseum Theatre.

"The Girl from the Golden West"
will be the attraction at the Alseum
Theatre New Years night. It is a
David Belasco production and will
be well worth seeing.

Good show for Saturday night
Don't miss it.

Gilt-Edge Gatherings.

Paul Agnes, Esther and Renate
never visited in Northville Saturday
night.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bradley and
family returned to Royal Oak Monday
to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Smith and little son
of Pontiac were entertained by Mr.
and Mrs. H. Fuller Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Millard entertain-
ed a number of friends and relatives
from Detroit and Farmington at din-
ner Christmas day.

Novi News.

Scott Montgomery of Northville was
the guest of Wallace Simmons Tues-
day and Wednesday.

A gang of seven men under
supervision of Thomas Herrick are
moving three miles of telephone line
poles farther back for the conveni-
ence of the good roads work. The
men are quartered at the home of
Mrs. Kate Simmons.

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HEPSEY BURKE

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CHAPTER V The Miniature.

It happened that the Reverend Donald Maxwell committed a careless indiscretion. When he went to his room to prepare for supper, he found that he had left the miniature of a certain young lady on the mantelpiece, having forgotten to return it to its hiding place the night before. He quickly placed it in its covering and looked it up in his desk, but not without many misgivings at the thought that Mrs. Burke had probably discovered it when she put his room in order.

He was quite right in his surmise, for just as she was about to leave the room she had caught sight of the picture, and, after examining it carefully she had exclaimed to herself:

"Hm! Hm! So that's the young woman it is? In a gilded frame set with real glass rubies and turquoises. I guessed those letters couldn't come from his mother. She wouldn't write to him every blessed day; she'd take a day off now and then, just to rest up a bit. Well, well, well! So this is what you've been dreaming about, and a mighty good thing too—only the sooner I know the better. But I suppose I'll have to wait for his reverence to inform me officially, and then I'll have to look mighty surprised! She's got a good face, anyway, but he ought to wait a while. Poor soul! she'd just die of loneliness up here. Well, I suppose it'll be my business to look after her, and I reckon I'd best take time by the felloek, and get the rectory in order. It isn't fit for rats to live in now."

Mrs. Burke's discovery haunted her all day long, and absorbed her thoughts when she went to bed. If Maxwell was really engaged to be married, she did not see why he did not announce the fact, and have it over with. She had to repeat her prayers three times before she could keep the girl in the gilt frame out of her mind, and she solved the problem by praying that she might not make a fool of herself.

The next morning she went over to Jonathan Jackson's house to see what her friend and neighbor, the Junior Warden, would say about the matter. He could be trusted to keep silent and assist her to carry out some provisional plans. She knew exactly what she wished and what she intended to do; but she imagined that she wanted the pleasure of hearing some one tell her that she was exactly right.

Jonathan Jackson was precisely the person to satisfy the demand, as his deceased wife had never allowed him to have any opinion for more than fifteen minutes at a time—if it differed from hers; and when she had made a pretense of consulting him, he had learned by long experience to hesitate for a moment, look judiciously wise, and then repeat her suggestions as nearly as he could remember them. So Jonathan made a most excellent friend and neighbor, when any crisis or emergency called for an expert opinion.

Mrs. Burke had been an intimate friend of Sarah Jackson, and just before Mrs. Jackson died she made Hepsy promise that after she was gone she would keep a friendly eye on Jonathan, and see that he did not get in to mischief, or let the house run down, or "live just by eatin' odds and ends off the pantry shelf any old way." Mrs. Jackson entertained no illusions in regard to her husband, and she trusted Hepsy implicitly. So, after Mrs. Jackson's mortal departure, Hepsy made periodic calls on Jonathan, which always gave him much pleasure until she became inquisitive about his methods of housekeeping; then he would grow reticent.

"Good morning, Jonathan," Hepsy called, as she presented herself at the woodshed door where she caught Jonathan mending some of his underclothes laboriously.

"Well, I declare," she continued, "I'm blessed if you ain't sewin' white buttons on with black thread. Is anybody dead in the family or aint you feelin' well as to your head this mornin'?"

His voice quavered with mingled embarrassment and resentment as he replied:

"What difference does it make Hepsy? It don't make no difference, as long as nobody don't see it but me."

"And why in the name of conscience don't you get a thimble, Jonathan? The idea of your stickin' the needle in, and then pressin' it against the chair to make it go through. If that

aint just like a helpless man, I wouldn't say."

"Well, of course sewin' ain't just a man's business, anyway; and when he has just got to do it—"

"Why don't you let Mary McGuire do it for you? You pay her enough, certainly, to keep you from becomin' a buttonless orphan."

Mary McGuire he it said, was the woman who came in by the day, and cooked for Jonathan, and intermittently cleaned him out of house and home. "She don't know much about such things," replied Jonathan confidently. "I did let her do it for a while, but when my buttonholes got too larger, instead of sewin' 'em up, she just put on a larger button; and I'd be buttonin' my pants with the covers of saucers by now, if I'd let her go on."

"It is curious what helpless critters men are, specially widowers. Now Jonathan, why don't you lay aside your sewin', and invite me into your parlor? You aren't a bit polite."

"Well, come along then, Hepsy; but the parlor ain't just in apple-pie order, as you might say. Things are muddled up a bit." He looked at her suspiciously.

When they entered the parlor Mrs. Burke gazed about in a critical sort of way.

"Jonathan Jackson if you don't get married again before long, I don't know what'll become of you," she remarked as she wrote her name with the end of her finger in the dust on the center-table. "Why don't you open the parlor occasionally and let the air in? It smells musty in here I feel as if I was attendin' your wife's funeral all over again."

"Well, of course you know we never did use the parlor much, 'cept there was a funeral in the family, or you called or things like that."

"Thank you, but even so, you might put things away occasionally, and not leave them scattered all over the place."

"What's the use? I never can find anything when it's where it belongs; but if it's left just where I drop it, I know right where it is when I want it."

"That's a man's argument. Sakes alive! The least you could do would be to shut your bureau drawers."

"What's the use shuttin' bureau drawers when you've got to open them again, fore long?" Jonathan asked. "It just makes so much more trouble, and there's trouble enough in this world anyway."

"You wouldn't dare let things go like this when Sarah was livin'?"

"No," Jonathan replied, sadly, "but there's some advantages in bein' a widower. Of course I don't mean no disrespect to Sarah but opinions will differ about some things. She'd never let me go up the front stairs without takin' my boots off, so as not to soil the carpet; and when she died and the relatives tramped up and down reckless like, I almost felt as if it was wicked. For a fact I did."

"Well, I always told Sarah she was a slave to dust, I believe that dust worried her a lot more than her conscience, poor soul. I should think that Mary McGuire would tidy up for you a little bit once in a while."

"Well, Mary does the best she knows how. But I like her goin' better than comin'. The fact is, a man of my age can't live alone always, Hepsy. It's a change to live this way, till—"

"Oh, heaven save the mark! I can't stay here talkin' all day; but I'll tidy up a bit before I go, if you don't mind, Jonathan. You go on with what you call your sewin'."

"Go ahead, Hepsy. You can do anything you like," he replied, beaming upon her.

Mrs. Burke opened the blinds and windows, shook up the pillows on the lounge, straightened the furniture, dusted off the chairs and opened the door to the porch. She made a flying trip to the garden, and returned with a big bunch of flowers which she placed in a large glass vase on the mantel. Then she hung Jonathan's dressing gown over the back of a chair, and put his slippers suggestively near at hand. In a few moments she had transformed the whole appearance of the room, giving it a look of home like coziness which had long been foreign to it.

"There now, Jonathan! That's better, isn't it?"

Jonathan sighed profoundly as he replied:

"It certainly is Hepsy; it certainly is. I wonder why a man can't do that kind of thing like a woman can? He knows somethin' wrong, but he can't tell what it is."

Hepsy had almost forgotten her errand; but now that her work was done it came back to her with sudden force, so puckering up her lips and scowling severely at the carpet, she began:

"The fact is Jonathan, I didn't come over here to dust the parlor or to jolly you. I've come to have a confidential talk with you about a matter of great importance."

"What is it Hepsy?"

"Matrimony!"

Jonathan started eagerly, and colored with self-conscious embarrassment, and after clearing his throat nervously inquired:

"Did you think of contemplatin' matrimony again Hepsy?—though this ain't leap year."

"I contemplate matrimony? Oh, land of Gideon, no. It's about some one else. Don't get scared, I'm no kidnaper!"

"Well, who is it then?" Jonathan inquired, with a touch of disappointment.

"My adopted son."

"You don't say! I've heard rumors about Maxwell and Virginia Bascom;

but I didn't take no stock in 'em, knowin' Virginia."

"Virginia hasn't nothin' to do with it."

"Well, who has then, for land's sake?"

"I don't know the girl's name; but I saw her picture on his mantelpiece yesterday mornin', and I've had my suspicions for some time."

"Well, I suppose his marryin' ain't none of our business—anyway, be it?"

"Yes, it is our business; if he's goin' to get married, the rectory's got to be fixed over a whole lot 'fore it'll fit to live in. You know the Senior Warden won't lift his finger, and you have got to help me do it."

Jonathan sighed profoundly, knowing from past experience that Hepsy's word carried more weight than all the vestry.

"I suppose I have, if you say so, Hepsy."

"Yes sir, you've got to help me do it. No decent girl in gold into that house as it is, with my consent. It's the worst old rat trap I ever saw. I've got the key, and I'm going through it this afternoon, and then I'm going to plan what ought to be done."

"But it seems to me you're venturin' in some. You don't know they're goin' to be married."

"No, but all the symptoms point that way, and we've got to be prepared for it."

"But the people round town seem to think that Virginia has a first mortgage on the rectory already."

"No doubt she thinks she has; but it ain't true. He's made a blunder, though, not announcin' his engagement, and I'm goin' to tell him so the first chance I get. I don't see why he should air his private affairs all over the town, but if he don't announce his engagement before long Virginia Bascom'll make an awful row when he does."

"Yes, and to the best of my knowledge and belief this'll be her fifth row."

"Well, you meet me at the rectory at two o'clock sharp."

"But we ought to consult the vestry first," the Junior Warden cautioned her.

"What for, I'd like to know?"

"Cause they are the trustees of the property."

"Then why don't they tend to the property? The vestry are a lot of 'em."

"Sh! Hepsy, be careful. I'll be there, I'll be there!"

Mrs. Burke rose and started for the door; but Jonathan called out to her: "Hepsy, can't you stay to dinner? I'd like awful well to have you. It would seem so nice and homelike to see you sittin' opposite me at the table."

"Am I to consider this a proposal of marriage Jonathan?"

"Well, I hadn't thought of it in that light; but if you would, I'd be mighty thankful."

But Hepsy was beating her retreat. Jonathan stood for a minute or two in the middle of the room and looked very sober. Slowly he took off his coat and put on his dressing gown. Then he sat down, and cautiously put his feet in another chair. Next he lighted a cigar—gazing about the room as if his late wife might appear at any moment as an avenging deity; and drag him into the kitchen where he belonged. But nothing happened, and he began to feel a realization of his independence. He sat and thought for a long time, and a mighty hunger of the heart overwhelmed him. Before he knew it a tear or two had fallen on the immaculate carpet; and then, suddenly recollecting himself, he stood up, saying to himself—such is the consistency of man:

"Sarah was a good soul according to her lights; but she's dead, and I must confess I'm powerful reconciled Hepsy Burke's different. I wonder if—"

But he put the thought away from him with a "get thee behind me" abruptness, and putting on his coat, went out to water the stock.

CHAPTER VI

The Missionary Tea

"Hm!" Mrs. Burke remarked to Maxwell abruptly one day during supper. "We haven't had a missionary tea since you came, and I think it's high time we did."

"What sort of a missionary tea do you mean?" the parson inquired.

"Well," Mrs. Burke replied, "our missionary teas combine different attractions. We get together and look over each other's clothes; that's the first thing; then some one reads a paper reportin' how things is goin' in Zanzibar, or what's doin' in Thibucto. Then we look over the old clothes—"

cent in for missionaries, mend 'em up, and get 'em ready to send off. Then we have tea and cake. I've had my misgivin' for some time that perhaps we cared more for tea and cake than we did for the heathen; but of course I put such a wicked thought aside."

"If you value your reputation for piety, don't you ever speak of a missionary tea here except in a whisper."

"But I suppose the tea helps to get people together and be more sociable?"

"Certainly. The next best thing to religion is a cup of strong tea and a crust of cake, to make us country people friends. Both combined can't be beat. But you ought to see the things that have been sent in this last week for the missionary box. There's a smoking jacket, two pairs of golf trousers, several pairs of mismatched gloves, a wonderful lot of undarned stockings, bonnets and underclothes to burn, two jackets and a bathin' suit. I wonder what people think missionaries are doin' most of the time!"

On the day appointed for the missionary tea the ladies were to assem-

ble at Thunder Cliff at four o'clock; and when Maxwell came home, before the advent of the first guest, he seemed somewhat depressed; and Mrs. Burke inquired:

"Been makin' calls on your parishioners?"

"Yes, I have made a few visits."

"Now you must look more cheerful, or somebody'll suspect that you don't always find parish calls the joy of your life."

"It's so difficult to find subjects of conversation that they are interested in. I simply couldn't draw out Mrs. Snodgrass, for instance."

"Well, when you've lived in the country as long as I have, you'll find that the one unfaillin' subject of interest is symptoms—mostly dyspepsia and liver complaint. If you had known enough to have started right with El-mira Snodgrass, she would have thawed out at once. El-mira is always lookin' for trouble as the sparks fly upwards, or thereabouts. She'd crawl through a barbed wire fence if she couldn't get at it any other way. She always chews a pill on principle, and then she calls it a dispensation of Providence, and wonders why she was ever born to be tormented."

"In that case," laughed Maxwell, "I'd better get some medical books and read up on symptoms. By the by, is there any particular program for this missionary meeting, Mrs. Burke?"

"Yes, Virginia Bascom's goin' to read a paper called 'The Christian Mother as a Missionary in her own Household.' To be sure, Ginty's no Christian mother, or any other kind of a mother; but she's as full of enthusiasm as a shad is of bones. She'd bring up any child while you wait, and not charge a cent. There goes the bell so please excuse me."

The guests were received by Mrs. Burke. Miss Bascom entered the parlor with a portentous bundle of manuscript under her arm, and greeted Donald with a radiant smile. Pulling a pansy from a bunch in her dress, she adjusted it in his buttonhole with the happy shyness of a young luten chasing its tail. After the others had assembled, they formed a circle to inspect the clothing which had been sent in. There was a general buzz of conversation.

As they were busily going through the garments, Virginia remarked, "Are all these things to go to the missionaries at Tien Tsin?" and she adjusted her lorgnette to inspect the heap.

"Yes," Mrs. Burke responded wearily, "and I hope they'll get what comfort they can out of 'em."

"You don't seem to be very appreciative, Mrs. Burke," Virginia reproved.

"Well, I suppose I ought to be satisfied," Hepsy replied. "But it does seem as if most people give to the Lord what they can't use for themselves any longer—as they would to a poor relation—that's worthy, but not to be coddled by too much charity."

"I think these things are quite nice enough for the missionaries," Virginia retorted. "They are thankful for anything."

"Yes, I know," Mrs. Burke replied calmly. "Missionaries and their families have no business to have any feelings that can't be satisfied with second hand clothes, and no end of good advice on how to spend five cents freely but not extravagantly."

"But don't you believe in sending them useful things?" Virginia asked loftily.

"So I do; but I'd hate that word useful if I was a missionary's wife."

"Might I inquire," asked Miss Bascom meekly, "what would you send?"

"Certainly! I'd send a twenty-five cent sack bag, made of silk and filled with patchouli powder," said Hepsy, squarely.

"Well," Virginia added devoutly, "satchel bags may be well enough in their place; but they won't feed missionaries, or clothe them, or save souls you know, Mrs. Burke."

"Did anybody say they wouldn't?" Mrs. Burke inquired. "I shouldn't particularly care to see missionaries clothed in satchel bags myself; the smell might drive the heathen to desperation. But do we always limit our spending money to necessary clothes and food? The truth is, we all of us spend anything we like as long as it goes on our backs, or down our throats; but the moment it comes to supportin' missionaries we think 'em worldly and graspin' if they show any ambition beyond second hand clothes."

"Do you live up to your preachin', Mrs. Burke?" a little sallow faced woman inquired from a dark corner of the room.

"Oh, no; it hits me just as hard as anybody else, as Martin Luther said. But I've got a proposition to make: if you'll take these things you brought back with you, and wear 'em for a week just as they are, and play you're the missionaries, I'll take back all I've said."

As, however, there was no response to this challenge, the box was packed, and the cover nailed down.

It is perhaps no proper part of this story to add, that its opening on the other side of the world was attended by the welcome and surprising fragrance of patchouli, emanating from the little silk satchel secreted among the more workaday gifts.

The ladies then adjourned to the front piazza, where the supper was served.

(Continued Next Week)

There are a great many men who think they are "some pumpkins" and no one disputes them.

God will be all right, but favors ought not to all go one way. There should be a little reciprocity to perpetuate good feeling.

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With his nose stretched on his paw,
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While the lake's deep, rolling tide,
Stretching westward far and wide,
And the forests on the land
Round about their vigil keep
O'er his long, unbroken sleep.

With his head turned toward the strait
As if set to guard its gate,
Truant to his trust he seems,
Given o'er to misty dreams;
Dreaming of the days gone by
When no human foot was nigh,
When as yet no ship had traced
Pathway o'er the watery waste,
But o'er lake and virgin wood
Reigned primeval solitude.
Dreaming, dreaming night and day,
Thus he sleeps the years away.

Indian war-whoops loud have rung;
Settlers' echoing axes swung;
Busy mills hummed night and day
As they stole his wealth away;
And ten thousand ships have crept
Slowly by him while he slept.
Like the sphinx in Egypt's clime
He heeds not the things of time.
Fighting winds that vex the air,
Foaming waves that storm his lair,
Only lull him to his rest—
Sleeping calm on nature's breast.

Sleep on, sluggard of the lake!
Undisturbed thy slumbers take!
But adown the coming years
When the Son of Man appears,
When he speaks and bids our clay—
Waken for the judgment day,
Nature too shall hear his call,
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- Rule 5—Every time you write to the club, please mention whether you are an old or a new member. Compliance with this rule will prevent unnecessary delay.

Dear Children—Christmas and New Years are lovely holidays—PERFECTLY SPLENDID ones! I think, and I am sure we all would feel happier and enjoy ourselves better if we would each do a kind act that would bring happiness to some one else.

Now for our prize stories and letters. Our FIRST prize story was sent in by—WELL—WELL—when I went to look for the name there was no name to the story and the post mark was so blurred I could not even tell where it was sent from. The name of the story is: "Grandmother's Quilting Party." Now when the writer sees this story in print he or she must send in full name and address for I cannot send a prize until I know where to send it and whom to send it to.

GRANDMOTHER'S QUILTING PARTY

By

"Once upon a time," began Grandmother, and instantly Jack and Beth were upon her knee; "once upon a time when I was a little girl about your age, Beth, I started a quilt. Mother told me that when I had it finished I could have a quilting party just like big folks. I worked and worked and at last it was done. Mother said I could have my party the following Saturday. Saturday dawned bright and clear and at last my little girl friends came. After we had worked our quilt with lots of help from Mother we were invited into the dining room. We had large bowls of crispy white pop corn and apples and other fruit—nothing like your birthday party you see, Beth; but we enjoyed ourselves immensely. After lunch we went into a room and what do you think we saw? A floor sack hung from the ceiling. One of the girls was blindfolded and a cane of my father's. She tried but she only hit the air. Several others tried with the same results. At last one girl hit it, and what, to our surprise, should come down but a shower of candy. You may be sure that we ate it."

The above story won FIRST prize this week, so will the writer please send in name and address. Our SECOND prize story was sent in by Emily Johnstone of Central Lake, Michigan. The name of Emily's story is "The Little Red Hen."

THE LITTLE RED HEN

By Emily Johnstone.

Once upon a time there was a little red hen who lived in a little house. One night a fox came and looked in the window and he said he would like to have her to eat. So he went home and thought how he could get her. One day he hid behind a tree and when she came out to get some scraps he jumped out and scared the little red hen so that she ran into the house and shut the door so hard that it jarred the window open and the fox jumped in at the window. Then the little hen flew upon a board, and the fox whirled about the room and made the little hen dizzy and she fell to the floor. The fox put her in a sack and started for home. When he got half way home he grew tired and laid down to rest and fell asleep. Then the little hen cut the sack open and flew out. She put some stones in the sack and tied it up. The fox awoke and went home and told his mate to have some hot water ready. Then he plunged the sack of stones in the water and the water flew up and struck him in the face. Splash! and scalded him.

Emily—Your story won second prize this week and I will be glad to send you something nice soon. Our FIRST prize letter (which is the only letter we have room for this week) follows.

Dear Editor—I am ten years old. I have been reading the stories in the Palo Post and I like them very much. I would like to be a member of the Children's Story Telling Club. Will you please send me a membership card? I have two sisters and three brothers. Their names are Pearl, Letha, Jav, Luther and Leroy Martin. My two oldest brothers are married. I have two sister-in-laws. Their names are Alta and Irma. I have seven pets: Three cats, a dog, a calf, and two rabbits. My teacher's name is Miss Bessie Wilbur. I will have to close as my letter will get too long.

A LITTLE FARM

"A little farm well tilled" Is a prophecy of peace, And of barn and cellar filled With the harvest's rich increase. Proud monarch is the owner; Independent as a king Or queen, with honors shown her, That her cringing subjects bring.

Yours truly, Esther Martin, Ionia, Michigan.

Dorothy Riofian, 302 Gold Ave., N. W., Grand Rapids, Mich.—Your story may be any length, but a story between one hundred and fifty and two hundred words is a nice length. The story you mentioned was one that the little members were to finish and a prize was given for the best story sent in. The old club did not give weekly prizes but conducted a prize contest now and then. I have no little nieces and nephews in this State old enough to write letters, Dorothy; but I am sure many of our C. S. T. C. members will enjoy writing to you, so I have given your full address as you will see. Write to Dorothy, little friends; she will be glad to hear from you. Your letter will be printed as soon as its turn comes, Dorothy.

Lydia and Annie Josma, Alaska, Mich.—Your letters will certainly be printed as soon as their turn comes. I have sent each of you a membership card which I hope you received all right. I remember your cousin, Anna Josma; she has been a member some time.

Letters and stories received from the following members will be printed as soon as their turn comes: Violet Higgins, Ruth Homer and Ruth Benson.

OLD TOM

Described by Minnie Orra Pryor.

Any number of players may take part in this game which may be played indoors or outdoors as preferred. Preparation: One player is chosen for "the lady," one player is "Old Tom" and the rest of players are "Cluckens." To begin the game, the chickens all stand in a row and the lady stands in front of them. Old Tom knocks at the door. Lady: "Who comes to my door at this time of the night?" Old Tom, and I want a match. Lady: "I haven't any matches." Old Tom: "But I saw smoke coming from your chimney." Lady: "That was but my chickens scratching in the fireplace." Old Tom: "Give me a chicken then." Lady: "I will not." Old Tom goes away crying and the lady feeling sorry for him calls him back and says: "You may have one of my poorest chickens." Old Tom chooses a chicken and takes it to his home, and the foregoing dialogue is repeated until all the chickens are taken. Then Old Tom invites the lady to dine with him which she does. Old Tom names the chickens different fruits and places them all close together representing dishes on a table. The lady and Old Tom seat themselves and Old Tom pretends to pass a dish of fruit by touching one of the chickens and saying: "Will you have some Apples or Blackberry Cobbler or Pear Preserves or whatever the name may be?" The lady says: "Thank you, yes, I am very fond of that dish," and pretends to eat same. Then the lady says: "Dear me! will you excuse me. I ate so much of that good fruit that it has given me gout in the big toe." Makes a face at Old Tom. If Old Tom laughs or even smiles the lady says: "I must get a breath of fresh air," and takes one of the chickens home. The dialogue between the lady and Old Tom must be changed every time they sit down to the table and the lady must make her part as funny as possible in order to make Old Tom laugh. For if he does not laugh she does not get the chicken. But if she gets all her chickens the lady wins the game.

We do not have space for our July list of names so will have to postpone that until next week. Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, good-bye.

True and Tried Recipes

Fancy Work and Cooking for the Season

Banana Pudding

Dressing: Yolks of four eggs, one cup of sugar, two cups of sweet milk, two tablespoons flour; cook in double boiler until thick enough to spread; one layer of crackers, one layer of bananas sliced thin, cover with dressing; another layer of crackers, cover with bananas and cover with dressing. Over all, spread icing and let stand two hours to soften crackers. Run in oven and brown; serve warm. Use Graham crackers.

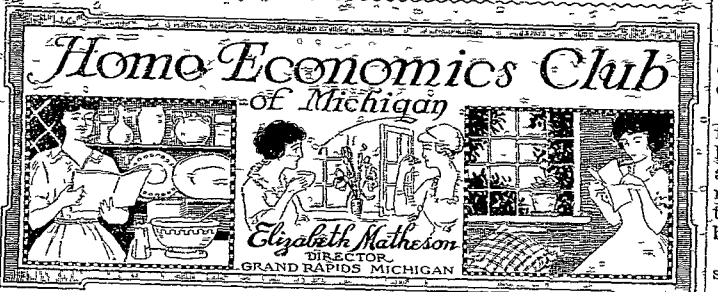
Put the meat from four ripe, firm cantaloupes, add to it one pint of water, four mint leaves, three slices of lemon, four cloves and three teaspoons of sugar. Boil gently until the melon is done, then rub all through a puree sieve. Heat and add to it a pint of cream and let it stay just at the boiling point for two minutes, then serve, putting a dash of paprika on each portion.

PUREE OF CANTALOUPE

Put two cups of uncooked oatmeal in bowl, pour over one and one-half cups of sour milk, cover and let stand overnight. In the morning add one-third cupful sugar, one egg, well beaten, one teaspoonful soda, one-half teaspoonful salt and one cupful flour. Beat thoroughly, place in buttered hot water and bake for 20 minutes.

Oatmeal Muffins

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This is a free membership club and a beautiful membership card will be sent to eligible applicants, who must be interested in Home Economics and between the ages of 15 or 30 years. By special arrangement the Director will organize clubs in communities where desired and will answer questions by mail to all club members, holding membership card. Write her direct, No. 217 Michigan St., N. W. Join the Club Today.

DAILY FOOD REQUIREMENT

Before one can solve the problem of the daily food supply, something must be known of the conditions which govern it. A certain amount of food is necessary just to keep the machinery going. Beyond this, activity is the greatest factor in determining the amount of food needed. The man who leads an active, vigorous outdoor life may need several times as much food as the man who leads a quiet sedentary life. This extra food will be the energy producing foods, however, not the proteins, necessarily. A child is more active than a grown person, and needs more food in proportion to his weight than an adult. The delicacy of a child's body makes the selection of his food of extreme importance.

The craving for variety is felt less by the young and by those who lead out of door lives. People of sedentary lives need variety and are often accused of being "fussy" in consequence but we must remember that if food is enjoyed it calls forth a more liberal supply of the digestive juices in the mouth and stomach.

Age has considerable influence on the amount of food required. As old age approaches, one may feel inclined to eat as much as when they were vigorous and active, but the body will feel the strain and one may be beset by various ills that could be avoided, if intelligent supervision were made of the diet. This is not advocating a different kind of food for older folks, but they certainly should use less proteins, as too much overtaxes the liver and the kidneys.

Build, sex, climate, season, and individuality all are factors influencing the amount of food needed but these are of minor importance.

The amount of food which shall be eaten each day is measured in much the same way as the amount of fuel required to run an engine. The energy which the body spends in doing its work is a measure of the food needed.

The value of a fuel lies in the amount of heat it is capable of giving off. The value of a food is measured in the same way. The energy which the body uses each day is also measured in terms of the heat unit, or calories, as it is called.

A calorie is the amount of heat needed to raise one pint of water four degrees in temperature.

Scientific experiments have been made by many as to the proper amount of food required. From 2,225 calories to 2,500 calories is considered a sufficient allowance for the average person. There may be many factors at work making this too much or too little for you. One of nervous temperament needs more than a stout plump individual. While acknowledging its weak points it may still be of great help in calculating food requirements.

Dr. Fisher, of Yale University, has furnished us with a very clear and simple way of finding out how much energy the various common foods will yield. Each portion of food given in his table yields 100 calories, and it is an easy matter to compare these portions with foods as we eat them and find the total number of calories we consume.

Some of the 100 calorie portions are quoted below.

Boiled Beef—Large serving, if fat, small, if lean.

Beef, Roasted—Half of ordinary serving; small, or very small, depending upon fat present.

1 small lamb chop.

1 large serving mutton.

1 small serving ham.

1 large serving veal.

1 ordinary serving of beef ribs, round, or tongue.

1 dozen oysters—average size.

1 very small serving pork chop.

1 small serving bacon.

2 small servings trout.

1 small side dish baked beans.

1 large side dish lima beans.

5 servings string beans.

3 servings beets.

2 servings carrots.

2 large servings cooked onions.

1 good sized baked potato.

1 ordinary serving succotash.

3 large dates.

1 large fig.

3 large prunes.

If you are interested in a longer list, will gladly mail it upon application.

Tree, Shrubs and Flowers We All Should Know

By A. I. Héfferan,

Tree and Flower Warden of Grand Rapids Park and Boulevard Association

The winter season is a good time over the descriptions in some good of year in which to prepare for next book and keep running through the summer's nature. There is no better way to equip oneself for an acquaintance with the trees, shrubs, flowers and birds than by an indoor study of them during the long winter evenings.

There are on the market today many books with colored illustrations which may be bought very reasonably and which will provide much instructive entertainment on stormy days.

We may also learn from many a book how to appreciate the beautiful things around us. In the pages of Thoreau, Audubon, Burroughs, Muir, Roosevelt and Van Dyke we not only live over again many scenes we have already enjoyed, but we glean new ways in which to enjoy nature. We gather here and there little hints and ideas of the out-of-doors which have escaped our observations, the knowledge of which opens up broader avenues of delight.

In addition to the nature books there are prints of birds and flowers in colors which are very true to life and which may be obtained for two cents or one dollar and eighty cents a hundred.

Many of the fifty-cent bird, tree and flower books published for children have a text which is more interesting and descriptions which are better means of identification than some of the more scientific and more expensive books.

A good way to learn the trees, shrubs and flowers is to go over and

any lines we find which make vivid pictures in our mind. Had we never seen a humming bird we would recognize him after learning Father Tabb's description:

"A flash of harmless lightning, A mist of rainbow dyes, The burnished sunbeams brightening, From flower to flower he flies." And we can see the arbutus in all its beauty as we read Whittier's words: "And, guided by its sweet perfume, I found within a narrow dell, The trailing spring flower, tinted like a shell."

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With The Women

By Marrie D.

Emmy Destinn, the Bohemian prima donna of the Metropolitan Opera company, has forfeited contracts to sing in the United States this season variously estimated at from \$50,000 to \$75,000 in order to be near her lover, Dahn Gilly, French sergeant of zouaves, former Metropolitan baritone.

Russian women are now allowed to drive cabs.

Although heiress to \$1,000,000, Miss Eleanor B. Fox, granddaughter of John Fox, former president of the National Democratic club and head of Tammany hall, New York, must work for a living. She earns \$18 a week in a New York modiste's shop, waiting for the courts to settle the estate.

The new 24-foot bronze statue representing electricity and which weighs 18 tons is to be placed 436 feet above the street on top of the new telephone building in New York. It was the work of Miss Evelyn Beatrice Longman, a recognized leader in sculpture.

Philadelphia women school teachers are demanding increased pay.

Tsiamina Redfeather, a Creek Indian and direct descendant of Tecumseh, is paying back all money advanced her by a philanthropist who provided for her education. She sings Indian songs upon the stage and is meeting with great favor.

Mrs. E. E. Starcher is mayor of Umatilla, Ore., having defeated her husband in the election. Women, also were elected to all other offices in the municipal government, including four seats in the council, recorder and treasurer.

Elizabeth Buckler, who is 125 years old, was a former slave and claims she is the oldest person in the United States, if not in the world.

Drums are barred from the University of Chicago orchestra because Marian Talbot, dean of girls, says drum music "provokes immorality." Miss Katherine Stinson, girl aviator, is to get \$10,000 for exhibition flights in Japan and China.

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VISITORS HERE AND ELSEWHERE

Eural Clark visited friends in Clyde this week.

Mrs. C. Summons has gone to Newberg for a stay of some weeks.

Mrs. Eva Clarkson spent Christmas with her daughter and family in Detroit.

Mrs. Augusta Root of Detroit visited Northville friends a part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Macomber have returned from a holiday visit at Kenton, Ohio.

Charlie Hutton of Port Huron is spending holiday week with his aunt, Mrs. Lucy Ambler.

Miss Margaret Pettibone of Albion has been a guest at the C. A. Dubuier home the past week.

Mrs. Emma Richardson was in Detroit to spend Christmas with her daughter and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Harmon and daughters of Detroit were Northville visitors Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. Susan Gorton has recently received a visit from her niece, Miss Katherine Varney of Wayne.

Mrs. Sheldon of St. Ignace and Mrs. Cohove of Detroit have been guests of Mrs. C. J. Ball a part of this week.

Charles Dingman and wife left for their home at Owosso Tuesday after a Christmas visit with Northville friends.

Mrs. Mary Fredmore has gone to Detroit to spend the rest of the winter with her daughter, Mrs. H. H. Harmon and family.

James Shaw has decided that he prefers Michigan's climate to that of Florida and has returned after a short stay at St. Cloud Fla.

Merritt Stanley and family and Charles Stanley and family and Archie Bradner spent Christmas at Farmington with George Conroy and family.

Northville college students home for the holiday vacation include Arthur Durfee from the M. A. C., Harold Wheaton from Albion and Louise Thayer, Carroll Dubuier, Cecil Johnston, Frances Yerkes, and Margaret and Don Yerkes from the U. of M., and Marion Fowler, Mable Benton, Genevieve Durfee and Edna Nevison from the Ypsilanti Normal.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Ball of Detroit

were Christmas guests at the Dr. Ball home.

Miss Lorraine Westcott is visiting relatives in Detroit.

Fred Sutton of Flint spent Christmas with relatives here.

Chas. Van Valkenburg spent Christmas with friends in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Geo. King ate Christmas dinner with her daughter, Mrs. Warren Van Dyne.

Jamie Dubuier is home from Salt Lake City, Utah, for a two weeks' vacation.

Mr. D. Johnson and family of Livonia ate Christmas dinner with N. A. Clapp and family.

W. E. Baughner of Birmingham spent the week-end here as a guest of Miss Althea McCully.

Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Westcott entertained relatives from Tecumseh and Detroit Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren VanDyne have been entertaining the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Van Dyne of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Neal, Mr. and Mrs. George Neal and Dr. and Mrs. Truesdale, all of Orion, were Christmas guests of Northville relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Shipley entertained Mr. and Mrs. John Norton and baby daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Baker of Detroit, over Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sutton entertained Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Stevens, the Misses Nellie and Geraldine Miller and Louis Miller of Detroit Christmas day.

Rev. and Mrs. F. I. Walker and son, Wilbur, spent Christmas day with Mrs. Walker's mother in Romeo. Mrs. Walker and Wilbur remained over for a few days' visit there and in Rochester.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Phillips entertained at Christmas dinner a family party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. McLaughlin of Highland Park, Mr. and Mrs. E. Matteson and little son of Detroit and Arthur Phillips and daughter of Almont.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Filkins and Miss Hazel Bovee were hosts to a party of relatives Christmas day. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Murphy of Cleveland, O., Floyd Evans of Buhl, Minn., and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Filkins and Guy and June Filkins, Mrs. Mersey Evans and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Dolph of this place.

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The Majestic management announces an exceptional program for next week Sunday and Monday the performances will be continuous from 2 to 11 o'clock. "The Sin Ye Do" will be the leading film number but there will be many other attractions. The recently enlarged Majestic orchestra will play, and Henry Santrey will sing. A Keystone comedy, a traveltogue, the topical review and other films also will be shown. In no other play, it is declared, has Frank Keenan made such a success as in "The Sin Ye Do." He is supported by Margery Wilson, Howard Hickman and an excellent cast. It is a dramatic tale, effectively presented, and has been greeted by phenomenal attendance in other cities when shown.

Mary Lives Saved
Out of 2,500 persons who accepted the free annual medical examination offered by one of the large insurance companies 50 per cent were found to be more or less out of order, most of the derangements being in the heart, blood vessels and kidneys. Of those impaired, 44 per cent did not suspect it. In every case the family physician was informed of the trouble. At the end of four years the death rate in this group of 2,500 was only 50 per cent of that reasonably expected by the acturaries.

England and Ireland?
Erin-go-Bragh means "Ireland for ever." The Royal Standard was adopted January 1, 1801, on the union of Ireland with Great Britain. The quarters were representative of the three countries. England, three countess lions on a red background; Scotland, a rampant lion in the second quarter; and Ireland, a golden harp on a green background, in the third quarter. The lion of Scotland was taken from the coat of arms of James VI.

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The Sergeant's Promotion

By M. QUAD.
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It may have been known among the officers that she was coming—a blue-eyed, fair-haired girl of eighteen from the east named Miss Bell—but the first we heard of it was when we went to the depot as an escort.

Miss Bell was a regular chatterbox. She couldn't understand the wide gulf separating officer from private, but in ignorance thought a soldier was a soldier, no matter whether he carried a saber or a sword. Being left alone with Sergeant Larkins for a few moments while the captain went off a telegram for her, she did not hesitate to chatter away as if they had been formally introduced and had met before, and this action of hers was to have a strange bearing on after events. After a couple of days we noticed a change in Sergeant Larkins. He was a young man of thirty, well educated and evidently something above the common, and there were rumors that his father was a wealthy New Yorker and that the son had entered the army because of a quarrel between them. I repeat that I saw a change in him, and pretty soon it came to us that he had fallen in love with Miss Bell at first sight.

Miss Bell had been at the fort about a month when the Sioux on the reservation began to make trouble, and the Indian police reported that a number of them had broken away and were marauding in the foothills. Such stories were always about, and no credence was given them until some deed of violence had been committed. It had been planned by a dozen officers and their wives to hold a picnic at the falls of Buffalo river, and so Sergeant Larkins and the same half dozen of us were again detailed.

It was twelve miles to the falls, and the picknickers were loaded into two ambulances. There were five officers, seven ladies and three children, and the escort was ordered to keep them in sight.

From the first Sergeant Larkins set apart from us and seemed moody and taciturn. There was no question but that jealousy was at work, and he hadn't the strength of mind to throw it off and realize the situation. We had many a wink and laugh at his expense, and yet we felt to pity him. We had been told to go up for the empty baskets at 4 o'clock, and the hour had just gone 2 when a fusillade of revolver shots followed by the warwhoops of Indians jumped every man to his feet. Ten seconds later we were following the sergeant up the gorge, and in five minutes we came upon the women and children hidden away among the rocks and stricken with terror. A quarter of an hour before the five officers had caught sight of a cub bear on the other side of the falls. They had gone up stream a few rods and crossed on a log, but the shots we heard had not been fired at the cub. A band of twenty or more renegades who were hiding in the foothills had discovered the picknickers half an hour before and were planning a wipeout of every soul when the officers moved. They played right into the hands of the red men. In their chase after the cub they left the falls half a mile behind, and as they came slowly back they found the Indians confronting them. There was but one course—to make a dash for it—and it was gallantly done. The Indians were too strong and too well posted, however. A lieutenant was dropped dead in his tracks and a major and a captain wounded.

The first move on our part, seeing that the women and children were safe, was to secure cover behind the boulders and open fire on the Indians. They had counted on a sure thing, and their yell of rage when they knew of our presence were loud and long. We had them between two fires, and yet so well were they sheltered that they had no means of knowing that they had only two unwounded men in front of them, armed with revolvers. The women told us about the officers going away in a body, but although there had been severe firing, we hoped none of them had been hit. After we had fired three or four rounds apiece the sergeant called out to know how it was with the officers. The major answered, giving the names of the killed and wounded. Three of the five were behind the same boulder and could use their revolvers. It was a curious position in which the three parties were placed, but as the Indians were in such a strong force they could defend their front and rear at the same time. If we left cover to cross the creek we would be exposed to certain death. If they left cover to attack the camp we had only to shoot them down. What we feared was that they would get out of the trap by dashing upon the officers in front or work to the left and finally take them in the rear.

We solved the difficulty by sending one man back to the post for reinforcements, while we held the Indians with our fire. When the new troops came up we drove the Indians off and got the women and children and wounded officers safely out of it. It was generally conceded that Sergeant Larkins had put up the best fight of any one officer or enlisted man. The colonel recommended him for promotion, and then the secret came out that he had not only got a commission, but had got Miss Bell. But the best part of it was that Larkins was worth half a million in his own right.

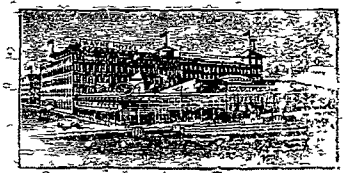
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Northville to Farmington and Detroit—Also to Orchard Lake and Pontiac.

Cars leave Northville for Farmington and Detroit at 6:20 a. m., and every hour thereafter until 8:20 p. m. 9:35 p. m. and 10:35 p. m.; for Orchard Lake and Pontiac only 11:35 p. m.; for Farmington Junction only 12:35 a. m.

Limited to Detroit at 6:43 a. m. daily except Sunday.

Cars leave Detroit for Northville at 5:35 a. m. and hourly to 7:35 p. m.; 8:35 p. m. and hourly to 11:05 p. m.; limited at 5:00 p. m. daily, except Sunday.

Northville to Plymouth, Wayne and Detroit.

Through cars leave Northville for Detroit at 5:20 a. m., 6:30 a. m., and hourly to 7:30 p. m., 9:30 p. m. To Wayne only, 11:15 p. m.

Leave Wayne for Northville at 5:43 a. m., and hourly to 6:43 p. m.; also 8:43 p. m., 10:17 p. m., and 12:09 a. m.

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