

ILLUSTRATIVE FOWL FABLE.

Showing That Parents Cannot Always Follow Their Children Into Society.

There was once an humble hen who hatched out, by mistake, a stock of owls, says Judge.

Of course, so soon as the owls were big enough to make their debuts they began staying out until all hours of the night, and mingling in the giddy whirl of society.

To this, however, Mamma Hen objected, saying that she had not been brought up in such a way, and she did not believe that it was proper for her children to go gallivanting around.

At this the owl-chicks conferred among themselves, saying:

"Poor mamma! With her antecedents it naturally is hard for her to know who's who."

Moral—Sometimes it is difficult for the parents to enter society.

Shouting Their Praises.

Friarpoint, Miss., Aug. 22 (Special).—Cured of Bladder and Kidney Trouble after 26 years of suffering, Rev. H. H. Hatch, of this place, is telling the public the good news and shouting the praises of the remedy that cured him—Dodd's Kidney Pills. Rev. Hatch says:

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Dogs may delight to bark and bite, but at any rate they don't use a hammer.—Puck.

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The pessimist always bites the spots on the apple first.—Chicago Tribune.

For Your Perfect Comfort

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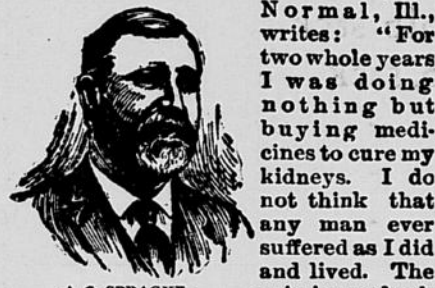
Piso's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. Samuel, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1900.

It's but a slippery step from smartness to sin.—Chicago Tribune.

TORTURING PAIN.

Half This Man's Sufferings Would Have Killed Many a Person, But Doan's Cured Him.

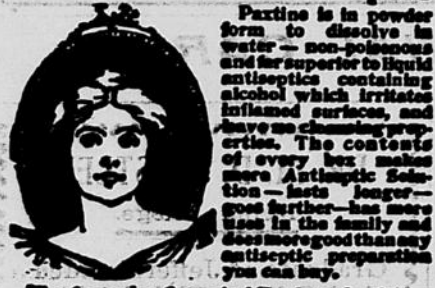
A. C. Sprague, stock dealer, of Normal, Ill., writes: "For two whole years I was doing nothing but buying medicines to cure my kidneys. I do not think that any man ever suffered as I did and lived. The pain in my back was so bad that I could not sleep at night. I could not ride a horse, and sometimes was unable even to ride in a car. My condition was critical when I sent for Doan's Kidney Pills. I used three boxes and they cured me. Now I can go anywhere and do as much as anybody. I sleep well and feel no discomfort at all."



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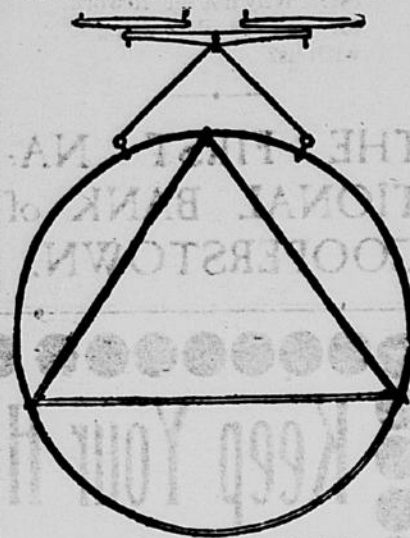
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AN IMPROVED LEVEL.

same size was made into a triangle, just a fit, and put inside the hoop and riveted at the angles. Ring hooks were put into the outer rim, to which a bale was fastened, and then I had a most complete tool. The cost was \$5, and we have found it of the greatest use. As a road smoother it is all that can be desired. Every inch of its 33 feet of under edge is either cutting, pushing or scraping back to the center, filling as well as leveling, and a good team will pull it all day. For road smoothing—not scraping—it equals a big machine. It is well to have a plank fitted on top, so that in extreme cases the driver may add his weight and do a little more complete work.—John Gould, in N. Y. Tribune-Farmer.

TWO EFFECTS OF CLOVER.

The Crop Acts Either as a Collector of Nitrogen or as a Sub-Earth Cultivator.

The work of clover is not always to get nitrogen from the air. There are some soils that are rich enough in nitrogen and yet need the presence of the legumes. In a visit to Antioch, Ill., the writer observed that the soil is only a little acid, and that it is also rich in nitrogen. Clover is being grown, but its work of soil renovation is different from that it has to perform on some other soils, especially those that are deficient in nitrogen. Here the roots go deep into the soil and help to improve the physical condition of the soil. It taps the stores of potassium and phosphorus that are hidden away in the depths of the earth and brings them to the upper layers of soil, where they will be within the reach of the plants that do not have the deep root systems that clover and alfalfa have.

The clovers will be found to be useful on almost all soils where they will grow, either as collectors of nitrogen or as subearth cultivators. They send their roots deep into the soil and tunnel in every direction. The roots in time die, leaving a multitude of passages in the soil. These act as drains and as air channels, by which the soil is more fully aerated. As a nitrogen gatherer the clover is of great use on millions of acres of our lands from which the nitrogen has been exhausted, and on millions of other acres it acts as a carrier of fertility from the cellars to the upper storage rooms of the soil.—Farmers Review.

New Potato from Uruguay.

Prof. Heckel, of Marseilles, France, discovered a few years ago, along the banks of the River Mercedes, Uruguay, a new tubercle, which seems to put the common white potato in the background, if reports are true. This wonderful potato need be planted but once, as new tubercles and stems to branch off in every direction all the year, and after one planting the vegetable perpetuates itself from the broken roots left in the soil. The flowers are abundant, and very odorous, and a perfume resembling jasmine has already been manufactured from them. Enormous production, absolute immunity from common potato diseases, delicious flavor and easy culture are some of the features already claimed for this new discovery.

A Crop of Antique Corn.

Several years ago, in exploring an Indian mound in the southwest part of Missouri, a quantity of corn was found. Some of this corn was planted, and to the surprise of all, it germinated and matured. How long it had lain in the mound, on which large trees were growing, no one can conjecture—probably several hundred years. Last fall a citizen of Jamesport, Mo., secured a handful of this corn and now has a dozen hills of it growing in his garden. The grains are about the usual size of field corn, but are of a deep brown, mottled with yellow.

CANADA IS AHEAD OF US.

Roads and Road Laws of Our Northern Neighbor Are Far Superior to Our Own.

It is subject for frequent comment on the part of travelers that the roads of Europe are far superior to those of the United States; and this result is generally attributed to the system of government aid and supervision which prevails in nearly all European nations. But it is not so generally known that our nearest neighbor, Canada, is also ahead of us, not only in the character of the roads, but in the matter of road legislation.

Hon. A. W. Campbell, highway commissioner of Ontario, is an enthusiast on the subject of good roads, and at the same time a very able and practical public official. He is quite well known to the good roads people of the United States, as he has attended and addressed a number of important conventions in this country. In a recent report he says: "Good roads are essential to the full development of agriculture. In a country such as Ontario, dependent upon agriculture, this means that good roads are of very great importance to the towns and cities as well. Good roads are not a benefit to any one class of the community. They are of universal value. This is a matter of which too narrow a view has been taken in Ontario. If we must have canals and railways, then we must have good country roads. It has been taken for granted that if the country as a whole constructed canals and subsidized railways, the common roads could take care of themselves. But this has not been the case."

"The broader aspect of the question has recently been given prominence by the decision of the provincial government to appropriate \$1,000,000 for road improvement. This, for lack of a better name, has been termed government 'aid' or 'assistance.' It is a recognition of the value of good roads to every citizen of the country, and a just effort on the part of the government to cooperate in procuring them."

"The object of the present measure is not so much to aid by the gratuitous distribution of money, but has for its aim a nobler purpose. While it aims to encourage the doing of a work which is acknowledged by all as being an important and necessary service. Its prime object is to equalize and lighten the cost. The unfairness and injustice of the present system of taxation for highway construction is so noticeable as to be a matter of wonderment that some step of this kind has not been ere this devised by government, or compelled by the people."

"The government is only exercising its rightful function as a part of the administrative system in providing a portion of the cost of making roads and distributing the money among the different municipalities entitled to it. This function can be performed by the provincial government only."

In Nova Scotia nearly 15 years ago the provincial government began the appropriation of funds to improve the roads, and the plan has proven entirely successful where the old system of depending on the local communities was a complete failure.

Even away out in British Columbia there are many fine roads which are said to be "the delight of tourists." All these are built and kept up by the government.

BARROW FOR BARBED WIRE.

With the Device Here Described One Man Can Do the Work Usually Done by Two.

A handy device for carrying or stringing barbed wire is shown in the cut. Take two pieces of 1x7 stuff six feet long. Cut the ends down for handles, same as for a wheelbarrow, and round



BARROW FOR HANDLING WIRE.

one corner on the other end. The barrow is drawn instead of being pushed. Bore an inch hole 20 inches from lower end. Nail a piece of 1x7 across the handles 12 inches from the hole, making space between the handles two inches wider than the reel. Brace as shown. Take an old wagon spoke, bore three-sixteenth inch hole through each end and use tire bolts for pins. One man can string more wire with this device than two men carrying the reel on a bar.—Farm and Home.

Preserving of Hollow Trees.

Often a valuable lawn or roadside tree is found to be hollow and decaying rapidly, and unless something is done to preserve it, it will not last long. We have seen trees preserved as follows: Remove all unsound and decaying wood with a chisel until the sound wood is exposed. Mix one part Portland cement and three parts clean, sharp sand into a thin mortar and fill the cavity with it. When it is about "set" coat the exposed surface with a mortar of about one part cement and one part sand. It is recommended to treat the exposed wood, inside the cavity, with a solution of one pound copper sulphate in five gallons water before putting in the cement.—Ohio Farmer.

Success with Angora Goats.

The breeder of pure Angora goats must give close attention to his flocks the year around, says Country Life in America. A doe will often leave a new-born kid to join her flock as often as it gets out of her sight, nor will she return to her kid, unless the flock happens to feed that way. Naturally, many kids are lost, and others would die if they were not taken care of. A few head of well-bred goats may be found profitable on any farm, especially on a farm where brush killing is an improvement, as no other will destroy shrubs so quickly.

CITY MAN OUT-OF-DOORS.

Vacation Habit Means Improvement in Public Health and Happiness.

A general and killing absorption in the business of life was once the accepted theory of American activity. It is true that there is still tremendous stress shown by Americans in the pursuit not only of their business vocations but of their social vocations. Yet the business man's summer vacation is getting to be more and more an accepted institution, says an editorial in Century. He manages to get longer periods of complete rest and recreation, and he contrives, moreover, to seize upon a number of half-holidays and over-Sunday outings, especially in the warmer months. When he can control his time he gives greater portions of it than ever before to horseback exercise and to golf and kindred sports. The business man's family, instead of being satisfied, as of old, with a few weeks in a crowded hotel by the sea or in the mountains, spend the whole summer in the country, as boarders in hotel or farmhouse, or as dwellers in a country place of their own, modest or sumptuous, in accordance with their means and taste.

The city man's modern discovery of the country and his increasing use of it in the summer months has been a subject of comment now these many years. There has been discussion of its effect upon the city people themselves, and upon the country people into whose communities they enter; of its effect upon manners and morals; of its economic bearings and its relation to the abandoned farm problem, and of the influence upon the nation of the greater mingling of people from various parts of the country.

With all this search for recreation and health, with westerners going east and easterners going west, with northerners going south and southerners going north, summer and winter; with all this search for the opportunity to fish and shoot, or to enjoy social pleasures; with all this interchange of national advantages (for any and every climate can be found in the United States), one may look for an improvement in the public health and happiness, as well as for a dissemination of a knowledge of our own people and of our own country which ought to be decidedly conducive to an intelligent patriotism.

CAUSE OF BAD LANGUAGE.

Natural Desire to Impart a Vigorous and Picturesque Touch to the Narrative.

A correspondent of the Pall Mall Gazette gives an analysis of a conversation in a railway train which should arouse the advocates of clean speech to a new crusade against bad language. He states that a navy, in explaining to a friend that, owing to misdirection by a porter, he had missed a quicker train, made use of 56 "unparliamentary" expressions:

Seventeen adjectives of a lurid hue. Five appeals to the Almighty. Two invocations that his own eyesight might be destroyed. Three invocations upon the eyes of the referred official.

Seven iterations of the name of the infernal regions. One side issue, necessitating the name of the Messiah. Seventeen adjectives of simple obscenity. Four expletives of an unclassified nature.

A clergyman who has lived much among working men said that the reason why working men so often make use of "strong" language is "the natural and laudable desire of the speaker to impart a vigor and picturesque touch to his narrative."

"The probability is that both Carlyle and Mr. Kipling would have been habitual users of very bad language but for the saving grace of education. Carlyle 'dredged the dictionary' for adjectives to express his meaning, and Mr. Kipling invents a word when he wants to strike you 'with the weight of six-fold blow.'"

"The working man never learns a tithe of the excessive adjectives and adverbs that abound in the language. But his soul hankers after something more virile than 'very' and 'extremely,' and in his meritorious but unlearned endeavor to be picturesque he falls into the error of profanity. Teach the working man his own language in the board schools and 'bad' language will disappear."

Fast.

Charles W. Kempel, the mayor of Akron, was accosted near the city hall the other afternoon by a small bootblack.

"Hey, yer honor," said the lad, as he took from his pocket a very large, thick watch, "gimme the time!"

"Four o'clock," said Mayor Kempel, smiling.

"The boy set his watch at one o'clock, whereupon the mayor, who had passed, said kindly: "I said four, not one, my lad."

"S-h, that's all right, yer honor," the boy replied. "She'll soon make up that bit. She's a wonderful goer!"—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Great Weight Carriers.

The Armenian porters of Constantinople are believed to be the champion weight-carriers of the world. They have been known for centuries as "hamals"—i. e., camels. But while a camel is heavily burdened at 300 pounds for a day's march, these men, according to general belief, quoted in Curzon's "Armenia," will carry for a short distance, probably from ship to shore, as much as 600 pounds. There is a well-attested story of a "hamal" having been seen in the streets of Constantinople with a grand piano on his back.



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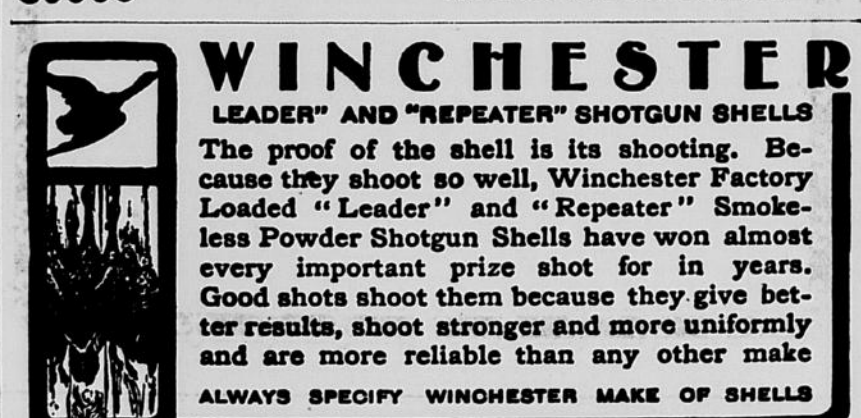
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