

JUST A LITTLE BIT OF BABY.

Just a little bit of baby. Twenty pounds and nothing more. See him flourish his giant daddy. Weight two hundred, six feet four.

Aunt Meg's Column

HARRY, I can sum up your case in three words," said Lancaster. "The fact is—and you cannot deny it—you're in love!"

"How on earth did you find that out?" he muttered. "Experience and casual observation," replied Lancaster, shortly. "By the way, I saw Milly Holmworth to-day. Then, with a grin, 'Um, I thought I wasn't far out. She's a nice girl, Harry, and a clever one. Women nowadays who are good looking and can earn their own living are in great demand in the matrimonial market, so I'm told, and I can quite believe it.'"

"Yes," groaned Ellington, "but when a man has only a paltry twelve hundred a year, and a girl has a salary of five hundred a year, even proposing to a lady who can buy him up might give rise to unpleasant comments—h'm!"

"Personally, I should try my luck. 'Faint heart, etc., you know. You never know what may transpire. Say you decide to do a little more night affect the case and to wait until the steamship night, and—"

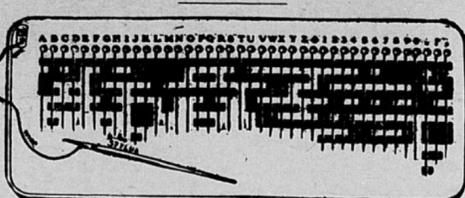
"Don't, Lancaster, don't!" shuddered Ellington. "Your advice, old chap, I feel has not advanced the improvement of the outlook." "To be brief, I—"

"The only course that remains open for you is to consult Aunt Meg," said Lancaster.

"Aunt Meg! Who is she? And what's she got to do with it?" "Aunt Meg is a lady connected with a popular publication entitled The Daisy, whose official duty it is to receive and reply to, through the columns of the aforesaid journal, all questions that may be submitted to her in reference to all important theme of love and its attendant trials, misunderstandings and vagaries in general."

"Consult Aunt Meg?" the words seemed to ring in Ellington's ears for some time after the departure of his friend Lancaster.

HOW EVERYBODY MAY TELEGRAPH.



DEVICES BY WHICH ANYBODY MAY SEND A TELEGRAM. Martin Armstrong, station agent on the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe road at Kenau, Texas, has invented an appliance by which any person may send a telegraphic message without knowing anything about telegraphy. The apparatus is intended primarily for use in educating people to be telegraphers, and with it they can do the work of a telegrapher.

Other cities do better than this and the time is not far distant when all charitable work will be conducted in a methodical manner by an expert, who will be well paid for her services."

Dogs as Life Guards. In a short time, says the European correspondent of the Baltimore American, quite a number of Newfoundland dogs will be added to the corps of officers who patrol the Seine as life guards.

Paper Stockings are shortly to come on the market. The paper, it is said, is twisted into a sort of twine, roughened on the surface to present a soft and woolly appearance, and then knitted into hose.

Many Varieties of Rice. More than twenty varieties of rice are known in the Philippines, but the natives, not enough of it is produced to supply their needs, and large quantities have to be imported annually.

TO MAKE A SWELL HAT AT A SMALL COST. A swell hat, made after an exclusive imported model, is within the scope of any girl with nimble fingers. The most rudimentary knowledge of sewing only is required.

Two yards of chiffon or mousseline de soie in any becoming shade may be had at 40 cents per yard. Sometimes it can be purchased as low as 20 cents at the best economy is to purchase the fresh, crisp goods, as a general rule, the effect depends upon the dainty appearance of the hat when finished.

Another very pretty style is to make loops of the braided chiffon, doubling the ends and forming reverses. One can vary the color. All white, pale blue, white with black choux, or reverse, for black and white girl's chapeaux, or white upon feminine hearts in millinery as well as costumes.

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FARMS AND FARMERS

Home-Made Clover Cutter. A simple device for home use for cutting green food for poultry that are confined. The idea is clearly shown in the illustration, and little explanation is necessary.

A Feeder's Practical Way. In general, early feeding is the most profitable. The quicker you can mature an animal the more money it will make.

Lice on Cattle. Many cows come out of winter quarters infested with lice. There is no excuse for this state of affairs which is largely due to carelessness on the part of the owner of the cattle.

Profits in Strawberry Growing. Quite in line with the more approved methods of culture is the idea that to get the best results from the strawberry plantation some care must be given to the preparation of the ground long before the plants are to be set.

Convenient Fly-Wheel. A fly wheel on the farm is a great convenience at times for such purposes as helping to pump the churn in regular motion.

Feed for Dairy Animals. Never feed fattening foods to dairy animals. The tendency to lay on flesh should be discouraged.

For Chicken Cholera. A correspondent in the Ohio Farmer claims that grated calamus root mixed with bread crumbs and made into small boluses is a sure cure for chicken cholera.

Dairy Notes. Cheap salt in butter is an expensive enemy. A cow that will not eat abundantly will not produce liberally.

It is announced by the State fair managers that the exhibit of Iowa industrial products will be made a feature of the fair of 1902. It will be recalled that the fair people bought the Iowa Producers' Association building to repair the building, to construct attractive and convenient approaches to it, and to make the exhibit one which will prove of great value to the manufacturers and producers of the State.

THE IOWA LEGAL

For the first time in the existence of the Grand Army of the Republic in Iowa, there will be a contest of reports of the condition of the organization made at the annual reunion which is to be held in Des Moines in May.

The great State of Iowa not only has the reputation of being the greatest agricultural State in the Union, but it leads as well in the production of fine cattle, says the Agricultural Epitomist.

Dr. A. M. Linn of the State Board of Health has filed with the State Board of Finance a financial report in reference to the renovation of the Tama Indian reservation.

Director J. R. Sage of the Iowa weather and crop service is confident that the present season may yet prove to be a record breaker in crops of small grains in the State.

Members of the board of control have compiled a table showing the comparative population of the various State institutions under their management and a year ago.

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Another carriage factory is contemplated at Des Moines. The Delano Hotel at Burlington has changed hands; consideration \$20,000.

The Mayor of Rockford has ordered that for thirty days all canines found running at large and unmuzzled shall be shot on the spot.

A fire nearly destroyed all the buildings at Smith's slaughter yards north of Mason City. The value of the property destroyed was about \$5,000.