

# IDEAS FOR HOME BUILDERS

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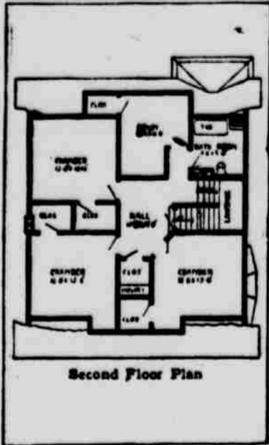
When a man builds a house there is one factor that often is overlooked by him.

He sometimes fails to realize that he is not only under certain obligations to himself and his family, but he is also under a deep obligation to the community in which he purposes to build.

For instance, a man has no moral right to buy a lot in a community of fine houses and place thereon an architectural monstrosity, or a house whose freakish design will detract from the neighborhood.

The desire of home owners in every neighborhood is to have the houses that are built even better than those already there. In other words, progressiveness is the watchword in home building as in all other things.

A man cannot do a more foolishly thing than to build a dry goods box



Second Floor Plan

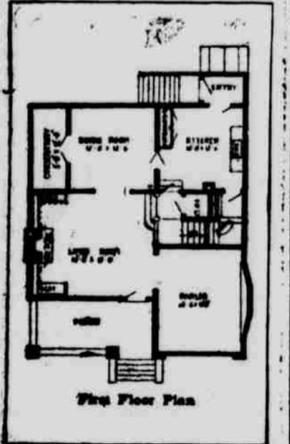
which, though not expensive, will be a credit to any community.

The first thing to study in the matter of house building is the lot, its size and the surroundings. The frontage will largely determine the design and the arrangement of the rooms.

The house here shown is beautifully adapted to a corner lot where ample lawn space can be had. The first floor or story can be of concrete blocks or plaster finish. The wide exposed chimney, giving the impression of the cheerful fire-place within, breaks the monotony of the end elevation, as the dormer does on the front. The size of this house is not as large as might appear from the design. It is 32 feet, 9 inches wide, and 41 feet, 6 inches long, exclusive of the porches.

The front porch is of ample size, and one enters directly into the living room from it. This room is 15 by 18 feet in size. The architect has yielded to that demand for the parlor that still obtains in most localities, and has provided one 13 feet, 6 inches wide and 15 feet long. With the wide folding doors the living room and the parlor can be made practically one. The dining room is 13 feet by feet, 6 inches; and a beautiful feature here is the conservatory opening from it. The kitchen is 12 feet, by 12 feet, 6 inches. On the second floor are three bedrooms, a bathroom and a study. This latter room also may be used as a sewing room or as an additional bedroom if so desired.

It is estimated that this house can be nicely built and finished for \$4,000



First Floor Plan

house, or a cheap looking structure in a community of fine residences. For he and his family will be ostracized, and rightly so, by their neighbors.

Now is there any necessity for houses of this character. Well and accurately drawn plans are available and designs are to be had for houses



## TERMS FOR STENOGRAPHER

Art of Shorthand Writing Has Been and is Known by a variety of Names.

Possibly not one in 100 of New York's numerous "key tappers" knows that the art of shorthand writing is known by other names than "stenography." "Thachygraphy" is only one of them. Its second part, of course, comes from the same root as the latter end of "stenography"—that is, from the Greek "grapho," meaning to write. "Tachy" is derived from the Greek "tachy," meaning swift; so only the shorthand writer who has the ability to take down rapid speech and transcribe it quickly has the right to call himself or herself a "tachygrapher." ("The 'ch' sound is like that of 'k'.") "Stenography," comes from "grapho" combined with "steno," which means "narrow" in Greek. So a "stenographer" is either a narrow writer, or the one who practices "narrow writing."

Not so many years ago we heard a good deal about "phonography" as a name for shorthand writing, but the term seems to have gone out of use. It comes from that same useful root "grapho," combined with "phono." The latter word means "sound," so that a phonographer is one who writes down sound as he hears it. The phonograph is, of course, an instrument for writing or recording sound. Then there are "brachygraphy"

"steganography" and "logography" as other names for what we generally call stenography. In the order given, they are derived from "grapho" combined with "brachy," meaning "short," "steganos," meaning "covered," "secret" (a stenographer is one who writes in cryptic or mysterious writing, not to be read by the uninitiate) and "logos," meaning speech.

Diplomatic Compliments. Francis I. Madero, president of Mexico, is a small man and somewhat sensitive on the subject. Not long ago Madero and his cabinet were photographed. Abraham Gonzales, secretary of state, is a very tall man and stout, and he was required to stand next to Madero when the picture was taken.

Madero lifted his eyes to the top of the head of the great Gonzales, observed the difference in stature and coughed slightly. Then he said: "I feel that my size will not show to advantage unless we are seated." "Your Excellency," replied Don Abraham, "if you could only stand on your wishes we would all be dwarfs." "Well said," Madero in return, "provided you did not stand on your courtesy at the same time."—Saturday Evening Post.

Another investigation. "Daughter, I heard suspicious sounds on the veranda last evening." "Yes, mother." "Was that young man kissing you or swatting mosquitoes?"

## VEGETATION IN THE SNOW

Delicate and Beautiful Flowers in Abundance, Though Absence of Fragrance is Marked.

Snowstorms during the summer months are of frequent occurrence in the Rocky Mountain region at an elevation of 10,000 feet and upward, sometimes covering the ground to a depth of several inches.

The flowers at this elevation are usually small, of delicate tints and very beautiful, but lacking in fragrance. Owing to the absence of moisture in the atmosphere freezing does not affect vegetation at this altitude as it does nearer sea level. The flowers, after having been completely covered with snow for a day or two, will retain their former vigor after the snow departs, although they will appear slightly wilted for a few days after their snow bath.

There is a tiny little flower of four petals which follows the receding snows far above timber line, which is usually about 11,500 feet above sea level. So closely does it follow the melting snows that it is often possible to stand on one spot, pluck flowers with the right hand and make snowballs with the left.

On the other hand during the dead of winter one may often see the snow in the big timber black with a very small flea. It is much smaller than the domestic pest and does not attach itself to animals. These fleas make their appearance during a thaw and the snow will look as if a giant had taken a fine mesh sieve and sifted soot over it. They disappear as if by magic during freezing weather, to reappear when it moderates.

## MAN CREATOR OF CHARACTER

Portion of the Immortal Life That in Law of Nature Must Endure For Ever.

Nature works upon the lower forms of life. A higher power than the stone has formed it; the trees, the flowers, even the insects and beasts are plastic materials in the hands of the Great Potter. Through it, in unthinkable time, the bodies are formed for man. He enters the temple prepared for him, and nature, who has been supreme, now bows before the mystery. She sees before her not alone the world stuff to be fashioned, but the very creative spark. No longer can she mold unaided. It becomes her office now to furnish the opportunities for the entering man, who has before him the herculean task of evolving the human mind. No outside force alone can make him. The creative seed is itself within him. Every event, every circumstance, is something to be met and acted upon by him, the creator of his own destiny. Whether ignorantly or consciously, he works in the illimitable and exhaustless laboratory of nature, and therein slowly but surely fashions—character. Human laws may be framed and forgotten; temples may be reared and crumble; whole races may pass through their allotment of sorrow, despair and joy, and be no more; continents may rise and sink; but character, by means of which all these things are formed and colored, character, as part of man, the immortal, endures.—Gertrude van Pelt in the Theosophical Path.

## Australian "Tea Fuddle."

The "tea fuddle" is still in vogue in New South Wales and Queensland, writes a correspondent. The term has nothing in common with "fuddling" in the sense in which that word is used in England.

A "tea fuddle" in Australia is a means of raising money—usually at a bazaar in aid of some church or chapel. Those who enter their names as subscribers to the "fuddle" each subscribe a shilling. Their names are pasted on to tea-cups which are jumbled together on a tea table. Each subscriber, after being blindfolded, picks up a cup. Should he happen to pick up the one bearing his own name he gets a prize. As there are usually about a hundred entries this very seldom happens and the money of course goes to the bazaar funds.—London Chronicle.

## First "Man of Straw."

The phrase, "a man of straw," had its origin in England at a time when men might easily be procured to furnish evidence upon oath in almost any emergency. It appears that persons of this description were accustomed to walk openly in Westminster hall with a straw projecting from their shoes, thus signifying they sought employment as witnesses. Hence the expression.

An advocate who desired a convenient witness knew by this sign where to find one; and the colloquy between the two was brief.

"Don't you remember?" the advocate would ask. The party would glance at the fee and give no sign, but when the fee was increased his powers of memory increased with it, and straw shoes went into court and swore as desired.

## Brazilian Statues.

In the South American republics it is not alone warriors and statesmen who are remembered by public statues. Some months ago in the republic of Brazil a monument was erected to a poet, and a month ago in the city of Rio de Janeiro, in the "Jardim Publico" (the public garden), a statue was erected in memory of Ferreira de Araujo, founder 37 years ago of the Portuguese journal, Gazeta de Noticias, who is considered the father of Brazilian journalism.

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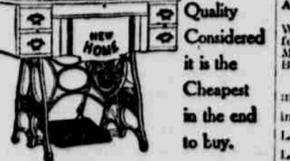
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