

HOW HE DID THE CHORES

Wound Up the Music Box and Put His Corkscrew in the Barometer.

"You needn't wait for me," explained the head of the house; "I have a dinner engagement, an important business affair, and no doubt I shall be kept quite late."

At breakfast next morning an ominous silence had fallen upon all. The head of the house had no appetite and was evidently far from feeling well. After a painful silence the husband, without meeting his wife's eye, essayed to start conversation.

"It's funny about that clock," he said. "It's stopped, and I'm sure I wound it last night."

"You are mistaken," said his wife, icily; "you wound up Willie's music box instead and it played 'Home, Sweet Home' till daylight. The clock in the hall has also stopped, but I find that you screwed your corkscrew into the barometer."

IN YGOKHAMA.



Jack—I wish I had my signal book. Must be, I'll bet that bend of the wrist means something saucy.

From Overhead.

A canopy hung directly over the big square table in the Hungarian restaurant.

"Once," said a woman who was dining there, "the bottom dropped out of the cage, the bird flew at the orchestra yonder, and we had bird seed in our soup. It was awful!"

"That reminds me," said the crossed-eyed man, "of one time when we were having a little game of poker on the B. & O. You know how those trains roll. Well, just about the middle of the game down came all the grips and dress suit cases straight into the kitchy and broke up the game. Money flew everywhere. We got so mixed we couldn't tell which had won or where the money was that whoever had won it won. Talk about bird seed!"

Where Sitting Bull Was.

Doane Robinson, head of the department of history for the state of South Dakota, says of Sitting Bull and the Custer massacre: "The Indians tell me that Sitting Bull was a medicine chief; that he was the greatest influence among the Sioux at that time by reason of his constant agitation against the whites, and that he did not personally engage in the fight against Custer, but that he was back on an elevation between the Little Big Horn and the Big Horn making medicine."

Cobblestones for Baltimore.

The Brooklyn Standard Union says that "those people from the rural regions who jeer at Manhattan's horse cars may take note that the Baltimore city council is preparing to pave a street with cobblestones."

The Difference.

"Marriage is a good thing for single men," said the bridegroom-elect. "Hum, yes," remarked Mr. Henpeck, "for single men only."

For Headache Try Hicks' Capudine.

Whether from Colds, Heat, Stomach or Nervous troubles, the aches are speedily relieved by Capudine. It's Liquid—pleasant to take—Effects immediately. 10, 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

The man who has the greatest command of language is the one who knows when to keep quiet.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets first put an atom on you. They regulate and invigorate stomach, liver and bowels. Sugar-coated tiny granules.

A brain is worth little without a tongue.—French.

AFTER SUFFERING TEN YEARS

Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

MARLTON, N.J.—I feel that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has given me new life.

I suffered for ten years with serious female troubles, inflammation, indigestion, nervousness, and could not sleep. Doctors gave me up, as they said my troubles were chronic. I was in despair, and did not care whether I lived or died, when I read about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound; so I began to take it, and am well again and relieved of all my suffering."

—Mrs. GEORGE JORDY, Box 40, Marlton, N.J.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from native roots and herbs, contains no narcotics or harmful drugs, and to-day holds the record for the largest number of actual cures of female diseases we know of, and thousands of voluntary testimonials are on file in the Pinkham laboratory at Lynn, Mass., from women who have been cured from almost every form of female complaints, inflammation, ulceration, displacements, fibroid tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, indigestion and nervous prostration. Every suffering woman owes it to herself to give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial.

If you would like special advice about your case write a confidential letter to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass. Her advice is free and always helpful.

FARMER REAL KING

Remarkable Increase in Products During Past 12 Years.

Many Innovations Introduced and Developed into Potential Forces for the Betterment of Farm Life During This Period.

During the last 12 years the agricultural balance of trade in the United States increased from a yearly average of \$234,000,000 to \$411,000,000, or 75.7 per cent, according to the department's year book, just made public.

This wonderful development is in keeping with the progress that has been made along all lines of agricultural activity. At the same time, it is stated, many conditions affecting the lives of the farmers of the country have advanced in even greater ratio, until many of the undesirable features of farm life have been eliminated.

Many have been the innovations introduced and developed into potential forces for the betterment of farm life during this period, says Secretary of Agriculture James Wilson. The entire system by which the work of the agricultural department has been operated has been changed. Never before has the work of state agricultural colleges and experimental stations been so intimately related with the department as now.

During these 12 years there have been a great diversification and geographic extension of products, apart from the cultivation of new land. Although there has been a decreasing production per acre of what was only recently virgin soil, there was an increased production per acre of the entire country.

The yield per acre of cotton during the ten years ending with 1906 was, from a mean of 172 pounds per acre during the preceding ten years, to a mean of 191 pounds, or an 11 per cent increase.

Others crops kept pace with cotton. Within ten years the production of corn per acre in Ohio increased 17.5 per cent, and in Virginia 18.3 per cent. Oats increased 17.9 per cent in Indiana.

Wheat increased 16.2 per cent in New York and 45.9 per cent in Nebraska. Similar advancement was made in the yield per acre of other products. In some degree this upward movement began 20 years ago, but in all lines it has been marked during the last decade.

Citing the increase in population based upon the families of the native born, Secretary Wilson declares that no one need have fear that the farmers of this country will ever be unable to provide for its population.

"They are already demonstrating, in the cases of various crops and of various states," he says, "that they can provide for a population increasing faster than by increase due to excess of births over deaths."

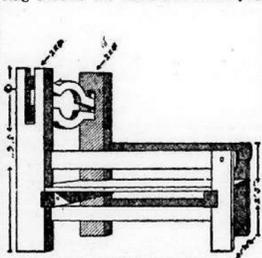
"From 1896 to 1906," he says, "farm wages increased faster than did prices. In the matter of wage increase, the farm laborer has fared better than the working man employed in mechanical industries."

"The farmer," says the secretary, "in results of information, intelligence and industry, has thrived mightily. The progress that has been made is in the direction leading to popular and national welfare, to the sustenance of any future population, as well as to a larger efficiency of the farmer in matters of wealth production and saving, and in establishing himself and his family in more pleasant ways of living."

HOLD SHEEP FOR TRIMMING

Illustration Showing Rack to Secure Animals While Being Prepared for Exhibition.

I send you a drawing of a rack for holding sheep while being trimmed for exhibition. I made the thing myself about five years ago and have used it ever since. It saves a man holding them and gives a great deal more satisfaction, writes James D. Aitken in Breeder's Gazette. You can trim every bit of the sheep except the ring around the neck and when you



Rack to Hold Sheep.

get all trimmed but that just turn the sheep around and finish him off before letting him go.

The side strips swing up out of the way and the stanchion can be adjusted to any sized sheep.

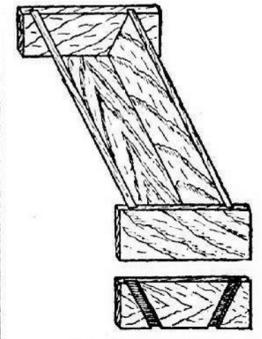
Cause of Cowpox.

The primary cause of cowpox is not known. The majority of cases occur in spring and summer shortly after the cows have calved, and may be communicated from one cow to another through the medium of the milk's hands. There are signs of mild fever and the characteristic symptoms are purely local. There will be a sudden shrinking in the yield of milk, dribbling from the mouth, starting coat, arched back, limbs drawn together and loss of flesh. In three or four days red, hard spots are seen on the udder and teats, the teats become slightly swollen and painful to the cow. The spots rapidly increase in size and tenderness and become filled with a clear fluid and are surrounded by a red base. The fluid soon becomes opaque and purulent and the distinctive feature of the pustule is the depression on its summit. It is most perfect in about 10 days after its first appearance.

HOW TO MAKE WATER TROUGH

One of the Essentials on Farm, But Few Constructed to Withstand the Cold and Heat.

A good, tight water trough is a necessity on every farm and while the construction of one seems easy, few of them are so constructed as to successfully withstand both heat and cold. The trough shown in the illustration may be built by almost any man or boy, and freezing, a trough's worst enemy, will not open the joints and cause leakage, writes J. E. Bridgman in American Agriculturist. As will be seen the sides are flaring and are dadoed or mortised into the ends, the bottom is well nailed to both the sides and the ends. The size of tank will, of course, govern the thickness of lumber used, but it should be well seasoned if possible. White lead or paint should never be



A Good Water Trough.

used on the joints of a water tank, as it only fills the pores and keeps out the water that would swell the joint tight if given a chance. Instead of using white lead or paint, make a ship joint. Set the piece to be joined up on one edge and pound the edge with a round bar of iron or pipe; strike every half inch a good, smart blow, but not so hard as to splinter the wood. When the stick has been pounded its entire length smooth the edge with a plane until the plane will take a shaving its entire length. When the pieces are all finished put the tank together and nail well; fill with water and the wood will swell out and make every joint perfectly tight. The flaring sides cause the ice to slip up instead of expanding and bursting the tank. If possible build the tank of cement, as it is far the cheapest in the long run.

PROPER FOOD FOR THE HORSE

Sudden and Complete Change in Rations for the Working Animals Should Be Avoided.

No sudden changes of food are good for the work horse, says the Ohio Farmer. People berate the steady, monotonous rations of oats, bran, corn and hay, but it is far safer to practice such monotonous feeding than to be continually giving the horse the sudden and complete changes of food suggested or even advocated by well-meaning but ill-informed humanitarians and theorists. The soft bran mash by many advocated as a good Saturday night offering is apt to cause colic unless the horse has been accustomed to bran during the week; similar sudden use of green grass, roots, boiled grain or grain other than those mentioned is apt to cause indigestion of a serious nature, and taking all things into consideration the horse will do better on a steady ration fed at fixed intervals and in such a way as to allow sufficient time for proper mastication. All changes in feeding and in feed should be made very gradually and this applies especially to the change from old to new grain and hay.

Lastly, the horse requires no medicines or stock food or condimental foods or condition powders. Feed and care for him sensibly and carefully, work him properly, groom him well, see that his stable is sanitary and he will thrive, work and enjoy life. Horses enjoying the luxury of life such as we have outlined are damaged and insulted by every dose of dope mixed in their feed or squirted or poured into their mouths.

Heat Kills Boll Weevils.

Dr. W. D. Hunter, the government entomologist in charge of the southern field crop, in a bulletin declares that the terrific heat of August killed more than 99 per cent of the boll weevils in Texas and Oklahoma and that the heat and dryness of the season have everywhere brought out small plants on which the bolls will soon open, so the crop may be picked at an abnormally early day.

In conclusion Dr. Hunter says: "If the farmers will accept the opportunity nature has provided, hasten the picking of the crop, uproot and burn the plants, there is no possibility that there will be many weevils left; in fact, if the cotton plants should be destroyed generally in Texas by the middle of September there would be no boll weevils in Texas next year."

The Celery Crop.

The celery crop is now growing. It responds to good cultivation. Being a good feeder it reveals in an abundance of plant food, which, in part, is made available by the frequent stirring of the soil. Soon the plants will have reached such size that blanching will need to be started. Earth is the best blanching material. It lends a quality to the stalks that boards fall to produce. For the farmer who usually has but a few hills earth should be used instead of boards.

Breed for Type.

It is always advisable to breed for type. Do not breed a male and a female of opposite characteristics in the hope of attaining a medium. It is the experience of breeders that the same type should be adhered to; but care should be used in the selection of individual breeding animals, to prevent perpetuating undesirable points.

California Needs Hands. Farm hands for harvesting the grain and fruit crops of California are scarcer than ever.

NEW STRENGTH FOR WOMEN'S BACKS.

How to Make a Bad Back Better.

Women who suffer with backache, bearing down pains, dizzy spells and that constant feeling of dullness and tiredness, will find hope in the advice of Mrs. Mary Hinson of 21 Strother St., Mt. Sterling, Ky. "Had I not used Doan's Kidney Pills, I believe I would not be living today," says Mrs. Hinson. "My eyesight was poor, I suffered with nervous, splitting headaches, spots would dance before my eyes and at times I would be so dizzy I would have to grasp something for support. My back was so weak and painful I could hardly bend over to button my shoes and could not get around without suffering severely. Doan's Kidney Pills helped me from the first and I continued until practically well again."

Remember the name—Doan's. Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

IS SURE TO.



Mrs. W.—So your husband has gone fishing?

Mrs. H.—Yes.

Mrs. W.—I hope he will catch a nice lot and bring them home.

Mrs. H.—I don't know whether he will catch any or not, but he will bring some home. He always takes his pocketbook when he goes fishing.

COVERED WITH HIVES.

Child a Mass of Dreadful Sore, Itching, Irritating Humor for 2 Months—Little Sufferer in Terrible Plight.

Disease Cured by Cuticura.

"My six year old daughter had the dreadful disease called hives for two months. She became affected by playing with children who had it. By scratching she caused large sores which were irritating. Her body was a complete sore but it was worse on her arms and back. We employed a physician who left medicine but it did not help her and I tried several remedies but without avail. Seeing the Cuticura Remedies advertised, I thought I would try them. I gave her a hot bath daily with Cuticura Soap and anointed her body with Cuticura Ointment. The first treatment relieved the itching and in a short time the disease disappeared. Mrs. George L. Fridhoff, Warren, Mich., June 30 and July 13, 1908."

Foster Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., Boston.

His Size Was Known.

"I want some collars and neckties for my husband!" she snapped.

"Yes, madam."

"The clerk offered her the latest thing."

"What size are these?" asked the lady.

"Why, twelve and a half, madam!"

"How on earth did you guess that?"

"Ah," replied the clerk, smiling, "gentlemen who let their wives select their collars and ties always take that size!"

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Its Troubles.

"The family skeleton complained. 'I wouldn't mind being exhibited once in a while,' said the skeleton, articulating with difficulty through its set teeth, 'but they air me so frequently in the courtroom, where the air is always notoriously bad.'"

But who ever thinks of looking at such exhibitions from the family skeleton's point of view?

The Old Man's Joke. "Mary," called her father, "has that young man gone yet?"

"No, pa," replied the maid. "But he's going right now."

"Then ask him to empty the pail underneath the ice box before he goes will you? I forgot it."

St. Louis First in This.

The largest tobacco manufacturing center in the world is St. Louis. Its annual sales aggregate \$45,000,000, which is equal to 18 per cent of the total tobacco output of the United States.

For Colds and Gripp—Capudine. The best remedy for Gripp and Colds is Hicks' Capudine. Relieves the aching and feverishness. Cures the cold—Headache also. It's Liquid—Effects immediately—10, 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

If a man should see snakes in his boots, the most natural thing for him to do would be to yell for a sherry cobbler.

MME. MELBA'S FIRST ENCORE

Her Concert Was a Big Success, But Little Playmate Saw Her Garter.

When six years of age Helen Mitchell (Melba) appeared at a school concert, organized by her aunts in Richmond, Melbourne, the suburb of her birth. At this entertainment she sang "Shells of the Ocean" with such effect that the audience asked for an encore, and the child on her reappearance, created a still greater impression by her singing of "Comin' Through the Rye," for which her grandmother had taught her the Scottish accent.

At the earliest opportunity she hurried to her favorite playmate, who lived in the same street, and breathlessly waited for reference to the entertainment of the evening before, but the little comrade was adamant and ignored the whole subject. After many attempts to introduce it, Nellie at length found herself unable to wait longer, and exclaimed excitedly: "But the concert, the concert! I sang last night, and was encored!" And she looked with eagerness in the face of her friend, who answered witheringly: "Yes, and Helen Mitchell, I saw your garter." Little Miss Mitchell had been particularly pleased with her neat attire, and the unexpected snuff coming in place of the looked-for compliment, in an instant blotted out the memory of the intoxicating encore, and drew the little singer from the seventh heaven of her brief delight to limbo.—Detroit News-Tribune.

FALL PAINTING.

The majority of property owners are under the impression that spring time is the only painting time. But the fall of the year offers several advantages to the painter. One of the most important is that surfaces are almost sure to be dry, and there is no frost or inner moisture to work out after the paint is applied.

Pure white lead—the Dutch Boy Painter kind—mixed with pure linseed oil (dusted as desired) gives a winter coat to a building that is an armor against the severest attacks of the winter rain, sleet, winds and snow.

National Lead Company, 1902 Trinity Bldg., New York City, makers of pure white lead, Dutch Boy Painter trademark, are offering to those interested a complete painter's outfit, consisting of a blow pipe and lead tester, book of color schemes, etc. State whether you want exterior or interior decorating.

The Root of Altruism.

The three eternal roots of altruistic energy are these: First, the principle of justice; that there is a moral law before which all men are equal, so that I ought to help my neighbor to his rights. Second, the principle of charity; that I owe infinite tenderness to any shape or kind of man, however unworthy or useless to the state. Third, the principle of free will; that I can really decide to help my neighbor, and am truly disgraced if I do not do so. To this may be added the idea of a definite judgment; that is, that the action will at some time terribly matter to the helper and the helped.—G. K. Chesterton.

Hypocrite in the Hereafter.

Dr. Madison C. Peters was discussing the question, "Will the coming man marry?" He instanced a certain type of bachelor.

"This man," he said, "is a hypocrite. He uses his religion as a cloak."

"And what will he do in the next world, eh?" said the reporter.

"Oh," said Dr. Peters, "he won't need any cloak there."

Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Watson*

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In Paris, owing to the increasing length of women's hats and the list of accidents, such as eyes put out, ears, noses and cheeks torn, the police officials propose to place some restrictions on wearing hats in omnibuses, railway cars, theaters and other public places.

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Rough on Moth and Ants, Powder, 25c.

Rough on Squeeters, agreeable taste, 25c.

E. S. Wells, Chemist, Jersey City, N. J.

No Shape in It.

"Did she leave her business in good shape?"

"No; she couldn't. There is no shape in her business. She's a fashionable dressmaker."

The blessings of life are seldom equally distributed. Somehow or other a tough chicken and a dull knife always manage to get together.

A little bottle of Hamlin's Wizard Oil is a medicine chest in itself. It can be applied in a larger number of painful ailments than any other remedy known.

Many a man has sustained a compound fracture of the reputation by falling off the water wagon.

OF ALL HOT WEATHER ENEMIES cholera is the worst. Treatment must be prompt. The Pinkettes (Ferry Pills) which overcome all hot troubles, like diarrhea, cholera, nervousness and dizziness.

Out of a total of 18 south pole expeditions nine have been British.

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Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

In India there are nearly 26,000,000 widows.

FREAK IN SEQUOIA FOREST

Tree Trunk That Has Stood for Sixteen Years Severed from Its Base.

Out in California there is a tree trunk which has stood for the last 15 years entirely severed from its base, says the Wide World Magazine. The stump is 15 feet in diameter and the trunk towers 75 feet in the air. This remarkable freak is located near the Sequoia forest reserve in Talara county, California, and was sawed off by lumbermen for timber. Through some miscalculation, when the cut was finished the tree still held its position, and dynamite was resorted to to bring it to the ground, which accounts for the deep slash on one side. After the first charge of the explosive had been ignited the tree still remained standing, and it was discovered that the entire trunk had been shattered by the discharge and was therefore useless for lumber. Accordingly, the work was stopped and the giant has remained upright, withstanding some of the severest wind storms that the state has known, held in its natural position by its great weight.

Importance of Being Earnest.

In the frivolous fashions of today we provide for the earnest searcher after fundamental truths and the realization of dreams of Utopia. We care not for the gravity of their atmosphere, but rejoice rather in the gorgeous colors we can offer for extending in art the glorious schemes of nature.—Ladies' Field.

Big Berlin Philanthropy.

More than 50,000 children were enabled by the authorities of Berlin to spend this summer on land within easy reach of the city limits. They were assigned plots where they could play and cultivate gardens profitably with the help of their families and the advice of public instructors.

Her Bathing Suit.

"Papa, the stuff I want my new bathing suit made of costs ten dollars a yard."

"Well, here's \$1.50—get what you want, my dear."

Pump.

Maud—I saw Jack kiss Belle last night on the corner.

Ethel—But Belle hasn't any corners.

STOMACH LIVER LUNGS

Each of the chief organs of the body is a link in the Chain of Life. A chain is no stronger than its weakest link, the body no stronger than its weakest organ. If there is weakness of stomach, liver or lungs, there is a weak link in the chain of life which may snap at any time. Often this so-called "weakness" is caused by lack of nutrition, the result of weakness or disease of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition. Diseases and weaknesses of the stomach and its allied organs are cured by the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. When the weak or diseased stomach is cured, diseases of other organs which seem remote from the stomach but which have their origin in a diseased condition of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition, are cured also.

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