

SURELY WAS HIS LUCKY DAY

Farmer Probably Never Will Realize Just What a Narrow Escape He Did Have.

A grafter had been short-changing Hicks with a small circus, and the packing was poor. The outfit hit the South; no cotton money, and with a bunch of one-day towns to show where money was as scarce as violets on a weedy siding. And it was miles to the land of promise, and every man stony, and nothing coming.

Just before the concert, one afternoon in a jay jungle, the grafter lapped a Rube coming out of the big top. He had on new jeans, a city hat, was eating popcorn out of one hand, and carrying an umbrella, tied with a shoestring, in the other. He hesitated at the lemonade stand. Every signal on his lankness was flying him for a mark. Approach grafter and speech: "Surely you are not going, neighbor? Show's not 'arf over, an', neighbor, you mustn't miss the concert. Some gem, boy!"

"Gotta catch the three-forty-eight," was the answer, fragrant of pink and pasted popcorn.

"Sure not," said the shorter. "Wait for the real show—the boomerang throwers and the ceiling walkers, and—whisper, cull!—them French dancers—nights in Paris!"

The farmer took out a wallet, and it was crowded with ones, twos, fives, tens and twenties. The grafter saw the green and gold outlay and dreamed he was working in a bank. Then he dived into his own pockets for a come-on; but he hadn't a red. He whistled and called for help; but nothing doing on coin—the first time in his honest career, and no twisted bills between the fingers. Finally the Rube got tired, closed the wallet, and jammed it in his inside pocket with:

"Gotta be goin' stranger."

The grafter burst out crying, and grabbing him by the whiskers, shout ed: "Gee, but you're a lucky guy!"

MADE LIVING BY SLEEPING

Londoner of a Couple of Centuries Ago Seems to Have Had Something of a "Snap."

In these lean and strenuous times one might do worse and emulate the example of Nicholas Hart. He had no need to work for a living, had Nicholas. He slept for it. On August 9, 1711, the following advertisement appeared in the pages of the London Daily Courant: "Nicholas Hart, who slept last year in St. Bartholomew's hospital, intends to sleep this year in the Cock and Bottle in Little Britain."

Addison, that very competent journalist, was attracted by the advertisement and took up the matter in the Spectator. He found upon investigation that Nicholas Hart "is every year seized with a periodical fit of sleeping, which begins upon the 5th of August and ends on the 11th of the same month. That on the first of the month he grew dull, on the 2nd appeared drowsy, on the 3d fell to yawning, on the 4th began to nod, on the 5th dropped to sleep, on the 6th was heard to snore, on the 7th turned himself in his bed, on the 8th recovered his former posture, on the 9th fell a-stretching, on the 10th, about midnight, awoke, on the 11th, in the morning called for a little small beer." The result of this sleep was that Hart earned "enough to support himself for a twelvemonth."

Valuable Mole-skin.

The skin of the mole is much sought for the manufacture of furs, and those made use of in this country have been heretofore imported from Europe, but it is entirely likely that we shall supply this demand by the home product at no distant time. The biological survey of the United States has recently made some examinations into the qualities of the domestic mole for this purpose, and it has been discovered that the animal of the northeastern part of this country is superior to the foreign animal, the fur being finer and having other advantages. A report of the investigation has been printed and the cultivation of the mole for its fur is recommended as a profitable industry.

The Deity in Four Letters.

A remarkable fact regarding the name of God is that it is spelled with four letters in most of the languages of civilized peoples.

In Latin it is Deus; Greek, Zeus; Hebrew, Adon; Syrian, Adad; Arabian, Alla; Persian, Syra; Tartarian, Ida; Egyptian, Aum or Zeut; East Indian, Esgi or Zeni; Japanese, Zain; Turkish, Addi; Scandinavian, Odin; Croatian, Doga; Dalmatian, Rogt; Tyrrhenian, Eher; Etrurian, Chur; Magyaran, Oese; German, Gott; French, Dieu; Spanish, Dios; Peruvian, Lian.

In Anglo-Saxon the three-letter name means "good," which has four letters.

To Help the Insane.

The National Committee for Mental Hygiene is said to be one of the most important of the national betterment organizations. Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt read a book by Clifford W. Gould called "A Mind That Found Itself" and became interested in the work. She will give \$10,000 annually for five years to the organization and Mrs. A. A. Anderson of New York will give the same amount. One object of the committee is to bring about the enactment of more enlightened laws for the treatment of the insane.

WELCOME THAT MEANT MUCH

Newcomers in Neighborhood Never Likely to Forget Kindness of Mrs. Estabrooks.

"I am one of your new neighbors—Mrs. Estabrooks," said a cheerful voice at our door in the very middle of our first attempt at moving. "No, I can't come in. I just brought you a bit of lunch, knowing you would be too busy to fix any. Please call on me—just next door—if I can be of any help. Good-by."

"My husband and I glanced at that tray with its two bowls of hot soup and steaming pot of coffee, and then at each other in dumb surprise.

"We had just reached that dreadful state in moving when nothing is in place, and the things wanted first are underneath the things wanted last—that awful moment when a sense of helplessness, weakness and homesickness combined swoops down upon you.

"We had not realized that we were hungry and physically exhausted; but after sitting down at an improvised table, and sampling that delicious soup and drinking the stimulating coffee, we suddenly knew what had been the matter with us. Courage returned.

"Blessings on our neighbor!" cried Ben.

"Yes," I answered. "She's the jolliest caller I ever received. She has taught me how to introduce yourself to new neighbors and win their everlasting gratitude. Whatever happens in this neighborhood I'll stand by Mrs. Estabrooks—see if I don't!"—Woman's Home Companion.

EXPLAINING DREAD OF DEATH

Suspension of All Familiar Activities Is Something the Mind Instinctively Shrinks From.

It is the variety of experience which makes life interesting—toll and rest, pain and relief, hope and satisfaction, danger and security. If we once remove the idea of vicissitude from life, it all becomes an indolent and uninspiring affair.

It is the process of change which is delightful—the finding out what we can do and what we cannot—going from ignorance to knowledge, from clumsiness to skill. Even our relations with those whom we love are all bound up with the discoveries we make about them, and the degree in which we can help them and affect them.

What the mind instinctively dislikes is stationariness; and an existence in which there was nothing to escape from, nothing more to hope for, to learn, to desire, would be frankly unendurable.

The reason why we dread death is because it seems to be a suspension of all our familiar activities. It would be terrible to have nothing but memory to depend upon.

The only use of memory is that it distracts us a little from present conditions if they are dull, and it is only too true that the recollection in sorrow of happy things is torture of the worst kind.

Irish Names for Chinese.

Five Chinese orphan babies will get five dollars each and a good Irish name if they accept the gift with a string attached to it from a Philadelphia donor, name withheld. The five babies are in an orphan asylum in China.

Several weeks ago Rev. Dr. William J. Garrigan, diocesan director of the Society for the Propagation of Faith of the Catholic Church, published an appeal from a sister of charity in China who had charge of the asylum. The sister said the donor of five dollars would have the privilege of naming one of the babies.

The other day Doctor Garrigan got a letter with \$25 inclosed. "To name five babies," the donor said. Attached to the note were these suggested names:

Patrick, John, Bridget, Margaret and Johanna.—Philadelphia North American.

Delegates to Masonic Grand Lodge. H. E. Byrum, Grand Tyler, accompanied by Dr. A. D. McCannel, A. D. Hagenstein and C. B. Bach, are attending the Masonic grand lodge at Grand Forks this week. The lodge at the Forks dedicated a \$250,000 temple Tuesday.

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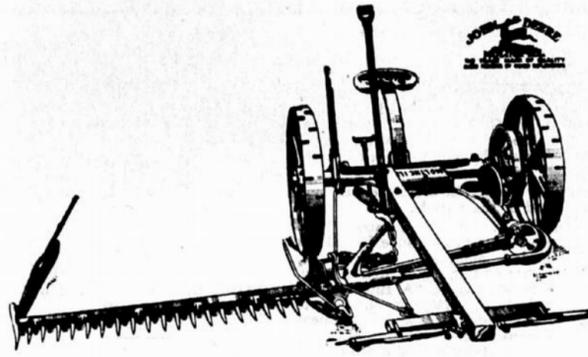
J. P. Wallace, employed in the grocery department of C. A. Bugge & Co., has an orange tree on display in the window of the grocery. There are two well formed oranges growing upon the tree and several blossoms may also be seen upon the same. Now, Logan, be still, won't you?

Judge Wallace informs us that Manager McGuire of the Consumers Power Co., has assured him that by the time he gets the machinery placed for the new feed mill that the "juice" will be here to "make the wheels go round."

Plans are already being made for a big celebration to mark the advent of the electric current. Arrangements are being made for a band, speakers, etc.

Dan Conan left Tuesday for Sanish, the new reservation town, on the Missouri. Dan has formed a partnership with D. D. Gibb of Sanish in the transfer business. They will operate a stage line from Stanley and Van-Hook and conduct a general transfer business at Sanish. We are sorry to lose Dan and his family but realize that the opportunities afforded in a new town are much greater than can be found here. "Big Chief," as Dan has so long been familiarly known in baseball circles, will be greatly missed

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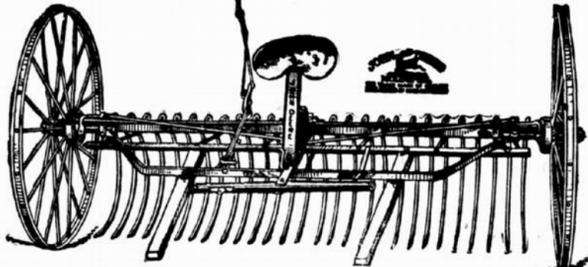


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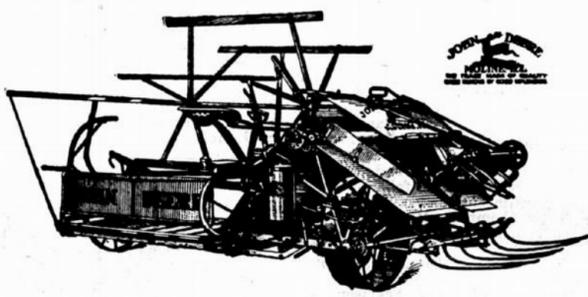


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from the local team. He has held down the initial bag for so long that his absence will be greatly deplored. Mr. Conan was accompanied by Sam Strong and Jack Abbott, who are going over to the reservation with a view to locating a coal claim.

Miss Maude Phifer, who has been in the west for several years, arrived home Wednesday. Miss Phifer has been teaching in the public schools of Milton, Oregon. Miss Phifer is very enthusiastic in her praise of the Oregon country. She states that the roses are already blossoming in great profusion and that cherries and small fruits are ripe and the crop is abundant. The prospects are that this will be a banner peach year in Oregon. The apple harvest will be light, owing to heavy frosts just as the blossoms were opening. Miss Phifer returned via the Canadian Pacific. She says that soldiers are stationed at every bridge and everywhere are observed the signs of a warring nation. Ladies and even the school children employ every spare moment knitting for the soldiers at the front.

Mrs. J. M. Reiner left Wednesday of last week for a visit at the home of a daughter at Scobey, Mont.

The Township Board of Equalization met on Monday and Tuesday at the town hall. On Tuesday the Board met with the supervisors of Burt township and together the boards agreed to open up the road lying between the townships and apportioned the portions which each township is to maintain.

The Burlington Farmers' Telephone Co. have extended their line south to include E. J. Bowdman and Wm. Marshall.

Joe Devorak is now in charge of the shop which E. A. Hartshouse recently purchased of Ned Galvin. Joe is some hustler and the way he is cleaning up the work is a caution. Joe says he has so long been familiarly known in baseball circles, will be greatly missed

Doc Anderson, the famous surgeon, chiropodist and foot specialist, has agreed to a date at Burlington this week Thursday and Friday and on the same days next week. Judging from the many complimentary remarks as to the Doctor's work in Minot we would advise all who have troubles in his line to be sure to call upon him. He will be at the City Barber Shop on the days noted above.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. April were the guests of Minot friends Monday, returning Tuesday.

Quite a few Burlington fans attended the Minot-Berthold game at Berthold Sunday.

Snyder, manager of Roell's sporting goods department, was in town Tuesday. The Woman's Club have placed their order for the necessary equipment of a tennis court which they are establishing on some lots which the German-American bank have donated them for the purpose opposite the bank's quarters. There is some talk of forming a swimming class here this summer with Mr. Snyder as instructor.

J. Y. Millar, who recently returned from Montana, reports heavy rains west of Havre and an immense acreage of spring seeding.

Charlie Fuller purchased sixty head of young stock last week which he will feed for an early market.

L. D. Colton states that as soon as his farm work permits he will commence the erection of a wove fence around the cemetery. This will be a long desired improvement and with a first class wove wire fence with steel posts and patent gates our cemetery will be much enhanced in natural beauty and lot owners will feel safe in making improvements in the way of planting trees and shrubbery, erecting monuments, and otherwise beautifying "God's acre."

Work on the big pavilion at No Man's Land is being rushed. An additional force was added Monday in or-

der to have everything in readiness for the opening day, June 20th.

The Burlington Sunday school and the Prairie Sunday school of Kirkelie township are arranging for the celebration of Children's Day in the big pavilion at No Man's Land on June 27th. In the event that it is not convenient to meet there the exercises will be held in the Presbyterian church. A grand Sunday school picnic is being arranged to take place immediately following the exercises.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Kluver and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Falconer were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Phifer of North Prairie at dinner Sunday.

Mr. Phifer is arranging to exhibit at least two herds at the State Fair. He is an enthusiastic breeder of hogs and we look to see his entries pull down some of the first prizes.

Chester Phifer has, we believe without exception, the finest herd of Duroc Jerseys in the state.

The Prairie Sunday school at the O. K. Spires school house is one of the largest and best conducted organizations along that line we have visited in years. What is most refreshing to one interested in Sunday school work is to see a good attendance of adults and in that respect the North Prairie school is in a class by itself. Interest in Sunday school work at the Spires school is manifest in every department. Largely thru the efforts of Mrs. M. D. Graham the school is being graded and placed upon the classified plan. C. B. Phifer is the efficient superintendent and Mrs. Phifer is secretary and organist. Miss Marie Almy is treasurer.

C. B. Phifer, Mrs. W. Drummond and Adrian Hills were chosen as delegates to the big Sunday school convention meeting in Minot this week.

Eugene Lanphere, carrier on route two, is enjoying a fortnight's vacation. Gunder Livingston is substituting for Mr. Lanphere.

Will Wistrom, the Flaxton druggist,

was in town Sunday between trains.

Miss Della Sandberg of Portal was a guest at the C. A. Swanson home the last of the week. Miss Sandberg left Sunday for her old home at Valley City.

The Interstate Commerce Commission car was in town a couple of days this week gathering statistics on which the freight rates over the Soo line are to be based.

O. K. Spires will ship a car of hogs on Friday of this week. He is paying \$6.25 for hogs.

John Perlichek is building a porch on his residence and otherwise improving his premises. Harry Miller is doing the carpenter work.

Mrs. E. A. Madsen and little son left Tuesday for an extended visit to her old home at Hutchinson, Min.

Joe Fallaker purchased a team of driving horses of Joe Wistrom Monday.

Mrs. Chas. Wistrom returned Wednesday from a visit with friends in St. Paul.

Jim Casteel has purchased a cement mixing machine which is operated by a gasoline engine and as soon as work on present contracts is finished he will engage in a general contracting business. Parties desiring cement work done by experienced workmen would do well to consult Mr. Casteel.

Burlington and Foxholm played at Foxholm Sunday. The score was 6 to 3 in our favor.

The local camp of M. W. A. will meet Tuesday evening. Important business demands the attendance of the entire membership. An examining physician will be present to examine applicants whose applications are pending. It is to be hoped that all will make a special effort to turn out.

Burlington is booked for a game at Des Lacs Sunday. Burlington fans are planning to attend in large numbers and there'll be a "hat time" without question.