

THE AMERICAN HOME

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A five-room cottage that is convenient and that looks neat and comfortable is not easily planned. There are many difficulties in the way of laying out living rooms and bedrooms on one floor. Cottage house plans have brought grey hairs to the heads of many architects and a good deal of comfort to the owners after they are built and paid for.

Formerly families were not so hard to please as they are at the present time; in fact, a hundred years ago the most fastidious and exclusive of our forefathers thought they were quite comfortable in a log cottage having two rooms and a loft. The front room answered for parlor, sitting room, bedroom and general living room, while the kitchen did service for general work, comprising cooking, washing and storage for wood, vegetables and many other things. A little round bottom table in one corner did service for a dining table. This table often was made by splitting a log in the middle and inserting lengths cut from saplings for legs in the rounded side.

Since the good old times, however, cottage houses have passed through a wonderful evolution. A little improvement can be traced through each generation, until the present plans offer as much comfort and privacy as a two-story house. Our

boomerang effect. The thing hits back. "Man needs but little here below, nor needs that little long," but a man's needs and his wants are two very different propositions.

This little cottage is 33 feet wide and it is 46 feet 6 inches long, with the porch extra. The wall is laid up to a good height above ground. You have a much more comfortable feeling in a cottage if it is well set up; in fact, the bottom of the windows should be higher than a man's head, then you feel as though you might leave the window open without seeing some investigating tramp crawl in when you are not looking.

It is much easier to improve the outside appearance of a cottage house than any other style of habitation. A cottage lends itself to a decorative scheme in a very easy manner. It may be surrounded with vines, trees, flowers or shrubbery in almost any kind of profusion and look well every time. This is no reason, however, for planting the grounds in a promiscuous manner. It is easy enough to lay out a plan and work to it.

There should be an expanse of lawn either in front or at the side that is entirely free of flowers or shrubbery. Nothing but nicely mown grass has any business in the main lawn. There may be borders of plants and borders of flowers next to the house and along the fences. There may be fruit bushes and fruit trees if the lot is big enough, the more the better, until they crowd each other, but there should be system in it all. On a large town or village lot a great deal of fruit may be grown in the back garden. It helps the general appearance of

Fancy Work Design Appropriate for Christmas Gifts.

The fancy work pattern and design is something absolutely new in the way of the clever work aprons that can be converted into bags for holding the work. The design is shown as a plain apron and also drawn up at halfmast, when it forms a little pocket in washerwoman fashion. Again when it is taken off by drawing up the belt ribbon, it can be made into a complete bag.

Eyelet work done upon parallel slots wide enough to take inch and a half



wide ribbon form the trimming motif and at the same time the working plan of the apron. A fancy design should be worked in the corners, which are an attractive feature when it is in bag shape. If firm and sheer handkerchief linen is used, and the edge is finished with buttonholing, a practical little possession, which is perfect for washing purposes, is the result, and nothing could be more attractive than its appearance when finished with the ribbons. For the hurried worker embroidery edges may be used instead of the buttonholing and a thin heading applied to the outside, from under which the goods can be cut away.

Basket Brooches in Favor Again.
An evidence of the popularity of mixed color schemes in jewelry is shown in the revived popularity of the little flower baskets which were fashionable many years ago. The baskets, of gold lattice work, are filled with flowers made of various colored jewels. The ornament is used for a brooch. These brooches, when formerly used, were usually of French filigree and paste jewels and were exceedingly pretty, although comparatively inexpensive.

A number of them were disposed of at the sale of the effects of the late Mrs. Gilbert, the well-known actress. They went for a mere song, although they were, in fact, prettier than the new brooches of similar pattern. Pink and white stones are also a fashionable combination. Among the most attractive bracelets at the jeweler's are those of pink and white baroque pearls linked together with a deeper pink amethyst.

Brief Mention

Born, Tuesday evening, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Garverich of south east of Agosta.

A marriage license has been issued to Harvey E. List and Lillian Allmendinger, both of Pleasant township.

The funeral services of Alta A. Peterson will be held tomorrow afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. The funeral will be private. A short service will be conducted at the grave in Marion cemetery.

Company D held its weekly drill in the armory last night and made preliminary preparations for the annual inspection which will be held next month. At that time the company will be put through a rigid inspection by a regular army officer.

Miss Hope Fisher has returned to Poughkeepsie, N. Y., to resume her studies at Vassar, after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Fisher, of Mt. Vernon Avenue.

the home to have the fruit garden definitely defined by a low hedge. The hedge may be permanent or it may be of annual plants or perennials. It may be composed of foliage plants, flowering shrubs, or such flowers as the salvia, dahlia, chrysanthemums, etc.

A screen covered with climbing cucumber (the green-house sort), scarlet runners, sweet peas, morning glories, moon flower, etc., is useful in some places, pretty, too.

When a person gets interested in growing vines, shrubs and flowers they find a great many varieties suitable for one place or another in the garden in such a way as to conform readily to a general plan. A little house like this finished up in such a complete manner shows comfort, and it feels just as good as it looks.

"Mind Your P's and Q's."
There are two accounts of the origin of the expression "Mind your P's and Q's." According to one, it arose from the early method used in public houses of charging customers for the amount of beer they had consumed on credit. P stood for pint, Q for quart, and as the scores were settled weekly, it was necessary for the toper to watch his P's and Q's.

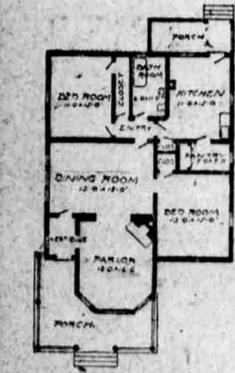
According to the other story, the phrase owes its origin to the difficulty the printer's devil has experienced from time immemorial in distinguishing between the lower case P's and Q's of the Roman type. The similarity between the two letters is so great, particularly when they are reversed as in the process of distributing, that the printer's apprentice is always warned by the foreman to "mind his P's and Q's."—The Sunday Magazine.

Rise of Two Street Waifs.
The accidental meeting in Kansas City a few days ago of two ex-governors seems to illustrate the oft-repeated statement that "the republic is opportunity." Fifty years ago two street waifs of New York did not seem to have a fair start in the world. John Brady was, as he says, "a little Mick," with no home but the streets, and "Andy" Burke had the same home. They were friends. Sent as homeless boys to an institution on "the island," they heard an official read a letter from another waif who had been sent to Indiana. The letter told of the wonders of farm life and impressed them so deeply that they elbowed aboard a train for the west. Burke reached North Dakota, where in the course of years he was elected governor. Brady went to Alaska, where after "striking it" he was appointed governor. The



grandfathers had an open fireplace and it has pleased the present generation to retain this idea, although in a greatly modified form. We haven't so much room to waste on brick work and we don't need such a wide opening, because we don't cook in the fireplace any more and we haven't any logs or cord wood sticks to get rid of, so we build a little dinky affair that looks nice, and if we are lucky enough to have a draft sufficient to draw the smoke up the chimney we can maintain a handful of red coals for companionship, while we heat the house with a furnace.

There are a great many small families that may be accommodated in a house of this size. They don't need any more room, they don't care to go



First Floor Plan.

to the expense of furnishing a full-sized house and they don't want the work and trouble of keeping it up. Small families are suitable subjects for sympathy because they look, lone some, but they do look a great deal more comfortable in a neat little cottage house than when they undertake to scatter themselves through the different rooms of a more pretentious habitation.

Lots of men and women fool themselves by building a house several times larger than they really need. They do it out of pride. They want an opportunity to show off and they generally get disappointed. They can exploit themselves alright enough, but where they get left in in the satisfaction of looking it over their less prosperous but more sensible neighbors. It is a sort of hilly business in which the aggressive party usually feels a

SOCIETY and WOMAN'S WORK

Honoring Mrs. Chester Carlisle, of Willard, N. Y., and Mrs. W. R. Bingham, of Mt. Clemens, Mich., Mrs. Mark Q. Chase, of South Main street delightfully entertained with seven tables of "500" yesterday afternoon. After a number of games had been played Mrs. Harry E. Ammann and Mrs. J. F. Prendergast were tied for first honors. In deciding the tie Mrs. Ammann won.

After the cards had been laid aside a dainty luncheon was served by the hostess.

Miss Ethel Young, of Delaware avenue, was hostess to the members of the Tattler's club and a number of friends yesterday afternoon. The time was pleasantly passed with needlework and refreshments were served.

The guest aside from the club members were: Miss Mildred Leffler, Miss Mary Frye, Miss Ethel Krause, Miss Loretta Patten, Mrs. Fred Kramer and Mrs. Blanch Von Plunon, of Chicago.

A business meeting of the members of the Sigma Delta Society of a High School, was held last night at the home of Miss Nina Olander, on East Center street, and arrangements were made for a dance to be given February 21, at which time the members of the society will entertain their gentlemen friends. The affair will be held in the Tally Wag Hall and

Dowler's orchestra has been engaged to furnish the music.

Miss Clara Mosher was hostess to the members of the Cecera club at her home on West Center street Tuesday evening. All of the club members were present. The evening was passed pleasantly at music, literary and various social diversions. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. S. D. Sweeney, of Cherry street, was hostess yesterday afternoon to the members of the Ten A club. After a pleasant season spent in fancy needlework, a two course luncheon was served.

The club guests were Mrs. George Fies and Mrs. Ideman. The club will meet again in two weeks with Mrs. Frank Ritzhaupt as hostess.

Mrs. H. E. Amman is entertaining the Doltaire club at her home on Delaware avenue this afternoon.

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At the Marion Family Theatre this week is being presented a feature act of such cleverness and mystery as is seldom witnessed in even this present, the age of strange feats. The rise of the curtain discloses a plaster cast of a beautiful woman out of which the artist, before the very eyes of the audience, slowly evolves a living breathing flesh and blood bit of femininity, identical in form and feature with the cast. The creation is really a marvelous one.

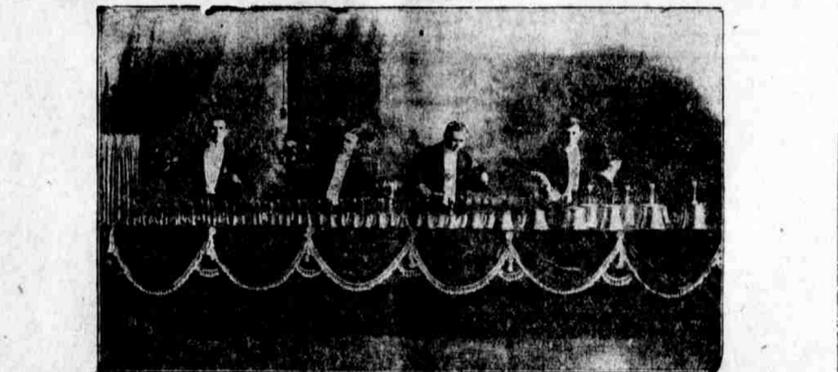
Miss Colman, the talented young pianist plays an excellent overture of popular airs and Draswell, the comedy cartoonist entertains with his erratic bits of humor and the illustrated song number makes a decided hit.

The Ladies in their contention novelty present an act entirely new and very difficult to perform, but such is their merit and agility that the most impossible feats become play in their hands.

W. M. Hyde delivers a monologue which at first amuses, then becomes funny and finally ends in a roar of laughter.

The Kinodrome Moving Pictures tells a story of the Follies of Satan, and this is undoubtedly one of the best numbers on the week's bill.

Meanwhile vaudeville continues to grow in favor with the public and Manager Vail returns the compliment by securing only first class performers for his house.



THE DUNBAR HANDBELL RINGERS Scene From the Entertainment That will be Given This Evening at Epworth M. E. Church.

The Dunbar Male Quartet and Handbell Ringers will appear this evening as the 4th number on the Y. M. C. A. Entertainment Course. The Dunbars are reported to be a very superior Quartet of Musicians and a rare musical treat is expected. The Winston, N. C., Daily Sentinel says:

"An immense audience greeted the Dunbars at the Y. M. C. A. last night, and such a greeting as it was. If encores are the criterion, it was the most popular of the season. The

singing of Harry Dunbar was responded to by a perfect storm of applause, and the quartette was commended by universal approbation to respond at least five times in succession. Jolly fellows these Dunbars. They came to entertain us, and they did not stiffly and professionally but naturally."

The Daily Reporter of Logansport, Ind., has this to say about them: "A delightful entertainment. There was standing room only and many purchased the privilege. The Dun-

bars have brought together a company of remarkable talent. The bells are marvelous. Their sweetness echoed and re-echoed through the auditorium long after the chimes had been touched. The quartette was one of the most artistic features and brought down the house."

The doors this evening will be opened at 7:30 o'clock but the entertainment will not begin until 8:15 to accommodate those who may wish to attend the services being held in the city earlier in the evening.

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The annual installation of officers of Esther Temple No. 99 Rathbone Sisters of Caledonia, was held in the lodge halls of that town, Tuesday evening. Mrs. A. N. Ditts acted as installing officer and the following officers were sworn in: Mrs. Henry Lyman, most excellent chief; Mrs. W. Hipsler, past chief; Mrs. T. J. Andrews, mistress of records and correspondence; Mrs. Frank Ehlers, mistress of finance; Mrs. J. Ush, manager; Miss Maude Decker, most excellent junior; Mrs. Frank Lyon, most excellent senior; Mrs. Andrew Jackson, protector; Mrs. T. A. Gruber, guard.

Daily Market Report

EAST BUFFALO.
East Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 9.—Cattle—Receipts 25 head; market firm, trade light.
Veal calves—Receipts 150 head; market active, 25c higher. Top veals 9.50 and 9.75; cull to fair 6.25 @ 9.25.
Sheep and lambs—Receipts 8,800; slow, lower. Choice lambs 7.85 @ 8; cull to fair 5.75 @ 7.75; yearlings 6.25 @ 6.85; wethers 5.50 @ 5.75; ewes 5 @ 5.25; mixed sheep 5 @ 5.50; cull sheep 2.50 @ 4.
Hogs—Receipts 6,800; market fairly active at lower values. Yorkers 6.70 @ 6.75; pigs 6.75 @ 6.85; heavy and mixed grades 6.70; roughs 5.50 @ 6; stags 4.50 @ 5.

UNION STOCK YARDS.
Union Stock Yards, Ill., Jan. 9.—Cattle—Receipts 22,000; estimated for Thursday 10,000; market steady and strong; prime beefers, 6.10 @ 7.15; poor to medium 4.10 @ 5.80; stockers and feeders, 2.70 @ 4.75; canners, 2.75 @ 5.25; western, 1.70 @ 2.60; Texans 3.50 @ 5.40.
Hogs—Receipts 36,000; estimated for Wednesday 20,000; market weak, 5c lower; light 6.20 @ 6.40; heavy, 6.20 @ 6.30; mixed 6.30 @ 6.50.
Sheep—Receipts 22,000; estimated for Wednesday 15,000; market steady; native sheep 3.25 @ 5.65; western sheep 3.40 @ 5.60; native lambs 4 @ 7.75; western lambs 5 @ 7.75.

CLEVELAND.
Cleveland, Jan. 9.—Hogs—Receipts 20 cars. Shipments light, stronger; yorkers and mediums 6.70 heavies 6.65 @ 6.70; best pigs 6.70.
Calves—Light, steady; fair to good 7.50 @ 8.50.
Sheep and lambs—6 cars; steady; good to extra lambs 7.75 @ 7.85; fair to good 7 @ 7.50.

PITTSBURG.
Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 9.—Cattle—Receipts light and market steady. Choice 5.80 @ 6.10; prime 5.50 @ 5.75; good 5.15 @ 5.40; tidy butchers 4.50 @ 5.10; fair 4.10 @ 4.50; common, 3.50 @ 4; choice heifers 4.25 @ 4.50; common to fair heifers 2.50 @ 4; bulls 2.50 @ 4; fat cows 2 @ 4; good fresh cows and springers, \$25 @ \$50; common to fair \$16 @ \$20.
Sheep and lambs—Supply light; market steady. Prime wethers 5.50 @ 5.75; good mixed 5.25 @ 5.50; fair mixed 4.75 @ 5.20; culls and common 2 @ 3; lambs 5.50 @ 7.85; veal calves 9 @ 9.50; heavy and thin 4.50 @ 5.50.

Hogs—Receipts 20 doubledecks; market active and the higher on all but heavy grades, which were steady. Prime heavy hogs 6.65 @ 6.70; mediums and heavy yorkers 6.80 @ 6.85; light yorkers and pigs 6.85 @ 6.90; roughs 5 @ 6; stags 4 @ 4.75.

CHICAGO GRAIN.
Chicago, Jan. 9.—Wheat—1-8 @ 3-8c higher. May sold between 75 5-8 and 76 1-4, opening at 75 3-4 and closing at 75 7-8; July between 75 3-8 and 76c opening at 75 1-2 @ closing at 75 7-8; No. 2 red winter 73.
Corn—1-8 @ 1-4c up to unchanged. May sold between 43 3-8 and 43 5-8, opening at 43 3-8 and closing at 43 5-8; July between 43 5-8 and 43 7-8, opening at 43 5-8 and closing at 43 3-4; No. 3 yellow 40.
Oats—1-8c better; May sold between 35 7-8 and 36 1-8, opening at 36 and closing at 36 1-4; July between 33 3-8 and 34 1-2, opening at 33 3-8 and closing at 33 1-2; No. 2 white 35 1-2 @ 36.

TOLEDO GRAIN.
Toledo, Jan. 9.—Wheat—Cash and

January 75 1-4; May 78 7-8; July 77 3-4.
Corn—Cash and January 43 1-2; May 44 5-8; July 45 3-8.
Oats—Cash and January 37; May 38; July 35 3-4.
Rye—No. 1, 68; No. 2, 66; No. 3, 64.
Cloverseed—Cash and January 8.52 1-2; February 8.57 1-2; March 8.62 1-2; April 8.42 1-2; prime alsike 7.62 1-2.
Prime timothy—2.05.

NEW YORK PRODUCE.
New York, Jan. 9.—Hogs—Receipts 4,650; steady, nearby white fancy 30; do extra mixed 27; western finest 6; do firsts 25; southern 22 @ 25.

OF COURSE IT IS

Isn't it rather foolish to allow a house to stand idle in this city when there is a real scarcity of desirable places, and renters are watching THE MIRROR WANT ADS WITH "EAGLE EYES"?

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