# Classified Wants

## HELP WANTED

WANTED—Dishwasher at Kalbak's Farmer's Restaurant by Jan. 23. 502

WANTED—Lady to do washing. Have electric washer. Apply Kasten's Ideal Bakery. 483

WANTED—Competent girl for general housework. Apply to J. J. Chander, the tailor. 454

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WANTED—By young man, farm or other kind of work. Good stock man. Inquire Tribune. 504

WANTED—Sewing. Will work out by the day or take work home. Ella Thompson, 814 Park Ave. 475

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FOR RENT—Furnished room for rent. 609 E. Third St. 480

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FOR RENT—Two furnished steam heated rooms, centrally located. 'Phone 440J. 491

FOR RENT—A suite of two office rooms, hot water heated, best location. 'Phone 440J. 491

FOR RENT—Furnished room; strictly modern. Inquire at 318 Becker Ave. E., or 'phone 563L. 477

FOR RENT—Three rooms upstairs and five rooms downstairs for housekeeping. Call 352J. 492

FOR RENT—Furnished room in modern house. Inquire at 115 Becker Ave. E., or telephone 612. 503

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FOR RENT—Two farms. For particulars call on Anderson Land company. 443

FORE TRACTS—In Barnstad's Addition. Inquire Anderson Land Company. 96

WANTED—A house and lot, for cash or in exchange. Wm. Olson, 322 2nd street. 433

FOR SALE—On easy terms, several lots on E. Becker avenue. D. W. McLaughlin. 345

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WILL SELL my house on Lake Avenue, Willmar, at $400 less than cost if taken at once. Edward Roe, 1324 Ione Ave., Grand Forks, N. D. 350

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN—A 160 acre farm with good buildings and good land, 4 miles from market. Will give good terms. A. H. Brown, City. 430

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GENUINE BARGAINS—If you are looking for such in city property or improved farms in Kandiyohi county, do not fail to call at the office and look over the large list of properties now for sale by Thorpe & Rykken, Willmar, Minn. 414

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FOR SALE—Fresh milch cows. T. L. Cashman, Rt. 4, Willmar. 192

FOR SALE—Percheron stallion. Oscar Lundquist, Svea, Minn. 420

FOR SALE—Some registered Shorthorn bulls, fit for service. James F. Cox, Rt. 4, Willmar. 313

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FOR SALE—Full blood Scotch coolie pups, two months old. Will sell cheap if taken at once. A. J. Ahlfs, Clara City, Minn., Rt. 1. 497

FOR SALE—One full blood Percheron stallion, 2 years old this fall. $450 if taken at once. Weight 1500 lbs. Chas. Swenson, Atwater. 418

FOR SALE—Twenty-one head Percheron horses, stallions and mare; 40 head Shorthorns, young bulls and females. J. S. Anderson, Atwater, Minn. 481

FOR SALE—Holstein calves of Ormsby breeding; also bulls of serviceable age. Price reasonable. Write or come and see them. David Swenson, Rt. 1, Spicer. 455

STOCK FOR SALE—Holstein bull 9 months old, large for age; good breeding, won first prize in his class at county fair; price reasonable. Robert Thompson, Rt. 5, Willmar, Minn. 391

FOR SALE—Pair large white Embden geese, $5.00; also few large white Orpington cockerels, blue ribbon winners at County Fair, $1.25 each if taken soon. Bertha Maier, Highland Farm, Atwater, Rt. 4. 487

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FOR SALE—A few hundred bushels of choice seed barley and flax; free from foul seed. G. Stene, Norway Lake, Minn. 479

SEED CORN—Minnesota No. 13 and Early Silver King, Kandiyohi County grown; guaranteed 95 per cent germination. John Ahlstrom, Spicer, Minn. 490

## FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS.

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FOR SALE—New cutter for sale. Inquire Martin H. Nelson, Gorton Ave., City. 450

FOR SALE—Light bob with box. C. A. Broman, Willmar, Minn., Route No. 2, Willmar, Minn. 495

FOR SALE—Ford touring car, good as new; used 2 months; run 850 miles. Inquire at Lewis Johnson Land office. 489

FOR SALE—Slightly used 10-15 h. p. 2-cylinder motor complete with Atwater-Kent ignition; suitable for binder or other purposes; anyone handy with tools can attach; low price if taken at once. Oman Machine Works Co., Willmar. 493

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SALESMAN WANTED—To solicit orders for lubricating oils, greases and paints. Salary or commission. Address The Victor Oil Co., Cleveland, O. 496

MONEY TO LOAN—See S. L. Benton for farm loans, on the optional payment plan, and at low interest, as he has charge of the loaning business while I am away from home. A. P. Adams. 56

SALESMAN WANTED—Any hustler with auto or driving rig can make from $30 to $40 per week and build up a permanent business. Write for the evidence. Doan Oil Co., Cleveland, O. 499

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LOST MONEY—Between Sand's store and Bethesda hospital on Jan. 11, five 10-dollar bills. The party who picked them up will please return to Tribune office for liberal reward. 506


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| No. 3 | from St. Paul | 2:10 a. m. |
| No. 13 | from St. Paul | 1:40 p. m. |
| No. 21 | from St. Paul | 9:10 p. m. |
| No. 9 | from St. Paul | 10:40 p. m. |
| No. 31 | from Duluth | 1:40 p. m. |
| No. 52 | from Yankton | 3:30 a. m. |
| No. 32 | from Sioux City | 2:00 p. m. |
| No. 2 | from Coast | 4:40 a. m. |
| No. 10 | from Grand Forks | 3:45 a. m. |
| No. 14 | from Fargo | 1:40 p. m. |

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| No. 13 | for Fargo | 2:30 p. m. |
| No. 9 | for Grand Forks | 10:45 p. m. |
| No. 31 | for Sioux City | 2:00 p. m. |
| No. 51 | for Yankton | 11:15 p. m. |
| No. 32 | for Duluth | 2:35 p. m. |
| No. 10 | for St. Paul | 3:50 a. m. |
| No. 22 | for St. Paul | 7:00 a. m. |
| No. 14 | for St. Paul | 2:30 p. m. |
| No. 3 | for Seattle | 2:15 a. m. |
| No. 2 | for St. Paul | 4:45 a. m |

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Read the "Want" Column.

# WILLMAR MARKET REPORTS

Corrected Wednesday Morning, January 19th.

## WILLMAR PRODUCE

### GRAIN

| | |
|---|---|
| Wheat No. 1 Northern | $1.23 |
| Wheat No. 2 Northern | 1.19 |
| Wheat No. 3 Northern | 1.12 |
| Wheat No. 4 Northern | 1.07 |
| Wheat rejected | 1.00 |
| Barley, per bu | 62-65c |
| Flax | 2.20-2.28 |
| Rye | 83-86c |
| Oats | 40-45c |

### FLOUR AND FEED

| | |
|---|---|
| Flour, per 50 lb. sack | 1.95 |
| Ground feed, per cwt | 1.70 |
| Shorts, per cwt | 1.15 |
| Bran, per cwt | 1.10 |
| Oil Meal, per cwt | 2.25 |
| Cracked corn, per cwt | 1.70 |
| Clover hay, per ton | 10.00 |
| Timothy hay, per ton | 10.00 |
| Eggs, per dozen | 28c |
| Dairy butter, per lb | 30c |
| Potatoes, per bu | 50c |
| Onions, per lb | 3c |
| Cabbage, per lb | 3c |
| Beans, per lb. | 8c |

### POULTRY, LIVE

| | |
|---|---|
| Spring chickens, per lb | 9c |
| Old chickens | 8c |
| Turkeys | 14c |
| Ducks | 9c |
| Geese | 8c |

### LIVE STOCK MARKET

| | |
|---|---|
| Lambs | $7.00 |
| Sheep | $4.00 to $5.00 |
| Beef Cattle | $5.00 to $6.00 |
| Hogs, live | 40, under St. Paul top |
| Steers | $6.00 to $7.50 |
| Hides | 10c |

# A WONDROUS LAND

## The Yellowstone Region as James Bridger Saw It.

## AND HE WAS A TRUTHFUL MAN

**His Adventure With an Elk at the Famous Obsidian Cliff and the Effect of a Ride Through Alum Creek—Story of the Mountain That Was Cursed.**

As a teller of tales Munchausen had a worthy rival in James Bridger, the celebrated hunter, trader and guide, whose name and career are part of the pioneer history of the west. Bridger was thoroughly familiar with the region now comprised in the Yellowstone park as far back as 1830.

In his book, "The Yellowstone Park," the author, Hiram Martin Chittenden, brigadier general United States army, retired, sets down some of the yarns Bridger told about that land of wonders. Many of the Yellowstone country tales ascribed to Bridger have survived to this day, probably because they have never been capped. The first story General Chittenden tells relates to the celebrated Obsidian cliff, a mass of black volcanic glass with which all the tourists are familiar. Its discovery by Bridger was the result of a hunting trip, and it happened in this way:

"Coming one day in sight of a magnificent elk, he took careful aim at the unsuspecting animal and fired. To his amazement the elk not only was not wounded, but seemed not to have heard the noise of the rifle. Bridger drew considerably nearer and gave the elk the benefit of his most deliberate aim, but with the same result as before. A third and fourth effort met with similar fate. Utterly exasperated, he seized his rifle by the barrel, resolved to use it as a club, since it had failed as a firearm. Rushing madly toward the elk, he suddenly crashed into an immovable vertical wall which proved to be a mountain of perfectly transparent glass, on the farther side of which, still in peaceful security, the elk was quietly grazing.

"Stranger still, the mountain was not only of pure glass, but was a perfect telescope lens, and, whereas the elk seemed but a few yards off, it was in reality twenty-five miles away."

Another of Bridger's discoveries was an ice cold spring near the summit of a lofty mountain, the water from which flowed down over a long, smooth slope, where it acquired such velocity that it was boiling hot when it reached the bottom. This, a later investigator of the Firehole river found, was a case in which a hot spring discharged into the river bed.

Alum creek, a tributary of the Yellowstone, received its name from an accidental discovery by Bridger. One day he forded the creek and rode out several miles and back. He noticed that the return journey was only a small fraction of the distance going and that his horse's feet had shrunk to mere points which sank into the solid ground so that the animal could scarcely hobble along. Seeking the cause, he found it to be in the astringent qualities of the water, which was saturated with alum to such an extent that it had power to pucker distance itself.

Bridger also found a fine place to fish: "Somewhere along the shore an immense boiling spring discharges its overflow directly into the lake. The specific gravity of the water is less than that of the lake, owing to the expansive action of heat, and it floats in a stratum of three or four feet thick upon the cold water underneath. When Bridger was in need of fish it was to this place that he went. Through the hot upper stratum he let fall his bait to the subjacent habitable zone and, having hooked his victim, cooked him on the way out!"

The visitor to the region of petrifications in the northeast corner of the park and to various points in the hot springs districts will have no difficulty in discovering the base material out of which Bridger contrived the following picturesque yarn:

"A mountain in the park was once cursed by a great medicine man of the Crow nation. Everything on the mountain at the time of this dire event became instantly petrified and has remained so ever since. All forms of life are standing about in stone where they were suddenly caught by the petrifying influences, even as the inhabitants of ancient Pompeii were surprised by the ashes of Vesuvius. Sagebrush, grass, prairie fowls, antelopes, elks and bears may there be seen as perfect as in actual life. Dashing torrents and the spray mist from them stand forth in arrested motion as if carved from rock by a sculptor's chisel. Even flowers are blooming in colors of crystal, and birds soar with wings spread in motionless flight, while the air floats with music and perfumes siliceous, and the sun and moon shine with pertrified light!" It is denied, though, that Baidger was responsible for the story that even the laws of gravitation were petrified in the region.

### KINDNESS.

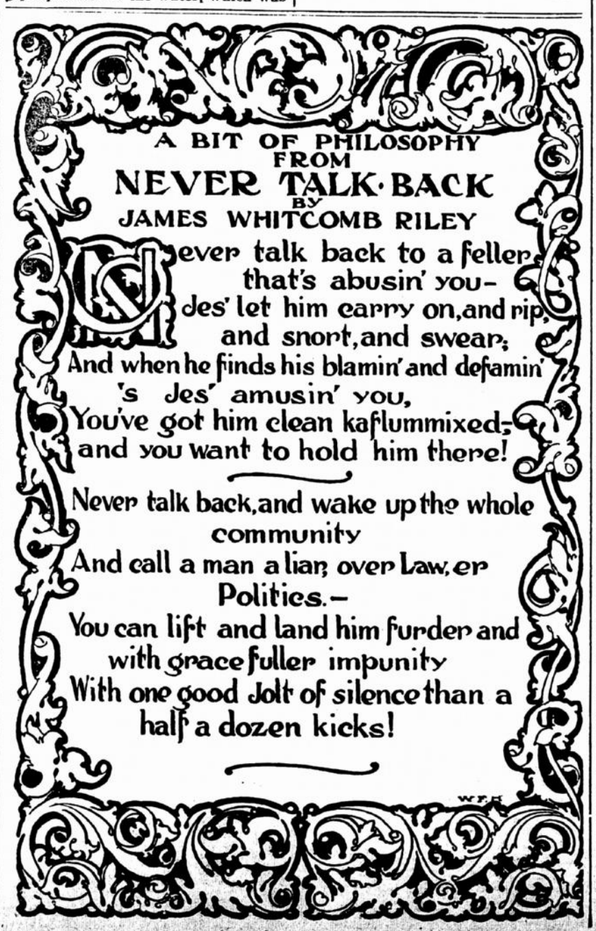
It is easy to offer a kind act or a pleasant word. A good deed is never lost. He who sows courtesy reaps friendship, and he who plants kindness gathers love. Pleasure bestowed upon a grateful mind is never sterile, but generally begets reward.—Basil.

### An Island Wilderness.

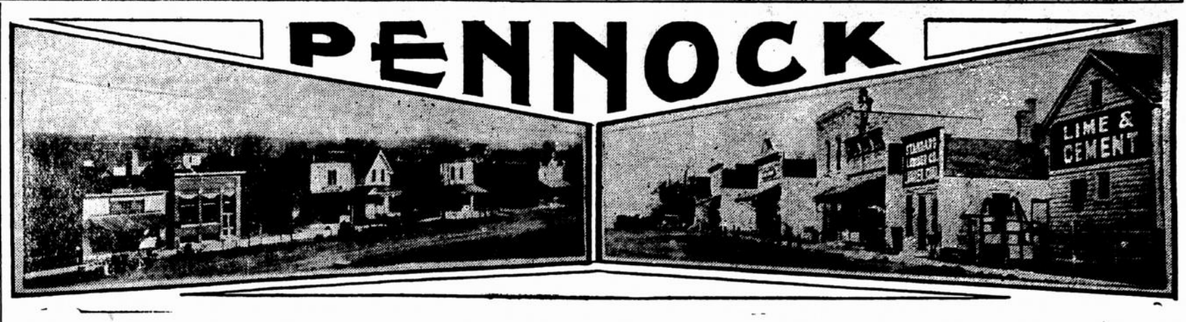
Andros island, among the Bahamas, is ninety miles in length and twenty to forty miles in breadth, and most of its extensive area has never been explored. It is an unbroken wilderness, inhabited solely by about 3,500 negroes. It has great forests, seldom penetrated by white men, but no real effort has been made to exploit its resources.

### LIGHTEN THE CHAIN.

Is it not a thing divine to have a smile which, none know how, has the wonderful and unfailing power to lighten the weight of that enormous chain which all the living in common drag behind them? —Victor Hugo.





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Pennock, Jan. 18—Mrs. Ray Leslie and her brother, Clinton Nordgren, called on friends at Willmar last Wednesday afternoon and evening.

J. E. Bergstrom is a twin city visitor this week.

Art Berglund was an Atwater visitor last Friday.

Mrs. J. B. Jacobson was a Willmar visitor last Tuesday.

S. Paulsness shipped a carload of stock to S. St. Paul last Tuesday.

Mrs. C. A. Bergman spent Sunday at her parent's home in Willmar.

August Anderson, our former barber is a Willmar visitor this week.

G. C. Haug shipped three carloads of stock to S. St. Paul on Tuesday.

Dr. Benson of Willmar made a professional call at Pennock last Saturday.

Sever Iverson who has been sick from a bad cold has recovered and is now able to perform his duties.

Miss Hazel Bergman called on friends and relatives at Willmar last Tuesday afternoon and evening.

Paul E. Anderson spent Wednesday and Thursday of last week at his home at Willmar, returning Friday noon.

Herman Anderson came down from Sask., Canada last Friday and is visiting at the William Christenson place.

A class of six new members were initiated to the mysteries of woodcraft in the local camp here last Friday evening.

Miss Hanna Severson returned to Willmar last Monday after a couple of weeks' visit at her parental home north of town.

Miss Mary Floren left for the twin cities last Saturday morning. She was accompanied by her brother, J. F. Floren of this place.

Nels Peterson, who has been seeking medical aid in the hospital at Rochester, Minn., returned home last Sunday very much improved.

Lynn Anderson returned last Wednesday evening from the twin cities, where he has been attending the Implement Dealers' convention.

Mr. Alfred Hong, who has been visiting with his relatives and friends in this vicinity for a couple of weeks left for his home at Reeder, N. D., last Tuesday.

Miss Alma Lindgren was the hostess at a Rook party last Sunday evening at her home here. There were 21 guests present whom she very pleasantly entertained.

Misses Edna and Helen Lundquist left for their home in Stockholm, S. D., last Monday having spent a couple of weeks visiting with relatives and friends in Pennock and vicinity.

# The Little Stranger

By LOUISE B. CUMMINGS

Singular it is, but nevertheless true, that there are a great many desertions on one side or the other in couples that have been married a year, and I believe that if statistics on the subject could be obtained it would be found that the nearer the wedding the greater the number of desertions. There is a reason for this. Up to the time of marriage the parties are independent of each other. After marriage there are two wills, between which there must necessarily be a certain amount of clashing.

Jim and Lizzie Burden were one of those couples that met, but did not mingle. Jim found his wife—so he considered her—so unreasonable that he hadn't been married a week before the sweetness had turned to gall. Lizzie considered herself so badly treated that she could not possibly endure to live with such a man. So one day when he came home from work he found his wife gone.

Mrs. Jim didn't regret what she had done till she fell in with a motherly old lady, to whom she told her story, and the lady informed her of the cause of their disagreement, as it has been stated at the beginning of this story. Lizzie wondered if that was so. Then she began to think that she had acted unwisely. The next thing to do was to go back to her home and make up with Jim. She did not find him. The house was shut up, and Jim had gone, no one knew where.

When a baby was born to Lizzie she regretted more than ever her action in leaving her husband. The first baby is the first chain bound around a married couple—the first departure from a romance that may have waned and entry upon real married life. But now that the baby had come and Jim was not there to fejoice with her Lizzie wept bitter tears.

Meanwhile Jim, after waiting a week for his wife's return, got angry with her and, declaring that he had had enough of married life, walked off without leaving any address. Jim was a carpenter and had finished a job the day of the separation. It was easy for him to lose himself, and he took no pains to leave any clew by which he could be found by his wife in case she repented of leaving him and wished to return. He knew nothing about the baby or perhaps that might have changed it all.

Jim concluded to make another change in his life. He was a born trader and always came out ahead in any deal he made. He determined to leave off carpentering and turn trader. He had left the little money he possessed with his wife and hadn't a cent to his name. But to the real business man money is not always essential. It is often supplied by credit. Jim made up for its absence in assurance. He bought a lot of damaged coffee on credit for a song, gave it a fancy name and sold it for about two-thirds the usual price. This succeeded so well that within a few months he had turned over several job lots of coffee that he had bought cheap and not only made some money, but established a trade for his especial brand of coffee.

It occurred to Jim one day that his quarrels with his wife had nearly all been from the cause of want of sufficient funds. Now that he was making money possibly the troubles might not arise; at any rate, they were far less likely to arise. He began to recall the hours he and Lizzie had spent together when they were courting. He wondered if she had tried to find him. Then he thought what a brute he had been to leave her without giving her any opportunity to find him in case she wished to do so. Then he wondered if after all he hadn't a good deal of selfish brutality in him to have tried to impose his will on a woman and because she wouldn't brook it and had left him he had made the break between them permanent by taking his departure from their home without giving her an opportunity to find him and make it up.

The ladder of repentance usually has a number of rounds, and Jim's had its full share. When he had reached the top round he felt like plunging down headforemost on the other side and breaking his neck. But instead of that he set about finding Lizzie.

That was no easy job. She had no relatives to whom he could go for information, and she was so distressed, so poor, so broken in spirit, that she shrank from every one who had known her. When the baby came she secured admission to a maternity hospital, and when the time approached for her to get about again, realizing that she must work for her living and could not work encumbered with a baby, she determined to leave it at a foundings' home.

She was planning for this one day when she saw the door of the room she occupied at the hospital slowly open. Then a face appeared, looking cautiously in, as if fearing to disturb her.

Great heavens! It was Jim's!

The sight of his pale wife lying there with a little sleeper nestled up against her was too much for Jim's equanimity. With tears coursing down his cheeks, he stalked to the bed and took his wife and child together in his arms.

Neither Jim nor Lizzie had any fear of further disagreements. They would come, but a thought of the little stranger would take away their harshness, or at least tide the parents over them.

### A Plateau In Papua.

The most singular plateau in the world is in the island of Papua. The plateau is 6,000 feet above the sea, and there are summits towering 5,000 feet higher, but owing to the proximity of the equator the great plain is covered with luxuriant vegetation. The climate is a perpetual May, birds sing in every bush, and the only animals are a few marsupials, such as ground kangaroos and opossums. Yet this lovely region is almost deserted. The Papuans live in the sweltering coast jungles and rarely visit the uplands.

### The Sphinx.

"What was the riddle of the sphinx?"

"I don't know; but, judging by a sphinx's facial expression, I don't believe it was very funny."—Washington Star.

# Der German Cobbler

## He Makes His Shop an Up to Date One

By M. QUAD

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One evening as I vhas at work at my shop Mr. Sprickman comes in und begins to sniff und smell und make up some faces.

"Do you smell some new mince pies?" I asked him, und he answers:

"Der law ought to complain for you. Dot old lamp of yours alone gifs out a smell like some horse dead for two weeks. Hans, you vhas a back number. You vhas forty miles into der woods, vhile all der peoples around you vhas up to date. If a man comes along here in der evenings und likes a cement patch on his shoe he looks into der window und sees dat old lamp. The place vhas gloomy und dark. Dat man says to himself dat your leather vhas mouldy, your shoe pegs rotten und dat you can't get good work done. So he goes along to some cobbler shop mit enterprise. Dat old lamp has cost you a good many million dollars in loss of trade."

"Maype it vhas so, but I don't say nothing."

"If you have four gas burners in here," he goes on, "all vhas different. Your shop vhas so light dot you can see vhen you drop a two dollar bill from your pocket. People who go by stop und say to themselves dat you are up to date, und dey vhill rush in here in such crowds dat it takes four policemens to rap der heads. A great fortune is yours, Hans, und are you going to grab on to it?"

"But I have no gas," I says.

"But you must have gas. Dot's vhat we are talking about. You vhas an old friend of mine. I have some spare time on my hands just now, und I vhill put in dot gas und see all about it. Vhen it vhas in, I tell my clerk to give you the werry best gas und not mix any molasses with it."

"If you do dot, Mr. Sprickman, dot's more dan a brother would do. It vhill show me dot you vhas der biggest hearted man in der world. I never haf sooch kindness offered me before, und it makes some tears come into my eyes."

In two days Mr. Sprickman gets a man, und dey dig a ditch und put in a iron pipe and run der pipe into my shop. Den Mr. Sprickman gets some gas fixtures. Dere vhas four lights. Und my wife she claps her hands und says we vhas rich. In three or four days a man comes in mit a big iron box on his back and says to me:

"Hello, Dutchy—here vhas your gas meter."

In five days more Mr. Sprickman comes in again. He looks around mit joy on his face. It vhas delightful to see him. We shake hands und hug each other, und he asks:

"Hans, didn't I tell you so?"

"You did," I says. "I vhas a rich man now, und you vhas all to blame for it. I can do twice as much work as before, und I don't smell one single smell, except dot of roses. Oh, Mr. Sprickman, it vhas so good to meet a man like you."

"But what about this little bill, Hans? We might as well settle up tonight."

"Bill? Bill? Vhas dere some bill?"

"It's only a little one. I shall ask you to pay me $47.50 for my work. Dot vhas way cheap. If I had done dat work for Mr. Wanderbilt it would have been $400, but you und me vhas just like brothers, you know. Come down mit der long green, Hans."

I don't come down mit der long green—not just den. I come down on der floor in a faint, und Mr. Sprickman haf to hit me five times with his hammer before I vhas all right again. But I can't talk to him. My throat was all swelled up. He says he vhill see me some odder time, und he goes avhay.

Den comes a man from der gas office. He valks in mit a vhistle und opens der closet door to look at dat meter. His hair rose up und lifted his hat, und his eyes were like two teacups.

"Vhas it all right?" I asks.

"It vhas more dan all right, Hans," he replied. "You have burned about 3,000,000 feet of gas in der last twenty-eight days! You keep right on, und der gas company vhill haf porterhouse steak three times a day. Vhill you give me a check?"

"How mooch?"

"I vhill take $100,000 und come back again tomorrow with der wagon to take der rest."

I belief he goes out, but I dunno. I faints away again. Und vhen I come to I vhas in my bed upstairs und my wife und children vhas crying out dot I vhas dead. Der doctor vhas dere, und he says:

"No; he isn't dead. He vhas just ripe enough for der idiot asylum, und dat's where I vhill send him."

But I promised to be good, und he don't send me. In three or four nights more Mr. Sprickman calls, und he shakes me by der hand until I vhas tired. Den he lets go und says:

"Hans, I vhant to congratulate you."

"About vhat?"

"Vhy, about being up to date."

"Vhat you mean?"

"Vhy, you vhas in debt about $1,000,000."

"Und I can never pay."

"But you don't haf to. Der idea vhas to get in debt as much as you can und to keep piling it up. Dot makes you a business man und up to date. You don't worry about your debts. Let the odder fellow do all the worrying. Good night, brother Hans; good night."

Und I burn all the gas I can, und I buy all the leather on trust I can, und I vhas a pretty happy old man for a cobbler.

### Working From a Model.

"The stage manager says that I must assume an expression of haughty scorn more eloquent than words," said the actor. "I wonder how I'm going to get that?"

"Come with me to dinner. We'll refuse to give the waiter a tip, and then we'll watch his face."—Washington Star.

### Why Tennyson Wrote No Letters.

Tennyson once told Sir Henry Taylor that he thanked with his whole heart and soul that he knew nothing and that the world knew nothing of Shakespeare but his writings and that he knew nothing of Jane Austen and that there were no letters preserved either of Shakespeare or of Jane Austen; that they, in fact, had not been "ripped open like pigs."

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