PARIS, MAINE, TUESDAY, JULY 3, 1894.

of mine, did ye, on your way up?"

sat down on the edge of his bed.

look of earth. The sun was just setting.

wanted Molly ter see them mountings,

He started. Sharp and clear on the

"Why, thar's Jonah!" Ben cried.

-why, thar's voices-who's with him?"

a handsome animal by any means, but

one with an almost human anxiety on

dvanced, holding out faithful, yearn-

"Benjamin!" She breathed rather

Then, like one who has seen a ghost,

The stars were shining when he

Betsy was standing in the corner.

you've been disappointed and how your heart's most broke alone here in the

ountains. When your letters stop-

on the trigger of his gun.

than spoke his name.

feet of his wife.

wonder, and send her word"-

The dying rays were flooding the moun-

that thar crittur?"

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CULTIVATION OF THE CORN CROP.

"As soon as the plant has developed the third leaf we go over the field with the corn planter and plant over all the missing hills or where there are not more than two plants, and when it is five or six inches in height we go through and thin to four plants in the hill. This work should be thoroughly and carefully done, as there is no weed so injuly done, as there is no weed so inju-rious to the corn plant as another corn plant have suspended operations. The field should be thoroughly harrowed with a smoothing harrow or Breed's weeder once each week until the corn is from five to six inches tall, after which the horse hoe can be introduced, and should be run one way through the field each week, alternating the direction each time. This part of the work must be continued until the corn shades the ly a crop does not thrive but looks sick-ground or the having season occuries by. Another cause of failure is in not ing chasma narrow defiles and pines.

be continued until the corn shades the ground or the haying season occupies the time.

"Under this system of cultivation there will be no weeds, as none will get a chance to start, and there will be no demand for hand-hoeing. At the last horse-hoeing, sometime the last of July or during the month of August, rye should be sown at the rate of one bushel per acre. It matters not to what use the field is to be put the next season, this will pay in several ways. It will afford nice fall feed, also rich early spring feed; but above all, it will protect the ground during the winter by a rich car.

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Ing cows.

Bro. H. O. Pierce said it is NOT CAPITAL BUT SKILL

ing over 15 cents, thinning 50 cents.

If Mr. Cheeseman will come to Maine

Rec. Atl

"Hardly, I guess."

The egg vender picked up a pen and a piece of paper and began figuring.
"By cracky," after a minute or two, one dollar and two cents, and I'll have chine; we neglect to remove it. Our not diligent. Never a man in the San enough left after paying for the license tools are left out of doors; we neglect to Juan worked harder than Tribble. He to get a postage stamp and write to Susan to let her know the wedding needn't be postponed owin' to circumstances over which I hadn't no control," and he hurried buoyantly out of the office, with the eggs fairly gingling in the

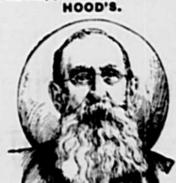
Charles Dudley Warner says: farmer's boy is the one who spreads the grass when the men cut it; he stows it the barn, rides the horse to cultivate the corn up and down the hot weary

spite of all; and he is the stuff great men are made of. If it were not for the fresh young blood of the country, I am afraid the city would run to seed."

Is everything ready for having?

Beyond Description The Misery Before Taking

The Happiness After Taking



get much relief. My blood was in a bad shape and my system was all run down. I thought I must die, but noticing several testimonials in the papers in behalf of Hour sales to bought three bottles and found that it did me so much good that I continued taking it. I was without appetite, slothfully sleepy, and had a headache most all the time. In fact I cannot describe my feelings. After using one bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla I found it was doing me

Hood's Pills are prompt and efficient, yet

LEAKS ON THE FARM AND IMMI GRATION. AMONG THE FARMERS.

> THESE TWO TOPICS FURNISH INTER-ESTING MATTER FOR THE PATRONS OF KENNEREC POMONA.

Kennebec Pomona grange met with Monmouth grange, June 13, with a large attendance, 28 members from Andro-We are now engaged in the cultivation of the corn crop, and though it is too late to change our methods, it is a time when we are thinking on the subject and when the observations of others will arouse reflection if they in any way differ from our own methods. Mr. Cheeseman says in the Massachusetts Plowman:

plant standing beside it. This thinning should not be done, however, until the cut worm and other enemies of the plant have suspended operations. The failures. He thought many resulted the plant have suspended operations.

richer portions from being blown."

NOT CAPITAL BUT SKILL

Here are some of his estimates of the that succeeds. He spoke of two young Here are some of his estimates of the cost of growing the corn crop:

"The plowing of such land as I have described, and in large fields, may be done for \$1.75 per acre, as a man and three horses abreast will easily plow three acres a day with a reversible sulky. The first harrowing of sod land will cost 50 cents, spreading fertilizer 35 cents, harrowing in fertilizer with smoothing harrow 25 cents, marking 25 cents, planting 30 cents, harrowing immediately after planting 25 cents, planting 30 cents, harrowing immediately after planting 50 cents. White indicators in a store. Better go to grange meetings and get ideas. Bro. Atherton said that keeping poor

and cultivate corn at the above figures we want to hire him.—AGRICULTURAL poor management of the same is another. Another leak is the waste of male of motions, joys, sorrow, anger, awe, nure and the manner of applying it to hope and peace murmur from the val-

Well, I've got six dozen eggs in this the agricultural writer that a certain lowa, with only his dog Jonah and the number of loads of dressing was suffi-cient for an acre of corn, and in answer the war for company, he had staked out "Well, I don't know nothin about the to a question Bro Gilbert said: "Corn his claim in the San Juan, built his litprice of eggs nor marriage licenses, but does not use the amount of fertilizing the cabin on the mountain side and gone material some think it does. A load of cheerfully to work with his nick and I'm willing to put up the eggs fer the license, sight unseen."

"Can't do it," insisted the clerk. "We are not in the business of trading marriage licenses for eggs."

"They're fresh," suggested the applicant, in a half pleading tone.

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"They had been think it does. A load of manure is an an indefinite term. Corn hand drill, confidently expecting to strike a lead soon, sell out and go back to his a way of supplying itself; but if you try to raise it without nitrogen, potash or phosphoric acid you will fall. These hand boy with a bag full of gold dust. The letters he got weekly helped him amazingly. They were his incention to the mountain side and gone cheerfully to work, with his pick and hand drill, confidently expecting to strike a lead soon, sell out and go back to his a way of supplying itself; but if you try to raise it without nitrogen, potash or phosphoric acid you will fall. These him amazingly. They were his incention to the mountain side and gone cheerfully to work, with his pick and hand drill, confidently expecting to strike a lead soon, sell out and go back to his a way of supplying itself; but if you try to raise it without nitrogen, potash or phosphoric acid you will fall. These

than a scientist's scales. our failures result more from neglect than ignorance. Our crops need hoeing; The years w "that's what I'll do. The eggs is wuth we neglect them. A stone breaks a ma- find his silver mine. Not that he was

FOREIGN IMMIGRATION. were made on this subject by Robert
Scott of Leeds grange. He said he was
a foreigner. He contrasted the condibeard, but still fortune was shy. The America. "There is a class of labo-ers in the former country that are worse the winter snows hid his tunnels. Evtion of the farmers of Great Britain and than slaves. They labor for 25 cents a ery fall he said, "By spring, I reckon,"

ease no physician can cure—chronic lazi-ness. And yet as a nation we legislate go—that day, that hour—back to them. against a class more industrious and much more preferable than many who are permitted to land in our midst. It for them because they can hire them go back to his dreary search, cheaper. It is the duty of the American Then, one day, Tribble stru don't believe in America being the dumping ground for foreign paupers, yet what Tribble was dazed. He could t

the attitude of Kennebec County Patrons The committee reported as follows:

Signed | ROBERT SCOTT, W. H. KEITH, A. T. CLIFFORD.

GREAT ORCHARDING. so far as known, the most extensive and joy, Ben sat alone, deserted by allorchardist in the world is Judge Fred Wellhouse of Topeka. He has about 1,700 acres of orchards in this state. Last week he planted about 270 acres to apple trees in Leavenworth County. The stock for this planting was grown in his own nurseries and consisted of 25,000 two-pear-old trees of only three varieties. These were proportioned as follows. These were proportioned as follows: Twenty-five acres in Jonathan, seventy-

nursery and set in the orchard in three days by thirty men and the time from Hood's Sarsaparilla I found it was doing me
Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures
much good and now I cannot praise the medicine too much for what it has done for me. I am a disabled soldier 69 years old and was Lift flieted with many aliments, including kidner, bronchitis, and catarrh. Since using 6 bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla I am like another main in fact I think Hood's Sarsaparilla awed my life." R. H. Bishor, Box 400, Hammonton, N. J.

Buy a wide-cut mowing machine.

A HAPPY CHOICE.

Great Declaration, I am glad Our fathers kept you in their trunk Until July. "Twould have been sad Had April showers wet our punk;

Had Maytime blossoms on the trees, Or roses sweet that June reveals, Been burned by matches and fusees Or scorched by flery spinning wheels Had August's heat, September's cool, October's crisp, November's joys Or drear December's time of yule Been ruined or enhanced by noise;

Had January's blissard blast Or February's slush and thaw A gloom on independence cast; Had winds in March, so piercing raw,

And eggs of discontent thus hatch, By bringing up their fearsome blow, Extinguishing both torch and match. Right well ye chose, ye signers great, From east and west, from south and

E'er had the chance to wreak their woe,

Had ye preferred some other date We'd ne'er have had our July Fourth. NEAR TIMBER LINE.

A FOURTH OF JULY STORY.



HOW THE COUNTRYMAN TRADED HIS
HEN FRUIT FOR A LICENSE.

A long-haired young countryman, with his trousers three inches from his boots, and his boots three miles from a shine, passed into the office where mar.

the soil.

Bro. Gilbert thought irregularity is one of the greatest; we don't stick to our business. It is the man who works by the month who succeeds and not the one who labors by the day. Six days in a week and twelve months in a year counts. We should

a way of supplying itself; but if you try
to raise it without nitrogen, potash or
phosphoric acid you will fail. These
matters have to be learned by practice.
"What's one worth?" asked the youth,
going off on another tack.
"A dollar."
"What's eggs wuth?"
"Seventeen cents a dozen. Why don't
you go and sell your eggs and come
back here with your money?"
"A way of supplying itself; but if you try
to raise it without nitrogen, potash or
phosphoric acid you will fail. These
thim amazingly. They were his incentive, his stimulant. Jonah was faithful,
and Betsy was useful. Occasionally Ben
grow potatoes as a nitrogenous manure;
others succeed better with potash. In
speaking of theory and practice, Bro.
Gilbert said he had rather have an old
farmer's good common sense experience
the manufacture of the soon became popular
among the many good fellows. And so
at first, while he was strong, ambitious at first, while he was strong, ambitious

A brother from Sagadahoc County said and hopeful, everything went very well. The years went by, and Ben did not staked two other claims besides the original one, and in turns worked all. Some interesting and forcible remarks His stalwart figure began to stoop; the beard, but still fortune was shy. The

day and support large families. Not a and every spring he said, "I calc'late by moment for intellectual culture; their fall I kin go hum," but he never went. only rest is when they drop into their. His wife wrote regularly the news of graves. They are no acquisition to any her simple village life. His boy was the corn up and down the hot weary rows; he picks up the potatoes when country. Another class that comes to they are dug, he is the one that totes all the water and wood and thres his back out splitting kindling. No matter where to the list, in the house or out, there is all the list, in the house or out, there is all the list, in the house or out, there is all the list of th country, and yet if we set the best we would sit alone night after night pic-have before them they will turn up their turing the two he had left behind, wondering about them, dreaming of them, "Another class is troubled with a dis- longing for them. Sometimes he started plains, to find Molly and the boy. Then

seive all the benefits this country affords his eyes would fall on the mouth of the without becoming naturalized citizens. tunnel, and mechanically he would And yet farmers will seek such to work shoulder his pick, take his lantern and r. It is the duty of the American Then, one day, Tribble struck a lead!
Struck a fair vein of silver! The very Tribble was dazed. He could not un

would we be but for immigration. We are largely immigrants ourselves from some foreign country, but let us have men of bone and muscle who will become good citizens."

Tribble was dazed. He could not understand. Day after day he groped his way down to Pay Dirt to hear the news from the east. He joined the circle of hopeless, despairing men who sat watch The subject was considered of so much ing allver go down, down, feeling as if importance a committe was appointed to the bottomless pit were yawning at draw and present resolutions expressing their feet. Then suddenly Molly's letters stop-

ped. Tribble wrote again and again, but could get no answer. A silence as vast and awful as that which reigned on the mountains swept between him Tribble grew morose, sullen and sus-picious. After a little he ceased going

down to the camp, but dwelt apart from all men, with no friend save Jonah. And now, here on this balmy, heavenly day, when all nature breathed peace

A good humored, smiling face met his —the face of Joyful Jerry, a well known character from the camp below, a lazy, The planting was made in rows. The happy go lucky fellow, with few brains entire 25,000 trees were taken from the and a kindly heart. "Hello, Ben!" he called.

"Hello!" moodily from Ben. "Hello!" moodily from Ben.
"Thought I'd pay ye a visit," said
Jerry, dropping down upon the ground
beside Tribble. "I tell ye, pard, ye're
too lonesum up here. Why don't ye
come down ter the camp? The boys
'low ter hev a celebrashun on the Fourth. Ye'd orter ter come down. They've sent

denly and curtly asked, "Ye didn't see starve. Jonah must have known I was nuthin of that thar ernery yaller dorg coming, for when I got off the train bees determined to set up fresh house. Uncle Sam's birthday, increases with something tugged at my dress, and I keeping. The new swarm felt them- every 24 hours till the dawning of the "I seed Jonah cuttin down the can- looked down, and there he was, waiting yon like all possessed," returned Jerry, to bring me up to you." Now what on airth's gone an took

me. I thought everybody an everyparture with a farewell adjuration to that worn old heart, burst forth. The en to be on hand for the ceremonies two-the husband and the wife-wept and rites of the glorious Fourth, Tribitogether. Jonah crept to their feet and ble rose, went into his lonely cabin and grieved with them in his sympathetic, dumb fashion. And then, when the "Fourth of July!" he muttered. "Cel-ebrashuns! Humph! I'd like ter know ly's tea and a hot biscuit, while Jonah why I should celebrate? Orter be patri- reveled with a bone. Contentment spread otic, I reckin. Patriotic over what? A her wings above the little cabin, and country I done my level best fer. I fit fer peace brooded at the humble fireside. her, tramped through snow, rain an "What d'ye think of them mountings, hail; slept on the ground; et pork an Molly?" asked Ben as they stood at the

hard tack; faced death over an over fer door looking out at the snowy range out-old, poor, forsaken by everybody, the mountains are round about Jerusa-

Dirt's cannon resounded through the Agincourt, and who had charged in Crombut that's what, old gal. I'm tired out -done fer-busted. Ye're my last mountains. Molly liked the distant well's ironsides at Naseby and Worces friend. Give me a proof of your friend sounds of celebration as she went about ter, feel the smart the more keenly. So the little cabin picking up Ben's few With his rifle in hand, he stepped to belongings, preparing for the home- first embodying itself in the swordthe door of his cabin to take his last ware tourney, but Tribble had no use like epigram, "No taxation without for gunpowder nor independence days, he stated, reiterating his grievances

tains with lurid light. White and cold, against a country existing mainly for 'goldbugs' and the east. their glittering peaks shone amid the In the afternoon Ben went into the scarlet and sulphur hues of sunset like tunnel with Molly to show her where purified souls emerging from a furnace of fire. The great solemn pines swayed he had worked for years. Womanlike, ious and vague whispers seemed to float | ing and prying about, picking up specimens and bits of rock here and there. from the depths of the forest. The lone When she came out, her checked gingweary, desolate watcher was strangeham apron was filled with her treasures, moved by the solemnity and harmony of the scene. "Oh, it's purty," he which she looked over and carefully ad-

murmured brokenly, "it's purty. I allus mired. holding it up to him.

He took it, stared blindly at it for a but she never will. Who'll find me, I moment, turned white and faltered, oft night air, up from the canyon, rose

The two gazed stupidly at each other. He'a a-comin back. That thar ornery in a dream. "Molly, let me look at the Through the opening, between the edars, past the tunnel, came two figures

examined them mechanically. "Gold!" -a woman and a dog. The dog-not he repeated over and ov ... lery swept up the canyon. It was the

"She's all right!" he shouted.

"Who, Ben?" cried Molly. "The mine, Molly; the countryeverything! I've struck it at last! We're rich, Molly, we're rich! Why in thunder hain't I got some fireworks or gunpowder or somethin?" He broke off and ran like a deer into

the cabin, and presently emerged with his rifle in his hands. "Brace up now, Betsy," he yelled. Show some respect to your countrythe country ye fit ter save." And then, as the dying salute of Pay Dirt camp recrashed up the mountain side, Ben Tribble raised Betsy to his shoulder and

EDITH SESSIONS TUPPER.

Readers will easily call to mind the story which is told of Cleopatra, to illushis ugly face-bounded forward to trate her luxurious habits of living that feet, yelping and fawning with she dissolved in her wine a precious pearl. No one seems yet to have ques-

The woman came on slowly and tim- tioned what must have been the effect

strewn with gray; her sad face bore the such solution. marks of many a tearful vigil; her un- We are very sheep in our gregariousgloved hands showed signs of labor, but uses of error. When one bold or stupid the soul that shown from her patient mutton takes a leap, all leap after him. field of self development. "And the my firecrackers, but I have one pack many foolish young people in the world, eyes was noble and steadfast; the smile It is rare to find men doubting facts, leaves of the tree shall be for the heal-

statements, which we never think of ex- 1776. ing arms to the poor, rough, disappoint-ed old miner standing there, his hand Do we n nificent Cleopatra, regardless of expense, dissolved in her wine cup a pearl of great price as if it had been a lump of sugar? Is not the "fact" familiar to eviction has invented a machine to feed Ben Tribble fell face downward at the ery one? Yet, if you test it, you will find horses by clockwork. It is so arranged the fact to be that pearls are not soluble that one or 100 horses may be fed at The stars were shining when he opened his eyes and looked up into Molly's tacks them but very slowly and never the aid of any person. The horse's morning face. The kettle was singing on the attore, supper was smoking on the table, matter remains behind in the shape of hight, and the boxes are opened by Jonah was stretched before the fire, and a spongy mass larger than the original

pearl. - Youth's Companion.

A Great Strain. he heard her murmur. "I know how you've worked for years, hoping against hope and all for nothing. I know how Von Blumer-Haven't you a private watchman looking out for your house while you are away at the seashore? Van Winkle-Yes. And he is going to charge me double rates over the

Fourth of July.

Von Blumer—What for?

Van Winkle—He says the fireworks will keep him awaka.

ped"—
"My letters?" weakly repeated Bea.
"No; I wrote, but yours—Molly?"
"Yes, my dear, I know. Something to Silverton fer fireworks an powder an a cannon. Lord, but they'll whoop things up! Ye'd orter come down."

To Joyful Jerry's pressing invitation Tribble returned no answer, but sud
Tribble returned no answer, but sud-

REVOLUTION.

How It Differed From All Others That Preceded It-The Blossom of the Tree of Liberty-A Marvelous Inspiration-The

The United States has celebrated its

birthday for 118 years with a boundless profusion of firecrackers, both Chinese and rhetorical. Grownup folks, a little weary perhaps of the resounding racket, while watching the urchin at work with punk and powder, will ask themselves, What makes the Revolution of 1776 tower like an Alpine peak among historic revolutions?" One cannot answer this by saying that the immediate result was the biggest fact which the historic yardstick measures. That was their good luck, growing out of the vast unknown resources of the continent, to which the colonies were as blind as were George isfy their desire for the snapping red III and his parliament. One cannot set- and yellow paper cylinders, and men tle it by saying that the Declaration of who were once such boys and have not Independence was the greatest charter forgotten the days when they were of human rights ever penned. That Declaration contained nothing essential but what had been fairly written before in stand the subject perfectly, but of all mate sagacity.

the Anglo-Saxon hive to swarm. There was not enough elbow room in the old while it lasts is as strong as any other. As the five minutes' interval was pre-

litical genius. It was but the difference of 5, 10, 20 pearance or the holes in his clothes. He years or whatnot. If it had not been is always in a satisfied, not to say co-"navigation laws," "writs of assist-static, state of mind when at last he That's why Sim Smith's boys and Tom ance," "stamp act," "tax on tea," at gets to bed on the night of the glorious Dooley's and all the rest of the crowd which the colonists grumbled savagely, Fourth. like true Englishmen, it would have been something else a little later. These of the business is that there is absolutethings were wrongs, to be sure, but they ly no stopping in the noise even at mealwould have been ultimately righted in times from shortly after daylight till the natural course of things and were 10 or 11 o'clock at night, not a whit worse than many afflictions Even boys get hungry me starve. A d——d fine country! It's of paradise.

only a country fer the east an goldbugs "Ben, all I can think of when I look whole, was as free in the enjoyment of country fer the east an goldbugs "Ben, all I can think of when I look whole, was as free in the enjoyment of country fer the east an goldbugs "Ben, all I can think of when I look whole, was as free in the enjoyment of country fer the east an goldbugs "Ben, all I can think of when I look whole, was as free in the enjoyment of country fer the east an goldbugs "Ben, all I can think of when I look whole, was as free in the enjoyment of country fer the east an goldbugs "Ben, all I can think of when I look whole, was as free in the enjoyment of country fer the east an goldbugs "Ben, all I can think of when I look whole, was as free in the enjoyment of country fer the east an goldbugs "Ben, all I can think of when I look whole, was as free in the enjoyment of country fer the east an goldbugs "Ben, all I can think of when I look whole, was as free in the enjoyment of country fer the east an goldbugs "Ben, all I can think of when I look whole, was as free in the enjoyment of country fer the east an goldbugs "Ben, all I can think of when I look whole, was as free in the enjoyment of country fer the east and the countr an Wall street—curse'em! I'm played at them is that verse in the Bible, 'As social and political privilege as any king's subject that then walked the

boots, and his boots three miles from a shine, passed into the office where market on his arm.

FUT INTELLIGENCE INTO LABOR friend he had left in the world.

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If we would succeed. It should direct the application of dressing so the whole farm may be benefited and not a single acre.

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Ben was one of the unlucky ones of the party rifle. "I didn't think when alone up there in the mountains, hunting acre in the mountains, hunting alone up there in the mountains, hunting alone up there in the mountains, hunting acre in the mountai came the swell of the race instinct, representation," then after a seven years' successful war getting itself crystallized in a magnificent system of home rule, biform in its relation to state and federal affairs, and bringing the direction with the citizen's hearth and home as Issistants in relays, so that while a porclose as possible to him, in fact. In the tion of them are eating or resting the triumph of a great principle England as others are firing away just the same, well as the whole world won when and as for him that is the one day in Cornwallis delivered his sword to Wash- the year on which he appears to be abington. Englishmen over the sea have solutely fatigue proof, and if he eats at been swarming off from the parent hive all on the Fourth it cannot be more ever since. Canada and the Australian than a sandwich hastily devoured now dominions are essentially as free as the and then.

> "Molly," he said, speaking like one of modern times, we see how wide the have some idea of the reason for his extheirs. The heroic rising of the Nether- not for boys. reeked was wrought immortal good, for | me.

in this world all permanent spiritual gain is-Iron dug from central gloom

And heated not with burning fears, And dipped in baths of hissing tears And battered with the shocks of doom To shape and use. But of all they have bequeathed to humanity nothing blossoms with prom- must be the richest man in the world, ise so rich as that tree of liberty which and the wisest and best, too, barring bourgeons into 44 commonwealths. Its my father. Strait's face fell when we idly. She was plainly dressed, elderly; upon the drink, but Mr. Lewes ques- object lesson is an incarnate fact, exem- made known our desire for firecrackers. her scanty brown hair was thickly tions quite pointedly the possibility of plifying the truth that every political Then he looked at me, and I suppose he community and every individual in that saw that I was greatly wrought up on community is entitled by God's birth-the subject.

"Well, he said, Tve sold out all

We do so many things automatically

in wine. The most powerful vinegar at- any hour of the day or night without ness head. slockwork at any hour desired. Th clock is so arranged that when the weight has run down to a certain point is releases a heavy beam, which, dropor bell wire, pulls a pin which releases the manger, and this, by its own weight and at of its contents, turns over with the pen side in front, so that the food to within convenient reach of the borse.

THE OBJECT LESSON. THE GOOD OLD DAYS.

URY AND COST A CENT EACH.

How a Bunch Was Divided at the Country that I might not lose a single scintillat-Store-The Man Who Still Keeps Up the ing flash of brightness. Old Time Celebration of the Fourth From



fact, known to none but those

declaration and proclamation and pro-test, each paper of which had been seal-one man who has ever shown thorough ed blood red with thousands of lives. knowledge thereof. This man is past It was just the old story inscribed afresh middle age now. He owns mills and with a pen of fire by a mind of consum- railroads and landed estates. He is, in fact, rich enough to buy shiploads of The celebrated Russian musician, Ru-firecrackers if he should so desire. His The celebrated Russian musicum, and market and society is of gorgeons a sight or hear such a ravish-Americans will never have a distinct the best, and for 51 weeks of every year ing noise. I jumped up and down with his face wears an expression of such delight. My mother, who did not admire the best, and for 51 weeks of every year ing noise. with a childhood can ever have this.
Your people never had a childhood—
you were born full grown." This last
you were born full grown." This last sentence packs an essay in 10 words sure that it is proper to use the word next firecracker was shot off, and then and cuts close to the bone. The time weakness in referring to his fondness with my own hands I struck the match had come in the evolution of things for for the Chinese noise and smoke mak- and lighted the fuse of the next one,

last quarter of the last century, and the to manifest itself about a week before looked down, and there he was, waiting to bring me up to you."

Selves just as wise, as capable and as glorious Fourth and then dissipates itself sustaining as the others of the family. They had inherited all the tradically and half the night, at the end of a lot of boys to help me on the Fourth tions, the customs, the accumulated ex- which my friend is tired, sleepy, grimy of July there wouldn't be the slightest "Hell knows!" said Tribble savagely. thing had gone back on me. Oh, Mol- perience, the instinct for self govern- and almost invariably with little holes fun in it. I know that nine boys in ten After Joyful Jerry had taken his de- ly!" and the sobs pent up for years in ment, inherent in a race which has beat- burned in his clothes where stray sparks en the world in the keenness of its po- have found lodgment. But he does not will continue to do so after they are mind his weariness, his blackened ap-

According to the neighbors, the worst

Even boys get hungry and tired, but hard tack; faced death over an over fer door looking out at the snowy range her, an now she's a doin her best to let stretching before them like the portals which beset the man of Yorkshire or when my friend is celebrating the till Thanksgiving day. There is one Kent. The American colonist, on the Fourth of July he arranges his juvenile



United States in self government and only need their own wish to be as free he was buying firecrackers to himself. England and middle states, and even in and more pretentions firew rks for his Comparing the American Revolution boys, and he told me the story of his with the three active great revolutions first Fourth of July. After hearing it I swing of its pendulum as compared with traordinary fondness for firecrackers if The younger men buy not oxen, but

lands under William of Orange had its "I liked firecrackers from the first horse carts. How much of this change root in religious oppression, and though it ended in severance from Spain no such project stamped its outset. The had not yet succeeded in making much in making much that oxen are less needed for plowing. English revolution of 1640, which rolled money. There were only three of usa king's head in the sawdust, trampled my father, my mother and myself-in age with its quicker movement in all out the theory of the divine right of the family, and we lived in a little the fields of labor, how much to a greatroyalty and enforced the fact that thence- house on the bank of a stream that wound or inclination toward luxury, it might forth in that land monarchs should only between low hills and was known as be difficult to say, but the ox cart is rule with the assent and co-operation of Pipe creek. A mile or two away was a passing away. It is still used however, parliament. It was one great step in the hamlet consisting of a store, a blackgrowth of the English constitution smith's shop, a church, a shoemaker's in the haying field, perhaps under the French cataelysm of bloodshed and shop and three or four houses. A few spreading clms at the village blackhorror, typified by the guillotine, whose days before the first Fourth of July, I ghastly head shearing sometimes red- remember, my father and mother condened four hours a day, was the natu- sidered the financial condition earnestral reaction of long centuries of caste ly and agreed that, although the times for they are all substantially alike. robbery and misrule. The flame caught were hard with them, the boy should from the American torch, but the fuel have firecrackers that year. They cost been made in ox carts in many years had been seasoning for ages, and the 25 cents a pack, and 25 cents was a good have been the substitution of iron for conflagration lit the world under its deal in that house just then, but they wooden axles and the broadening of the glare. Out of the savagery, cruelty and thought it would be money well expendmisery with which these great crises ed if it were used to buy firecrackers for

"Now, it so happened that the important purchase was put off until the morning of the great day, and my father and I walked down the road to the store to exchange the quarter for the crackers. A man named John Strait dies and of Central and South America. kept that store, and I used to think he An ox cart costs about \$100 .- New

be willing rising every instant. Before the questioning was finished several other belated would be purchasers of firecrackers appeared, and finally the Strait boy made a shrewd suggestion likely award about a cent damages, and there would be heavy costs and all parties that showed him to have a good busi-

"Ten little rolls of concentrated joy for boys fell to my share. My father A FRESH VIEW OF THE AMERICAN WHEN FIRECRACKERS WERE A LUX- crackers in his pocket with great care. We went home together full of delightful anticipations for the evening for they were to be kept until nightfall,

"My anticipations were fully met by the blazing, popping reality. The evening came off moonless and dark, and T IS my opinion not a match was put to fuse until the that the true val- very last gleam of light had disappeared ue, the overpow- from the western sky. Then my father ering splendor, took the first of the firecrackers, lighted so to speak, of the it earefully and laid it on the big, flat firecracker is not stone that served as a doorstep to our usually appreci- house. It seemed to me when the sizz-



political hive at the beginning of that of his visible characteristics. It begins served until the whole 10 of my firecrackers had been exploded, I had just

50 minutes of unalloyed delight. grown up or not. Of course I prefer for helpers boys who can't have firecrackers if they have to buy them themselves. are always invited to celebrate the Fourth with me. I don't allow myself a great deal of recreation during the thing about firecrackers that is in their hvor, unless you buy the big giant and Annon firecrackers, which I never do, and that is that they are much less dangerous than guns or toy pistols, and they make more noise and flame and smoke for the money than any other sort of fireworks that I know anything shout. I think," he added, turning to order an even five dozen boxes instead of 50. I propose to rather outdo myself

My friend lives on the same street that I do, and I have accepted his invitation to be present with him and the other boys this year and help burn up his 60 boxes full of firecrackers.

Some Facts Concerning That Lumbering One would scarcely expect to find ox

made here by one manufacturer as a part of a general wagon making business. The sale of ox carts in this country is always in large measure been confined horses, not ox carts, but wagons and how much is due to the spirit of the

The only important changes that have built with iron axles and 4 inch tires, in western Connecticut, in western Massachusetts and in New York, and occasionally in remoter parts of this country. There is a steady demand for York Sun.

young woman for breach of promise if that lighted up her thin face had all the sweetness of the long ago. Love, youth, life itself, came with her as she books are crowded with unexamined. That was the practical work of July 4, we'll divide the pack between the two nights, tears and heartache. Unless "So young Strait was called in and breach of promise suits are a very poor questioned, my fears that he would not investment. They generally end in a good deal of scandal and have most unpleasant consequences. If no real wrong has been sustained, the court would made ridiculous. Such suits are best let alone. Legally a man can sue for breach " 'Open the pack,' he said, 'and count of promise as well as a woman, bu me out 10. Then I'll sell the rest of the appears very ridiculous when he does

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