

THE ARTIST.

He tried through years to entice
The craving that was in his heart;
His breathers came and passed him by,



NOT many years ago a New
York lawyer compiled into
book form the stories of all
the recorded lawsuits which

He matter, however, into what field
you may looking for queer things,
and as matter how many queer things

There is little doubt that in his de-
fense Dr. Forceps will urge that the
bill does not truly set forth the facts

Well, the whole thing came out of
Dr. Forceps' well-known absent-minded-
ness. He has been noted for years



plunging away at a patient's teeth.
"Dr. Forceps," said the directory
man, "will you please tell me your first
name?"

informed his patient that one of the
cavities was on the side of the last
tooth in a position that was rather
difficult to reach, and he enjoined per-
fect patience and quiet while he was

The widow's mouth was open and
the doctor worked away. She couldn't
hold her lips and jaws apart long
enough to enable him to do what he



doctor's mechanical contrivance, but
he told her that she must not do that
until the operation was over. Then
Dr. Forceps turned to get a little

The widow lay back in the operat-
ing chair and stolidly kept her mouth
open. She heard voices from below.
Some one said: "All right, Billy, it

She finally rose, lifted the concern
to which she was fastened and
crashed his pedestal against the door.

"Madam, how did this awful thing
happen?" said James.
"You father told me to be sure to
hold my mouth open," said the widow,

For a county which contains the old-
est university, Oxfordshire is strangely
medieval. There are villages where
no notion of medical science has pen-
etrated, and where charms are the only

FARM AND GARDEN.

When to Water Hogs.
Always water hogs before feeding,
and never afterwards. If this is prac-
ticed and the animals are given ear-
corn on a feeding floor, fourteen pounds

fat in the milk.
The percentage of fat in milk from
a single cow may vary, one day giv-
ing different results from the next. In

Cost of Milk Production.
You ask for the approximate cost of
producing milk at the prevailing prices
of feeds, etc. This is a difficult ques-
tion to answer, depending on whether

Corn and wheat feeds average \$30
here; hay, \$10; silage, \$3 at least. We
will feed each cow as follows per day:
Forty pounds allage at \$3 would cost

Geese and Ducks.
Although many farmers refuse to
allow ducks or geese to be kept on the
farms because, as they say, they are
too troublesome, nevertheless both are

Using Weeds and Litter for Bedding.
Such forms of vegetable production
as weeds, vines, stalks, etc., if gathered
and burned return but little value to

Near large cities straw has become
almost too expensive an article for
bedding. Shavings and sawdust are
not entirely satisfactory. Upon the

I Sorting Potatoes.
Good order and execution are mer-
itorious in any and every kind of
work we have to perform, and invariably

The atmosphere, if compressed,
would make a sea thirty-five feet
deep around the globe.

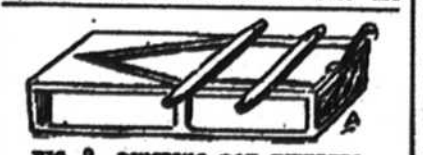
fields where potato digging was going
on, and talk with several about their
crop. I asked the question of several.
If they sort their potatoes when they

Handy Dumping Sled.
The illustration, Fig. 1, shows a
dumping sled for one or two horses, a
convenience that will be much appre-
ciated by many farmers for hauling



of box near the centre. Round off the
projecting ends of this crosspiece to
fit in the tops of rear uprights of run-
ners. Put another lighter crosspiece on

A framework is put up inside the
four uprights, extending under front of
box, and being braced as is shown in
the illustration. To keep box from



wishes of the builder of sled.
When the box is in its horizontal po-
sition and the hasp is fastened, insert
a wooden or other pin in the hasp-

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is an agricultural country. It is the
possibility of large returns for labor
in this direction which keeps up the



Farmers and the Road Question.
H AVING been appointed a del-
egate to this congress by the
Department of Agriculture of the Province of Ontario,

If it is sound public policy and the
true function of government to do in
the interest of the community as a
whole all those things which the indi-
vidual cannot well do by himself, does

The principle of State built highways
appears to be as old as civilization
itself, being adopted by the first ex-
tensive builders of good roads—the

Partial measures of State aid are
steps in the right direction, so far as
they go. I would not say anything in

Let the general governments of the
United States and Canada build ideal
continental highways from ocean to

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possibility of large returns for labor

Good roads and broad highways for
good citizens; alleys, slumways and
cowpaths for the vicious, the depraved

LIVE ITEMS OF NEWS.

At The National Capital.
A statement prepared by the Naval
Ordinance Bureau shows that \$134,909.15
worth of ammunition was expended at

The Sassy South.
For the murder of Thomas Farmer,
who was shot from ambush, John
Henry Rose was hanged at Wilson, N. C.

At The North.
An ice combine has been formed at
Detroit, Mich.
In a freight wreck at Philmont, N. Y.,

Life Imprisonment and costs of the
trial in the sentence imposed upon
Verano Rogers at Cleveland, O., for

Putting on a mask, William Ma-
thews entered the Bank of Plato, at
Glencoe, Minn., held up the cashier

Disappointed in his love affair with
Miss Eva Wiseman, at Camargo, Ill.,
Fletcher Barnett killed her and then

British official reports state that the
Boers lost 819 men in the recent opera-
tions in the Orange State.

It is believed that the Rothschild
influence is behind Lord Rosebery's new
political party.

General Fitzhugh Lee will be the
guest of Boston, Mass., March 7.

England used half a million Christ-
mas trees last Christmas.