

While the peacock has his plumage spread, he forgets that he has black

The man is most needed who will

tion have a great problem to solve."

of the New York Kindergarten Associa-

It will be remémbered, observes the Liverpool (England) Mercury, that some years ago there was a sudden fashion for the conversion of green stulls into what is called ensilage. In various parts of the country, and especially in some parts of Scotland, expensive silos were built into which the green grass was thrown to be preserved by fermentation. One hears less of easilage now than six years ago. The truth is that the silo has gone out of fashion again. Scores of them are standing idle in Scotland, and the system has manifestly failed to acclim itize itself.

A delightfully dainty kind of farming, more elegantly asthetic, maintains the New York Sun, than growing lilies in Bermuda and almost as prolitable as raising checks and bank notes, is that of Mr. Timothy Hopkins, of Mealo Park, California. In a grove of giant oaks Mr. Hopkins has a five-acre patch of violets of the rarest and most beautiful variaties -double whites, double blues, sky blue, and one variety which is blue with a faint dot of red on one of the petals. The violets are planted in rows two feet apart, and under the cool shade and in leaf mould soil they attain perfection. For six months a year the grower ships an average of fifty bunches of violets daily to San Francisco, and the returns are not far from the same number of dollars.

The difficulties of navigating the Missouri River are confined to two places-the mouth of the Osage and Grand Rivers, which are about 150 miles apart-and the Government is trying to overcome them. At the mouth of the Osage an effort is to be made to confine the channel for about nine miles. The Missouri is very wide there, the waters spreading over low lands, and there has been no distinct channel. The depth of the water has been increased from 41 to 7 feet. Piles 38 feel in length are forced into the sand and clay in five miuutes by the use of a powerful stream of water that is force 1 through a pipe extending to the point of each pile. The stream clears away the san1 and clay, and the pile sinks of its own weight. It is believed that after the work has been finished the river will be navigable during nearly all the year except winter.

dames. When this new-cut and coquet-Chicago Tribune. From the hodja the girl may, if insaid Marion, softly, "but how did you Chief Buchanan, of the World's Columbeen me, would it, auntie?" " The girl tish costume was first remarked in carclined to intellectual pursuits, acquire, came and laid her bright head on the chance to come bome, dear?" bian Exposition Live Stock Department, riages and caiques the Turkish Mrs. besides reading, writing and the rudi-JACOB KAHN, a Philadelphian, re-"I could not keep away," said Jack elder woman's shoulder. "And then, Grundy, who happened then and for sevhas sent out about 3000 copies of the ments of arithmetic, something of Ottosimply. "As Thanksgiving drew near, cently escaped a horrible death by too, Thanksgiving isn't quite the same "COME BACK TO ME!" live stock premium list to the various eral years afterward to have an ally in the attraction towards the old home beman history and literature. It is 10reason of his thinness. A switch ento me anywhere else but here." the Sultan Aziz's mother, raised an alarm teresting to note that neither singing nor fair and breeders' associations of the "No, Marion, nobody can fill your came too strong to be resisted, and now gine drawing five freight cars knock-"I guess I was too tired to sleep well dancing is considered a desirable acand the authorities received instructions last night," she said, as she basted the that I have you again, I'm not going to ed him down and passed over him, place," the bony old hand, withered and country, and is receiving responses which to crush the revolt. But Turkish ladies complishment for a girl; it is decidedly but by hugging the ties closely he worn in service for others, smoothed the turkey, "for I kept turnin' an' twistin' all let you go, and I propose that we be show that the live stock exhibit at the care little for the police, and notwithsatiny black hair caressingly. "If you night long, an' I dreamed o' burglars an' married this very day. I'll go for a "fast" for her to do either. came out of the ordeal without instanding one or two fanatical soldiers Exposition will be something tramend. was really my own darter, I couldn't set Injuns, an' along toward mornin' I de- minister directly after dinner, and we'll As many Turkish gentlemen object to jury. he fair offenders held fast to their gay make it a Thanksgiving worth remem ous. Besides the large premiums ofclare if I didn't imagine some one heir women folk shopping in the town more store by you. plumage. The example spread like on account of the opportunity it affords The man who complains that his cows sneakin' around the house. I was too A crimson flush overspread the soft fered by the Exposition for a live stock bering." wildtire and soon reacted the palace itfor flirtation, it is a common prac ice with tired to get up an' see, an' I dropped off are unruly can safely be set down as a exhibit, all the various breeders' associabrunette cheek. "Well, as for that, there's no use o' stirself, where hundreds of pretty creatures Pera tradesmen to send their shop-girls poor farmer, and very often he is a cruel to sleep again, au't must been a dream "You haven't heard anything from rin'out of the house for a minister." Aunt speedily followed it and the struggle was tions are offering large prizes, notably to the harem with goods for sale, or one, who deserves punishment. Most with the rest on't, for there's nothing Jack, have you, Marion?" Hepsie had come in to look after her nevirtually decided. Mrs. Grundy is beatfor shorthorns, Herefords and Jerseys: dresses to be tried on. These girls, genunruly cows are made so by hunger. missing, an' the silver spoons sot right "No, auntic, not a word," she glected dinner, and stood regarding them en, and beyond an occasional idle proeraly French Levantines, bright and tak-As an evidence of the widespread intersighed. "Just a year ago to-day, and on the dining room table." with a beaming face. "Young Mr. Holtest tacitly admits her defeat. ing in manner and appearan ces. some-Clover makes excellent silage when it "If anyone had come in for plunder land is a minister, and I don't doubt but est taken in the live stock show A. E. it seems like ten.' Dead now is the prudish Sultana, and times catch the fancy of their customers, "What was it, child, that set him off they would have looked for silver first of put up properly, but it requires carethat he'd be glad to have a ceremony to Mansell, of Shropshire, England, offers just as well for her peace of mind, seeing all, so you must have been dreaming. and it is a common fallacy of the Turk ful handling and heavy weighting, or it so?" asked Mrs. Barber gently. "I've sorter get in practice on, you know. that the triumphant Turkish woman has a prize of \$500 for the best American that a person gifted in one capacity must auntie," replied Marion, smiling. "But always wanted to know, but I thought" is liable to spoil. "All the better; we'll be married before no intention of resting satisfied with her bred Shropshige ram. The State of be equally so in every other, a shop girl what shall we do with the children until when you wanted me to hear it you'd tell dinner then, and have a wedding dinner first victory. She now proposes to will often be engaged as nursery govdinner's ready?" ABOUT 150 women have taken tim-Illinois offers \$40,000 in premiums for as well as a Thanksgiving feast. Just establish her right to shop freely, listen "Send them upstairs to play," said erness by some semi-enlightened human let me brush up my hair a bit while Mar-"Why, Aunt Hepsie, didn't you ber claims within the last few months live stock; the Cly leadale horse breeders to public bands and otherwise enjoy know?" The girl raised her head with a Aunt Hepsey. "Here comes your Cousin anxious to educate her girl a la Franca. ion takes off her kitchen apron. harmless privileges, and that she will in the State of Washington. It has offer \$5000 extra prizes; the cattle assolook of astonishment. "I supposed of. Horace and his friend, and a proper, fine Utterly unfit both as regards knowl-The great brown turkey was an interesteventually dc so unhindered nobody long been the wail of the press of ciations offer extra prizes as follows: edge and character to undertake such young man he looks, too." course that he had told you the whole ing witness of a surprisingly impromptu acquainted with Constantinople can that region that the woods were full A moment later and Marion was mak-Galloway, \$3000; shorthorn, \$6000; duties, these girls impart to their pupils foolish story, or I should have spoken of ceremony a half hour later. The guests doubt. But it is always the few who of lonely young bachelors pining for little beyond a slight knowledge of the ing her company bow to the young were not informed of what was going on Hereford, \$5000; Jersey, \$10,000, and fight the battle, the mass remaining it long ago. wives, and we trust there is nothing clergyman and as she carried his overcoat French language and a taste for novels until they were all gathered around the "Not a word, dearie. He only came neutral until the day is won. Than Holstein, \$10,000. The swine, sheep and hat into the hallway, she gave the of the Zola school. The impulse to exwrong in putting these two announcetable in their several places. Aunt Hepin one day, his face all white and set, to and dog breeders also offer extra money tell me that he was going, and that all children permission to go into the these timid ones gladly benefit by the treme flightiness which results has ments into juxtaposition. sie, at the head in her best cap, and Jack success they have not helped to obtain. brought Frank education into disrepute. prizes. The money prizes to be paid for women were flirts and deceivers. I chambers. and Marion at her right, Mr. Holland Another illustration shows a girl in the and checked the movement, still in its thought for awhile that you had mitlive stock will amount to \$250,000 or "And please don't be rule or noisy," coming next. He officiated in a partieharem, but she is too smartly attired for infancy, for the better instruction of "WHEN some men pay their preachshe said, warningly, "for Aunt Hepsey | ularly happy manner for a comparative everyday life and evidently expects more, which, of course, includes the sum tened him, but I've put two and two togirls, the Turk generally being ignorant er they feel as though they were paygether since and changed my mind." has a headache this morning." amateur, and never had a jollier Thanksfriends. Visiting forms the ohief recof the world and judging by his own of \$150,000 voted by the Exposition "We won't. We'll be still as mice." giving dinner been served in the old farming a gas bill," remarks the Ram's "Why, you know, auntie, I was inreation in winter, bat it cannot be very limited experience. The serious Mussul-Company for premiums in that departtimate with Dolly Jenkings about that said one of the flock, confidently-as if house than upon this occasion, made Horn. Well, with all due respect to mans are shocked at the levity of the exciting for the gir Las she is expected it were a possible state of thiogs at a ment. The Exposition buildings for the memorable by the presence of a burglar in the many brilliant clergymen who time"--to speak only when directly addressed, girls brought up in the new fashion, and the house, and the subsequent ringing of family merrymaking. "There, I knowed that tormented perceive in it a justification of their oband is moreover, not allowed the solace occupy American pulpits, possibly accommodation of live stock will cover The young minister was just explaining | wedding beils .- Ladies' World. widder had something or other to do with ection to Christian teachers, while the some of these men are right regardof a cigarette, that indulgence being conthirty acres. ardor of the progressionists has been sidered only proper for married women.

doleful as if they hadn't had one apiece. hold, an' not hey an explosion. Now, I sot out to have enough this year, but I rule's sure-true blue, like indigo caliker, an' not light's a fet ther one time an' flat's a pancake another, like some rules. "Rules is like folks sometimes, an' not to be trusted; they're all nice an' pinicky onct or twict, an' next time ve see 'em they're way off the handle, an' you've got to get acquainted with em' all over again. That Widow Jenkins, now, she's that sort-well, Marion; here you are at last, an' right glad I am to see you,

was all puckered down with, 'Oh, Aunt

pists to demand a remedy. The workers livin' woman, an' afore night their faces things. I've noticed."

did I bake last Christmas? Six, as I'm a have a pretty fair appetite for gool

"I s'pose now Horace will be anxious

seen her hungry eyes.

at home.



DUSTED AND ARRANGED EVERYTHING.

"I expected you would be, Aunt Hepie, and I should have been here earlier. but company came last night and I could not get away.' A bright-faced girl had entered and was taking off her wrappings as if perappeal wherever he was. fectly at Lome in the farm-house, and perfectly sure of her welcome. She was of middle height and a graceful build. Her face was a very pleasing one, though just where the charm was one, could carcely determine, whether in the careworn and old. oright, expressive eyes, the warm, symathetic smile, or the winning expresion, but at all events it was there, if somewhat beyond analysis, and Marion Ainslie was a charming girl, with the faculty of attaching warm friendship to herself from young and old.

. "Uncle Jerry's folks came and stopped over on their way to Watertown to spend Thanksgiving with Eli," she explained. 'They wanted me to go too, but I knew you needed me, and I can go there another time."

"Land sakes, child, you needn't astaved for that." Aunt Hepsie turned quickly around from her baking. "I could a found some one else to help me through." "But some one else wouldn't have

Hepsie, ain't there no more patties?' as to show off his relations in pretty good there was no telling what the presumably style to his college triead, "rejoine 1 Aunt | savage intruder might do when alarmed. It does beat all how much children can Hespie, reflectively. "When he toid "Perhaps he's armed," suggested the me he was coming, he said, laughing young minister, nervously. He had prolike: 'I've been bragging on your cookvided himself with an umbrella, as he d'no's I hev. One good thing, that ing, auntie, and I want to show Summy brought up the rear.

It is needless to say they were fol-

lowed by an excited retinue of specta-

tors, at a safe distance, however, for

Holland what a real Thanksgiving in The burglar must have been in a the country is like."" sound slumber not to have heard the con-At length the cooking was all done. fusion of whispering voices at the door, the big turkey dressed and ready for but there was no sound within the chamstuffing, and the rows and rows of pies ber until Horace opened the door and and rich, plummy cakes, the pau of peered cautiously in, the poker in hand doughnuts and the heaping platter of in defensive readiness.

cup cakes and another of jam tarts sug-"Jack Barber, you villian, if you gested a large gathering on the morrow. haven't been up to your old tricks of In Jack's room alone, no preparation climbing in the window." Horace's voice was to be made, for Aunt Hepsie would came floating down the stairway in a use the room for no one but its owner; peal of surprised laughter.

but Marion went in there with a lonely "Jack! My Jack! Well I never," feeling in her heart, the song dying upon cried Aunt Hepsie, pushing her way her lips as she did so. through the crowd and rushing up the She lingered about the little dressing

stairs. table, absently pushing in the pins Marion, at the first sound of Jack's which spelled "Jack" upon his pin name, had divined in a moment just cushion, and thinking of him with such what had occurred, that Jack had come longing that Jack could not have reon the early morning train, and not wishmained angry with her could he have ing to arouse the family, had crept up to

his room window in the moonlight, and Suddenly a thought came to her-she as she had so obligingly left it open, had would prepare Jack's room, too, as if he found no trouble in getting in quietly, were coming with the rest, and with and trembling and blushing, she renimble fingers she dusted and arranged treated to the kitchen to think it over, everything in the best possible order, and compose herself for the meeting pinning a spray of dried ferns and sumac with him. upon the window curtains that the close-

They had parted in anger, and she ness might be dispelled by the clear, scarcely knew how to receive him now. keen air of a perfect November day. Last night in her loneliness and grief she The window opened out upon the broad would nave rushed into his arms and verandah, and Jack had often climbed have shown all her delight and desire to its supports and gone to his room and to undo the past; this morning she was bed without awakening the family, when more self-reliant, and she wisely resolved that a little of the concession at

She would have been his wife now, least must come from Jack, since he had had he not gone off in such hasty, un- left her so cavalierly and so unkindly reasonable anger, and she sank on her without just cause.

knees by the bedside when all was done. She was standing there still, balancing "Oh, Jack, come back. Come back to the fork with which she had just turned me," her heart cried out, and if spirit the turkey, idly in her hand, when an voices can become audible to each other, arm stole round her waist and Jack's Jack's spirit must have heard the earnest voice, very humble and loving, whispered in her ear: "Will my Marion forgive The house began to fill with a merry

and forget?" crowd of relatives at an early hour on All her pride vanished at once under the morrow, for a Thanksgiving dinner the spell of the dear, familiar voice, and at Aunt Hepsie's was a treat to young turning, she shed happy tears of reand old. Mrs. Barber herself looked joicing on her lover's shoulder.

"And why haven't you written to me, Jack?" she asked reproachfully, after

a few moments of happy converse. "I did, Marion. I wrote you a long letter asking your forgiveness for the miserable part I had taken in that wretched quarrel, but I never received a word in reply, and of course I supposed you were angry and unforgiving towards

"How could I answer it dear Jack, when I never received it; no, not one line from you in all this weary year." "If I could only have known it, but

not hearing made me so angry that I determined that you or no one else should know where I was, or anything about

"You foolish, hot-tempered Jack,"

was a great educational movement in Cor stantinople, a Ministry of Public In-



ket. Girlhood is tco short in the East

Some twenty or thirty years ago there

for the welfare of mind and body.

struction was instituted, schools were founded, and everything seemed to herald the dawn of a new intellectual era in Turkey. Previous to that time the only schools for girls existing throughout the Empire were the Rushdieh or primary schools, generally attached to the mosque of each quarter.

A pretty custom, which may still be seen in many of the old quarters of Stamboul, prevailed on the admission of a new pupil to one of these schools. On the day appointed for her arrival the children of the school, headed by the imam, and perhaps somebody with a "musical" instrument, go in procession Turkish beauty, which, though in giri to the house of the new scholar, who awaits them decked in her most splendid

finery, a new satchel, gaudily embroidered, hanging at her side. If she be very little her father or some goodnatured man will carry her, while the quaint procession, singing hymns to the Padishah, wends its way through the streets to the school. Afterward all return in the same way to the new pupil's house, where a feast of cakes and sweetmeats awaits them. At these schools the imam, or reader of the mosque, provides a scanty mental nourishment to boys and girls together. Under his care the girl learns to repeat a few verses from the Koran, and to read and write a little. But when she becomes old enough to wear the yashmak, that is, about ten, she is taken from

school, as it is no longer seemingly for her to keep company with boys. The smattering of the two R.'s which she acquires is never kept up and gradually dips out of memory, her time now being and young women sometimes very attracoccupied in learning to wait deftly, and tive, is too frequently of the half-bred to perform gracefully all those elaborate Tartar type, lacking intelligence and reobeisances and genuflexions which ocfinement. cupy such an important place in Turkish

society. In rich families the girls used to share, and still do in some houses, with their brothers, the instructions of the hodja, a species of resident tutor. Any of the slave girls who desire to learn are also free to do so from the same teacher.

and the music, when one is used to iteverything depends on your being used to it-is not always excruciating; but the coarse, almost brutish humor of the pantomimes, would be decidedly distaste-

ten or twelve would think the entertain-

ments very poor performances indeed.

The dances are at times rather gracefu

ful to a western audience. A more pleasant side of Turkish girl life is that which may be seen any day in early summer, at the Sweet Waters of Europe or some other favorite resort on the outskirts of Constantinople. The family will set out in the morning and spreading their rugs in some field, spend he day there doing nothing, and apparently very well contented with the occupation. The women squat on the ground with their feet under them. It s not romantic, but truth compels me to state that all Turkish girls ultimately become bandy-legged; the fine, well-made women one occasionally meets in Stamboul are mostly Circassians. A few cakes

and some rahat lakhoum or other sweet suffices for both young and old.

A stranger is invariably struck with the prematurely serious air that Turkish children wear. The adder girls do not play and run in the manner that English people expect of healthy children. They sit or stroll about, quietly and gravely, their yashmaks loosened and orming & snow-white framework which displays to advantage their complexion. as yet unspoiled by paint and powder. On the approach of a man they will hast ily draw over their yashmak, not s close, however, that the stranger caunot admire their face if he has a fancy for

A DRUSE GIRL.

In the accompanying engraving of a

Turkish maiden may be seen the fashion-

able vashmak and feridjeh, which, if not

well adapted for walking, are distinct

improvements on the thick linen face-

cloth and ungainly over-garment even yet

affected by some plain and venerable



though prosaic enough according to western notions, are to the native girl filled with romance, and there is certainy one thing to be said for her view of the matter, for in all probability, since acither of the parties most concerned has an opportunily of judging the other beforehand, the fancy untrammelled, by facts, is free to range the field of specu-

lation as to what the coming spouse will be like. As a matter of fact, the girl very seldom has a voice in the selection of her husband. The mother, or some other female relative of the young man who contemplates matrimony, having discovered a suitable maiden, goes in state to ask her hand. The marriage is then negotiated by friends appointed by the girl's parents on the one side and the man on the other. Such at least is the proceeding in the great majority of betrothals, but here again the leaders of progress are anxious to introduce changes. Their efforts have not yet, however, made sufficient impression on Turkish life to check to any appreciable extent the practice of arranging matches without reference to the young lady's astes and perhaps wishes .- English Illustrated Magazine.

Frequent, shallow cultivation of the

growing crops is one of the secrets of suc-

cess. Have the soil in condition at time

of planting, work it deeply once or twice.

and after the roots have well started keep

the surface loose and porous, but do not

off, thus depriving the plant of the very

Borus (aspiring author)-"Naggus,

lid you read that last novel of mine?"

were resuscitated in the last chapter.'

ing the others.

cheerfully do things that somebody else is willing to do.

It means something to fail rather than disobey, and so failure may sometimes be the highest proof that the heart is true .- Indianapolis (Ind.) Ram's Horn.

## Story of a Churn Dog.

"Churn-dog" stories are always in order. A city man who used to live on a farm, as so many city men did when they were boys, sends us this: "At home on the farm we had a number of cows, so many that churning was too heavy a task for even the men folks, so Mr. L. rigged up a dog churn, an inclined wheel, a sort of canine treadmill. It became the duty of Ponto, a large white mastiff, to tread that monotonous cycle, and notwithstanding the toothsome bit of meat that was fastened on a lath within four inches of his nose, he was not at all proud of his position and responsibility. He made several attempts to shirk his task, and twice succeeded. He got to know when churning day came around as well as any one in the house.

"On the morning of that day he would loiter about the kitchen door until he was fed and as soon as he heard the note of preparation-the bringing of the cream jugs, preparing the churn, etc.-he would put for the woods and would not be seen again until night. The day of churning was changed, and next moraing a more crestfallen and astonished dog was never seen when he was collared and harnessed to the beam which set the dash in motion; he looked positively foolish. He did his work, but with lowered head, and in cogitation evidently. On another occasion he tried another dodge. When they were about to put him on the wheel he ran up to his mistress, holding up oue paw affecting to be lame. She thought much of the dog, and was inclined to let him off that day. The next instant he was seen charging over a high fence after a neighbor's cat. 'Well,' said the old lady, 'if he can go after a cat like that he is able to churn.' And he did, and never tried to shirk his work again.' -Forest and Stream.

If Our Grains Were Lost. The whole group of relatives of the lost cereals would be passed in strict review. Size of grain, strength and vigor and plasticity of stock, adaptability to plunge the cultivator down among the tender, spreading roots and break them different surroundings, and flexibility in variation would be examined with scrupulous care.

means of gathering up its needed nourish-But the range of experiment would, under the circumstances, extend far beyond the relatives of our present cereals. It would embrace an examination of the other grasses which are even now culti-Naggus (literary editor)-"Yes, I read vated for their grains, but which are so it. If I remember rightly, in the next to the last chapter the hero and heroine | little known, outside of their own limit, were drowned." Borus-"But they that it is a surprise to hear about them. For example, the millets, great and small, would be investigated. These Naggus-"I was afraid they would be. I didn't read the last chapter, Borus."grains, so little known here, form an important crop in certain parts of the East. One of the leading 'authorities on the subject states that the millets constitute "a more important crop" in India "than either rice or wheat, and are grown more extensively, being raised from Madras in the south to Rajputana in the north. They occupy about eighty-three per cent. of the food-grain area in Bombay and Sinde, forty-one per cent. in the Punjab,

e per cent, in the

provinces," "in all about thirty million

Having chosen proper subjects for ex-

perimenting, the cultivators would make

use of certain well-known principles. By

simple selection of the more desirable

seeds, strains would be kept as races, or

attempts would be made to intensify

wished-for characters. By skilful hybri-

dizing of the first, second, and higher

orders, tendencies to wider variation

would be obtained and the process of

Acres."

selection considerably expedited. - Popular Science Monthly. Isolation in the Bermadas. Persons accustomed to the long journeys and constant intercommunication of this country cannot understand the isolation of the small communities of the Bermudas. Distances there are trifling, but communication is difficult, and to go from village to village or from island to island is esteemed a serious undertaking. When a young man of St. George was to be married to a young woman of Hamilton and to take up his abode in the latter place, twelve miles distant, his friends accompanied him to the wharf and bade him good by, with many tears and prayers .- New Orleans Times-Demosrat.