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THE ANTHRACITE DECISION.

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The roads carrying coal out from the anthracite fields of Pennsylvania have been hauled up before the interstate commerce commission in an inmairy concerning the mining and shipping of coal. However the question

of transportation was the main ques-

tion investigated.

During the progress of the inqury a memand was made for a contract that the roads made relative to the purwhase and sale of coal. The demand

was refused by the federal district

judge, concerning which he says: The contracts in question are parts cof the machinery by which this com-bination prevented the building of a "new road. If the defendants were being prosecuted under the Sherman antitrust act for having entered a combimation, agreement or contract in restraint of trade, the contracts in question would be relevant testimony. This, nowever, is not a prosecution under the anti-trust act, nor is the interstate commerce commission the forum before which such a prosecution is con-

Anthracite has become almost a necessity. Upon its cheap production and distribution depends the success of numberless industries, as is the scase with life itself. If there exists any combination that stifles trade in this industry the people must get at

It is evident that a contract in some way prejudicial to the public interest does not exist, else why do the railread magnates refuse to turn on the light?

If the interstate commerce commission does not have power to cause the contracts to be produced the attorney general has, and he should use that power for the public good.

## ANOTHER TERRIBLE DISASTER.

Last Monday evening about 60'clock one of the most distressing of our recent chain of disasters occurred, when the town of Heppner, Oregon, was de-

Early in the afternoon a thunderstorm occurred, covering a wide region sof country, and later a heavy rainstorm set in, many of the small streams overflowing their banks in a short time. Bridges were swept away like

Huge boulders weighing a ton were sarried down by the current and many gainst a rocky bluff.

about 1,250 inhabitants. So heavy pencil. On the top of the bracket put a about 1,250 inhabitants. So heavy small fairy lamp, which can be lit was the downpour of water that a wall when the stay at home inmates go to of water twenty feet high rushed down bed, thus saving the gas. The candle-

Fives, besides the loss of hundreds of and the slate is intended for the outborses, cattle, sheep and hogs in the goers to write their names on and to bottoms.

Hardly had the news spread abroad before efforts were being made to send and you can elaborate the decoration the sufferers relief. The citizens of in many ways pleasing to yourself, but Portland started a relief fund and it is a very useful appendage to a ball. raised \$5,000 within a few hours.

It really seems that it never rains But it poors.

## COLOMBIA'S DILEMMA.

What does Colombia want? Uncle Sam offers her ten millions for oranges, one pineapple, one box of a right of way across the Isthmus and strawberries and four quarts of caran annual rental that will help out the breasury quite a good deal. This the lemons and remove the pips. Put would greatly relieve the people from taxation and give them more time for and stir until dissolved. Slice the orrevolutions

Then again it looks as if Colombia would either have to take ten million or nothing for her canal zone. The before serving add the carbonic water, United States cannot afford to which has previously been chilled. allow any other nation, or even priwate individuals thereof, to construct an inter-oceanic canal, because of the fact that foreign ownership and congrol of the canal would undoubtedly

conflict with American interests. The Colombian congress will assemble next week to consider the canal treaty, and it is just possible that before that body adjourns it will conclude that "a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush," a conclusion that will bring a ratification.

## GOLLEGE AND SCHOOL.

Harvard will expand her present des partment of education into a school ar on as the necessary funds are se-

Professor O. A. Ewald, professor to the Berlin university, has arrived in this country and will give a series of

ctures to several colleges of medicine. Professor W. R. Shipman, the first Sean of Tufts college, recently observ-ed his sixty-seventh birthday. He has been a member of the Tufts faculty for Mirty-sine years.

## FOR THE HOUSEWIFE FOR THE HOUSEWIFE

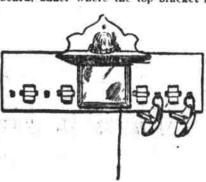
Apricot Shortcake.

Canned apricots make a delicious shortcake, says Rural New Yorker. Drain the juice away from the fruit and cut it in small pieces. Set in a warm place and proceed to mix the cake. This calls for one cupful of flour, four teaspoonfuls of baking powder, two teaspoonfuls of sugar and half a teaspoonful of sait sifted together. Into this work four tablespoonful of butter. Add three-fourths of a cupful of milk and stir into a light dough. Roll in a floured bowl, and when a quarter of an inch thick cut into generous squares. Brush the squares with melted butter, lay one on top of the other and bake in a hot oven. When done separate the pieces, spread the fruit between the layers and on top and pile whipped cream over all. A sweet sauce which may be served with the shortcake is made by adding to a cupful of the fruit juice one tablespoonful of cornstarch wet in a little water and boiled for a few minutes. A tablespoonful of butter is melted into the sauce, and a tablespoonful of lemon juice is added just before serving.

Washing Grimy Things.

To wash very grimy things, such as overalls and working shirts, mix together equal parts of kerosene, limewater and turpentine. Shake the mixture in a bottle until creamy, then add a cupful to a boiler of clothes. It can also be used with hot suds, rubbing directly upon dirty grease spots, allowing to stand five minutes before washing out and then rinsing in hot water. In dampening clothes for ironing, hot water is much better than cold, the moisture is more even and the clothes are sooner ready for the iron. Knit underwear, stockings and other rough pieces should be merely run through the wringer when dry or folded and laid in a smooth pile with a heavy board and weight on top, the labor of ironing being done away with.

A Candlestick Rack. To make a candlestick rack buy a small bracket, enamel it white and fix it firmly over a long piece of board. sandpapered and enameled white also. Into this at intervals fix large brass hooks, and between the hooks neatly nail a little band of cut brass or copper, bent so as to hold a box of matches belonging to each candlestick dependent on the books. In the center of the board, under where the top bracket is



A CONVENIENCE

people were killed by being crushed fixed, nail a small slate, gild or enamel the tramework of it and attach to it. The town contained a population of by a small piece of brass chain, a slate the gulch in which Heppner is situated. sticks belonging to the others will be At least 500 people have lost their found by them waiting their arrival. scratch out as they return, so that "last in" bolts the door.

Carbonic Lemonade.

Sparkling lemonade is made by substituting carbonic for Thain water. To make a sufficient quantity for twentyfive persons allow three dozen lemons, three pounds of granulated sugar, six bonic water. Squeeze the juice from it into the punch bowl with the sugar anges, shred the pineapple and bull and wash the berries. Then add them all to the lemon juice. Put a large cube of ice in the punch bowl and just

Mushrooms on Your Lawn. It is not impossible to grow mushrooms on an ordinary suburban lawn. according to an authority. A dollar's worth of spawn is enough to experiment with. It should be bought of a reliable seedsman. Break the spawn into pieces the size of a hickory but and put them just under the sod, which is lifted with the point of a trowel or the edge of a spade, then press down with the foot. The middle of May is the best time to plant, and the result of the planting depends entirely on the weather. Mushrooms spring up on warm mornings following showers. Dry weather is discouraging to them.

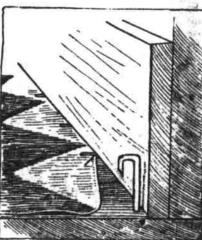
Rhubarh Jam With Ginger. String some rhubarb, cut into short ngths and weigh. Put into a kettle and add just enough water to prevent burning. When it has become quite soft add sugar, one pound for each pound of rhubarb. Stir well until the jam becomes rich and sirupy. For each pound take about a teaspoonful of ground ginger, rub it smooth with a little water and add it to your jam. Boil up jain again, stirring well; put into glasses and when cold cover. If a large amount of rhubarb is at command a high grade of brown sugar is very good. The only difference seems to be that the jam is not quite so clear.

Sandwiches.

A word or two about sandwich making. First of all be sure that the bread is twenty-four hours old and of fine grain that will not easily crumble. The kulfe must be as sharp as possible. The carving knife will be found good for this purpose. Get everything ready before cutting the bread, the butter being soft enough to spread easily. Cut off the crust of the loaf, making a good thick slice of it; then cut the first sandwich slice as thin as possible and butter it, next butter the loaf and cot another thin slice. Place the two buttered sides together until ready to be filled. Cut the rest of the sandwiches in the same way. If the sandwiches are preferred without crust, put together balf a dozen that exactly fit and cut down through the outer edges, then diagonally through the pile. Make each large sandwich into two or three small triangular ones. Pile them ou the dish on which they are to be served, cover them at once with a tnble napkin wrung out in cold water and set them in a cool place. They will keep fresh and moist for several hours. Chicken, tongue, ham and sardines are always favorite things, but almost any meat or fish properly prepared will make an appetizing sandwich. A little stock is a great addition to any meat sandwich, as mayonnaise is essential for a salad one. The following would all need mayonnaise; Olives, lettuce. cucumber and cress and tomatoes. which should be made with brown

### A Unique Carpet Fastener.

The oft repeated joke of the man who walked the floor at night with the baby and trod on a stray carpet tack will have to be laid on the shelf for good and all if the tack shown in the accompanying illustration shall find favor as a substitute for the flat headed and sharp pointed fastener which has been in use for so many years. There is one great recommendation for this invention. In case of a fire it is but a moment's work to pull the carpet from the floor, and that, too, without any danger of tearing the fabric. This tack has one long end, which is inserted in hole close to the baseboard and receives nearly all the strain of the stretched carpet, the short, pointed end only entering the wood a short dis-



SHOWING TACK ELEVATED FOR PLACING THE CARPET.

tance. As the intention is to have the boles drilled in the floor for the reception of the long shank of the tack, if is obvious that a horizontal pull will have no effect on it. but in case of a fire a vertical strain will slip all the tacks from their sockets without resistance. When laying the carpet, the tacks are first placed in their sockets, being elevated a short distance and pressed into the fabric as it is drawn up to the baseboard. After the tacks are all in place a light blow with the hammer will force the short ends into the floor to finish the operation, though the carpet can be held without it if desired.

Kitchen Gifts For a Bride. If you have looked in vain for some

gift for the housewife, here is a list: A potato ball cutter, which is a little steel scoop with a handle, to cut potatoes into tiny balls. A small broom of stiff wire for clean-

ing sinks and pots.

A Chinese strainer for clear soups. made of fine wire with books to fasten at the sides of the kettle.

A fish kettle which has a perforated tray swinging above the bottom and a close cover ou Asbestus mats to place under her pots and kettles and save ber tables; also

asbestus iron holders. The new cork puller which brings the cork out in perfect condition. An egg cutter which is a ring with

prongs inside and handles like scis with which a hot egg may be easily handled.

Drying Clothes. In case of high wind or extreme c it is best not to starch the clothes be fore putting out to dry, while it is also a saving of time and cold hand to hang little things, such as bibs, nap-kins, handkerchiefs, etc., over the clotheshorse near the fire. If the weather is not propitious for the dry-ing of large pieces, leave them in clear rinsing water until a fine day. A still, frosty night does not hurt clothes, but tends to whiten the fabric.

Cleaning Glass.

Do not clean plate glass mirrors with soap and water, which sooner or later dims the surface. Alcohol and water is safe, but unless the mirror is actually dirty rubbing with a soft cloth cleanses it perfectly. It is best not to use soap on table glass, much of whi is rather soft and easily scratche. For this reason avoid the many pate polishing powders and cioths advetteed to give a high polish to go

PICKINGS FROM FICTION.

Most of us look best at a little distance from one another.-"Paul Kel-

It is only in higher circles that women can lose their husbands and yet remain bewitching .- "The Gray Wig."

No man who is not an egotist or worse is ever sure of a woman's love till she has told it with her own lips .-"His Daughter First."

When in doubt go to church, for there's nothing that lets a man think better than a long prayer and a slow ermon.-"Adam Rush."

There are sixteen ounces to the pound still, but two of them are wrapping paper in a good many stores. 'Letters of a Self Made Merchant."

I used to think that marriage made men old, sour and suspicious. I find I was mistaken. It is not the wife; it is the morey market .- "Love and the Soul Hunters.

I b'lieve 'n havin' a good time when you start out to have it. If you git knocked out of one plan you want to git yourself another right quick, before your sperrits has a chance to fall. -"Lovey Mary."

## How Climate Has Changed.

Li Switzerland a mean temperature equal to that of north Africa at the present time is shown by its fossil flora to have prevailed during the miocene or middle tertlary epoch. Anthropoid apes lived in Germany and France: fig and cinnamon trees flourished at Dantzic; in Greenland, up to 70 degrees of latitude, magnolias bloomed and vines ripened their fruit, while in Spitzbergen and even in Grinnell Land, within little more than 8 degrees of the pole, swamp cypresses and walnuts, cedars, limes, planes and poplars grew freely, water lilies covered over standing pools and irises lifted their tall heads by the margins of streams and rivers.-Edinburgh Re-

When the Barber Was a Wit. In original literature the barber is great figure, and Arabian tales are full of him. In Italy and Spain he was often the brightest man in town, and his shop was beadquarters for wit and intrigue. Jasamin became famous as a poet in southern France and recited his verses with razor, scissors, brush and comical gestures as he dressed the hair and beard of fine ladies and gentlemen in his shop. He had a great run, made money, hived fame, and Smiles made a book about him.

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REFLECTIONS The mirror never flatters; it tells the truth, no matter how much it may hurt the pride or how humiliating and disagreeable the reflections. A red, rough skin is fatal to beauty, and blackheads, blotches and pimples are ruinous to the complexion, and no wonder such desperate efforts are made to hide these blemishes, and cover over the defects, and some never stop to so the danger in skin foods, face lotions, soaps, salves and powders, but apply them vigorously and often with-

out regard to consequences, and many complexions are ruined by the chemicals and poisons contained in these cosmetics. Skin diseases are due to internal causes, to humors and poisons in the

blood, and to attempt a cure by external treatment is an endless, hopeless task. Some simple wash or ointment is often beneficial when the skin is merch inflamed or itches, but you can't depend upon local remedies for permanent relief, for the blood is continually throwing off impurities which irritate and clog the glands and pores of the skin, and as long as the blood remains unhealthy, just so long will the eruptions last. To effectually and permanently cure skin troubles the blood must be purified and the system thoroughly cleansed and built up, and S. S., the well known blood purifier and tonic, is acknowledged superior to all other remedies for this purpose. It

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