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PA'S ALMANACK

There's lots of books in our house. Each we like to see Pa winter nights ait by the sheat there synelf. That Nere place his date there synelf. And when he has the chance to read, he read along his the kind that fill each page of his own face drawn and white. He looked over at the 'major, who stood' gnawing on his stubby the stool of gnawing of the stool of gnawing of the stool of gnawing of the stool o

He reads the leading "Hints to Health" and what will cure as ache Dills that you should take. The symptoms of black measies and the points on heart-disease: And as Pa turns the pages back he thinks "By gun: "he'li say with troubled look, "The sharp palas in my back. And that's the way lumbago comes...it's is the Almanack."

-Victor A. Hermann, in Puck.

fun of life is out of it. We will live

peaceably as befits an old man and his

The Amateur Revolutionist. The Revenge of a Lover and a Child. By JOHN FLERUNG WILSON.

daughter.''

and said nothing more.

would not use force.

If you should see bronzed men or he would do it just that way. He put men with soldierly bearing frequent- on his glasses with both hands, and looked at me as if he were very glad, ing a certain office in a small street in San Francisco, and if you knew who and oh! I loved it, for it was just like the men were or what they represent- it was when I was a little girl and ed, you could predict to a nicety the ran into the big room. next Central American revolution, its "But trouble came in Panama, and leaders, and its outcome. That is be- papa thought we'd better come up to cause San Francisco is the place where San Francisco. 'I've been so busy everything commences, and many have down here one way and another,' he their end in the way of troubles in the said, 'that I'm always suspected of conspiracy. Your mother is dead, and the "sister republics."

Three years ago the present government of Guatemala missed overthrow by just a hair. As the man who had been financing the insurrection said bitterly when the bottom fell out: "If it weren't for women there'd be no revolutions, and if it weren't for a woman every revolution would be successful." He said this to the man who knows more about troubles political where there's money and fighting than duras, as he was plotting an insurrec any other man in the world. This man nodded his head with a smile not often When he looked up at me, he said: seen on his spare face. The financier

didn't like the look, and he growled some more: "They might at least have let me hold the government up for my expenses before calling the whole business off. 'I could have got everything back and interest on my venture.'

The other man kept on smiling. "That's the way you fellows look at it. If you can't win sell out at a good price. But that don't win in the long run. One woman can spoll the It would mean my death if I went scheme."

Two years before this a young woman landed from the Pacific Mall steam- room. Outside there were two soldiers er City of Para, and registered at the aiming into it. I saw papa sitting on Palace as from Mazatian. She had a his camp-stool and his two revolvers little maid who siggled and talked were in his lap. He was hunting for Merican, some luggage with Vienna his glasses, but the chain had slipped and Paris hotel labels over it, and the down. He could not see to shoot. One manner of a deposed queen. She signed of the soldiers, after a long time, fired berself as "Srta Maria Rivas."

hotel for quiet lodging on Vallejo out again. He didn't shoot, and I street.

the sleeve of a shirt, and as the face

who stood gnawing on his stubby moustache. He did not reply to the question until the major repeated it angrily. "It was because . . . they deserved it. . .. " Vincent stopped and

the Panama Canal, began the business then went on, almost inaudibly, "God of feeding people nearly fifty years ago knows why I did it, and then there's when, as a boy, he took a contract to ... the___" He stopped once more, for the girl's hard sobs had ceased, and feed workmen on a big flatboat between St. Louis and New Orleans, on her little hands had darted from the the Mississippl, writes the Omaha folds of her scanty gown to the young (Neb.) correspondent of the New York general's throat, and the major saw Sun. He was raised on a farm near him set the burden softly down, and Mark Twain's place in eastern Misathen fall forward, the blood pouring round ... a blade of a knife deep in his souri, and after his experience on the

New York, Direct.

J. E. Markel, who has just obtained

western and the new Moffatt railroads,

ntelligently for the Panama contract.

The contract is not a \$50,000,000 one

men employed at any one time. The

"I was first invited last March to go

to the Isthmus by Mr. Wallace, and I

was studying the conditions when he

left. I kept watch of things and con-

tinued my investigations until I found

"I spent a whole month down there,

and when I finished I knew what was

bldding on. The result was that I got

"What the commission wanted and

what I am going to furnish is a sys-

tem of substantial meals at reasonable

"For instance, the Jamaica negroes,

who want to take it home, or to the

men who live in clubs and do their

own cooking, or part of it, and want

to buy a portion ready cooked. There

is no compulsion about buying from

us; the men can buy wherever they

please, but I agree with the commission

"I shall assemble all my supplies

New York for shipment to the Isthmus

my buying will be done wherever i

can be done to the best advantag

contract runs for five years.

out just what was wanted.

the contract.

great experience in feeding

Western cities.

His

flathuat he settled down in St. Louis to become a baker. With an oath the major leaped over Next he drifted to the West, and in to him and lifted his head. Vincent's eyes looked clearly into his. Then the 1872 began operating eating houses along the Union Pacific, with which wounded man looked over at the little road he continued for thirty years. In girl, poised for flight a dozen feet away addition to his Panama interests, Mr. He nodded at her with an air of abso-Markel at present operates the boarding and cating houses along the lines of the lue comprehension, and then died .- Sar Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton, the

Francisco Argonant. Illinois Central, the Denver and Rio FASHION IN READING. Grande, the Rock Island, the Kansas City Southern, the Denver and North-

How the English Woman Makes Up Arrears.

and manages a number of big hotels in Great boxes of books are going up o Scotland and the shooting moors ow, addressed to the chatelaines of crowds placed him in a position to bid historic houses. They are not intended to augment the rescurces of the lib-Regarding the contract and his plans, rary or to amuse guests of literary Mr. Markel says: prodivities upon days of storm and rain, but are destined for the partieto feed any 50,000 men, as the newsular pursuit of the hostess herself in papers have reported. I don't believe her own boudoir. there will ever be more Laan 20,000

Vincent's voice broke in on het The very exacting duties of the Lonstory. "When was this?" don season make the pleasure of keep-"Five years ago. And everything went all right till we got to Amapala

throat

ing up their pursuit of literature an impossibility to many women. It There a friend of papa's came on board may be practicable to dip into the and showed me a paper. It said papa latest novel when it makes its apwas not to be allowed to land in Honpearance during the few leisure moments that are sandwiched between a tion. He put on his glasses () read it. busy London hostess's day, but to devote any time to serious reading is 'We shan't see where your mother is quite impossible. Numbers of blograburied, nor the place where you were phies, books of travel and of science, born.' He shook hands with the friend delightful memoirs and interesting poems must go unread, unless the "On the day we were in Ocos, in the afternoon, I saw the comandante come modern plan of saving them up for September is resorted to, as it very on the steamer with some soldiers.

prices, so that the employes on the generally is now. He said he wanted to arrest papa, but canal can afford to buy them and will This resource is the established that if he came along willingly he be in condition to return the commiscustom of one very exalted personage sion in labor the worth of their wages, who is devoted to literature and "'I am under the American flag whose sympathles are so wide that papa said. 'I know who has done this now about 4,000 employed on the canal no good ever escapes her perusal. It are scattered along in camps from one with you.' Suddenly I heard a shot is her custom to keep in a little book to two miles apart, there being thirty and then another. I hurried to papa's throughout the earlier months of the year a carefully complied list of novels, works of travel, memoirs, auto 300 negroes each. biographies and so forth that she do. sires to read, and these her bookseller forwards to her in her Highland home for her delectation during the ing them clean. The negroes have to autumn. As this princess reads not have everything cleaned up by a cerhis gun again, and father suddenly only the best English writers but tain hour each morning. The houses In due time Senorita Rivas left the picked up his revolvers, and I cried those of Germany, italy and France. are thoroughly the precious hours she spends in com-But before she disappeared know now that he was afraid of hitting parative privacy in the north are most

FEEDING OF CANAL MEN. ent conditions for several days. So they are not much good now, but I be-lieve within the next two years our MARKEL TELLS ABOUT HIS system of feeding these people will BIG PANAMA CONTRACT. nake workmen out of great humbers of them

"This is a big contract, but except te Expects to Provide Food for 20, for a difference in climate there is no 0000 Men at a Time-Board Will difference other than size between it Cost from 45 Cents to \$1 a Dayand the large railroad contracts I have All Supplies to Be Shipped from been handling for many years."

PROBLEMS OF LAW.

the contract to feed the workmen on Cases With Which English Judges and Lawyers Have Struggled. Hundreds of years of test cases have not yet elucidated all the pos

sible points of difficulty in the English law. Here is a remarkable problem with which the Blackburn lawyers have just been confronted. An English gentleman had twin sons who were born within a few minutes of each other. He made a will that his property in Australia should go to whichever of the two sons arrived at the age of 21 first.

The younger of the two emigrated to Australia, while the other one remained in England, and the former was still in the antipodes at the time of his coming of age. Now Australia time is some time in advance of Greenwich, and, therefore, the young man out there was 21 before his elder brother at home. Which of these two brothers is legally entitled to the property? The question has not yet been decided, and in the mean time readers may exercise their

own acumen upon it. Are eggs eggs, or are only hens eggs eggs? This may seem a ridiculous question, but nice shades of meaning are involved, and a case which turned upon it went through two or three courts of law. A lady sent an order for a dozen eggs to a dairyman and he sent her ducks' eggs. She sent them back as not being what she ordered, but he refused to take them. She, in turn, declined to keep them, and some time elapsing between their journeys from the house to the shop. the eggs went bad, and eventually the shopkeeper sued the lady for 1s. 6d., necessary and knew just what I was their value.

The county court judge ordered her to pay, declaring that ducks' eggs were as much eggs as any others; but the woman appealed, and King's Bench reversed the decision on the ground that when a party ordered eggs, hens' eggs were meant, and if any other contention were admitted any kind of eggs might be sent, such as plegeons', canaries' or even rattleanakes'. Ducks' eggs, it was decided, were not eggs in the ordinary meaning of the term.

Are the grandchildren of a man alcamps along the forty-seven miles of so his children? In the legal sense canal. These camps have from 200 to this question is not so absurd as it "The houses are built especially for looks, and some time ago it was mos the purpose and are thoroughly saniseriously and laboriously contended in tary. There are strict rules for keenthe courts that according to act of

kept for breeding purposes, and not parliament they were. more than half a dozen females mated The particular act in question, pass to one drake. These should be fed ed in the reign of the late Queen Viclightly until about the first of Novemscrubbed once a week toria, laid it down that "the father ber, for to force their growth before and fumigated every two weeks. They and the grandfather, the mother and mating tends to destroy the vitality of the children o

according



Lice on Hogs. The most satisfactory remedy for lice on hogs I have ever used and the only one I new use, is a mixture of kerosene oll, lard and sulphur. Mix so as to be easily applied with brush or rag mop. This remedy is also good for lice on poultry .- J. R. Jones, in The Epitomist The Home-Made Corn Cutter. The idea comes from Australia where

the machine is used in harvesting sugar cane and sorghum, as well as coru. The implement has been tried by a few farmers in this section and pronounced a success. It is made by bolting the blade of a strong heavy scythe to a aledge or sled, as shown in the illustration. A rod of wrought iron about one inch in diameter is bent to form a follower, as shown. One of these machines is expected to cut about 21-2 acres per day. After cutting, the crop is less easily handled than when cut by hand, but the total saving in labor is considerable .- Massachusetts Plough-

The Time to Cut Ensilage Corn. To get the best possible results with a silo, it is important for the corn to be cut when it neither too green nor too ripe. This condition, unfortunately does not extend over very many days, especially if the weather is hot and dry; therefore, when it is ready, the sooner it can be put into the silo the better. A great deal depends upon what the weather has been or is. If it is such that the crop matures naturally and the lower leaves on the stalks do not begin to dry up, it is advisable to leave it until the grain has passed the milk stage and is in the dough, and has begun to dent. Put away too green, shyway, an undue amount of acid is liable to develop and the ensliage become unpalatable. But, as said before, it will not answer for it to get too dry. If it does it will not pack well in the silo, whereupon the air will enter, mold form, and deterioration of the product result. To be exactly right, the stalk should be pretty full of sap, but the blades and tassels horses. a little dry. If the corn is rather on the dry order, it will be beneficial to

wet it as it goes into the silo .- New Yorker, in The Epitomist.

Breeding Ducks. After ducks are nearly grown, only

morals. In all the whole history of the world the greatest nations have been those which depended upon agriculture and agricultural pursuits, and the nations which have gone backward have been those which became so highly cultured that they forgot that in the green fields of the country there was life, and health and wealth. There is a subtle force at work almost imperceptible, which will in time draw the people from the cities to agricultural

pursuits. In this movement the inflaences of industrial and agricultural education are playing a very important part. The coming generations of agriculturists will be better educated and better equipped to handle the problems of agriculture. The breeding of live stock has always been an important part of agricultural life, and the future will show increased importance along this line. The breeding and development of the trotting horse will in the future be conducted by a better educated and more enlightened class of men, and in consequence better horses will result. For this and various other reasons the trotter of the future will be better in every respect than the trotter of today. He will be more popular than ever before for this very reason, and his breeding and development will be one of the leading branches of agricultural development. At the risk of being called visionary, I want to make the prediction that this back-to-the-land movement will make agriculture the most popular of all pur sults, and the breeding of the light harness horse-in fact, all kind of live stock-will occupy a large share of attention. The closer we as a people get to nature, with the green sod beneath our feet and the blue sky above us

the greater will be our love for those true children of nature, birds and flowers and horses and all of the other owly animals. The horse will always be the best beloved of all animals, as he is surely man's best and most useful friend. Back to the land means better men and better horses, and the trotter will be the most popular of all horses, for he is the most useful of all

STORMS BEED IN ARIZONA.

Why Aqueous Vapor Moving East ward from Great Desert Is

the suburbs. The trunk, was to be in as good condition as over a hundred years ago. Th not a vestige of decay, and rings were as solid as those World's Fair, was in St. Louis recently only a score of years old. on his way back to Washington, after loss of time furniture dealers a remarkable four months' experiment in the Great American Desert-Arlothers quickly purchased pieces of the old elm at the rate of \$5 a foot, so zona- in which he says he discovered that in all the elm will net Contrachow storms are bred in the region, or James Porter more th two years, it is said, Philadelphians

sheltering boughs.

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THE STORE SPYEN she Must Keep Informed as to What Other Shops Are Doing.

"For the life of me," said the girl at the ribbon counter to the girl across the way at the chiffons, "I can't make out whether she is a shoplifter, a purchasing agent or a store detective, indicating a woman who had just walked away.

"You're away off," said the friendly aisle manager. "She's not any one of those things. She's a store spyer. We employ them in this establishment ourselves to spy on other stores, only you don't happen to know it. They go out in various disguises. Sometimes they are the most fashionably dressed women among the shoppers; sometimes they are quiet, little unob trusive women, who don't look as if they knew a bolt of cotton from a yard of wool, and sometimes the store spy is a clever man buyer. They start out early every morning to see what is going on in the other stores. If Mr. Smith, up the street, is selling shirtwaists at 39 cents we want to find out how he can do it; if the newest thing in fall suits is going at \$17. and we have just put a lot of ours in for \$18, off we send the store spy to see how it can be done; how much of it is cotton and how much wool. There is not a position in a department store which takes more nerve and more knowledge of goods. No green hand can go around from the kitchen utensils to the carpets and be capable of judging all the fine shadings without knowing something about the dry goods business, and, besides, the store spy has to carry things in her eye. She has to be able to tell, when she gets back to her own shop, just how much better or worse the other stores are selling for the same price. The job's worth all the money they pay for it."-Philadelphia Record,

A Famous Old Elm.

The famous old elm tree in the grounds of the Lippincott-mansion at Broad and Wainut streets, Philadelphia, went down with a crash recently, a victim of the advance of business and money making. A large crowd had gathered to see the fall of the tree which for more than two hundred years had been a landmark in that vicinity. As far back as 1754 it was known as a tree that could easily afford shelter for more than twoscore persons at a lawn fete. In the days of the Vauxhall Gardens the great elm was one of the chief features of interest with its spreading limbs and

niture made from the wood of the old

A Test of Friendship.

The professor was examining a dark

brown substance spread on paper,

"I say, would you kindly let me

"Certainly," responded the friend,

The professor took up a little of

the substance under analysis and

placed it on the other's tongue. The

latter worked it round for fully a min

place a little bit of this on

when he was interrupted by a visit

tree-Philadelphia Record.

Its crash marked the destruction of the last real landmark in the centre of the city, though in its infancy the elm was in what was then known

Precipitated. Dr. W. J. McGee, who was head of the anthropological department of the

young man I spoke to your excellency about. I present Senor Thomas Vincent." Then the gray-haired man slipped away, and Thomas Vincent was looking down into the dark face of Maria Rivas. He did not know why he was there, nor who she was, nor even the name of the man who had introduced him. But he was not sorry. She let him stand while she glanced

him over. Vincent drew himself up at her somewhat insolent manner, and was rewarded by a smile. "Will you accept an invitation to

supper tonight if I press you very hard?" she asked him in \$mooth English.

Vincent turned his eyes about the court. Then he looked down at her again, and nodded curtly. "Certainly, madam." He flushed, and went on. "But I failed to catch your name. 1 am awfully embarrassed.

She got to her feet, and held out a slender hand. "I am Miss Mary Rivas," she said, quietly. "My father was formerly the president of Honduras. I went to school at Bryn Mawr, and I met your sister there. That's why, when I found you were in San Francisco, I asked to have you brought and introduced."

Vincent loked at her very soberly, almost pityingly. Then he offered her his arm, and they went into the supperroom, where everybody turned to watch their progress, knowing neither of them.

When she removed to the flat on Vallejo street, Miss Mary Rivas told Vincent to come and take the first dinner with her. "We'll christen the new place," she said gayly, "and, besides, I hope you'll find that I'm really American and can cook."

Mexican maid had departed giggling to the kitchen. Vincent's hostess leaned forward over the table at which they sat, and rested her elbows on it. Her bare arms framed her face in a sudden burst into a torrent of sobs, her white houldors heaving as her agony got the better of her.

As he stood there biting his lips she threw back her head and darted up and to the window. He heard her an, as if she saw and heard some thing too awful to comprehend. He walked over and stood back of her till rung round, and he saw the tearstained face relax and the swim eyes close. He carried her to the table aid her down across it, and rubbed hands. Then the maid came in. still siggling bysterically, and together they revived her until she sat up be Vincent's arms and slid from table to the floor. Vincent sent the astonished maid out by a ges ture of con

what's the matter?" he ed, hoarsely. "If you're in trou tell me."

panted before abe

I got off the ar on the wharf. I ke

gentle-mannered old me. Then he fell. The soldiers fired man with knotty hands, called and in- again and ran away, panting and yelltroduced a companion. "This is the ing to each other. I went into papa, and he asked for his glasses, sitting up on the floor very weakly. When I found them and gave them to him, the blood was running very fast down his breast. He put on his glasses with both hands, wrinkling up his forchead in the old way, and looked at me very- He looked He said 'I am glad I could see you, little one

before I go.' That was all." She went to the window and stayed there, immobile, while Vincent walked up and down behind her. At last she turned around. "That was five years ago. No one has done anything to

punish them." Vincent, because she was suddenly to

him the woman, did what every man once in his life will do for one woman: he sacrificed his sense of humor. With all seriousness he stiffened up. "It was under my flag he was shot down. I've served under it. Give me another flag for Guatemala and I'll go down there and those murderers shall die against a wall, with your flag flying over their heads, its shadow wavering t their feet on the yellow sand."

Marie Rivas, because she was the Woman in this case, understood per-"A revolution?" she said, very ectly. mietly. He bent over her hand gravely and youthfully. His manner was confident, as if he saw very clearly what was to be done and knew how to

do it, not as if he had promised a girl with tear stains on her cheeks to over turn a government because of a murder one hot afternoon on a steamer in a foreign port. This was the beginning of the affair

Its continuation was in a little town on the Guatemalan coast, where Vincent landed with a ton of munitions of war, marked "Manufactures of Metal That night at nine o'clock when the and thirty ragged soldiers. A month later he had a thousand insurgents and twenty tons of munitions, and his blood had drunk in the fever that

burns up the years in hours. The first thing Vincent did under its spell was way that took Vincent's heart out of to march on Ocos and take it. When its regular beat. He leaped to his feet the town was his and the commandante Maria Rivas, dropping her head, in irons, the young man took out of his pocketbook a little list of names, made out in Maria Rivas's hand. He com pared this list with the list of prison-

ers and ordered out a firing squad Half an hour later the shadow f th flag made by the Woman in the Vallejo street flat waver over the sand on which lay six men in a tangle. Generalissimo Thomas Vincent went out into the sun and looked at the last postures of the six, and then out across the brimming waters of the Pacific. A mail steamer lay out there in the midst of a cluster of canoes, the American flag drooping from her mast. An Irishman in a major's uniform ame out of the cool of the barracks and stopped beside Vincent. "Another week ought to see us in the capital," he said slowly. "But I don't like this

der them shot! A barefoot girl of some ten sun sround the corner of the sun sround the officied her way ov mount to anything. Why did you rder them shot?"

as, general. These beggars don't nled them

works.

System in the pursuit of literature the best friend the busy woman can possess if she is to maintain her acquaintance with the writers of the day. It is not sufficient for her to have a miscellaneous collection of novels and serious works forwarded to her in the country. For these, though they may afford her a certain everything in proportion. amount of recreation, will not further her aims of self-education, to accom plish which task is the aim of the

modern seeker after enlightenment. who holds the view that education only ceases with life itself. One woman makes a specialty of cents a day or \$14 a month. reading all-the works of all the leading novelists in Europe, and her task each camp where we will sell cooked food in bulk to the men with families

no light one; another gives works of fiction a secondary place, and devotes herself to travel; while to the third no form of literature appeals so successfully as those volumes of clever causerie that so often appear, and prove so useful as the subject of conversation .- London Daily Mail.

> to have the food there to offer to the QUAINT AND CURIOUS. men at reasonable prices. "For the white men, of whom there

An English police court comes to are 1,500 now, and there will be 3,000 the front with an antiseptic New Testament for oath-taking purposes. The covers are guaranteed to be death to germs.

Editor Barnett of the American Grocer, New York, is advocating the establishment of a school for grocers and a state hoard of examiners for its control

The combined salaries of the pres dents of the 14 leading universities in the United States do not equal the amount paid the head of one life insurance company.

> An elephant at Jena, Germany elzed a man who was teasing him cents to \$1.10 gold, so the c with a knife and dashed him to the round. Three days later the man cents a day. Most of the clerks get from \$150 to \$175 a month, so their ambed to his injuries. living is also made comparatively

ouple of cyclists in Epping, near don were the principals at a weding, and they added a new wrinkle o marriage etiquette. The bride and m rode to the church on single hines, but they returned on a tan-

The commission ships my stuff for on refrigerator steamers at a rate the just covers the actual cost; it gives me old storage rooms at Colon also at cost or just a little above cost. "Practically everything will have to shipped. There is absolutely noth-English delight in. ut the oddest is a tenancy e, in Yorkshire, where snowball in June and a cember. The rose is c that can be bought on the Ist red and the snowball is now made

natives are too worthless and lary ahaved ice. to raise anything. As fine fish as I over saw can be caught on the Isthr rich gold strike in the Kantishn figrings, 300 miles away, loft Fair-banks, Wash, practically without offi-cers. The mayor and all the council-men joined the rush. All the princibut the natives never catch enough to nount to anything. "But I believe that the work of san

tation which is now going on and the fact that the natives will have to keep themselves and their houses clean and keepers closed up and acto things differently will induce the has a river of genuine ink the joining of two streams est substantial food to them and ble them to do hard work.

of the wages.

cheap.

mes from an iron It is now their su that makes it. m blends with ork; and that gives the

have comfortable canvas beds. thar, and he gray any poor-person being of sufficient "But when it comes to eating, the only things they can afford to buy with ability, shall welleve and maintain any their money, as things now are on the such poor person."

Isthmus, are sugar cane, bananas and The argument was that such stuff, and a man can't stand up o the context, grandchildren were to and do a hard day's work on such a be reckoned as children for this pur diet and give back the value of his pose, just as grandparents were reckwages. Eggs are 10 cents aplece, salt oned as parents. On the other side fish is 40 cents a pound, fresh meat was argued that if grandchildren from 50 cents to a dollar a pound, and were children, then great-grandchildren were children also ,and that a "Now we are going to offer them man might in this way be called upon three meals a day with such stuff as support his father and mother, his coffee, bread and meat for breakfast; four grandparents, his eight greatcoffee, bread, fish, two kinds of vege-

grandparents and as many grandchiltables and ple or pudding for dinner; dren and great-grandclildren as he and much the same for supper, at 45 night be lucky or unlucky enough to BBPSS. "In addition, we will have a place at Is skimmed milk milk? A man ask-

ed for a glass of milk to drink and was given skimmed milk, and the purveyor was fined for it; but in a higher court the decision was reversed, it being contended at the time that skimmed milk was really much more milk than milk that was not skimmed since the latter contained something that was not milk at all-that is,

City Crop of Tan.

cream.-Tit-Bits.

There is a great comparison of comlater, we will run hotels. Two are plexions going on these days whenhow finished and the number will be increased to ten. We furnish them ever returning vacationists get together. The one who can show the deepfirst class board at \$1 a day, and rooms at \$6 a month each, making the cost living \$36 a month each. est brown is the proudest, but this does not always fall to the lot of the "Before these prices were made we sojourner at the seaside or in the

figured it out with the commission that mountains. laborers generally in this country have The girl with the richest and deep to pay from 40 to 50 percent of their est tan in a good-sized crowd the other day had not been out of town this wages for living purposes; and clerks summer, but every day had taken a and other salarled men in cities about long walk hatless through Central the same proportion. So we figured on the canal to keep down the cost of The spending of much money for railroad fares and hotel bills for living to between 40 and 50 percent not at all necessary to acquire a bronze complexion. Old Mother Na. "The Jamalca negroes get from \$1.75 with summer winds and supto \$2.25 silver each a day. This is from shine and soft rains is the one to get it from, and she gives it just as quicksion held the cost of living down to 45

ly on a city roof or in a city park as she does in the distant country or on the mountain top .- New York Press. The Typewriter's Experience.

A little event fraught with large significance was the celebration the other day in New York of the thirtleth anniversary of the entrance into busi ness life of the pioneer woman typewriter. All that innovation of thirty years ago meant to the business world no one could have dreamed at the time, and if volumes were given now the story would not be half told the one women has now become vast and ever-increasing host, and the gain to business interests in neatness legibility and accuracy, together with dispatch, in all transactions where writing is involved, has been equally and proportionately great. The pion ees typewriter deserves distinction fo the new and wild field of bonorable lucrative employment w and to her sex none the less that ensurable benefits which action has conferred upon a busy

Rev. C. H. Marshall, pa St. Barnatons' Episcopal Denver, Colo., for 31 yes of De

the hirds and that, in turn, t of the eggs. A good ration for them consists of one part clover, three parts

the most preferable ones should be

bran and two parts corn meal. sequently beef scraps may be added to this. Some time in February is when, taying should begin, and it is not co important to get a large number of eggs, as to obtain good ones. Under the most favorable conditions, however, the first few eggs are likely to be infertile. Accordinally, old ducks should be fed about a third clover field sometimes plain hay and the rest bran and meal, before beginning to force them for eggs. The point is to ill them up with something bulky, and then, when they begin to lay, add 5 percent

of beef scraps, and thus gradually work up, until in a week or two they are re ceiving 10 or 20 percent. In order to have them do well, water should be kept before ducks all the time .-

Fred O. Sibley in The Epitomist.

Young Cows and Richer Milk The production of milk and butter fat by dairy cows under normal conditions increases with each year up to the fifth and sixth year, when the cow is at her best. The length of time she will maintain her maximum production depends on her constitutional strength and the care with which she is fed and handled. A good dairy cow should not show any marked falling off until after ten years of age. Many excellent records have been made by cows older than this. The quality of the milk production by helfers is somewhat better than that of milk of older cows, for we find a decrease of onetenth to two-tenths of one percent in the average fat content for each year till the cows have reached full age. It is caused by the increase in the weight of the cows with advancing age; at any rate there appears to be a parallelism between the two sets of figures for the same sows,

Young animals use a portion of their food for the formation of body tissue and it is expected, therefore, that heifers will require a larger portion of nutrients for the production of a unit of milk or butter fat than do older cows. After a certain age has been reached, on the average about seven years of age, the food required for the production of a unit of milk or butter fat again increases as regards dry matter and the digestib onents of the food. A good mills cow of exceptional strength kept under favorable conditions, whose digesdelphia Record. tive system has not been impaired by over feeding or crowding for high reords, should continue to be a profita ble producer till her twelfth year, although the economy of her production is apt to be somewhat reduced before this age is reached .- Indiana Farmer.

Growing Interest in the Horse I believe that one of the stro es which will during the next decade tend to popularize and incre the interest if the breeding and dopment of the trotting horse is ovement of the people back to nd, says John McCartney, in the

stry continues to pr ity of the people must go bank land. The nearer a propie knew

which has long been "storm-breeding belt." will be paying fanciful prices for fur

"A reservoir of aqueous vapor formed over the acific coast and the Gulf of California," he said, "and this swings over the 'storm-breeding belt. The ground there is perfectly level, and the radiation from the earth's surface is consequently regular and even. "The heat radiation from the desert from a friend. is, of course, very great. This strong radiation by its regularity keeps the aqueous vapor high above the earth longue?" said the man of in a stable condition.

to the newcomer. "When the wapor moves eastward over the mountains, and meets the ircome so vitiated by sorts of things." regular radiation that comes from the uneven surface of the earth, a precipithrusting out his tongue. tation of the vapor results, causing rain and storms."

Horse Commits Suicide.

A peculiar incident occurred at La Pointe, Madaline Island, last week, A horse belonging to Postmaster Tann committed suicide. The horse had been sick for several days and the owner decided to put it to death. With that end in view, he led the steed to the brow of a hill overlooking Chequamegon Bay for the purpose of shooting it. When he reached the scene of execution he found he had neglected to bring his rifle along and, leaving the horse, he went after the weapon. Upon his return no horse was in sight. But he beheld it floundering helpless in the harbor. It had been seen to rush at breakneck speed down the hill, on being left alone, and hurl itself from the pier into the water, where it eventually perished .- Bayfield (Wis.) special to the St. Paul Dispatch.

Pennsylvania Bear Section.

The bear hunters of central Pennsylvania are ready for the hunting eason, which extends from October to March 1. Formerly bruin was an outlaw all the year round, but, the law having become his protector for seven months in the year, his tribe is expected to multiply and furnish rare sport for the woodsmen. The bear section of Pennsylvania is chiefly located in the counties of Clearfield, Clinton, Cameron, Potter, Lycomi Sullivan, Monroe and Pike, althou bears are to be found in all the cr ties traversed by the Allegheny re-The Beech Creek and Fall Br tricts alone furnished 22 black to the huntamen last season

What Impressed "Rivers, there was o your speech at night that I adm "I am glad to

ailure. When hadn't the le ing to say. That was ticularly as al nerve in m

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ute, tasting it much as he would sweet. "Note any effect?" inquir ofessor. "No: none." "It doesn't paralyze or prick tongue?" "Not that I can detect." "I thought not. How taste?" "Very bitter." "Um-m; all right."

"What is it?" inquired the "I don't know. That's what ing to find out. Some one hi poisoning horses with it."-Tit-Bits,

"There seems to be a mutual inderstanding," says the patient wife, after the husband has explained at great length his inability to grasp he process of reasoning or to agree wi her estimate of the impulses and in tentions governing his actions in stay

derstanding. Whe stand is why you

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