HOUSTON'S GENEROSITY.

Now the Famous Texan Treated a Mau Who Had Settled on His Land. Many are the stories told of Sam Mouston, the first president, and afterwards the first representative from Texas. There was a stretch of country near Quincy, Ill., known as the Sam Houston had ti-"Indian tract." tle to a great deal of it, a real estate fact which it would seem many of the earlier settlers of that regiona careless pioneer brood-were unaware of. One of them came to Richardson, Representative to Congress at that time from the Quincy district, and asked him if he knew Sam Houston. Richardson said he did, where-upon his constituent confided to him that he had inadvertently settled on

querori of Mexico, and make the best terms he could. As it stood, he was absolutely at Houston's mercy. Richardson, on his return to Congress, met Houston, and told him the

one hundred and sixty acres of Hous-ton's land, and that every dollar he

was worth stood in the barns, house, fences and other improvements on the

ing there eight years, that Houston had title to it, and that he did not.

He wanted Richardson to see the con-

He had just learned, after liv-

"And now, Houston," said Richardson. "the question is, what will you take and give this friend of mine a quit-claim deed to that one hundred and sixty acres?"

"What sort of a man is this con-stituent of yours who has blundered 'pon my land?" asked Houston. Good, rquare, honest man," replied

Richardson "When I turn him off my land," said Houston, hopefully, "I reckon he and his family will be beggars." "Utterly rulned," responded Rich-

Houston thought a moment. "What's this farm worth now?" he asked, "Improvements and all, about six

thousand dollars.' "What was the bare one hundred and sixty acres worth when your fel-

low went on it?"
"About five dollars per acre; eight frundred dollars in all." "Good fellow, this man of yours, Richardson?"

"Best in the world." "Tell him to send me eight hundred

dollars and I'll make him a deed." In the course of time on came the eight hundred dollars in a New York draft. Richardson sought Houston, who promptly made a deed, and handed it to Richardson. Then he took the draft, and, after he had looked at it a moment, turned it over and endors-

"You say, Richardson, this man of yours is a good fellow?" "First-class man every way," re-

sponded Richardson. 'Send him back this draft," said Houston, "and tell him Sam Houston's changed his mind. What can he buy a good young horse for in that country, as good a saddle horse as you have out there?"

Two hundred dollars ought to do it," said Richardson.

"Well then," said Houston, "you give him back the draft and tell him to buy a first-class saddle horse, about four years old, and keep him for me, When Congress adjourns I'll go home with you, and when I get my visit out, I'll take the horse and ride him down to Texas.

Richardson complied with this new arrangement, and the man in Illinois received back his draft and bought a saddle horse. Just before adjournment Houston came over to Richard-

That fellow that's got my horse is a tiptop out in Illinois, you say, is a tiptop good man?"
"One of the best men in my district,"

replied Richardson. "Well," said Houston, with a sigh, "I would have liked first-rate to see him and also my horse. But I've got to go straight to Texas, as affairs turn out. I'll tell you what to do, however, when you get home. Go over and see this man for me, and say to him to sall the horse and do what he pleases with the money. And, by the way, Richardson, I wish you'd write me and tell me if it was a good horse or not."

The curious can read the copy of Sam Houston's deed to the one hundred and sixty acres in the record of the Quincy land office.

Romp With the Children. "Chauncey Depew advised fellow-diners recently to join with their children in their play and romp with them if they would enjoy life," said a young father recently.

'Well, I took his advice." he contined, "but I find that my little boy. of 3 years can stand a good deal more than I can.

led me a merry dance this morning playing hide and seek all over the house. When, after an hour, I told him we had had enough of that be proposed something else, and so on, until I was on the point of col-

"It is all right to romp with your children, but you should get into training first. It is harder than chopping wood, football or any other form of athletic exercise with which I am acquainted."-New York Journal,

His Werk. His last hour had come. His dearest friend, who had watchad him growing weaker day by day, sat by the bedside, bowed down with

"I am ready to go," the dying man whispered, weakly, as his comrade wiped the death-damp from his pallid

"My work is done. I have finish-The other bent to catch the last

faint words. decoloring that meerschaum pipe."

The Sick Man and the Theatre Hat. Doctor—Take a stated amount of exercise daily. Patient-Will it be enough if I walk

twice around my wife's theatre hat Doctor-You'd better not risk over-exerting yourself at first. Begin with once and increase the laps as you feel THE FARM GARDEN.

Its Value Underestimated in Many Cases

The garden on the farm is an important matter, yet there are thous-ands of farmers who do not have gar-They deprive themselves of luxuries which they could easily grow, and go to the country stores to purchase fruits and vegetables that are sent from the cities. The farmer looks upon the garden as costly, the work required to produce the fruits and vegetables being more than he is willing to bestow. The strawberries, raspberries, currants, gooseberries, early peas, radishes, kale, asparagus, onions, celery, beets, melons and other garden products, which provide a variety for the table, are no inducement to the farmer who makes wheat, corn, potatoes and hay his main crops. There are farmers, however, who know the value of gardens, but the farmers as a class produce but a limited variety and are satisfied to either buy or limit themselves to the same fare in summer that they subsit upon during the winter, which is not conducive to health or pleasure. Garden implements, such as the hoe,

rake, spade and spading fork, are now being superseded. Seeds can be sown with a small drill, and the wheel hoe and hand cultivator will keep the weeds and grass down. The proper plan for a garden on the farm is to grow everything in long rows, using the horse hoe for cultivation. By this method there is a saving of labor, but more space is required and more manure must be used than when the area is smaller and the hand tools used. Seed sowing and covering, which was formerly a very tedious operation, can be quickly done with a seed drill. It is simply a matter of pushing the drill at a slow walk, and the entire work of planting a large garden can be done in The main work is in plowing the land and harrowing the soil fine, so as to form a seed bed fit to receive the finest seeds and properly cover

While the farmer may possibly be able to purchase some vegetables as cheap as he can produce them, yet he can never have them as fresh and wholesome as he can grow them. There is a difference in the flavor of fruit picked ripe and carried to the table and that picked partially green and transported a long distance to The same may be claimed market. of vegetables, both early and late. When grown on the farm they are never stale, and a selection can be made of the best and choicest. The value of the articles produced in a garden is greater in proportion to cost than the stable crops, and it does not pay the farmer to grow the cheaper articles and purchase the dearest. He should apply his labor where it will give him the greatest return for the outlay, and he cannot do this to better advantage than to cultivate a well stocked garden.

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The Embdem Goose

goose, and will set and hatch with rather more certainty and success. As a table fowl, its flesh is free from dryness, and exhibits a juciness and tenderness akin to that of a wild fowl, and shrinks but slightly in cooking. It is considered one of the best of fowls for the market or table. The Eremen arrives at maturity when 24 years old. It has a tender constitution and requires good care; is a fair forager, but does not bear confinement It is a poor mother, and lays only twenty eggs a year on an aver-Its chief merit is in its feathers and table qualities.

Cows and Calves. The milking qualities of cows are always tajured by allowing them to suckle their calves. It is not necessary to allow this, even when the calf is to be fattened. Skim milk, if fed always at the warmth of new milk, and en-riched by old-process linseed-oil meal, cooked and stirred in it, will take the place of new milk. It will be no more trouble than to milk the cow by hand, and it will be better for the cow than to let the calf suckle her. The gain the first week on the oil meal may not

the advantage.

be so much as by suckling the cow, but as the calf grows older the oil-

meal and skim-milk ration will have

The fact of feed influencing flavor and quality of meat applies especially to sheep. It is undoubtedly true that an extensive grower of celery fed his lambs during the winter the roots and clippings, as he prepared his vegeable for the market, and gave their flesh a peculiar and delicious flavor.

The fortunate stockman who will be the special envy of their less fortunate neighbors, two and three years hence, will be the owners of goodsized flocks of wool and mutton sheep and from present indications they will be none too numerous to detract from the high and honorable distinction THE TENDERLOIN DISTRICT.

A Once Noted Section of New York, flut

Now a Mere Name.

The original tenderloin precinct in the annals of the police department of New York was the Eighth, the station house of which was in Prince street and is now in Macdougal street. Its boundaries are Canal street, Houston street, Broadway, and the North River. It was a great resort for thieves, crooks, and disorderly persons, and furnished the largest amount of police business. In 1870, when the Eighth Precinct was at the height of its deplorable prominence, the arrests were 5,500 in a year, against 2,500 in the Twenty-Ninth Precinct, the present Tenderloin. The captain best known in connection with the Eighth was Charles McDonald, better known as "Lightning Charley." He was ap-pointed in 1870, and gained his title from service in the Thirty-Fifth Sta-

With the growth of the city further up town, the moving away of the big hotels and the encroachments of stores and warehouses in the Eighth Precinct, the Fifteenth, or Mercer Street Precinct, became the Tenderloin. Its reign was brief. The Twenty-Ninth (now the Nineteenth) Precinct, the present Tenderioin, extends from Fourteenth to Forty-Second street, and the western boundary is Seventh avenue. It takes in both sides of Broadway and has a larger number of hotels than any other precinct in the

The part that gave it its unsavory reputation lies between Sixth and Seventh avenues and Twenty-Third and Thirty-Fourth streets. At one time both sides of Sixth avenue were largely taken up with concert saloons, and among these in the Tenderloin were the Buckingham, the Star and Garter, the Cremorne, the Empire, the Sans Souci, the Argyle and the Haymarket. Sixth avenue between Twenty-Third and Thirty-Fourth streets at that time was as much crowded by night as Broadway is now by day. Arrests were many and strangers visiting New York came to this neigh-borhood as one of the sights of the

At present the Tenderloin is a name chiefly. Most of the establishments which gave it a national if not international ill-repute have either moved away or have been closed for good. The side streets between Sixth and Seventh avenues and Twenty-Fifth and Twenty-Sixth streets are mostly occupied by members of the French colony. It is in the heart of the re-gion of tables d'hote. Twenty-Seventh street, notorious in old Tenderloin days, is now occupied chiefly by colored residents. Thirty-First and Thirty-Second streets are given over to business uses. Thirty-First street is mostly occupied by German tenants. A new church has been built there within two years, Sixth avenue is now as quiet at midnight as any other New York thoroughfare up town-decidedly more so than Third or Eighth avenues. The number of arrests in the Nineteenth Precinct last year was 4,253, while in the Fifteenth (Mercer street) the arrests were 4,940. The Eighth Precinct, the Tenderloin of other days, had a to'al of 1.900 prisoners, of whom 1.620 were men, mostly for minor offenses.—New York Sun.

A Suspicious Uncle.

"Kitty, what brings that young chuckle-head of a Spoonamore to this house so often?" "Why, Uncle Allen, he comes to see

What do you know about him?"

"I know he's a very pleasant agreeable young man, who belongs to a good family, always dresses well, is in good circumstances and is well educated and well read." What else do you know about

habits many young men have. doesn't drink, amoke, gamble, attend prize fights or go into bad company.

"I know that he hasn't any of the

"Does he keep a race horse?"
"Oh, no! I am sure he doesn't." "Part his hair in the middle?"

"Let his little finger nails grow extremely long?" No.

"Quote Ibsen?"

"Never." "Chew gum?"

"Oh. no!" "Wear pointed whiskers?"

"He does not." "Carry chocolate creams and cara-mels in his pocket?"
"No."

Still suspicious - "He may be all right, Kitty, but you'd better watch him. I'll bet \$4 he calls his father "-Chicago Tribune.

"No, our onion social was not a suc-

"Onion social? What is that?" "Why, all of the girls stand up in a row, and one of them is selected to take a bite out of an onion. Then the young men pay ten cents a guess as to who ate the onion."

"And, if he guesses right, he gets to kiss all the other girls."

"I see.' "And the girl who bit the onion kisses all the fellows who guess wrong. And that is where the row began. All of the girls wanted to be the onion girl. More fellows guess wrong than right, you know." — Cincinnati Tribune.

Mustard and Stoleism. An Indian chief rashly swallowed a spoonful of mustard, which made his eyes water. Another chief asked he wept. Being ashamed to name the twie cause, he replied that he was thinking of his son who was killed in battle. The other chief then took some mustard, and being asked in turn why he wept, answered: "I weep to think that you were not killed when your son was."-Social

A Commercial Transaction. Can anybody in the crowd change a \$100 bill?" " I can."

"Very well. Give me the hange and I'll go out and see if I can borrow a \$100 bill."—Life.

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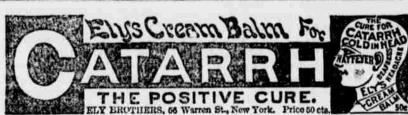
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