

DROPPED STITCHES.

Grandmother smiled as she sat there rock-And leisurely knitting a long black stock-

ing.

The girls were telling what they would do
If their dreams of unlimited wealth came true. And "What would you do, dear grand-

ma?" said
The girl whose visions came out ahead.

Said grandma: "If I'd unlimited riches.
I'd buy me some needles that wouldn't
drop stitches!"
"But it wouldn't matter," said one of them.

"Then
You never need pick them up again."
Grandma shook her pretty white cu
"Listen to me," she said, "my girls.

"No matter how high your wealth may mount,
Dropping stitches will always count!"
Grandmother never sticks them in—
The morals—with a needle or pin;
She simply puts them up on the shelf,
And leaves them for you to help yourself.

-Margaret Vandegrift, in Youth's Com-STORY OF TWO BOYS

One Succeeded in Everything He Undertook, the Other Remained Poor All His Life.

Of two boys with the same advantages and equally good training, one will succeed in life, while the other, withsomething of the desparity in results:

A nurseryman left home for a few right to rule. days on a business thip. It was rainy weather, and not a season for sales, but gorilla family chief can undoubtedly a customer did arrive from a distance, tied up his horse, and went into the kitchen, where two boys were crack

"Is Mr. Barnes at home?" he asked. "No," said Jo, the eldest, hammering at a nut.

"When will he be back?"

"Dunno. Mebbe not for a week." The youngest boy, Jim, promptly jumped up and followed the irritated stranger out of doors.

"The men are not here," he said, in a bright and courteous manner, "but I can show you the stock."

The stranger was conciliated, and followed Jim through the nursery, examining the trees, and left his order.

"You have sold the largest bill of the season, Jim," said his father, great-ly pleased, on his return.

A few years afterward these two boys were left by the father's death with but \$300 apiece. Joe bought an acre or two near home, and, although he worked hard, he is still a poor, dis-

and married. To-day his herds are numbered by the thousand, his land has been cut up in town lots, and he is one of the wealthy men of the Centennial

"I might have done like Jim," said Joe, resentfully, "if I'd only thought in

in him, but it was not developed. wide-awake energy which causes a boy to act promptly and boldin an emergency is partly natural, but it can be inculcated by parents, and It is worth more than any gift of nature .- Golden Days.

KIND LITTLE DOG.

It Played the Role of Good Samaritan and Thereby Won Everybody's Admigation.

A butcher of Wassahickon, Pa., has A butcher of Wassahickon, Pa., has a little dog that is so clever that it is sent every morning to the baker's with a basket for a dozen rolls. The baker always gives it 13, but there came a day when the dog only brought came a day when the dog only brought baker always gives it 13, but there came a day when the dog only brought home 12. Next day and the next it continued to be a roll short. The baker declared that he had never placed less than 13 in the basket. was determined to watch the It got its basket filled at the baker' and then set out for home in a roundabout way. It entered the yard of a



DOG FEEDS A FRIEND

stranger. In a kennel lay a mother dog, with a family of little puppies. The visitor took out a roll in his mouth, pushed it into the kennel, took up his basket again and came home. The trick was so captivating that the dog was not interfered with. He continued his attentions to his friend until she could leave her puppies long enough to go after food for herself, and since then he has brought home

Ten thousand Irish children are being taught the Erse language.

TALK ABOUT MONKEYS.

earch for the So-Called "Missing to Be Resumed by an Old German Scientist.

Prof. Ernst Hackel, the great German naturalist of the University of Jena, is going to make once more the long journey to the Celebes and Java There he will spend next winter study-ing the fossils of apes that became extinct thousands of years ago. He hopes to be able to show that this ape is the famous "missing link" in nature be-tween monkeys and human beings Ever since Darwin wrote "The Descent of Man," men of science have been in-terested in tracing every step in the order of creation of animal life from the sponge to man. There has always been a gap between the highest order of monkey, which is the chimpanzee, and the lowest form of human beings. It is believed by Prof. Hackel that there was once a creature that was more like man than any now living, and that the petrified remains of it have been found in the East Indies.

This is a long journey for an old man to take, and it may end the life of the German naturalist, who is near 70 years of age; but men of science, says the Little Chronicle, are always ready to face hardships and dangers in their search for truth. Only a few years ago Mr. Walter Savage Landor penetrated the land of the Grand Llama on the tableland of Thibet only to be tortured and nearly blinded by the inhabitants. Mr. R. L. Garner, the naturalist, who claims to have discovered that monkeys have a language, once lived in a steel cage in the heart of West Africa for out being bad, "never amounts to any-thing," as the saying goes. Perhaps gorrilla in its kingdom. In those wild the following anecdote will explain solitudes this giant ape is sole monarch, and no other animal disputes his

Mr. Garner says that the call of a



MR. GARNER AND HIS PETS.

be heard three or four miles. It is not a contented man.

Jim bought an emigrant's ticket to Colorado, hired out as a cattle driver for a couple of years, and with his wages bought land at a dollar and a quarter an acre, built himself a house and married. To day his herds are years. animal happened to be close to his cage it made his blood run cold.

Gorillas walk on all fours and have not a ferocious look. They are good climbers, but spend most of the time on the ground. The chimpanzees, on the other hand, live mostly in trees. There's as good stuff in me as They climb very much like the native Joe was right. He had the same stuff and feet. The gorilla is not able to stand straight on his hind legs, since the knees turn outward, but he sits on a log or on the ground like a human being-often on one foot. In captivity he drinks from a cup like a man, while the chimpanzee puts his mouth in the The chimpanzee is sociable and friendly and imitates his captors, but the gorilla is selfish and surly.

All of the East Indian islands have numerous monkeys. In Mauritius, which is the scene of "Paul and Virginia," mischievous jockos come at night to the sugar plantations. Their rup one calls the others, who tumble up the bank from the ravine. Such games as they play, those young ones but the sentinels never relax their vigilance, and if a harmless little lap dog toddles down from the veranda of the plantation house each mother monkey grabs her own special baby by the leg, throws it over her shoulder and the whole tribe vanishes before one could say "Jack Robinson." The sentinels cover their retreat and finally retire in good order like brave soldiers.

Pet monkeys are notoriously jealous Pet monkeys are notoriously jealous and make life a burden to any other pet animal in a family. They will even fight little dogs, and although they are not strong, their agility in getting out of the way and jumping on the dog's back makes them antagonists not to be despised.

Origin of "Dixie's Land."

The original song, "Dixie's Land," was composed in 1859 by Daniel Em-mett as a "walk-around" for Bryant's ninstrels. Mr. Emmett frequently heard the performers in a circus make the remark: "I wish I was in Dixie," as soon as the northern climate began to be too severe for the tent life which they followed. This expression suggested the song: "Dixie's Land." It made a hit at once in New York and was speedily carried to all parts of the union by numerous bands of wandering minstrels. In the fall of 1860 Mrs. John Wood sang it in New Orleans in the burlesque of "Poca-hontas," and before a week had passed the whole city had taken it up. A New Orleans publisher saw possibili-ties in the music, and without the authority of the composer had the air harmonized and rearranged, issuing it with words embodying the strong southern feeling then existing in New Orleans.—Ladies' Home Journal.



SUCCESS WITH DUCKS.

Indiana Lady, Noted for Her Expertness, Tells About Her System of Raising Them.

The old ducks are kept in robust health by abundant exercise, and by feeding largely of bran and shortslittle corn after laying begins Don't feed quite all they will eat. One drake to five ducks, but the drakes must be good ones. We select the breeders from the long-bodied ducks, have no use for the dumpy ones. Never set the first dozen eggs laid by a duck. Gather the eggs early keep in a warm, not hot, place, and never wash them. Now, don't think this does not bear on the question. It does decidedly, for being careful in the above particulars insures strong ducklings, and strong young is half, or more, of the battle.

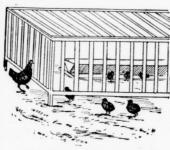
Never give more than 12 eggs to a hen; 11 is better. As soon as ducks are dry we remove from the nest and cover with cloths sprinkled with coal oil. Put off with the hen when from 15 to 24 hours old, in a good coop placed in a pen some 12x12 feet. warm water in a shallow dish,



ter before them in a vessel they can-not get into, but deep enough to imnot get into, but deep enough to immerse their heads. Take the chill off the water for first week. Feed the same feed for two days, giving about all they will clean up four time; per aday. After this will all they will clean up four time; per aday. After this will clean up four time; per aday. After this, mix in cornmeal with shorts, omitting the bran and gradually increasing the meal from one-third meal at first to all meal the eighth week. Mix sand in once per day in the same proportion. Never omit this. If one has milk mix the mash with it. Let them out of the pen the third day, after the dew has dried, and after the second week never bother about their going to the pen, nor about showers. Before this don't

allow them to get wet.

We feed mash in V-shaped troughs, having enough room that they will not crowd each other, giving all they will eat after the eighth day, and always cleaning any remaining food out of the troughs. The cuts show a convenient feeding trough, and a pen that will allow the ducks to eat undisturbed by older poultry. When the ducks are through the pen can be ducks are through the pen can be moved, and what little they drop outside while eating, the hens will pick up after the ducks leave. Keep these feeding troughs in the shade, with



CONVENIENT FEED COOP.

water vessels right at hand. Quart cans are good, but half-gallon or gallon vessels are better. Rinse out the vessels at each filling, which will be very often. Feed as often as they come to the troughs and have abundance of shade for the ducks. Fruit trees and bushes are fine for them. Have grass or green of some sort in their yards, for while they do not eat much green they enjoy picking among it and they catch lots of bugs, worms and flies in it. Fed as above they will not take more exercise than is needed to keep in health. Unless bugs and worms are plenty it will be necessary to give fresh meat scraps twice each week, or give the meat and bone prepara-tions in their mash. The above routine is for preparing ducks for market in eight weeks. For breeders, layers or feathers, less feed and of a different sort would be necessary.

Keep the ducks away from old wells or deep water holes, and keep dogs or deep water holes, and keep dogs away from the ducks. Keep the ducks as quiet as possible. Put a liberal amount of fine charcoal in the mash once per week.—Emma Clearwaters, in Ohio Farmer.

The Final Test of Value

Hon. John Dryden: There is no doubt that the block is the final test of the skill that we as breeders are trying to exercise in carrying on our business We sometimes talk about the butcher's standpoint and breeder's standpoint, but I think the breeder and butcher ought to come together. We breeders are trying to capture the trade of the best consumer, or the consumer that will give us the most money for our goods; that is the idea. You cannot very well find out what the standard required is unless you see the animal upon the block.

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Wine Merchant—res, sar, weren't tary delivered;
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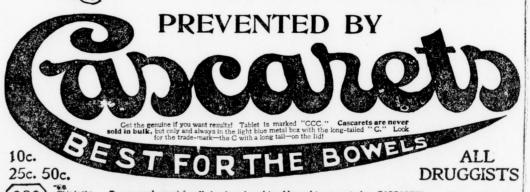
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