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old.

"I began to grow worse as the days passed and finally I had to take to Mr. Smith. my bed where I remained for weeks. My head pained terribly and my back just throbbed. I was always dizzy and it seemed as if everything was whirling. Little black specks came before my eyes and I also suffered from painful and scanty passages of the kidney secretions. Everything seemed dark and dreary.

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Surgical Stupidity.

A French soldier had been shot in the leg and was taken to the hospital for treatment. For some time the surgeon probed the wound, until at last the sufferer demanded what he was

"I am trying to find the bullet," was the reply. "What stupidity!" cried the patient.

"Why, I have it in my pocket."

Something Lacking.

For the first time Louis was hearing the cherry-tree-and-hatchet story. It was very dramatically related by a patriotic aunt, but Louis was not so deeply impressed as he might have been. When the climax was reached and George Washington said, "I cannot tell a lie," Louis displayed his first glimmer of enthusiasm.

"Couldn't he?" he asked. "What was the matter with him?"-Philadelphia

A Reasonable Supposition. The farmer alleged a freight train of the defendant company had hit one of his mules.

"Now, Mr. Jones," said the attorney for the corporation to the aggrieved party, who occupied the witness stand, "will you kindly tell the court whether or not your mule was on the track, the property of the defendant, when hit by the train?"

"Well, sir," replied Mr. Jones, "I didn't witness the occurrence, but I suppose things must have been about as you say. This was a pretty bright mule and I reckon if that train had took out after him in the woods which fringe the track there where he was killed he would have got behind a tree."-Macon Telegraph.



STORE THE POTATO GENIUS IN GUTTER

ARRANGEMENTS FOR CONSERV. ING THE COUNTRY'S SUPPLY.

Government Officials Tell of the Facilities That Have Been Provided -Complete Plan of Action Has Been Mapped Out.

Washington .- Means of conserving the nation's potato supply in the most effective manner have been worked out by food administration officials. They have issued the following statement:

Unusual facilities for financing storage are offered American potato growers as a result of war conditions. The federal reserve system is at their disposal, and farmers who store their 1917 potato crop in approved local werehouses, may obtain, upon their storage receipts, 90-day loans from member banks of the reserve system at a rate not to exceed 6 per cent. Mr. Lou D. Sweet, potato expert with the food administration, was instrumental in bringing this matter to the reserve board's sattention.

New England growers have started a movement to take advantage of this ruling to help them solve their marketing problem. The prospect which the growers of this group of states face. is that of handling 45,000,000 bushels of potatoes-one-tenth of the entire United States crop-without causing an overstocked market and the resulting loss of all profit on the crop.

The growers communicated with local authorities in their respective states, who in turn laid the situation before the food administration. A conference between the growers, local authorities and experts from the food administration was held recently at Boston, Mass. A plan of action was mapped out at this meeting which includes the following:

1. Marketing of only one-third of the crop at harvest time; another third in 90 days, or placing in storage and later distributed as demand affords opportunity; the remaining third to be stored by the grower and marketed throughout the year.

2. All potatoes to be graded with care, taking out culls, cuts, cracks and any that are bruised. It was recommended that a wire screen grader be used-one and seven-eighths-inch mesh for oblong tubers and two-inch mesh for round ones. Graded stock then to be placed in good two-bushel sacksone hundred and fifteen pounds to the sack-and the sacks sewed tightly so

as to prevent shucking and bruising. 3. Increasing the load in each railroad car from the normal 30,000 pounds. That these cars can be unloaded within 24 to 36 hours of their arrival at destination.

4. That municipalities and other bodies provide storage for as large quantities as possible at the peak of the harvest.

"A storage house," said Lou D. Sweet, who attended this meeting, "such as will conform to the requirements laid down by the Federal Reserve board, does not call for a specially constructed house. There are innumerable buildings, which, if properly cleaned, ventilation provided, and managed so as to maintain a temperature of about 35 degrees, will answer ad-

mirably for this purpose. "This year the United States planted its potato crop from the poorest quality of seed that ever went into the ground, and naturally the harvest will be potatoes of poor quality. Strict grading, careful packing, commonsense storage, and careful shipping are necessary to insure just returns to the growers who have responded to the president's call for increased production of potatoes."

SHE HAD WAYWARD DAUGHTER

Neighbor Was Surprised When She Found Cause of Severe Rebuke Administered by Mother.

A lady living in a large apartment house relates the following:

"I had occasion one day to visit the apartment of a neighbor. Such grave and earnest tones of remonstrance reached my ears, as I approached my friend's room, that I hesitated about intruding. I found her winsome young daughter with her, and the mother had evidently been rebuking her, for the girl's face was flushed, and there were tears in her eyes.

"Come in," said my friend. "I have and I hope she will remember my wishes."

"Ah, these children - these chil-

dren!" thought I to myself. "I have just been telling her," conwear her evening gloves when she goes place, it is not genteel; and in the second place, it is extravagant."

Her evening gloves! And yet, I assure you, her tone and expression, and the impression made on the child. would have befitted a serious wrongdoing-one that had issues in time and eternity.

Buy Outright, Is War Plan. Washington.-Secretary of Commerce Redfield announced that the conference representing all interested departments of the government has completed its study of war contracts. Where conditions of manufacture are particularly involved the conference recommends a contract in which a specified sum is awarded as the profit on each article, instead of mak-

ing the profit a percentage of the cost.

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with the tendency to increase costs to

increase profits.

Great Artist Made Drawings on Pavement for Pennies.

Many Famous Writers Spent the Later Years of Their Life and Died in Abject Poverty.

It has sometimes been said that it is mediocrity that makes money, and while this may not be true, it is certain that genius is not unacquainted with the gutter, observes a writer in London Tit-Bits. Everybody knows that Francis Thompson, the poet, sold matches on Ludgate hill among the venders of penny toys, and that James Thompson, the author of the "City of Dreadful Night," made his regular dormitory the Thames embankment. No wonder he found so apt a title for his masterpiece!

One of the most tragical instances of genius in the gutter is presented by Simeon Solomon, the pre-Raphaelite artist, friend and comrade of Rosetti, Burne-Jones and Swinburne, and of every artistic and literary notability of his day.

Perhaps he had gypsy blood as well as Jewish blood in his veins, or inherited some wild strain from nomadic forbears. Be that as it may, he went down and down till the man who had exhibited in all the galleries and salons became a pavement artist, begging pennies for crude chalk drawings on the flagstones! And he was a failure at it. Many a man born and bred to it could beat his head off. He died in the workhouse,

Stephen Phillips, the poet and dramatist, who wrote "Paolo and Francesco" for Sir George Alexander, who staged it lavishly, and "Herod" for Sir Herbert Tree, who staged it gorgeously, and who was a poet of universal renown, died quite lately, leaving only the sum of £5. He was never actually in the gutter, but he must have been occasionally over the poverty line.

Paul Verlaine, the Parisian poet, woke up one night to find a couple of burglars in his room. Shortly before he had been driven by poverty to sell every stick of furniture, and was reduced to sleeping on a sack. His visitors were so touched by this evidence of his dire poverty that they gave him a franc apiece and took their depart-

Goldsmith lived in a slum for years, and had often not a stiver to bless himself with. He would perforce spend days together in bed, afraid to stir out on account of the bailiffs.

If St. James' square could tell its story it would reveal Samuel Johnson, the sage of Fleet street, walking round and round, with the prince of literary vagabonds, Richard Savage, talking the night away, because neither of them could raise the price of a night's lodging! So, though things are infinitely better than they were, it is evident that the eighteenth century had not the only Grub street, and that it is still possible to combine poverty and genius.

Tradition and Good Books.

Good books, like well-built houses, must have tradition behind them. The Homers and Shakespeares and Goethes spring from rich soil left by dead centuries; they are like native trees that grow so well nowhere else, says Henry Seidel Canby in the Yale Review. The little writers-hacks who sentimentalize to the latest order, and display their plot novelties like bargains on an advertising page-are just as tradi-The only difference is that their tradition goes back to books instead of life. Middle-sized authorsthe very good and the probably enduring-are successful largely because they have gripped a tradition and followed it through to contemporary life. This is what Thackeray did in "Vanity Fair." Howells in "The Rise of Silas Lapham," and Mrs. Wharton in "The House of Mirth." But back-to-nature books-both the sound ones and those shameless exposures of the private emotions of groundhogs and turtles that call themselves nature booksare the most traditional of all, for they plunge directly into what might be called the adventures of the American sub-conscious.

Locks in Ancient Days.

The Greeks used an iron latch to fasten their doors. This latch was fastened by a key which was easily apfinished what I was saying to Jenny, plied from within, but, to reach it from without, a large hole was made in the door allowing the hand to enter and reach the lock with the key. The Lacedaemonian lock, which was a later invention, did not require a hole to tinued my friend, "that she must not be made in the door, but consisted of a bolt placed on that side of the enshopping in the morning. In the first trance door which opened. When a person outside wished to enter he inserted a key in a little hole and raised the bolt. In time this kind of fastening was improved by the insertion of the bolt in an iron frame or rim permanently attached to the door by a

Heavy and intricate iron locks discovered at Pompeli give evidence of the progress made in the art by the nans. These locks were much more efficient than any known to the Greeks, but inferior in principle to the older wooden Egyptian locks.

Pursued a Policeman. "They tell me you have been arrest-

ed for speeding.' "Yes," replied Mr. Chuggins. "And it was due to my kindness of heart. I tried to overtake a man on a motorcycle to warn him that he was violating the law."

Frenzied Finance.

"I just thought of a great scheme," grinned the plumber. "Hand it to me and I'll eat it," replied the thin carpenter.

"No, this is on the level."

"What it is all about?" "It is to get in touch with all the paymasters in the country-"

"Yes-" "And find out when the pay day comes."

"Yes_" "Then, on the pay day I plan to go to each paymaster and see how many envelopes have not been called for." "Huh!"

"Then I plan to take all the uncalled-

for pay envelopes and share them fiftyfifty with the paymasters." As he turned to go the thin carpenter shook his head and remarked sor-

rowfully: "And just to think, I used to know you when you were all right."-Ex-

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"The people of London are noted for their stupidity." The young author was asked how

he got that idea. "Please, miss," was the reply, "it says in the text-books the population of London is very dense."-New York

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stone. "And which got the worst of it? asked his big brother. "Oh, the other fellow," answered Johnny. "He's gone home with two

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nervous about running her automobile herself, but the girl is perfectly fearless," "I should say she was. The last

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