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r Emperor and Em-Now Completely solated in Palace

SARIANS REJOICE

AD, April 2. - Orders have er to the fortress of St. Peter or at Tsarskoe-Selo. Thus the and ex-Empress will be com-

at arrest of the Grand Duchess Pavlovna, a cousin of the former Emand divorced wife of Prince William
den, and a group of personages in
ourage of Grand Duke Boris has led,
and to the police, to the discovery of a
which the Grand Duchess and two
Dukes were involved for the proclaof Grand Duke Nicholas as Emperor,
Duke Nicholas now is in the Crimea.
d Duchees Olga of Russia, a sister
abdicated Emperor, who divorced the abdicated Emperor, who divorced the oldeaburg, has just married Capoudikowski, of the Russian cavalry. dikowski to resign owing to his th the house of Romanoff.

. April 2. — Premier Radoslavoff, as the Bulgarian Parliament on the revolution, expressed the belief that make possible the return of good between the Russian and Bul-soples. He paid a warm tribute to otism of the Russian Duma and

now the state of things in Rusbe consolidated and will open the Bulgaria declared war against ab-Russia, but she always has borne in the distinction between absolutist Rus-the Russian people."

Farmer Smith's Column

rs-This talk is suggested by tady fourteen years of age. She just been promoted from the seventh to the eight grade of her school at middle of the year. She is worthy of

EVERE one must have COURAGE. by dictionary says, in order to persevere must "Maintain a purpose."

lave YOU a purpose? you have, stick to it and you all right in the end. birds, animals and fishes have an im-

amount of BERSEVERENCE perseverance 'STICK-TO-IT-IVE-and it will remind you to stick to

drop of water on a stone makes no cossion, but a million drops hitting the spot wears away the stone.

sep at it. Am I right?

Your loving Editor, FARMER SMITH.

WOODLAND STORIES

MRS. BANTAM

By Farmer Smith By Farmer Smith

Thile Mister Jay Bird was flying home
great hurry Father Duck was ushering
Bumpus into the parlor. The whole
family were upset when they heard
sething had happened at Mister Jay
d's home, for they thought perhaps Mrs.
Bird had discovered Mother Duck in

us had told Mrs. Jay Bird what had i in woodland with two fellows like and Mister Jay Bird to deal with.

forthing much. 'I just wanted to get out of the way. I am now a detective. I do you think of that? A real live deve. Some one has robbed Mrs. Bands of one of her precious eggs and I am se lookout for the thief." Billy Bumpus d around the room with a giare.

US Duck and Baby June winced a but no one gave a sign.

but no one gave a sign fell. I don't see any clues here, so be going," said Billy, as he put on hi

's a clue?" asked Father Duck

clue? You have to be a real detective ler to fully understand what clue is.



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Thite Calf, Gun-metal and Shade of Buck.

woman who about exclusive to harmonize her gown will a pair of these distinguished We have many ut none is more or effective



Five-Year-Old Nathan Plott, After Rescue, Gives Description of Captor

A peddler is being sought by the police today as the kidnapper of five-year-old Nathan Plott, of 511 Fernon street, who is in a serious condition at the Mount Sinai Hospital. After being held a prisoner in a vacant cellar amid rats, rubbish and tin cans, the lad was found nearly starved to death in a vacant house at 520 Carpenter street.

The boy's feet had been tied together with a heavy rope. The police had been searching for him since his grief-stricken parents reported him missing from their home last Wednesday.

JOHN A. RUDOLPH

Graduate of the schoolship Saratoga, who points out the need for officers to man the American merchant marine and the opportunities for good positions that are open to American boys with the

proper training.

It is something which puts you on the "Oh!" was all Father Duck said, as Billy

"I wonder what will be happening in our home next?" asked Mother Duck, as she went out into the kitchen to make ready

the supper. She was glad Mister Jay Bird dld not stay.

In the meantime Billy Bumpus went back to where Mrs. Bantam was peacefully sit-

"Anything new?" she asked, as Billy en-

"Not a ciue, thus far, but I suspect that

Mister Jay Bird had something to do with all your trouble-he has a guilty conscience

"Do you know what I am going to do? am going to get a magnifying glass and ook for footprints outside your door. "Great idea!" exclaimed Mrs. Bantam "We must find the thief or some one will steal YOU and some one will steal me, and

then the hen house and everything else. OH! Brave Billy Bumpus, please see if you cannot find the thief."

This was too much for Billy, so he ran out of the hen house again and began searching for a piece of glass, which he soon found. He returned and discovered a footprint just outside of the hen house door.

glass?" asked the little hen.
"It makes no difference, for here is a
footprint—two footprints—no, FOUR!"

Mrs. Bantam was so excited that she arose from her nest to take a peak.

"Yes, and they are ducks' footprints—I mean, they are the marks of ducks' feet."

said Billy, holding the glass down close to

the ground and looking more closely. "Oh! I have it. One of the marks looks like a young duck." Billy did not wait to hear

what Mrs. Bantam had to say, but scooted off, in the direction of Father Duck's home.

Solebury National Bank a Reality

NEW HOPE, Pa., April 2.—The stock for the contemplated Solebury National Bank

has been oversubscribed and the institution

will at last become a reality. Many prominent business men from New Hope and the vicinity are backing the enterprise and the scheme meets with the general co-operation and approval of the farming district, as farmers either have to do their banking across the river in leaves or the river in leaves

across the river in Jersey or go seven or eight miles to a Pennsylvania town con-taining a national bank, Doylestown being the nearest one.

and that always makes people afraid.

disappeared out the door.

home last Wednesday.

The boy himself told a story to the police which will assist them materially in running down the kidnapper.

"His name is Bill." Nathan said. "He has a wagon and a horse and he sells things to buy candy with. He sometimes goes to the movies and told me he'd take me there oncest if I'd go along with him.

"I liked Bill's wagon the first time I seen it. He has knives, sciasors and lots of other things. Bill also mends beds. His is no pushcart, It's a regular wagon with a horse hitched to it."

Nathan paused in his narrative long enough to ask for more milk and crackers, He was still hungry.

enough to ask for more milk and crackers. He was still hungry.
"Sure, I'd know Bill if I saw him again."
Nathan continued. "His face is black and his halr and hands is white," meaning no doubt that his face is dirty. "The man came along and said: 'Hello! want to go to the movies?' 'Sure,' I said; but he lied to me. He never took me there. I didn't want to go but he grabbed me and

I didn't want to go but he grabbed me and says, 'Sure, you'll go!'
"He pulled me along and shoved me till I fell down. Then he grabbed me by the neck. He took me to Carpenter street and carried me to the cellar where he tied my feet. He said if I tried to get away he'd tie my hands. Golly! but I was scared.
"I had my sweater on and sometimes I fell asleen. Bats crawled over me and I

"I had my sweater on and sometimes I fell asleep. Rats crawled over me and I chased them away. They would always come back. I cried and cried. Then I forget what happened. I finally saw a boy looking through a small window at me. Then they came down and got me out..."

The lad was found by Joseph Araficants, of 51615, Carpenier street. He liberated the child and notified the police. Nathan was nearly dead from starvation when found.

"UNLOADED" PISTOL KILLS

Fatal Accident to Young Man at Hebron, Near Lebanon

LEBANON, Pa. April 2.—Calvin Bentz, nineteen years of age, of Hebron, died from a bullet wound in his head immediately above the right ear. The police found he had accidentally killed himself in demonstrating his assertion that his

revolver was not loaded.

When he first pointed the weapon at his companion, Harry Deckert, and pulled the trigger, there was no discharge, and Deck-ert strongly reproved him for his dangerous act. Then Bentz, in further evidence of his contention, pressed the muzzle to his own head and again pulled the trigger. This time there was a discharge and Bentz

Revenue Receipts Increase

YORK, Pa. April 2.—Receipts of the local offic: of the ninth internal revenue district were \$124,305.42 during March, a gain of \$7000 ever those of the previous month, and more than \$21,000 in excess of those of the corresponding month of last year. The increase was due to the record sale of cigar mamps.



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The Foster Father

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Belgian Children's Week started yesterday. \$100,000 a month for the next six months will be Philadelphia's share in this great humanitarian movement. And every cent must be raised before next Sunday.

Each dollar will give one little unfortunate an extra daily ration for one month-an extra biscuit and a cup of cocoa. It is far from a meal as the children of Philadelphia know it-but it is enough to save the lives of thousands of half-starved children in that war-torn little country.

Over a million homeless Belgian children need food. They want it with an urgency and an intensity which the imagination can hardly conceive.

They must have it in order to live And remember—they are just little tots -fighting for existence against odds that are staggering thousands of older folks. They are weak from hunger and exposure.

America is going to help them. This country has guaranteed the funds to provide every child in Belgium with its much-needed extra meal-every day,

What Are You Doing to Help?

Are you doing your part in raising Philadelphia's share?

Give what you can to a "Ration Club." Hundreds of them are enthusiastically engaged raising funds to provide extra food for the children of an entire town.

Or, better still, start a "Ration Club" yourself-in your office, club or church. We will tell you how and assist you in every way.

Or, if you prefer, send in your individual contribution. And do it now, during Belgian Children's Week.

Whatever you do, give generously and promptly. No one should feel that a single

contribution, however small, can be spared.

There can be no worthier occasion for the rich to give abundantly from their abundance or for the humble to spare something of their smaller portion.

This work—started by Herbert Hoover, the American mining engineer—has received the consent and support of all belligerent and neutral nations in Europe. It is strictly a non-partisan movement—just a plain work of humanity. And it will positively be continued -even in event of America entering the war. Every dollar donated buys 100 cents' worth of food for some Belgian child. All incidental expenses have been provided for by Philadel-

Philadelphia's entire contribution must be pledged this week-how much will you give?

Make your check, money order or other remittance payable to James Crosby Brown, Brown Bros. & Co., 330 Chestnut street, or leave it at any bank or trust company in Philadelphia to be forwarded. Or fill out the attached coupon.

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