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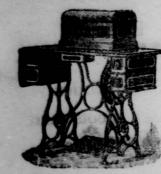
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o get a supply of water for the engine. Hage but would at this co As soon as I struck this trail I was only

About twenty years ago there died i uthern Ohio a queer old character named Thomas Martin. He was never married centricities made his name a fain a little log house on a farm about four miles from a village, and sometimes he was alone for months, and again he would have his house crowded with relatives. While father and mother were dead, he and in the same county. One day he made every sacrifice to please him. There was a layer of humor in the old

reasoned that all his relatives expected a slice of his wealth, and he intended each ne should have it, but he proposed to make and them earn it as far as they could. If he Chicago, who had come to search out relaknew that his brother James was planting tives. As she never went out, received no or fish or go looking over the country for some plant or root needed for sickness.

There was only one bed in the house, and yet the old man would insist that a family late by an hour only. pudding and milk and vegetables.

Uncle Tom, as everybody called him, was over seventy years of age when I first knew him, and it must have seemed to his relatives that he intended to live to be Henry was sawing lumber on a contract, the ten miles before I was caught, but when

the horses and the man, but the woman sent for a lawyer and cut the three persons off with a legacy of \$100 each. He was just what any physician would have sons off with a legacy of \$100 each. He signed the new will and placed it with the recommended. I tore open the bosom of other, saying he would keep both for a few days and see it anything else turned up. Then, in order to show his contempt for parted the string and the corset flew open parted the string are string the string and the corset flew open parted the strin will and testament of Thomas Martin. ian was a grass-widow, about forty years old, and was looked upon as half razy and the other half foolish. She was even gave out that he would marry her,

that not one of his relatives should ever One night, two months after the Thatch bad fall while bringing in wood. He had to be helped to bed, but only a portion of what followed was known for many months afterward. The old man felt that his last ir had come, and he got rid of the widow for a few minutes by sending her out to When he discovered this he berated her in the barn. Which will be meant to burn as forcible language as he could call upone will ever know, but he got up and ourned one of them. Both were duly seal- her. Fearing that she had committed some ed and attested, and both were equally awful crime, and hoping that if she carried good in law. That he did burn one of them was sure. Thirty hours later so one happened to visit the cabin, and the self, old man was found dead in his bed. The qman had disappeared and the wills were ssing. With all that money at stake the relatives gave me the case to work up. No one knew, until I overhauled the ashe

urned. I found scraps of paper, proving stroyed. So far as I could tell, both might have been burned at the same time. On had been, anyhow, and the question of which it was interested every relative. It seemed curious why Mrs. Thatcher e had escaped observation. As no one had met her in the village or on the high ist be concluded that she had easons for hiding. If one of the wills had en preserved, she probably knew of its bouts, as the whole cabin had been unted over and over again without bring was to discover her; but when a fairly sharp nay be beaten. I made a circuit for thirty miles around on horseback, and, while met a hundred people who knew the woman by sight, I could get no late trace is trail more successfully. When I found

but she would not set out for a walk acro

that the hunt was to be extended I notified they could escape.—Portland Transcript caught an impression of the leaves before ery Sheriff in that part of the State. I ot out circulars and sent them to Town Ouida is Not Polite. Marshals, Constables, Postmasters and farmers, but no good resulted. Ouida spends much time at the Lang-Then, one day, I sat down to put mysel in her place. For all I knew then she was since a young American girl, Miss W. with the old man when he died, and it night have been her hand which held one of with a letter of introduction. After waitthe wills to the flame. Just why she should ing some time a strangely dressed figure then fell in love with his father's divorced fly and hide herself when not guilty of any thing was a puzzle. So far as we could deter she had taken nothing. One day Mar tinhad gone with her to thebankanddrawn scolored bright ribbons. This bizarre ple has children and the two families are lost in Africa. out and presented to her the sum of \$300 creature stalked up to our American girl, This she had taken, as was her right, but and in a very brusque manner said: "Do the few dollars he had in his pocket were you want to see me?" "I have a letter of there when we searched the dead body. I introduction to you." "You are an Amerihad not thought to overhaul her wardrobe can-T-know it by your bold stare," was Ouida's polite reply. "And I know you but when I came to do so I got a pointer. She bad dressed herself in her best and to be a circus rider from your outlandish gone without even taking a hand-satchel. costume, and so I wish you good morning Her best was a black silk, a fine red shawl, and decline your acquaintance. a fashionable bonnet and fine shoes. She

The following retains sufficient flexibili-

Lips That Never Touch.

Over in the Mikado's empire kissing is an ress for Cincinnati would not stop at the inknown pleasure, and even between hus whitest of teeth and the sweetest of smiles, er, dressed in her best, did actually board the express that night as it stopped for a their dainty little mouths are as forbidden moment, and that she paid her fare and fruit to their sighing swains, who must was carried to Cincinnati. She had four content themselves with more formal manweeks the start of me, but I had strong ifestations of their love. A Tokio correhopes of finding her. I reasoned that the writes thus

fact of her being simple minded and of never might meet one of them and hand him a \$20 gold-piece. The very next day he would pass the same person by without speaking. As he was worth about \$200, 000 all made by the sale of oil wells found on his lands in Pennsylvania, and as his relatives were all poor, none of them dared offend him. If he treated them colding they put up with it; if he insisted on some family staying with him for a week they family staying with him for a week they on going into the city she had entered into conversation with a fellow-passenger, and he had recommended her to a board- by the number and length of the salaams. Mackay's lavish hospitality, while sneering man's composition withal. I think he reasoned that all his relatives expected a room at the house, but soon saw that she in noint. He had been on the road for six was queer. The situation sharpened her in point. He had been on the road for six wits, and she claimed to be a Mrs. Rose, of chant who was interested in his business corn and in a great hurry to get through, he letters and employed no assistance her the broker to his home, a permit for the figure in Europe. - Franklin News. would send for him and insist that he hunt story was not believed, and she was an ob- night's visit having been obtained from the ject of wonder to the other boarders. In about three weeks she one day paid her bill The wife met her husba

The wife met her husband and friend at for some plant or root needed for steames.

If his brother Henry was extra busy in his saw mill the old man was sure to send up a message to him to come sure to send up a message to him to come to send up a message to him to send up a message to him to come to send up a message to him to send up a message to him to s down and take a witchhazel rod and go wandering over the hills to locate metals, where she was. It took us three days to

Then, and not until then, did they kneel yet the old man would insist that a family of eight come and visit him and sleep where they could. Twice a year he killed In making her second change Mrs. upon the mats and bow long and low to each other. "You have been many weeks where they could. Twice a year he killed a lamb. The rest of the year he lived on kept by a woman who had a brother on a lamb. The rest of the year he lived on kept by a woman who had a brother on a lamb. affectionate voice. "We have waited for farm. He supplied her with vegetables you with impatience. I hope that you are well, der lanoskesan." And he thank-

Absent-Mindedness.

hundred. As the years went by he really seemed to improve, and it was a cold day when he couldn't think of some new trick was busy on another case and decided that to play on those who anxiously waited for he could not go with me. I therefore got thought, obliterates or obscures the record him to turn up his toes. He had made a will as was known in a certain law office, was about three o'clock in the afternoon of temporary and partial form of insanity, and dividing up his wealth pro rata, but one a June day, and I was hardly clear of the if we find absent-mindedness most comday something occurred to determine him to revoke it. He had sent for his brother Henry and family to come to him at once. I was headed. I drove fast, hoping to make tration of the near alliance between great genius and madness. Certain it is that one of the children was ailing, and he returned word that he couldn't come. This The only shelter I could secure was an old creature of a fertile imagination. The orwas the first time he had ever refused such | wagon shed, but-while the thunder and | iginal is said to have been the Count de a demand, and when the messenger returned the old man boiled over with indignation.

lightning were severe—little rain fell.

Braneas, of whom a curious story is related the old man boiled over with indignation.

In the half-hour I was under the shed ed. One day he was reading by the fire in Brancas, of whom a curious story is relat-He sent for his lawyer to come and make the lightning struck near me three times, his study, when the nurse brought him a a new will, and the lawyer of course and I was greatly relieved when the storm brought the old one. He saw this laid on passed on. I drove forward for about a way the book and took the child on his the clock shelf, and it was lying there when he went away. The new will was rious sight in the highway. A farmer's was announced, and the Count, forgetting not entirely completed that day. Martin wagon was smoking and burning, while all about the child, and remembering only said he might want to make some other one horse lay stone dead and the other was that he had been reading a book, threw changes, and so he did. His sister May, plunging about. On one side of the wagon the poor infant carelessly on the table who was an old maid, was with him that day, and after the lawyer had gone Martin that of a man. I leaped out and secured fire! It is recorded of La Fontaine, noted vanted to lower her down in the well to ecover a lost bucket. She was timid and proached. His clothes were on fire over tended the funeral of one of his most inafraid, and the result was that she was or-dered to pack up and was told plainly glance satisfied me that he was dead. The woman lay in a heap, but when I took hold | the astonished servant of the recent death Nor was this all. Having got his hand of her hand there was a flutter of the eye, as it were, the old man went for anoth-lids. A bolt of lightning had killed one of remarked: "True, of course, I recollect

Manufacture of Slate Pencils. he sent for a woman named a paper was displayed. I reached for it, employs 25 hands, who turn out Thatcher to keep house for him. This and one look told me that it was the last slate pencils every day. The method of manufacture is a good deal in advance but I should never have known her, dress- years back. Not long since the blocks of ployed in the village at laundry work. ed as she was. She came to while I was soft slate from which pencils are cut were Martin bought her clothes and jewelry and releasing the plunging horse and putting sawed in lengths and distributed among out the fire in the wagon. The accident the neighboring laborers' families to be and he was heard to say more than once had come about as I supposed, and in half whittled down to pencil shape. Those an hour she was quite herself again. I working at them cou went to the nearest farmer, got him to per thousand. Now the blocks are put income back and assume charge of things, to a machine and cut into square lengths woman went to live with him, he got a and then drove back to the city with my by revolving knives, and the lengths are

Then the woman must be Mrs. Thatcher;

able to read, she burned the wrong one

indeed, he fell back and died while cursing

Under the will I had recovered all the

of making any trouble for the grass-widow,

another husband in less than a month after

Dynamite is so instantaneous in its

into the hardest steel before it has had time

United States Torpedo Works was to place

some leaves between two heavy flat piece

cotton into a cylindrical form about one

inch thick and three or four inches in di-

is made for a cap of fulminate of mercury, by which the gun cotton is exploded. The

eaction was so great, from merely being

quickly and with such force that it

walked over and boarded the train.

The Buckboard Driver's Mis-

A Bar Harbor buckboard driver is n account of a mistake he made last summer. He had taken a passenger, a young woman, from near the club house to the other document off with her she might "Chatwold" and had told her the price of escape all consequences, she dressed hertook the paper and her money and tried to make out whether she was a tourist or a servant, as, according to an exchange, "his big heart would not allow relatives shared alike, which was fair and him to charge a working girl such a price there was great excitement, of course, and just under the circumstances, and instead for so short a ride," On reaching their destination the new comer was met at the they presented her with a purse of \$500 in the fireplace, that anything had been and headed her for Oregon, where she got was a servant, and so gave back the half dollar when she paid him. Later he learned that the young woman was Miss bit strikes a good thing he hates to let go, Mary Garrett, a twenty millionaire, and small as he is. he is now inconsolable. "She took the fifty cents as willingly as if she had been taking in washing to earn the money." is his plaint.-Lewistown Journal.

had gone away, and still more curious that to flatten. One of the experiments at the They Led and Piggie Followed. Two bright little girls at Isle au Haut, eorgie May Welsh and Edie Coombs of iron, set them on a firm foundation, and were sent to drive home a pig which had see what gun-cotton would do in forcing been allowed to run wild all summer. The placed upon them by compressing the gun. pig was three miles away, but contrary to isual experience in such cases was got home easily. This was because the girls len and red without fever; in the other the knew how to do it. They didn't try to ameter, through the center of which a hole drive the animal, but started home ahead of it scattering along the ground from time | feet a cure. It kills pain. 25 cents. provided themselves, and piggie meekly exploded in the open air, that one of the iron pieces was driven down upon the other followed. These girls have wits that will be useful to them all through life.-Lewiston Journal.

Badly Mixed.

There lives in Union township, Indiana a family that can boast of the most curi ously complicated relationship. ham when she is in London. Not long years ago a widower named Morgan, who had a grown son, married a widow who New York, called upon her at the hotel had a grown daughter. After a while he and his wife secured a divorce. His sec rushed into the room. Every color of the wife and married her. The father got mar rainbow appeared in her costume, and her ried to the daughter of the woman from head was decorated with a circlet of many whom he had been divorced. Each couterribly mixed as to their relationship.

> What Becomes of the Children. Stranger-And what is that handsome

ninded Children. these affiicted children in after life?

arge building.

Stranger-May I ask what becomes Citizen—Oh! they are all right. The boys grow up to be eligible as jurymen and the girls develop into writers of syndi-

This rumpus about woman's rights Is but the merest tissue, For women, like this question which Has roused her to her highest pitch, Is only a side issue.

Needs More Sense and Fewer

liberty never indulged in. Although the young maidens have the rosiest of lips, the once she was a poor widow with two chilwasherwoman by Nevada miners when Mr. Mackey was first attracted toward her and when cold the broken parts should resemfell in love with and married her. She ble-the broken parts of east-iron or asks damages because the words suggest steel, and also the same of rock forms tion and was not accustomed to associating 'Tis a melancholy fact, but a Japanese with persons of good position. What real salutations run through the crescendo of associating with persons of good position— it. The loss of liquid manure is great, and bow, handshake, kiss and kiss. I can't explain the difference in grade between the ed soul! How do the Prince of Wales and matter to the farm but increase the value Japan the expression of regard is regulated titled tribe who deign to accept Mrs. A friend who constantly travels about covertly at her fawning, costly efforts to enlist their favor-how do these compar

Suspicious Submission.

with the honest, manly miners of Nevada

Take away the boodle that Jim struck and

shoyeled into her lap, and this silly woman

would be the most forlorn and ridiculou

A small boy had been having a day of to have at times, and when he was ready for bed his mother said to him. "When you say your prayers, Georgie, ask God to en the hands should be washed before make you a better bey. You have been handling the vessels, and every precaution twenty naughty to-day." The youngster action to observe cleanliness. ordingly put up his petitoni in the usual form, and then before closing with "amen" he added: "And please, God, make me good boy." He paused a second, and then to the utter consternation of his mother concluded with unabated gravity: "Nevertheless, not my will. O Lord, but thing e done."-Providence Journal.

A Candidate's Bad Break

Once upon a time as a candidate for po seat, he opened his mouth and put his foot in it. He was one of a party of eminent gentlemen and the conv the subject of farmers. The candidate feeling slightly exhilarated, told an exper ience of his, wherein he was badly cheated by an honest tiller of the soil, and ended his story with the remarks that farmers a a rule were very dishonest. At this juncture a gentleman from the rural districts umped to his feet and said in a loud tone voice. "I guess we are as good as you kind of people." The candidate realized the situation, and also realized that discreion is the better part of valor.

A laughable story has just come to ou s. The other evening one of our bibuous friends was returning home rather late eaching his home he insisted upon their ing in, but they, better aware than he of their demoralized conbition, demurred. saying that his wife might object to his by a cow should be measured by its

The argument was growing interesting results on a certain amount of food than when a clear voice called down from an will others. A careful account of the food pper window:

in his glory. - (Emlenton News.) sons work out.

-An Irish editor in speaking of the mis eries of Ireland, says: "Her cup of miserie has been for ages overflowing, and yet

-An idea of the magnitude of the grape growing industry along the Lake Shore may be gained from the statement that an so the liability of loss when the heap is average of ten cars a day of grapes have left until spring before the materials are been shipped for the past month between Dunkirk, N. Y. and Erie.

-There has lately been a sudden rise 10 to 15 per cent. in the prices of raw im fact that the crops in both Italy and Japan are short this season. It has been known among the silk importers for some tim that the Italion crops would be short, but be short did not reach here until Septem-

-Over \$15,000,000 has been spent in Australia within the last 15 years in efdoor by one of maids and he decided she forts to exterminate the rabbit, and late estimates agree that he had also doubled in numbers during this time. When the rab-

> -First Village Gossip-"Do you believe that awful story they are telling about Miss Prim?" Second Village Gossip-"Yes. What is

one and the corn husk in the opinion that the coming winter will be comparatively There are two forms of chronic rheams natism: One in which the joints are swol joints are only stiff and painful. In either rowed into the soil without danger of great

-Popular discrimination in favor of Dr Bull's Cough Syrup, has given it a larger sale than any other remedy of its class. as it is better to have the rains dissolve it

Price 25 cents. -It does not take a very hard hit to knock some people silly. -In an oyster campaign of course the

nemy is shelled.

-When the stars above are not shining they are probably locked up in the star

be overrun with rats, when it is such a

strong Union establishment. "Money is tight," said the street car think you are mistaken about that. He Citizen-That is the Asylum for Feeble driver as a dozen dimes got wedged in one was refused as a juryman in a murder trial of the coin carriers of his car.

> -Rev. Sam Jones is one of the most loquent preachers this country ever produced. When under full headway he has a command of language which Beecher or Talmage never dreamed of. We extract a single gem from a recent sermon. He re. up and holler, and the Jedge rules the tesnarked:-"John the Baptist was the bravest type of Christian I know of. He

AGRICULTURAL.

Farm and Garden

An expert says that if butter be broken

lent material for bedding and as an absorbent. It possesses but little manurial value

but will answer well on the stable floors. The rich black liquid that flows off from he barnyard contains the wealth of the "good sort of lonesome." And as to not farm. Use absorbent materials, and save

> ficial. The suds not only add the soda and other elements of the soap of the soap to the heap, but also induce chemical changes, during which process vented from escaping. The alkaline mat-ter also largely assists in rendering some of the solids soluble, and reduces them to a

Simply washing the dairy utensils is not sufficient. They must be scalded, washed nmitigated outrageousness, such as all in warm water (using soda in the water) scrubbed and then rinsed. A single particle of matter adhering to a milk pan may serve as a ferment to injure the milk. Evtaken to observe cleanliness

Stands should be made ready for the tender plants that are to be kept in the house over winter. Geraniums, coleus, and other plants must be potted without delay. The roots of dahlias should be where the frost will not reach them, as al so those of cannas and the bulbs of gladiolus. The roots of hardy roses left in the ground should be well covered with earth by banking around them.

Cut straw as bedding for sheep keeps the dirt out of the wool, and affords a dry place for the sheep at night. The shed in which sheep remain at night should be fre-quently cleaned in order to avoid accumlations of droppings. As the fall rains approach, and the weather remains damp eep easily take cold, which is accompan ied with discharges at the nostrils. shelter and bedding will greatly assist in warding off this difficulty. hould devote their attention to poultry raising. This is impossible except with a

small flock. To keep hens in large num-bers requires labor that cannot be performed by ladies. There is not only heavy work to do in cleaning the houses and yards, but exposure to all kinds of weather must be endured. To throw down a mess is an easy matter, but it is very differen when poultry keeping is made a specia The amount of butter and milk produced ntertaining company at so late an hour. cost. It is true that high feeding is neces-"Oh, hang my wife! I am Cæsar here, sary to induce large yields, but the factmains that some cows will

Gentlemen, you can leave Cæsar on is the more profitable. The proportion of cost to receipts alone can determine the They were only too glad to leave him actual profit made, and in many cases it happens that a cow may yield largely and vet be not as valuable as another not se -Many men get credit for what obscure | productive, but which yields more in pro-TIME AND MANNER OF FERTILIZING. sensibly decided that "a cross and clean woman does not make a better wife than is more difficult for the farmer to determine than many others, as he must con sider the condition of the manure, the kind of soil and the nature of the crops to be grown on the land next season. all is the question of the economy of haul-

ing and spreading the manure. Then, again, there is the liability of loss of ma-

nure after it is spread on the land, and al-

allowed each animal will show which cow

If the soil is underlaid with heavy clay there is but little liability of loss of fert izing elements if the manure is spread at any time, provided the land is not subject to being "washed." There is at least or advantage in applying manure in the fall which is that teams are not busy, and the hauling can be done with but little additional expense. One mistake made in applying manure is that it is left on the su face. While it is considered by some a disadvantage to plow the manure yet it will greatly prevent loss if the land is first plowed, the manure spread and the cultivator run over the field. By so doing the manure is incorporated with the soil carried off, and the frost given an opportu hity of disintegrating it. Whether the fall application is better than hauling out the manure in the spring can only be determined on each farm by the farmer but much depends on how the manure is kept in the heap. On light, sandy soils, which permit the rain to go down, a large proportion of the soluble matter will be carried down by the heavy rains and melt ing snows which renders fall manuring of no advantage, but if the manure be applied during the winter, in those sections where a few days plowing can be done at that season the manure may be hauled and har

If a heap is in the barn-yard, and expos ed to leaching, a greater loss will than if the manure is hauled to the fields, in the fields than in the heap only to flow away. If the manure is fine, and does not contain large pieces of stalks or coarse litter, it can be easily be mixed with the soil by going over the ground with a cult —One disagreeable feature about postage for less loss if spread on plowed ground stamps is that they are apt to get stuck on than when scattered on hard soil, the unplowed ground allowing the water to carry off the soluble portions. If the farmer can have his manure well decomposed by spring, and in a very fine condition, it will pay him to apply it in the spring, pro vided his teams are not busy at that time greatness thrust on him is to get himself with other work.

> never allow a daughter of mine to marry Ted Lardly. The young idiot hasn't any sense at all. Mrs. Laker (quietly)-1 last week. Mr. Laker-You don't say! Well, that alters it. -"Well, I can't see any fun in attending

court," said an observant old lady. "Ev ery time a witness gees to tell anything

-There are some things a dwarf can't just jumped on Herod and pawed his feath- do, but he can catch just as big a cold as a