#### DESTINY.

I see a star in the silent sky; And its cold eye seems to play Like the eye of Fate, inscrutable, Mysterious afway. Vear atter year, age after age, O'er the dark earth it has shone With the pale, cold gleam of a spark struck out

out From the midst of a soulless stone.

Year after year, age after age, Till the long years moments seem; Love, Hope, Ambition have looked up And caught but a chilling gleam; For the eye of Fate and the soulless star Meit not at a mortal's pain, Nor pity feel, nor loosen yet One link of the binding chain. —Lowell O, Reese in San Francisco Bulletin.

## -----A CASE WHERE SILENCE IS GOLDEN.

\* The man was watering the front

yard grass with a hose. He was in his shirt sleeves and smoked a cigar. He looked comfortable. A cadaverous, middle-aged man came along, leaned against the iron fence and mopped his forehead.

mopped his forehead. "Giving it a drink, eh?" said he to the man with the hose. "Yes," said the latter, good natured-ly. "Wetting her down a bit." "Whether that " said

ly. "Wetting her down a bit. "Neat little bit of lawn that," said

the man outside the fence. "Uh-huh," said the man with the hose. "Jollied the landlord into resodding it this spring. Then, after that, I wheedled him-or my wife did, for I never met the old duck-into scatter-ing clover seed all over it so that I've got it in pretty good shape now.'

"Must have an easy landlord," commented the man leaning on the iron fence.

"Easy?" said the man with the hose, "hasy" said the man with the hose, shifting his cigar to the other side of his face. "Well, say, that old gazabo is just pie, that's what he is—pie. Only way I can account for the easi-ness of that man is that he's looney, or that he's so rich that he don't know where to blow himself first."

"Go 'way," said the man outside.

"Surest thing, you know," said the man in his shirt sleeves. "I've only been living in that house about seven months, and if that old lunatic hasn't spent \$350 in repairs since I've been here he hasn't spent a cent." "Well, I swan," said the man out-

side.

"Fact," said the man with the hose "And the beauty of it is I only pay \$45 a month for the house, whereas the folks all up and down the block, living in exactly the same kind of houses, have to cough up their little \$55 as reg-ularly as the moon gets around." "Did you ever," said the man out-

side the fence, taking a bandanna out of his hat and mopping his forehead.

"That's right," said the man with e hose. "I first moved in here—let s the hose. see, yes, it was on the third of Decem-Knew I had a bargain in the house in just the shape it was then, but I believe in getting all I can in this life, and so I sent my wife down to the old idiot's office to make some demands for repairs. First she tackled him for an entirely new furnace, and blamed if he didn't come right to the froat from the jump, and inside of 10 days I had a furnace plant in this shack that's just a picture. Kept us so hot during the cold weather that it like to drove us out of doors." "Well, weli," said the cadaverous

man.

"Uh-huh," said the man in his shirt sleeves, biting off the end of a fresh cigar. "Then that having been so easy, I told my wife that she might as well hit the old codger up for gas logs both up stairs and down. She hit him up. Was it easy? Well, it was just like drinking chocolate ice cream soda on a hot night, that's all," and the man with the hose smiled very broadly. "Then," he went on, "I got kind of grouchy with the porcelain bathtub. The bathtub was all right, but t'd seen some better ones in a plumber's window down town and I thought that I might as well have my wife ask for one of the best in the market. Got it hands down, and if there's a prettier porcelain tub within eight blocks of here, then I don't know it,

"Well, I wonder," put in the cadaverous man outside. "John," came the voice from above, "it's as little as you could do to drop that hose and come up here just for a second."

"Be up shortly," replied the man on the law. "Don't know what I'll ask the old chap for next," he went on, addressing the man outside, "but I guess I'll nail him for a couple of hun-dred of dollars wherewith to go down to the seashore for a week or so with my family." And the man with the hose laughed uproariously. "Good," said the man outside. "Well,

guess I'll be goin," and he walked off down the street.

The man with the hose was still chuckling when his wife appeared at the front door.

"Such a bright, entertaining person you are, to be sure," sne said to her husband. "Huh?" he inquired.

"I say, l've such a brilliant individ-ual for a husband," said his wife. "Say, what are you talking about?"

he demanded. "Oh, nothing," she answered, cheerfully, "except that the old gentleman you've been telling your business to for the last half hour-that's why I

was calling you, to shut you up—is our landlord, and if you don't get notice of an increase in rent inside of 24 hours I'm not a prophet nor a prophetess' sister, that's all."—Waverley Magazine

### MARRY OR NOT.

A Really and Truly Modern Novel of the Sublimely Soulful Sort. She stood on the threshold.

Geoffrey D'Odenreid was sitting, or rather crouching, before a fire whose iets illuminated his tall, bent figure. A covert coat was thrown across his shoulders; he held it together about his throat with one hand. There was something imposing in his attitude and his solitariness. The room was dark except for the fitful flicker of the fire, and for a radiant moon which hung in the window pane, flooding the apartment from floor to ceiling. It drew strange traceries of cold light and weird shadow upon the floor and the yellow damask furniture.

At the sound of her footstep he turned; he looked dazed a moment. She noticed that he was deathly pale. He sprang to his feet, jerking the coat from his shoulders. It fell to the

She hesitated and wavered a moment on the threshold. "Ah," he murmured, "I thought you

would come to me, queen of my soul." "Yes," she said, as if not heeding

his words, "I have come," "You see,' he continued, "it was useless for me to continue to strug-

gle. From the first I knew that I was yours. You see, I needs must feel that the worship I give to you has for an hour, at least, made our souls one. I sometimes think you must have seen it all on that first night. I knew that my soul had found its master in a tenderness illimitable. Ah, from the first I saw you as you are—angel and goddess. There is no act of self-repression, no act of self-immolation man may not commit for you--no fond and foolish thing one has read of, but has scarce believed. You bring enchanting, elevating thought; why, you fill with joy the whole horizon of the world. Until I met you I did not live-I slept. But now I am awake. Yet I love you, you see, and would like to whisper it in your little ear. But I would not dare. All I would dare is to fall at your feet so-looking up-maybe you would be kind. I might catch the murmur of your low voice, listen to its music, and see love shape himself on your sweet lip. You saw it, did you not, darling, the very first time? You know that never be-fore had I caught sight even of love's fluttering garment. Why, it must have been so plain to your deep heart. If you doubted it, it would have been calumny-not to me, but to yourself, your loveliness. You knew from that hour that all else, all else, all othersdo you dear?-were chaff borne on the winds, froth lashed away to nothing-

ness on the first breaker of a fathomless sea. Bertha Detracourt Le Moyamensing stood motionless, clasping and un-



variety of food gives more rapid growth to young stock and increases the flow of milk of the dams. All kinds of stock are more thrifty when they are not confined to one or two articles.

Milking Twice a Day. The advisability of milking cows on dairy farms more than twice a day has been questioned. Tests made at the New Jersey station seem to indicate that the objection is well founded. The third milking will not pay as a regular farm practice. Under special conditions it might be desirable.

#### The Temperature for Cream

From 57 to 60 degrees is the temper-ature for cream when it goes into the churn, but the condition of the cream and the manner of churning will in-fluence the quality of the butter. Use a thermometer when churning, as frequently when the butter does not come the fault may be due to too high or too low temperature.

Apples as Food for Stock. The fallen apples should be utilized for the pigs or disposed of in some manner, in order to destroy as many insects as possible. It is claimed that where cows are allowed in the apple orchard they fall off in milk flow. Experienced dairymen assert that the loss of milk is due to the cows ranging from one tree to another to secure the apples that fall daily instead of eating grass. Apples, if given as a portion of the ration, will increase the milk flow, but too many apples will not prove beneficial. Apple trees should not be in a regular pasture, as they do not thrive in such locations, nor should the orchard be given over to cattle, the sheep and hogs being more serviceable in consuming the fallen fruit. Cattle may be allowed in the orchard, however, after the apples are harvested or before they begin to fall.

#### Immense Use of Corn Harvesters

The most satisfactory way of har-vesting the fodder crop is of course with a corn binder. After the lower leaves and the husks have turned color but while the tops are still green is the proper time to cut corn. The has then fully matured, and while cro the kernels remain a little soft they harden just as well in the shock as if ...e corn was left standing.

Corn harvesters work so satisfactori-ly and their price is so reasonable that every farmer who raises corn should own one, unless he can arrange for the use of a neighbor's machine. There will be probably 50,000 corn binders sold this year by three or four large harvester manufacturers-about onethird as many as the yearly output of grain binders. These, with the ma-chines already in use, will harvest a very large share of the corn crop of the country. Rather than lose the val-uable fodder crop, which will be needed so badly this winter, a farmer who does not own a corn binder and can-not buy one this year should arrange with his neighbor to use his machine at night. Machines that have been run day and night in this manner have cut several hunared acres in a season.-Farm, Garden and Fireside.

#### Gathering in the Onion Crop.

When the onions "go down" all at once, that is the joy of the market gardener. He has no doubt in his mind then as to when it will be best to pull them. As soon as the leaves crisp he is at them with his curved blaue, hoe, unless the ground is either very strong or weedy, throwing three or four rows into one. If the crop is pulled by the scoop hoe the on-lons are scattered evenly over the bed, which favors drying. Eventually all are drawn with wooden toothed rakes into windrows, which makes it easier to load them.

How long they shall remain out dryitter of jud ment on the part of the grower, with three points as his guide. The bulbs must be well hardened, especially close to the stem, before they can be safely used, else they will be likely sprout. They should not be kept out so long as to have the outer skin very generally peel off around the roots If possible they should not be exposed to a frost sufficiently severe to freeze the surface of the ground. Onions are very hardy and a large proportion of the crop will stand quite a freeze without serious injury, but the mainder will show the effects of frost by softening on the frozen side. which forecasts early rotting. When, by reason of an unpropitious season, insufficient manuring, too late planting or general neglect, the crop has a lot of late ripenng bulbs, or even scullions, don't sacrifice the good on ions for the poor ones, but pull the entire crop at the usual time, separating the mature and immature into different rows. These late bulbs will do as well out of ground as in, the object being to ripen them down. The most profitable way of handling them is to market early, taking the best price they will bring

feet wide, made by a local blacksmith from stout iron. After scraping the weeds are raked up in piles and carted weeds are rated up in pircs and cart off before the seed shells out. I gath-er the onions, potatoes and corn in bags of about two bushels capacity, putting about one bushel in each to make convenient handling - J. C. H. Gregory, in New England Homes:ead.

#### The Fall Potting.

Adapt your selection of plants to the urroundings that you can give them. If your windows are very sunny select plants that require a great deal of sunlight. If the room will have to be kept at

a temperature of 70 degrees all the time, select plants that will grow in that temperature. Many will not.

Do not select a plant for winter blooming about which you know absolutely nothing, because it looks so

you must be guided by your own judgment in many things in the cul-tivation of plants, and careful observation and interested study of the individual plants will often make your own judgment your best guide.

Disappointment is in store for the amateur who takes up plants in full bloom and pots them for the window garden in expectation of having them keep right on blooming all winter. This they will not do. Choose young plants eady for their first budding, or those that have had a rest through the summer, with every opportunity for sturdy root growth.

Do not delay in sending your or-der for bulbs intended for inside blooming. They can be depended upon for winter flowers where other plants would rail to bloom, but they must be potted early if we are to secure flowers for the holidays.

A potting soil of common garden soil with a slight mixture of sand and fertilizer is suitable for almost any plant you will want to cultivate in your window garden. Mix the ingredients thoroughly and pack the soil well about the roots of the plants.

In planning the window garden do not forget to supply some sort of greens for bouquet making. The smilax is always the standby, but many other delicate leaved plants may be transplanted from the garden before freezing weather. A collection of carnations should be

found in every window garden; if they have been raised from seeds or cuttings started early in the spring, with all the buds pinched off during the summer they will be ready to bloom throughout the winter. In purchas-ing different varieties this fall, ready for immediate blooming, select bushy plants and increase by layering .- Philadelphia Record.

### Hatching and Feeding Young Chicks.

The natural method of allowing the hen to sit on her eggs and hatch out her small family is best for small yards it is never difficult to secure a broody hen at this time of the year. Short legged fowls make the best sitters. When they show a disposition to sit, do not discourage it, but test them for a day or two on a nest of glass eggs to find out whether they mean business. If you have a healthy flock of fowls, select the best, unless you prefer to obtain your eggs from another source and keep the eggs from these hens. Place the sitting hen in a dark, quiet

spot, where she will not be disturbed. Thirteen eggs are enough for a sitting. Mark each egg, so that if any eggs are laid in the nest they can be easily detected and removed.

In 10 days the eggs should be tested, which is done in the dark. Hold the eggs in front of a lamp, one by one, with the thumb and forefinger of the right hand, while the left shade the large base. If the egg is fertile the air chamber is opaque while the rest of the egg is dark and heavy looking, the two portions being divided by a clear dark line. If the eggs are light and opaque throughout like fresh laid, there is no use returning them to the nest. Sometimes more than half the eggs turn out bad, and then if several hens have been set at the same time, the good eggs can be bunched, thus economizing the stock of hens.

Sitting hens should have a daily run in the open air and a chance to feed and take a dust bath. When the chicks are breaking through the shells do not take them away from the hen, as it only makes her uneasy. The natural warmth of her body is better for them than artificial heat. Chicks will do without food for the first 24 nours, but when they do begin to feed they should be fed constantly. At first their food should be bread crumbs dry or soaked in milk, and the yolk of hard boiled egg. Afterward give grain, wheat, groats, canary seed, a little hemp seed, bits of cooked meat and sparingly of green stuff. Feed every two hours for the first two weeks, then gradually extend the time until the meals are given three or four times a day. When the chicks are a week old they should be allowed o run about in the open air. Keep the old hen confined in a coop. Do not let the chicks out too early in the morning, even when a month old, as the wet grass is bad for them. By September the chickens hatched early ought to lay. If it is desired to fatten spring chickens for market they should confined in small coops when two months old and fed on moist food. They will put on flesh rapidly and get plump and tempting looking when ed up ready for market .-- William A. Stimpson, in American Agriculturist.



Mrs. Emma E. Felch, Treasurer Fond du Lac, Wis., Social Economic Club, Tells How She was Cured of Irregular and Painful Menstruation by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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## MYSTICAL ODD NUMBERS.

Three, Seven and Nine Have Many Pe cultarities to Their Credit.

Three, seven and nine appear to have been the favorite numbers world over. The ancients had three fates, three furies and three graces; Neptune's trident had three prongs Jupiter's thunderbolt three forks and Cerberus three heads. We have three estates of the realm, a man who accepts a bill has three days' grace and three persons congregated together may make a riot. Shakespeare was well aware that he must have neither more nor less than three witches in "Macbeth," and that the brindle cat must mew thrice, and our popular folklore insists upon three merry men, three blind mice and three wise men of Gotham. Three meals a day is the usual scale of feeding.

Of a more mystical character than three is the figure seven, or, at any rate, it has a larger number of religious applications. Noah had seven days' warning of the coming of the flood, and when it came he took fowls by sevens and clean beasts by sevens into the ark; the ark touched on Mount Ararat in the seventh month and after seven days a dove was sent out, followed seven days afterward by another. In Pharaoh's dream there were seven fat and seven lean kin which Joseph interpreted to mear seven years of plenty and seven years of famine. At the destruction of Je richo seven priests bore seven trum-pets seven days, and on the seventh day they walked round the city seven times, after which the walls fell. the apocalypse almost everything Ir seven, except the number of beasts There are seven churches, seven golden candlesticks, seven lamps before seven spirits, the book with seven seals, the lamb with seven horns and seven eyes, seven angels with seven seals, seven kings, seven thunders seven thousand slain, the dragon with seven heads and seven crowns, sever angels bring seven plagues, and there are seven vials of wrath. In merely secular matters seven oc curs frequently enough. We have seven wonders of the world, sever champions of Christendom, seven sleepers, seven wise men, seven planets, seven deadly sins, seven ages of man, and our ordinary leases are made for seven or a multiple of seven years But however mystically significant three and seven may be, they cannot lay claim to any such peculiarities as are the property of the figure nine That the ancients had nine muses nine rivers in the infernal regions. hydra with nine heads and nine gods for Lars Porsena to swear by, or that in modern times nine tailors to make a man, or that possession is nine points of the law, are facts that pale into insignificance after one has sat down with pencil and paper to investigate some of the special peculiarities of the figure nine. For instance, if you mul-

tiply nine by any other number will find that the figures compo the product when added together always amount to nine.

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#### IN A HASHEESH DEN.

### German's Visit to a Besort Where Men Smoke Their Reasons Away.

A German physician describes his first visit to a den of hasheesh smokers in Cairo, Egypt, hasheesh being a species of hemp prized in the east for its intoxicating properties. The German's guide was a donkey boy, who could speak German. In a dark and dirty alley they came to a lighted doorway. Entering they passed through a room filled with men play-ing dominoes to the smoking-room. "Here," said the explorer, "we were welcomed like old acquaintances. The aromatic odor and the smokers were in a very happy mood. On the walls were Arabic inscriptions and pictures of European beauties. In one corner was a stone bearing a mass of glowing coals.

"A man cut up some tobacco, another filled a clay pipe bowl with it, a third bit off little pieces of brown hasheesh and laid them down on the tobacco, a fourth added some glowing coals and attached the bowl to narghilch or water pipe, which he handed to his no passed from mouth to mouth, man taking a few whiffs and expelling the smoke from nose to mouth The German physician declined the proffered smoke and ordered coffee. All the smokers talked and laughed incessantly. Most of the young or middle-aged men. Most of them were ly an elderly man rose to his feet and ly an elderly man rose to his feet and stood staring at the floor, with a vacu-ous smile. He was a hasheesh wreck, an imbecile. "He is a philosopher," said one of the others, and a general laugh followed.

that's all."

"Must be a bully landlord, that,' said the man leaning against the iron fence. "Yes, or clean out of his mind " said

the fortunate tenant. "Then-

"John," came a feminine voice from the second story window.

"Wait a minute, I'm busy," said the shirt-sleeved man, in reply to the feminine voice. "Then seeing that the old chap was of the sort that just loves to hurl his money at the little birdies, I sent the wife down to sound him early in the spring, on the subject of a complete repainting inside. Say, inside of four days after she tackled him durned if the painters weren't at work and I'll bet they used 40 different kinds of tints that my wife picked out. Even hear the like of that?"

"I'm sure I never did," said the man outside

"Oh, John, just run up here a minute; I want to see you," came the fem-inine voice from the upper regions.

"Can't now, my dear; haven't fin-Ished watering the grass yet," man in his shirt sleeves. to ask the pin headed old landlord to "I was going us have a new baby grand piano, he went on, addressing the man out side, "but I didn't want to be arrested for fraudulent practices, so I let him off light the next whack. Had my wife go down and strike him for a gas range for the kitchen. Well, sir, he ent one up that couldn't have stood him one penny less'n \$40; enough room in it to bake for a brigade of cavalry, Imost'

clasping her hands. In her whiteness looked like a vision from some he other world. Only on her face a strange glow was growing, growing up from her mouth, irradiating her low, broad, moon-touched forehead. "Jeff," she said, slowly, calling him

dear diminutive she always gave to him when he fell into one of his talking spells, "If you mean business, cheese that lingo and give me plain English; but if you are just doing a language stunt, keep moving -you're hitting it up to beat the band." -Washington Star.

Her Faith Was Shattered.

"Oh, Henry," wailed Beatrice Fitzmuggles. "Oh, Henry, to think that you have shattered my faith in you. You are a fallen idol for me Go. "But, Beatrice," pleaded Henry Bigglesworth, "do not spurn me in this manner. Even though my feet be of clay, yet my—" "No, Henry," interrupted the fair

young girl, while the light of a firm resolution illumined her countenance. "No, Henry, I cannot be merciful. Not only are your feet of clay, but henceforth you name is Mud."

And Henry strode wrathfully out into the night, which happened to be on duty at the time .- Baltimore Ameri-

This year there have been planted 1,200 acres of cantaloupes in Pecos Valley, N. M., with an estimated yield of something less than one carload the acre.

If the onion bed is very weedy at time of pulling, remove by hand the weeds from a section of three rows and take them away in handbarrow. Put the bulbs from the adjoining six rows into that and scrape the weeds up from the ground they occupied by a stout scraper attached to a cultivator, the teeth of the same having been removed. Thescraper I use is about 2 1-2

According to the director of the geographical survey of Canada there are in that country 1,520,000 square of unexplored lands, out of a total of s.450.257 square miles.

#### Montana Said to be Sliding

Is Montana creeping into Idaho and Wyoming? There is some evidence on the affirmative side of the question but not enough to cause alarm in any of the three states. Still, for several years it has been known that there is some trouble with Montana's foundations, which are slipping, and leaving evidence of the fact on the surface of the ground.

Railway companies have found qu'te plain and strange twists in the alignment of their roads, and civil engi-neers have found "bench marks" changing their elevations in a confusing manner. Quite recently these rea-sonably suspected movements have become apparent, and left large cracks in the earth at several points in the city of Butte, extending for a number of feet, and being in extreme cases 12 inches wide. The effect of this is not only to throw railways out of line, but to cause much more serious damage to gas pipes and water mains.