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ROBBERY IN PARIS CAFES.

No Prices on Bills of Fare, and Waiters
 Impose on Guests.

"I tell you," said the returned European traveler, taking up the bill of fare, "it's a good deal of relief to get to a place where one can know the exact cost of things to eat and drink. When on the other side I narrowly escaped nervous prostration because of the latitude in the prices of items on the menu. Paris is about the worst offender among European cities in this respect. In restaurant after restaurant these prices are omitted from the bill of fare simply to give an opportunity to rifle the pockets of the unwary. Take my advice and have as close an approach to an ironclad agreement as possible with your garçon regarding the itemizing total of your meal before giving your order. If you don't, there's trouble and pecuniary loss ahead. The waiter, with the connivance of the proprietor of the cafe, will do all he can to impose upon you. "The trouble story that I can vouch for may be of interest to American tourists. It shows one variety of restaurant robbery in Paris illustrating especially French ingenuity. An American woman gave a small luncheon at a well known place to a half dozen friends. She had no intention of making it an elaborate affair. She knew French ways and had a careful estimate made of the cost of the repast. After the second course she noticed that the waiters were passing open her pocketbook notes for which she had not stipulated, and she observed too, that a point was made of asking each person if she would have some of this, that or the other thing. Of course the viands were accepted, there extra were succeeded by others, the poor hostess not being able for fear of the waiters, which amounts to the same thing to stem the tide rapidly overhauling her pocketbook. When she had a solemn session with the proprietor she could get no satisfaction. The things were offered; they were eaten. "Of a surety, madame had ordered them, else they would not have been served. It is impossible that madame would wish to have consequences most unpleasant?" She wisely paid the bill, but the experience cost her dear. "You see, holdups are not confined to our beloved country. In fact, I think that our police contemporaries over the Atlantic know things about the game about which our desperadoes are in entire ignorance."—New York Press.

SCHOOL GARDEN RULES.

How a Massachusetts Institution is Managed by Women.
 A school garden in Watertown, Mass., has adopted the following rules, says the Los Angeles Times: Be regular and punctual in attendance. Keep garden orderly. Keep record book correctly. Leave tools cleaned and put away before going home. Be courteous to all, and if absent or late furnish excuse from parent or teacher. If any one repeatedly breaks these rules his relation with the school will terminate. The classes meet twice a week—Wednesday after school and Saturday morning—one hour each period. They will work in the gardens through the summer vacation. If a pupil is absent, a substitute is sent. Bases or pins of green and white are worn telling garden, number and time of class. Notebooks are kept, recording the temperature, attendance, date, time of planting, plan of garden and any other notes they care to record. When insects are found or birds heard, questions are asked and notice taken of their habits, etc. During the summer children will be taken in small groups on short walks to hear the voices of nature. The children already give advice to parents, telling them the best methods for planting cucumbers and beans and setting out tomato plants. The parents and friends take much interest, visiting the garden while the children work, helping to keep their notes correctly and the garden in good order. The Women's club pays the expenses and has the business management of the garden. They have taken up the work in a most satisfactory and helpful way. Pittsfield, Mass., can have the meeting of the next Bay State Grange if it can secure sufficient hotel accommodations. It is getting to be a problem in some states to entertain the state grange at annual sessions.

The specially manufactured lamps for denatured alcohol will bear the brand or stamp "P. of H." in recognition of the grange's work in securing industrial alcohol free of tax.

Northern New York grangers will, probably have the annual outing at Thousand Islands in August.

The place for the next meeting of the New York state grange has not yet been selected.

REST ROOM IN STORE

Suggestion of Value to Merchants
 Who Want Country Trade.

PLEASE THE FARMER'S WIFE.

Provide Accommodation For Women and Children Who Spend a Day or an Afternoon in Town—Headquarters With Home Comforts.

Some merchants wonder why so many of the women on the farms keep mail order catalogues constantly on hand and buy articles from the big city houses which they might purchase from the home stores to equal advantage. Did it ever occur to you that the town merchants who make any special provision for the comfort of farmers' wives and daughters who patronize the stores are scarcer than hens' teeth? A recent writer in Collier's has something to say which may offer a valuable suggestion in the matter of keeping and increasing home trade.

Suppose you're a Kansas farmer's wife, says this writer. You have driven into town for street fair day in the willing heat of the prairie summer, your husband, the three small children, including the baby, under the big yellow umbrella strapped to the wagon seat. Shopping done, the wagon unhitched in a vacant lot, lunch eaten in its shade, the man goes back to the holiday street. The woman stays behind to mind the children. She might go to a store, to be sure, where she would be in every one's way. Well meaning folks would give the children candy until their little hands would stick to everything they touched, including their mother's skirts, and there would be nothing to do but go out into the street and walk, then return and wait and wait. So all that long afternoon she sits on the ground, holding the baby in the little patch of shade. The sun beats down; clouds of dust envelop them; the children's hands and faces become grimy. Finally, at 6 o'clock, the man returns, hitches up. They watch the balloon ascension and start home. Then what? Supper to get, milk to strain and put away, dishes to wash, chickens to shut up, calves to feed and the tired babies to bathe and soothe to sleep. The woman had looked forward to this outing as a much needed change. When she finally gets to bed she is too tired to sleep. Her holiday had been spent under a wagon on a dirty vacant lot. The shade of the trees of her own yard would have been pleasanter.

"This," writes a woman from Carbondale, Kan., "is the condition in the average town. There are numerous places where the men are welcomed, where they can spend an hour without a thought of being in the way. Should not these busy women have a place of their own where, when their shopping is done, they can take their babies and visit and rest and go home refreshed and strengthened rather than utterly worn out?"

Collier's asks if this is a case for some plutocrat with money to donate for the establishment of a town club for country women or should it be looked after by the township or the county? It appears that it should be looked after by the individual storekeepers. Here is a fine opportunity for some enterprising merchant who wants to sell goods to the women who live on farms.

Suppose you are a farmer's wife and you drive into town for a day's recreation and shopping. Instead of having to leave your children by the tied up team and eat a cold luncheon on the grass or in the dusty street you take the little ones to the enterprising store of Blank & Co., general merchants. In the store building is a commodious room set aside for women and children. There are cozy chairs, tables with the newspapers and magazines in easy reach, a couch or two for lounging or napping and a motherly woman on duty to look after the children.

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If Blank & Co. offer you such a club-room, where will you do most of your trading? With Blank & Co., of course. Thus the firm gets more than value received for the expense of maintaining the clubroom and in addition has the satisfaction of making the farmer's family comfortable for the day.

Any merchant who has the enterprise to open such a rest room in connection with his store and advertise the fact is bound to get profitable results.

Who is going to be the first to make this sensible bid for the patronage of farmers' wives?

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