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"I know that what you say is true, Ir. Burns," Sam declared. "I don't know very much about farming yet, but I'm going to learn. I want you to give me a list of books to read and study on the subject."

"Well, the first thing for you to do,"

suggested the agent, "is to send to the state and national departments of agriculture for all the bulletins about the crops you are going to grow. You will be surprised at the number of them and at the information in them. Here



"You're on the right track."

are the addresses and the names of some books for you to get."

"Thank you." said Sam, "and now I must be going. Bill Googe is to be in town today, and I want to see him about the plowing. Goodby until Monday. I'll see you at the meeting."

AM found Bill Googe sitting on a box whitting.

"Hello, Bill!" said Sam. "Not working these days?"

"No; you bet I ain't," answered Bill.

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"I git enough o' that durn' crop time."
"Well, what do you find around here?" asked Sam. "I never come to town except on business."
"For one thing," Bill replied. "I'm here tryin' to make some kind of arrangements for supplies this year. Didn't make enough to quite settle up with old Jim Anderson, and he's cut me off. Lots o' times, though, us fellers come to town to git together and talk over our troubles. Misery loves comp'ny, you know, Sam. And sometimes we chip in and send off for a gallon of Old Crow. When a man gits a few swigs o' that under his belt. Sam, he jest forgits all about bein' so doggone poor and ornery."

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"Yes," said Sam, "and he makes a fool of himself and wastes his money. and after it's over with he feels worse and is poorer than he was before."

Bill Googe was a peculiar kind of fellow. He was almost always in a good humor, and you could hardly say saythyst to make him mad. But he

anything to make him mad. But he didn't like to work. According to Bill, it was always too wet or too dry. He spent most of his time fishing and bunting, and he was a fine companion to have along on such a trip. He could tell you more funny stories than you could possibly remember. In the locality where he lived there was rarely any lack of rain, but Bill would often sit down on a log and picture in glow-ing colors what he'd do if he was

ing colors what he'd do it he was "faced to irrigate."

Bin had at one time owned the farm on which he now lived. But he got the faver "to go west." At last he found a man to buy him out, and he departed for the land where a man could live without working. He was gone about a year and came back "broke" and went on the farm he had left as a request.

left as a renter.
All during the sunny days when the An during the sunny days when the grass and weeds were flourishing and choking out the crops not a glimpse could you catch of Bill in the field, but you could hear the deep mouthed bay of his hound, Trailer, and the sullen hears of his prograp leader off in the

of his hound, Trailer, and the samen boom of his muzzle loader off in the woods along the creek.

Bill chuckled at Sam's remark.

"But let that go." Sam continued. "I didn't come down here to preach. What I want to know is this: Will you plow my field for me some time soon?"

"What!" exclaimed Bill. "You ain't bithist of goin heads on that clay pile.

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"Don't you git no sich fool idea into your head." Bill exclaimed with con-viction. "Why, boy, that land won't

"Let me see. You want the whole field plowed?"

"Well, that stumpy acre will be pret-

ty knotty."
"Don't figure on that. I'm going to have the stumps out. I heard father say that a man couldn't be religious and cultivate a stumpy field. I believe he was pretty near right. A fellow's going to blow them out for me with dynamite."

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"Blow 'em out with dynamite! By jacks. I didn't think there was no way to git up a stump except to break your back and grub it up. Would \$20 be too much for that work, Sam?"

"No. I'm willing to pay that. I'll let you know as soon as I've got the land ready for you to go to work. What'll you take for the manure in your lot?"

"Oh, you won't find much there, I reckon. You can have it if you'll haul it off."

is off."

"Aff right. I'll be after it."

Sam left Bill Googe and went down to see the owner of a livery stable.

"Want to hire somebody to haul that manure off?" asked Sam, pointing to a large pile that had been raked up at the best of the stable.

large pile that had been raked up at the back of the stable.

"Well, don't know exactly," said the man, figuring to drive a bargain. "If you'll do it reasonable I might make a deal with you. How much a load will you haul it for?"

"I'm going to school," Sam told him, "and don't have any time except afternoons after school, but if you'll let me do the work along as I have time. I'll haul it for 25 cents a load."

"Well, I'll just take you on that,

"Well, I'll just take you on that, bud. I've been paying 50 cents and it's too much. I don't care when you haul

the just so as you keep the most of it out of the way."

"All right." said Sam. "I'll be after a load tomorrow afternoon and another next Monday."

Sam Powell hurried home, delighted with his arrangements. He greased



CHPLMEYER air ye?"

"Yes; that's what I'm going to do."

"Well, you're crazier than I thought you was. Wish I was away from out there; you wouldn't ketch me goin back. How do you think you're goin to make a livin' on that farm?"

"He Greased the One Horse Wagon, mended the harness and got everything in readiness for work. That night he told his moth er and sister about his plans.

"That land is mighty poor," he said, "but I'm going to make it grow something. I'll get 25 cents a load for bauling manure from a stable downtown. of course."

"Don't you git no sich fool idea into your head." Bill scalined with conviction. "Why, boy, that lend won't sprout pens."

"It's going to do it anyway," replied. Sam. "And more'n that it's going to to grow em after they're sprouted. And, besides that, it's going to raise some of the finest corn and cotton in this county."

"You'll never do it." Bill asserted.
"I know that land. You can't raise a disturbance on it."

"Look here, Bill," said Sam, "you've been on the farm a long time, and I guess you've learned some things about the business, but one thing is certain, you don't know how to farm, and the proof of it is that you don't raise good grops in the proof of it is that you don't raise good grops when it's too dry or too wet. You got to have things right."

"No: that's not the trouble. Good crops when it's too dry or too wet. You got to have things right."

"No: that's not the trouble. Good crops can be raised with the seasons just as they are. And I don't know what it's worth now."

"No: that's not we farm."

"Where'd you learn so much. I'd like to know?" Bill inquired in an amused tone.

"I learned it from books and from men that know how to farm."

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"I thought maybe you'd want to do your own plowing."

"No. I never fool with that till spring. I believe in lettin' the land rest. Sometimes I don't plow it at all—fee's streak it off and plant it."

"Well, I want this land plowed deep, and when I say deep I mean deep. How much will you charge to do the work that way?"

"Let me see. You want the whole field, plow

ers and bushes and tall grass grew thick along the rail fence all around the field. Here and there next to the ground rails had rotted and allowed hogs to come in or go out at will. The last tenants hadn't taken any trouble to mend these gaps, and the hogs that ran outside had destroyed a part of the crops for two or three years.

and other insects that are wintering in there at the same time. That's why fence rows ought not to grow up like this. Insects live in there in winter and come out to work on the crops in winder.

Knowledge in Fire Presention.

"Tes," Sam agreed, "we saved a lot of work there by using our minds a little. It doesn't pay to work without thinking, and I'm going to mix a little of it with my work from now on. Let's drive down after a load of poles and see how the choppers are getting

along."
"Hello, there!" yelled Fred Martin
when he saw Sam and his companion
driving up "You haven't deserted
that job, have you?"
"No," the two replied in unison, "of
course we haven't deserted it. We fin-

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WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

Timely Bulletin Issued by the State

Fire Marshal.

Do you know that the fire waste throughout the country has reached such an enormous proportion that it is time you give more attention to Fire Prevention—you are the ones most benefitetd.

You bear the burdens of loss and inconvenience. This waste is directly attributable to the lack of interest given the subject by the general public. Why is this?

Don't or won't you realize that the greater the fire waste the greater in crease there is in the cost of insurance and consequently you are compelled to pay this increase, which is added to the cost of food, clothing, rent and in fact everything you use, no matter what it may be, as manufacturers and merchan's must of necessity add the extra expense to the commodities they make or sell. Therefore, it is useless to complain of in-crease in the cost of living when you yourself are at fault and responsible to a great extent for this increase and you can by active, honest, thoughtful work along the line of fire prevention bring about a reduction in the cost of insurance and cost of living.

The fire waste of the country is attracting more attention than ever before. Several states have shown a disposition to recognize the principle that the enormous destruction of property annually by fire is an econces with the result that they have a decided sentiment in favor of establighing special legislation which will

Investigation positively shows that from seventy to eighty per cent. of all fires than all the stream and digestion, sleep soundly and encauses and has created a general sent to that end. A tidy housekeeper is the joy life, use Burdock Blood Bitters, but have probably failed to recognize we appeal to you to be of this class the fact and we want you to help in and help the fire department in its

which to begin work on the tangled mass along the fence.
"My," he exclaimed "but that's come to be a woolly job! Those boyshad an eye to business. Andrew, when they took the chopping. It does seem that there ought to be some easier and quicker way of doing it than this."

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Form a clean up brigade, Make the children members and get them to report all places where rubbish or trash are permitted to accumulate and when reported take up the matter of removal with the owner or tenant of the property where such conditions exist; in this way great good can be accomplished and you can take more pride in your city or town. Good stone started good today."

"If we could burn it out first," suggested Andrew, "it wouldn't be nearly so bad." meatness and clear reast throughout a structure but investigation unight reveal the existence of accumulation of rubbish or trash that might be the graught fire?"

"Good for you, Andrew!" Sam exclaimed. "That's the very idea. The fire will burn up nearly all the bushes and other insects that are wintering in least not and put out to raise and an invitation to the eyil dispense on the property of the property of

and come out to work on the crops in summer."

"Well, let's get the water and start our fire. I'm anxious to see how it works," said Andrew.

"I have two barrels up at the house." Sam explained. "We'll unload the wagon and go up and haul them down full of water."

The horse was harnessed again, the manure scattered and the boys were soon back with two barrels of water and a bucket. The fire was started and allowed to burn only in one direction—the way the wind carried it. Sam followed close behind with the bucket and poured water on the rails that now and then took fire. Andrew drove the wagon alongside and refuled the bucket from the barrels for Sam.

Once the fire had got well started it burned rapidly and in a very short while it had gone entirely around the

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Atlas bore the weight of the heav-ens upon his head and hands, according to a Greek myth, but those of mankind who carry the burden of life too often let it rest upon their shoulders. Stoop shouldered men and wo-men by the thousands are to be found among the followers of sedentary occupations. Nine out of ten when the subject is mentioned will square away their shoulders and say, "I'm getting a little careless about that." Then they make a momentary resolve that they will brace up and overcome the fault. That it is a fault and one that has a distinct bearing upon health there is no question.

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use our lungs to their normal capacity
at all times. The proper purification
of the blood through oxygenation rerequires ample breathing. Drop your of Catarrh that cannot be cured by shoulders forward and then try to take a full breath; see how impossible OURE. it is to do so in that position. Breathing with the shoulders forward and the breast bone depressed is only partially accomplished. The liwer portion of the lungs cannot be emptied and instead of receiving a supply of fresh air they will be filled with residual air.

day with the shoulders hunched forward, means that the lung capacity is lessened just so much and a corresponding loss of vitality results

Such a posture also permits the sas-ging of the diaphram, a resulting dis-placement of the many areauting displacement of the abdominal organs and leads to serious digestive distur-

burned rapidly and in a very short while it had gone entirely around the field. Nothing remained of the matted tangle except a few charred bushes and coarse briers. Taking the brier hook and the grubbing hoe, Sam and Andrew had these all down in less than the form the form that the form the stooping shoulders. These are but tory or on the road, persons who are makeshifts which do not remedy the duil, lifeless, inert, half sick or tired. throw a lighted match amongst it and do their work of holding the body up-

an hour.

"Well, that job's done." Sam exclaimed when they had finished, "and it was of life.

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