THE HOMESTEADER.

Wind-swept and fire-swept and swept with bitter rain-This was the world I came to when I came across the sca-Sun-drenched and panting, a pregnant, waiting plain Calling out to humankind, calling out to me!



the best damask table cloth is solled from the lunchcon we had last week. Now isn't it just the worst luck, dear? I could almost ery, if crying would help me out in this matter, Uncle Ned's wife is the finest housekeeper I ever knew; nothing ever seems to go wrong with her house-hold."

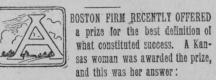
hold." Estelle sat thinking a minute. Then she said: "To-morrow is Sat-urday. That's good luck, anyway, mamma, for I shall be at home to help year".

"No, dear; you'll have your music "No, dear; in the morning and "No, dear; you'li have your music lesson to take in the morning and your Sunday-school lesson to prepare in the afternoon, and you know you invited Sadie Martin over to spend a part of the evening with you. So l'll just have to do the best I can and make my apologies to Uncle Ned and young Cousin Frank. But though we are to be found in this predicament, I cannot feel sorry that uncle and Frank are coming, for I always loved uncle as though he were my brother. You know he is only a few years older than I am, and Frank is just three years older than you. So the visit—though short—will be such a pleasant one."

snort-will be such a pleasant one. Estelle had risen from the table and was quickly clearing the things away. "Now, mamma, it's getting close upon school time, and I must help you with the breakfast work behere you with the offentiate work be-fore I go. So let's not fret ourselves about to-morrow till it dawns. You know what papa always says, 'Never cross the bridge till you come to it.' So I have partly made up my mind what to do for to-morrow; but I chell cher you we suggestion this shall give you my suggestion this evening after school." "Estelle, you're going to be a practical, capable woman; I know it."

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"He has achieved success who has lived well. laughed often, and loved much; who has gained the respect of intelligent men and the love of little children; who has filled his niche, has accomplished his task; who has left the world better than he found it, whether by an improved poppy, a perfect poem, or rescued soul: who has never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty or failed to express it; who has always looked for the best in others and given the best he had; whose life was an inspiration; whose money a benediction.

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Pauk smoked it. He didn't smoke it long. He quit. "That's rotten tobacco,' said Pauk, 'I'm going to quit smoking.' "He quit smoking and it was a long time before he found out that I had filled the pipe with buffalo hair. By that time he had been curred. He longed for tobacco, but his stomach wouldn't stand for it. Then he said: "'flf I can't smoke, no one else

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shall.' "He worked the medicine gag and turned me into wood. The changing of my anatomy was a slow process and in some way the malady spread and in some way the malady spread among the Indians, with the result that half of them were changed to wood. Then along came a lot of pale faces. Just before they took us away Pauk came around and sald: "You fellows will be a warning to

others.' "Pauk's idea didn't seem to work Yery well, however, and now we're going out of date. The only hope I see is in reforestation." "But what became of Pauk?" asked

Birds Killed by Hail.

"A singular feature of the storm of last Sunday night on the East Side," said George Fix, of the State House force, "was the killing of birds by

PENNSYLVANIA

THREE DEAD UNDER WALL

Trio of Workmen Killed in Fire Ruins at Erie.

at Eric. Eric.—As the result of one of the most shocking accidents in the his-tory of this city three lives were wheed out. Several weeks ago the Mayor Block, one of the largest structures in the city, was destroyed by fire and while workmen were cleaning up the debris the north wall, the only one left standing, fell to the ground, killing John Degman, aged 30; Almcnid G. Aubrey, aged 29, and Thomas Carroll, aged 26. Several other workmen were injured but they will recover.

SLAIN FOR THREE DOLLARS.

Myor Refuses Loan and Is Stabbed

Washington.-Called from an Ital-ian restaurant in Zollarsville, John Myor was stabbed with a butcher knife and almost instantly killed. Myor was a prominent Italian, popular in the town, which is 12 miles from here. money over

\$25,000,000 Mortgage Given. Doylestown.—A mortgage for \$25,-000,000 given by the Consolidated Springfield Water Company to the Columbia Avenue Trust Company was recorded here. The mortgage is to secure an issue of 5 per cent gold bonds and gives over to the trust company all the water company's stock, together with the capital stock of four absorbed companies.

Tries to End His Life. New Castle.—Thinking he had kill-ed his wife, Charles Wier, a negro, attempted suicide by hanging in a what to do for to-morrow: but 1
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After Gun Club. Kittanning.—At the instance of District Attorney J. P. Culbertson, quo warranto proceedings were begun here to have the charter of the North Side Rod and Gun club of Parks township revoked. Three alleged stewards of the organization were convicted at the last criminal court of selling liquor without a license. It is asserted that nowithstanding the conviction liquor has been sold illegally. e Embezzlement Charged. Embezzlement Charged. Canonsburg.—Frank D. Roberts was arrested here at the instance of Su-perintendent J. S. Bell, of the West-ern Pennsylvania Humane Society, of Pittsburg, on a charge of emhezzle-ment. Roberts, who lost his com-mission recently, is alleged to have collected fines to the amount of \$120 imposed through information made by the society, and failed to turn the money over.

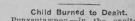
More Tuberculosis Dispensaries.

More Tuberculosis Dispensaries. Harrisburg.—The State Health De-partment has arranged to open addi-tional dispensaries in the bituminous coal region and in the western part of the State for the treatment of tu-berculosis in addition to the dispen-saries located in county seats. There are now nine county seat dispensa-ries and nine new ones will be added.

Touring Car Kills Child. Uniontown.—The touring car of J. V. Thompson ran down and killed Lorna Lannon, the little daughter of Mrs. Mary Lannon, a widow. The child ran directly in front of the car while crossing the street. The car, which was going at a slow rate, con-tained a party of women and a chauf-feur.

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"Well, we'll have our ways and means this time," laughed Estelle. Half an hour later Estelle was off to school, her bright face serious as she hurried along. "Let me see- Fil just forop by the grocer's and the butcher's this evening and give or- ders for to-morrow. We'll have with cream, and—but there's the school bell. No more about victuals, Miss Estelle Brown, unless you wish to miss your grammar lesson. Gram- mar doesn't mix well with caul- flower. So let things to eat wait their turn." ** That aftermoon after school Es- telle hurried round to the grocer's and the butcher's, giving orders for the following morning. "You'd best deliver the chicken this evening, so that I may have it all picked and propared for roasting to-morrow morning," she said to the obliging butcher. When Estelle reached home she found a new complication. Her fittle brother, called Baby, had crushed his finger between some stones in the yard and required much of his mother's attention. And there, sitting in the rocking chair, the cry- ng baby on her lap, was poor "On daughter," she moaned; "poor baby's finger is badly bruised, and	can't be remedied." "What a little helper you are, dearie," said the poor mother, feel- ing that a load had been lifted from her shoulders by this dear fourteen- year-old daughter. "But you said we have a cook and a cook's assist- ant, dear. Pray, who are the?". "I'm the cook, mamma, and you're the assistant," smiled Estelle. "To- morrow is to be my day in the kitchen, and I shall be all rested be- fore the company arrives, too. The dinaer will be ready for the cooking before they come, and all I'll have to do is to put it in and on the stove and let the heat do the rest." "I've spent the day laundering some napkins, our best table cloth and going all over the china and silver," explained the mother, catch- ing some of Estelle's enthusiasm. The next day Mrs. Brown found just how capable Estelle was in an emergency. The guests arrived on time and found Mrs. Brown in a dainty frock waiting to receive them in the parlor. Estelle had decided she would not appear on the scene, as she put it, till the dinner was served. Then she'd meet Uncle Ned and Frank at table. After everything was in readiness, even the ice cram packed in ice in the cellar, Estelle ran out on the	Then the laugh was at Frank's expense, his father saying dryly: "I'll have to keep a watchful eye on you, Frank, if you're given to visiting the little cook's flower gar- den. Next thing we'll have you ask- ing her to take a stroll with you through the park, eh?" And so Estelle saved the day, and the dinner and the visit were a de- cided success, and Frank at parting said, bending over her pretty hand: "Cousin, what would you think if I should tell you that I should love to correspond with a cook-lad?" "In order to get all her secret recipes for dainty dishes, I presume," retorted Estelle. And again Frank was the subject of laughter.—Wash- ington Star. <u>A Strong Endorsement</u> . "Madam," said the teller of a bank in Baltimore to a woman who had handed him a check to cash— "madam, you have forgotten to en- dorse." A worried smile came to the wom- an's face; but she took the paper and wrote something on the back thereof. When again the teller looked at the check he found that the woman had endorsed as follows: "The Bank has always paid me whatever it owed, and you need have no worry. Therefore, I endorse this check. Very truly yours, Anna M. Blank."—Harper's Weekly.	"In front of the Evangelical Church there are a lot of thick cov- ered maples, which have formed a choice roosting place for the sparrows this summer. There they caught it thick and heavy, and the slaughter of the birds was fearful. Monday morn- ing we counted 312 dead sparrows under those trees, and no doubt many that were killed were swept into the sewer by the storm water that ran through the streets. "Some suggested electricity as the cause, but there was no striking by lightning in the vicinity, and the wires of telephone companies do not run through those trees. They must have been hit by the hailstones, knocked into the water and drowned." —Columbus Dispatch. Testing His Yoice. A voice suddenly floated up from the airshaft in the Italian quarter. "It's a beggar singing for money," said a visitor there, half question- fingly, half decisively. "Not at all," declared a native in- dignantly. "It is a fine singer. He doesn't sing for the pennies, but if they indicate their delight in his sing- ing by throwing him a lot he knows his voice is good enough for Italian opera, so he goes and applies for a place on the stage."—New York Press.	account of failing health. The pas- torate is the only one ever held by Dr. McConnell. Manager Resigns. Bethlehem.—Manley E. Cutter, for IO years general manager of the Le- high Valley Rallroad, has resigned to accept a similar position with the Minneapolis, St. Louis & Iowa Central Raliroad. The resignation came as a big surprise to Mr. Cutter's friends here. Cow Escaped; Boy Killed. Sharon.—In an attempt to save three cows from being killed by an Erie raliroad locomotive John Gal- ecka, aged 10 years, rushed on the track and was killed. The cows es- raped. Eurgess is Appointed. New Kensington.—George S. Young was appointed burgess of Parnassus, subject to the approval of the West- morelapd county courts, to complete the unexpired term of John C. Orr, who resigned to move to Denver. Nicholls Wins Congress. Scranton.—Revised returns from all the election districts of the Lack- awanna county shows that Hon. T. D. Nicholls, Democrat, has been re- elected to congress. The vote was Farr, 15.858; Nicholls, 16.652. Nich- olls' plurality, 764. Kittanning.—A special election will be held in Ford City December 17 to, vote on a proposed bond issue of \$164.	So warps in one at Forence mine Sonday morning it was forgotten that his 3year-old daughter lay asleep behad the kitchen stove. While others of the family were being rescued the little one was burned to death. Trampled by Mutes. Tork.—George Shenberger, 65 years old, was trampled to death by a drove of mules at Lander's stock yards here. The animals stampded while the man was going across the yard. He was knocked down, cut and bruised from head to foct by the animals' sharp hoofs. Deg Saves Girl's Life. Kittanning.—Frantic barking of a little dog saved a life when Mrs. Hannan Kruger's home near here was burned. The only member of the family at home was a daughter, who was aroused by the dog and found the house in fames. She escaped in her night clothes. New Fish Laws Urged. Harrisburg. — Delegates from 30 counties began a conference on proposed fish legislation here, the meeting having been called by the Lancaster County Fish and Protective association under the partment of fisherles. Many delegates offered suggestions. Fish Coumissioner Mechan recom-	•
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