

## A PITIFUL STORY.

### Sad Death of a Hawley Man— Touching Plight of His Family.

We find the following account of a sad domestic tragedy, the result of drink, in the Scranton Truth of Friday last:

"Staggering into the office of Dr. John P. Walker, at 429 Lackawanna Avenue, at 1:15 this morning, Frank White, of Hawley, begged for medical aid. A stimulant was given him. His condition grew worse, and at 3 o'clock he was taken by the police to the State hospital, where he died within fifteen minutes.

Letters found in his pocket by the police tell the story of White being parted from his wife and child through drink; of the fight he had made against the craving for liquor, so that he could be united with his family again, and of the wife's sacrifices for their baby. White's death resulted from his drinking habits and exposure, the police say, and was not due to poisoning as at first believed.

From the letters the police learned that White came to this city a year and a half ago. One of the pathetic letters reads as follows:

"MY DEAR HUSBAND: Oh, I don't know what will become of us, unless you get some job. Try and see if you can't get some little thing to do. My feet will not get any shoes soon, and I can't get any shoes to wear unless I have money. I am heartbroken, too."

In another she tells him that she has been working in the silk mill at Hawley and trying to earn enough money to keep her baby.

She begs him to get work in Scranton or to come home, stop drinking and get a job there. In another she writes:

"Come home; get work. Straighten up and we will be together again and happy."

The police got into communication this morning with a druggist in Hawley, who knows the White family, and he notified Mrs. White of the death of her husband. The body will be held here pending word from Hawley.

The wife claimed the body and it was taken to Hawley for interment. The name of the deceased appears in the Hawley directory as "T. Frank White, barber, 16th street."

### Brutal Murderer Captured.

John Baruboto, ringleader among three Italians, who, in Middletown, on the 20th of January, killed two of their countrymen, and criminally assaulted the wife of one of them, Mrs. Gaetano, was captured in New York last Friday, and in the evening taken to Goshen jail by Sheriff Decker and other officers. Officer Spitz, of Union Hill, N. J., arrested the man, and will get \$250 for his alertness. When Sheriff Decker and Chief McCoach, of Middletown, met the man, he denied knowing the chief, but upon the latter reminding him of several arrests and some of his devilities in Middletown, he "caved," and said there was no use in denying his identity; "I can only die once," he said. From all appearances, he had a close call for dying that once without any trial on Saturday afternoon, Feb. 27th. The writer was returning from the Wayne county banquet in New York, on the Mountain Express, and was surprised to find at Goshen an immense crowd at the station, estimated to number from 1,500 to 2,000 people, who had been waiting for the arrival of the train. There were a great many Italians from Middletown among them, as we were informed by Ed. Mott, who happened to be within speaking distance when the cars stopped, and the probability is that Baruboto would have fared badly but for the fact that to prevent a lynching the authorities telegraphed to the officers having the prisoner in charge, and they held him over till a later train. Safely lodged in jail after the dispersal of the crowd, the big brute was lined up with eight other men, and Mrs. Gaetano, whom he assaulted, was led in to look over the nine, and see if she could pick out the man. She cast her eye upon the crowd, and the moment she caught sight of Baruboto she flew into a rage and poured forth a stream of denunciation in her language, and it is said would have attacked him had she not been restrained. The prisoner thus identified uttered not a word.

The big Italian has apparently settled down to the conviction that he will have to pay the penalty of his crime. He will probably be tried at the May court, and should he appeal his punishment may be delayed six or more months from that time.

A Middletown paper says many persons have complained because Baruboto was not to be tried at the March term of the county court, but this could not be done, as the law provides that a man charged with murder in the first degree can only be tried in the Supreme Court, and a plea of guilty cannot be accepted.

### Lost or Stolen.

All persons are hereby cautioned against receiving or negotiating Interest Department Bank Book, No. 8577, issued by the Honesdale National Bank to Robert Rickett, as said book has been lost or stolen. Payment has been stopped, and I have made application for the issue of a new book.

JOHN RICKETT,  
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## CHOICE MISCELLANY

### A Bird Mystery.

A gruesome illustration of the mysterious way in which animals and birds communicate with each other is afforded by the statement from Messina that large numbers of ravens and crows crossed the Mediterranean from Africa to the devastated district and the ruined cities. In the case of vultures, although it is remarkable how quickly these carrion birds will come together out of an apparently birdless sky, it can be explained by the keenness of sight and the fact that one bird at a distance is guided by another bird's movement, and so the news is signaled for immense distances. But in the case of ravens and crows there must be some other explanation of their grim gathering. That birds do communicate with each other was clearly proved some years ago when a plague of moles in Scotland attracted a large number of small owls across the North sea.

### Making Sham Jewels.

Jewelers who have been in business many years often find it difficult to distinguish the difference between real and artificial jewels at first sight, so wonderfully is paste being used. Imitation jewels are now being turned out by the bushel and can be purchased wholesale at from 20 cents up, according to the kind of gem it is, size not making much difference in the price. The material used in the manufacture of paste jewels is known as "strass." Its chief ingredients being potash, oxide of lead, borax and silica. The quantities of these chemicals vary according to the variety of stone which is to be imitated, much greater proportions of borax and potash being required for diamonds than for rubies, while for imitation emeralds these ingredients are scarcely needed at all. The utmost care is exercised in making sham jewels, and the grinding, sifting, melting and other operations are matters of the highest importance. —Popular Mechanics.

### The King Didn't Count.

The wire haired fox terrier Caesar, which accompanies King Edward on nearly all his travels and whose collar in graven words proclaims "I am Caesar; I belong to the king," joined his majesty's entourage five years ago on the death of his celebrated predecessor, Jack. He had hardly been a week in the royal household when he received a drubbing from an irritable old lady in Paris, where the king was visiting. Caesar while roaming the Tuilleries gardens "went for" the old lady's French poodle, whose owner sharply retaliated with her umbrella. "It is the king's dog!" exclaimed a horrified official. "The king's dog, is it?" retorted the peppery old lady, flourishing her weapon more ferociously than ever. "Then so much the worse for the king!"

### But Not in Kansas.

Oh, hear King Winter chant his song as he advances. His voice is truculent and strong. He yells and dances; he fills a weary land with woe; he pelts the populace with snow; he bids the streamlets cease to flow, but not in Kansas! Like some grim knight of olden days, he tilts and prances, and evil are that victim's ways on whom he chances. None dare dispute his icy reign. He binds the world as with a chain and scatters want and cold and pain, but not in Kansas! The spear he levels at her breast but swerves and glances. She does not kneel at his behest nor fear his lances. The sun is shining where she sits and guards her happy brood and knits. King Winter still is throwing fits, but not in Kansas!—Walt Mason in Emporia Gazette.

### The Ameer's Grim Humor.

Although in every way milder than his father, Habib Ullah occasionally manifests a humor no less grim, as was lately disclosed to his chief body servant, Ahmed Rashid. This worthy, whose duty it is to take care of the royal wardrobe, was becoming neglectful when one morning Habib Ullah noticed a black scorpion, whose sting is unusually agonizing, in a boot that he had been about to put on. Summoning Ahmed to his side, the ameer complained that the boot pinched his foot and ordered the servant to stretch it by drawing it on his foot. The pain of the bite was not the more readily forgotten from the fact that nothing of much consequence could be done to relieve it.—London Strand.

### Napoleon Pinched His Cheeks.

There is still one man in Paris who can boast of having had his ears pulled and his cheeks pinched as a boy by Napoleon I., and that is Jean Pierre Schamel, an inmate of a poorhouse at Ivry. He is now nearly 102 years of age, and his father held the post of congrege of the chateau of Versailles during the reign of Napoleon. Jean Pierre Schamel remembers often seeing the emperor in the park. Jean Pierre had a fancy for climbing trees, and one day the emperor caught him and gently pulled his ears. Whenever Napoleon saw him in the gardens afterward he used to pinch his cheek and ask him if he had climbed any trees that day.—London Telegraph.

### A Millinery Catastrophe.

A telegram from Munich gives details of what is described as "the first catastrophe of its kind on record"—the collapse in a busy street of a lady of fashion as a consequence of the heaviness of her hat. Under the weight of a gorgeous creation nearly three feet in diameter, the lady, the telegram says, sank helplessly to the pavement and only recovered from her swoon after being carried to a shop and relieved of her headgear.—Boston Transcript.

## WOMAN AND FASHION

### Severe, Simple and Distinguis.

This simple jacket suit of dark gray tweed conforms with the requirements of the present spring mode without losing, on the one hand, its effect of tailored simplicity or, on the



OF DARK GRAY TWEED.

other, its air of individual distinction. The long coat is made with a braided waistcoat, and the wide revers are trimmed with big buttons.

### The Plaited Skirt.

The plaited skirt, always a favorite with all grades of women, for various reasons is even now made up in strictly modified tailored skirts, the plaits being around the feet or below the knees only and in groups.

For practical everyday or backabout gowns the lover of the plaited skirt may indulge in these, which are especially kind to large feet.

When one comes to think about it, that is one of the reasons no doubt why so many women clamor for the plaited skirt. Most women are provided with feet that are quite large enough, and none but the smallest are ever voluntarily revealed to the world unless one lacks judgment.

### Extra Long Hairpins.

The girl who has trouble with her coiffure these days, when at least one or two puffs are worn, if not more, should hunt for the extra long hairpin. It gives a greater feeling of security than five of the universal short ones. It is several inches long, made of strong steel, and holds the hair firmly in position.

The false Psyche knot, loose puffs or Roman braid can be run through to one's own hair with these long hairpins more easily than with any other kind.

The girl who has not used them does not know the comfort in store for her.

### New Evening Frook.

The long tunic over a short skirt is taken up by young girls for dances. It is very graceful and attractive. The sketch shows an original model that is worth copying. The one piece



OF CHINESE BLUE MESSALINE.

tunic is made of Chinese blue messaline, embroidered with roses at the hem and caught with artificial roses below the bust. The scanty skirt and the sleeves are made of lace net. The scarf is of rose pink, and the slippers and stockings are blue.

### The Newest Blouse.

The ultra smart blouse for midwinter wear is made of heavy gold net, embroidered in dull, rich colors. The designs are also stamped on the net. These are simply made on account of the richness of the material.

The net is only placed over part of the lining, as the high skirt joins it three inches above the waist line, and there are a small round yoke and a stock of fine lace. The color scheme stamped or embroidered on the net must tone in with the rest of the suit.

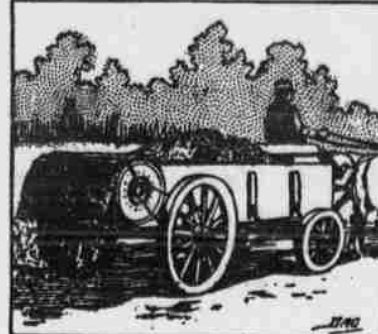
## STABLE MANURE.

How to Handle It With Least Loss. The Serviceable Spreader.

By W. T. L. TALLAFERRO, Maryland. In order to reduce the loss in manure to a minimum and also to economize in handling it, the general aim and practice should be to haul it directly from the stable to the field and spread it at once. On the average farm the following of this practice all through the year would result in less loss than any method that could be pursued.

The use of rotted manure rather than fresh manure is desirable in connection with many market garden or vegetable crops, as it gives quicker results and with root crops will give a smoother and nicer product.

Manure should be spread as soon as it is hauled to the field. The practice



MANURE SPREADER AT WORK.

of putting it in piles is objectionable because of the loss that is likely to occur. The placing in piles also involves additional labor.

The manner of spreading will depend upon local conditions, but where the distance to haul is relatively short and it is desired to have it evenly spread the manure spreaders will be found serviceable machines.

From ten to twenty tons of manure per acre are usually considered a fair application, but considerably more is frequently applied for market garden crops. Experiments have shown that generally it would be far more profitable to use about one-half the usual quantities and to supplement it with commercial fertilizers.

The first step to be taken in the care of manure so as to prevent losses is to provide sufficient bedding or litter in the stable to absorb and save all the liquid parts. The losses due to fermentation can be greatly checked by mixing horse manure with the older cow manure, by making the piles compact, so as to exclude the air, and by moistening the pile so as to assist in excluding the air and also to lower the temperature.

The use of chemical or mechanical absorbents, such as paste, kaimit, phosphate rock, etc., in the stable and sprinkled over the manure assists in preserving the manure and preventing loss.

Losses from washing or leaching by rain may be prevented by piling under cover or in favorable basinalike places or, still better, by hauling it directly to the field and spreading it as soon as produced.

### Effect of Fertilizer.

In the use of fertilizing material, nitrogen tends to stimulate leaf growth. An abundance of nitrogen in the soil is indicated by rank luxuriant growth and dark green foliage, for much nitrogen on vines, shrubs and trees causes a too rapid growth of wood. The wood thus formed is rather tender and soft and does not ripen properly and is often injured by the winter weather. An excessive use of nitrogen stimulates leaf and wood growth at the expense of fruit.

Phosphoric acid and potash have more to do with the development of the parts of the fruit buds, fruit and seed. They also produce a more normal development of the parts of the plant, the parts are firmer, the wood ripens better and is more hardy.—A. L. Knisely.

### A Rust Resistant Melon.

It is reported that P. K. Blinn of the Colorado experiment station has succeeded in developing a cantaloupe with rust resisting qualities. During the past season it remained green until the majority of the fields were dead.

### The Royal Box.

Kaiser William never travels incognito.

King George of Greece is the poorest of all European monarchs.

King Edward when Prince of Wales never voted on any political question, but he always voted for the deceased wife's sister bill, which was a social and not a political matter.

### Proverbs.

Too sharp a sword cuts the scabbard.—French Proverb.

The best throw of the dice is to throw them away.—Spanish Proverb.

A knowledge of the way is a good part of the journey.—German Proverb.

Custom is the plague of the wise man and the idol of fools.—Latin Proverb.

### Kingston Still in Ruins.

It is now just about two years since the earthquake at Kingston, Jamaica, but a visit to the city does not show any great amount of progress in repairing the damage done. In many places in the heart of the city the wreckage has not been disturbed. From time to time human remains are still found in the ruins of the buildings, so that even now the true figures of the loss of life are not attainable.—Exchange.

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