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Changes in Nature.

That it is necessary to make changes in nature nobody will dispute. That Manhattan Island should have remained a wildeness was clearly impossible. Changes being required, it behooves us to find how to make them without disturbing the beauty of the landscape, and how to improve the materials nature has so bountifully provided. This is what the breeder of fine horses, dogs and cows, the landscape gardener, the florist, the seedsman and the architect are all trying to do.

In this way dogs have developed frem wolves and juckals, and the cat shows considerable of the qualities of her ancient ancestor. The wild horse of the plains has been refined into the more gentle road horse of the present day.

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In the year 1821, Czar Alexander visited the fortifications in the Cr mea, He went personally to the quar ers of each company at dinner time to see how they fared. Wherever he went he found an excellent dinner on the table, the principle feature of the meal being a small roast pig. Wolchonsky, who accompaniel the Czar was of a suspicious nature, and it occurred to him that it was rather peculiar that each mess should have a roast pig, so he slyly cut off the pig's tail and put it in his pocket.

In the next quar ers they visited there was a roast pig on the table, but lo and behold! it didn't have any tail. Prince Wolchonsky remarked to the Czar that he thought the pig was an old acquaintance, and when the Czar asked him what he meant, he produced the missing tail and fit led it to the amputated stump of the porker. As soon as the roast pig had been inspected in one house, before the Czar could reach the next, it was whisked out the back door and made to figure on the next table that was inspected.

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