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With Adolphe d'Ennery passes away the last of the great French melo-dramatists who were coeval with the elder Dumas. It is not too much to say that he did more to make the drama of emotion by situation and machinery widespread than any other playwright. He was content if his ventures paid largely, and let art take care of itself. His "Two Orphans" showed him at his best. His heroes and heroines were apt to be very much of a kind, but oh! what villains he constructed! He lived eighty-eight years, and died worth \$3,000,000. Virtue in his plays was never more conspicuously rewarded.

arding the competition in transection of the competition in transection of the English and American fazette says: "There is hardly a branch of trade in which America does not now compete with Great Britain. She has developed her native talent, which now finds abundant outlets at home and abroad. In every single manufactured article that the States produce England could, if she liked, produce England could, if she liked, where not attemption of the country of the coun In connection with the discussion ing to do so. Her sons, badly educated, are fonder of play than of work; her technical schools are in their infancy, whereas in the States and in Germany they are flourishing and of long standing, and properly State, subsidized. Until England adapts herself to the times, until trade strikes cease, or until other nations are involved in war, so long will British goods be replaced in other markets by more of her competitors."

The news from Philadelphia of the discovery of tubing in the walls and floor of Keely's work-shop is, on the whole, rather mortifying. The Philawhole, rather mortifying. The Phila-adelphia Press vouches for the story. It avers that the Keely work-shop has been ripped up; that under the floor was a steel reservoir capable of holding compressed air at a high pressure, and that the tubing found was small but very strong, and also capable of standing a severe strain. The sad inference is that Keeiy was a poor old fraud, and used compressed air to produce the remarkable mechanical effects with which he regaled his visitors. The investigators seem to have been somewhat zealous to prove that the was a deceiver, and it may be that the believers in Keely, if there are any left, will doubt their findings; but the story as it is told seems fairly conclusive, and the hidden tubes, if they can be shown in position as found, will require a deal of explanation, observes Harper's Weekly.

Has been ripped up; that under the lock was a little bit of a runt of a man, bent in the shoulders; decrepit and weak, with a skin like so much parchiment and no more fight in him then in a deal bronche. So that all the men had to do when they wanted had looked happy and turned had looked happy and turned the other cheek. The same aforesaid merry makers never bore any gradge against Lee for his uncomplaining good nature and had no false pride about them when they wanted a clean shirt on credit. Lee gave them their fun and their shirts and never complained.

Except to one.

It may be that a new fashion in matrimony has been created in the mountain fastnesses of Virginia. Not long ago a comely young woman of that region was wooed by two suitors, one of whom she preferred. An engagement and a marriage ceremony followed in due time, despite the adage about the course of true love not running smoothly. As an act of grace an invitation was extended to love. ange about the course of true love not running smoothly. As an act of grace an invitation was extended to the rejected swain to attend the marriage proceedings. He displayed his fortitude by accepting, and, accompanied by a number of friends, he attended. On one sleeve he wore a broad band of crepe, symbolic of his dead hopes, and throughout the ceremony he and his friends expressed their dolorous sentiments by a continuous, subdued moaning. This display of appreciation for the bride's attractiveness evidently aroused none but the pleasantest sentiments in the breast of the happy man whose names he was taking, for there is no record of a disturbance, and it is to be assumed that none occurred. It would be interesting to see this custom transplanted to other spheres of society. The suggestion affords many possibilities of variation, tending to add materially to the interest in teses usually gladsome occasions.

Olga Nethersole, in a recent lecture before the University of Chicago's day the crowd found it out. The not running smoothly. As an act of grace an invitation was extended to



SONG OF THE LOCOMOTIVE

Blackness out of the blackness,

flame
It teareth through the night.
Splitting the vale with a might shriek,
Flying o're glints of steel, try shriek,
Flying o're glints of steel,
With a whirl by the edge of a precipice
Ora lunge where the marshes reek,
And the occe is under the wheel.

High in the air like a wounded bird. Spanning the
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Ere it plunged through the mountain of rock with a rour golde by the fiverbod. Ever and on like a haunted thing, Trombling and crazed with foar, With a fire at its heart that is calling deep and the speed of a dragon's wing, As it crosses the plain and more.

Black out of the blackness,
Monster of steam and steel,
Yet a thing that is living and human as
man,
A soul in the shaft and wheel.
Servant of man that abides his will,
Child of his brawn and brain,
It has made of the earth but a little place,
It has levelled the grante hill,
Till the ends of the earth are plain.
—Chicago Evening Post.

DY WARREN MOVEIGH. Dy Warnen McVeton.



ABULOUS as it may seem, some of the leading citizens of McCook, Arizona, having made all the money they could possibly use in the remaining years of their

in the remaining years of their lives, decided to reform.

In fact, we got to be such a good town that the women's to be such a good town that the women's line made its appearance.

The very next step in the triumphant march of civilization was Lee Toy.

Lee Toy came originally from China. For a living he washed shirts and other things.

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There was not a sign of a cloud on the horizon of reform when Lee Toy ownet to town. We haul't had a shoot-in for a robbery or even a domestic quarted in months. So Lee, who was for power, first, last and always, welcomed himself effusively when he moves in and settled down to enjoy life.

Lee built himself a wonderfal little

life.

Lee built himself a wonderfal little un on the very outskirts of the town. I consisted of one room, divided by a ed cloth curtain. In front Loe had dis office and did his washing. Behind the curtain he kept his bed of pinon branches and the comforts of his life, his pipes and his cooking utensils.

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Graduate Club, said of Rudyard Kipling that he was "as lan MacLaren had
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Earnings of the Railroads.
Fourteen of the sixteen leading
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those of 1897.

one of his tormentors and very nearly killed him.

That settled Lee's account with the town of McCook.

The Vigilance committee sat as a grand jury and heard the prejudiced witnesses. Lee was doomed. At first there was lynching in the air and it didn't improve the atmosphere very much either. Then some of the more merciful thought out a better scheme. The result of it was that Lee was ordered to get ready to leave town.

the compass. Lee choose to leave town by way of the Supersition Mountains. Away down in his heart he had a vague idea that out in the mountains he might find refuge with some of the miners. Up on top of all his other thoughts was the one that perhaps he might catch a sight of Bess as he marched past her mother's cabin.

The procession, formed and the order to march was given. Followed by a hooting mob, Lee began his pilgrimage. Then the mad indignity of it all forced its way into his untutored soul, and when he reached Bess's home he hung down his head and scurried by, ashamed to look her in the face, afraid that her eyes, too, might condemn him.

Without much thought of anything except to get away as far as possible from McCook, Lee stumbled along over the rocky hills. Finally worn out and weary he threw himself down, not caring much whether he lived or died.

Then down in a little valley he saw a light. He knew it came from a miner's hut, and with one last idea of food and lodging he made for the

light. He had almost reached it when he heard a fearful shriek, and then the door of the cabin burst open and out of it poured half a dozen flends incarnate.

A moment later the cabin burst into flames.

Lee knew at once what had hap-

pened.
Cowering behind a great rock he

pened.
Cowering behind a great rock he watched the Apaches as they danced about the burning cabin, waving in the air what he guessed to be the gory scalps of their victims.
Then from their actions Lee saw that the Indians intended to descend upon the sleeping town from which a few hours before he had fled.
A fierce glow thrilled his heart, all his wrongs and hatreds came back to him. Now he would be avenged, he thought, and in his soul he rejoiced that his tormentors were also to be persecuted.

Then in the midst of the glare of the burning cabin a little face stood out full and clear, and Lee's heart thumped fiercely in his throat, and he swore that though little Bess might have believed hira guilty and justly dealt with, he could not let her meet such a death. For the others he did not care. They had almost taken his life, but Bess—she had not wronged bim.
So he hurried back to the town.

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With quick and stealthy tread he made his way to the Widow Johnson's cabin. He knocked at the door and in a few seconds the woman opened it for him. She cried out when she saw him and dragged him into the cabin. Then in a few words he told her what he had seen.

"We must be off," he cried, "they will be here in a few minutes."

The woman awoke Bess, who, as soon as she saw Lee, flew to his arms.

"You have come back," cried the child. "I knew you would not leave me without saying goodbye."

"We are going away together," whispered Lee in his pigeon English.

"And so you came back to warn us after the way you were treated here?"

"No, no," cried Lee fiercely.
"Only you, only! The rest must die!"
"That is not right," Bess exclaimed.

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eyes.
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"No, no, no," cried Lee fiercely, as he saw the sweetness of revenge slipping from him.
"I love you, so what does it matter?" the child said, "because they are bad is that any reason why you should be, too?"
The proposition had never suggested itself to the outcast's philosophy. But Bess had said it, and so, with downeast eyes, ashamed that Bess should have had to rebuke him, Lee Toy surrendered.

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An hour later when the Apaches broke in upon the town they found it barricaded and well defended.

The first attack was aimed at a little cabin on the outskirts of the

town.
When the townspeople came to this cabin to thank the Widow Johnson for giving the alarm, they found her and little Bess in tears. On the bed lay the figure of a man. In the middle of his forehead was an ugly red blotch

NEWS AND NOTES FOR WOMEN.

Accessories in the Tailor Costumes.
White cloth vests, revers and other accessories impart an appearance of daintiness and distinction to the tailor sely fitted in th and fastened with handsome gold but tons, and the white revers are edged with a graduated design in narrow gold braid.

Popular Newmarkets For Shopping.

Long, close-fitting Newmarkets, that cover the wearer from neck to feet, are very popular for usefal wear during the spring for shopping and traveling. They are double-breasted with revers collar, and are cut without crossing seams on the hips. Very light tan kersey is used for these wraps, with stitched edges for their finish and white pearl-button fastenings. Other long shapes of checked cheviots have hoods or short English capes to complete them, and there are fawn-colored models with a pointed yoke of the cloth and a stitched belt at the back only.

A Becoming House Dress.

A French house dress made of soft Henrietta cloth of magenta shade could be worn becomingly by awoman of almost any type. The blouse vest and petticoat are of beige vicuus, tucked and briar-stitched in lattice effects on the blouse front, and simply briar-stitched at the hem of the petticoat. The oddly shaped cape-collar and revers are elaborately trimmed with beige lace; loops of red satin ribbon showing here and there among the filmy meshes. The elbow sleeves are finished with a similar trimming of wider lace and ribbons. Arquad the neck is a pretty collar of black chenille embroidery and at the waist a chenille belt.

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Silk Gowns For Summer.

No summer wardrobe will be complete without one or two silk gowns, and this is a very good time to buy last year's patterns for one-half what they were sold for last year or will be sold for later. The newest patterns and designs are very expensive as yet, and will not come down in price until midsummer. These silks are to be found in glace foulards, surahs, and of course in taffetas; but these last come under the same head as the glace silks. It is to be the fashion for every woman who prides herself on possessing a thorough wardrobe to have at least one black silk in her outfit this year. These black silk gowns are made up with some contrasting color in the vestor introduced in the trimmirg. There are also the figured faffetas, rather heavier than the usual taffeta, somewhat between a gross grain and a taffeti. This wears ngured tanetas, rather heavier than the usual taffeta, somewhat between a gros grain and a taffeta. This wears well, and in some shops can be bought as low as eighty-five cents a yard.— Harper's Bazar.

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A Weman's Reform in Illinols.
Illinois club women have undertaken a crusade against the use of woman's face or figure for advertising purposes. It is proposed that no woman's face, in other words, shall be any man's fortune. This unique reform of the seandalized fair sex bobbed up serenely at a recent meeting of the Fourteenth Congressional District Federation of Women's Clubs, held at Lewistown. The petition-loving club women who were District Federation of Women's Clubs, held at Lewistown. The petition-loving club women who were present compared advertising pictures and promptly decided they were enough to drive the Jouth of America to corruption. Thereupon they drew up a stringent set of resolutions, which have since been printed for the purpose of distribution among the women's clubs of the State. After these "face and figure" resolutions are sufficiently supported by feminine signatures they will be turned over to their dear masculine friends—the lawmakers in the State Legislature—with au earnest little prayer that there be issued a stern manifesto against the use of woman's likeness for commercial purposes. — Chicago Times-Herald,

commercial purposes. — Chicago Times-Herald.

An Elaborate Cloth Skirt.
Cloth skirts for spring costumes are, many of them, most elaborate. There is one design in blue serge that is particularly effective and, of course, particularly expensive, as well. The skirt is cut with a gored effect and is very flaring around the foot. Down the front breadth at either side go three or four lines of black braid. These lines of braid turn and go around the skirt about a quarter of a yard from the foot, and above the three lines of braid is a mass of braiding in narrow black soutache and narrow black satin folds, making the entire sides of the skirt covered with braid in an elaborate design. This skirt is one of the French

in to the giving the clark.

And little Bess in tears.

Any the figure of a man. In the lie of his forehead was an ugly read blotch.

"It's Lee Toy!" they cried.

And then the woman told the truth, how in the first attack the outcast had thrown his body in front of little Bess, and had died.

And now in the town of McCook, and how in the tworld by an other name), stands a Christian work.

She will be the memory of the heathen Lee Toy.—The Criterion.

Women as Barbers.

Women barbers are not a product of the nineteenth century. In Gay's Bess "Journey to Exeter," published in England in 1715, he relates that after saing Morcombe Lake travelers and Morcombe Lake travelers and more shape next morning the are shaved by a safe as the best, and had died.

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Sign. This skirt models; has not yet been sign. This skirt wantage that it cuts the figure and makes a short person look shorter.

For ordinary everyday wear and a great favorite, but it can be trimmed with lines of braid that start from the hem at the back of the skirt, extending up only a little distance; in front go the whole way as far as the belt, but put not meet in a point. They have not morning the matter of the figure; instead they must be put on such a way that they give the effect of gores, or, rather, follow the lines of the gores.

A Husband's Taste.

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Mary R. Baldwin relates this sug gestive little incident in the Woman's Home Companion: "'Oh, my dear, where did you get that monstrosity?' whispared a man to the little woman

by his side as he clung to a strap, and she to him, as they rode home together in a street-ear.

"The effect certainly was ridiculous—the wee face with its timid expression under one of the largest of the new styles of hats with its flaunty feathers and obtrusive trimmings. It is not beneath that it was just the thing—the very latest of the fashions. It is not beneath the thought of the most intellectual woman, nor does it compromise personal independence and taste to consult the preference of a husband in the choice of modes and articles of dress. "There are husbands so constituted, no doubt, that it is gratifying to their pride and sense of authority to receive perfect dependence from the wife; but the reliance of an efficient woman who is able to think and act for herself is thoroughly appreciated by a broad-minded, generous-souled husband. If his wife has a refined true taste he feels honored when she true taste he feels honored when she true taste he feels honored when she regards effects, he takes pride in the house-furnishing, or the gowning of herself, and after the purchase, as he regards effects, he takes pride in the choosing."

thought of having had a voice in the choosing."

Massace a Beauty Restorer.

The marriage of Adelina Patti will make the massage business more popular than ever, for she first became acquainted with her new lussiand by employing him in that line. It has become very extensive in Washington and all the cities of the East, and in the West also, and is now regarded by rich and self-indulgent people as one of the necessaries of life. The fashionable physicians in Chicago prescribe it as a cure for the grip, which leaves the patient weak and enervated. Nothing seems to take the spirit out of a man so much, and there is no inclination for the exercise that is absolutely necessary for the recovery of strength.

A new feature of the massage treatment, as practiced in Chicago, is to restore youth and beauty in women who are showing signs of age. A good-looking women dreads nothing so much as wrinkles, and a massner there guarantees to remove them by an application of hot water and the pressure of her fingers upon the flesh. The operation requires a good deal of patience and sacrifice, however, because while under treatment the patient's face is swathed in bandages of hot water for several days and sheen eat nothing but liquid food taken

patient's face is swathed in bandages of hot water for several days and she can eat nothing but liquid food taken through a tube. There have been at least three successful operations of this kind. One lady in Washington, who a year ago showed unmistakable signs of age, blossomed out last fall in the fullness and bloom of youth, or, as she said, sixteen years younger than when she left the city in the spring,—Chicago Record.

Gossip.
Miss Kitty Reed, the Speaker handsome daughter, receives \$1600 annually for her services as stenog rapher to the Speaker.

rapher to the Speaker.

Miss Frances E. Mason is President of the National Bauk in Limerick, Me. It was founded by her father, J. M. Mason, and its interests have been ably promoted under her leadership Miss Florence Caldwell, of Cleveland, Ohio, is said to be the only woman civil engineer in America. Sho is the daughter of Judge Caldwell, one of the most prominent jurists in Ohio.

The mother of M. Jean de Reszke The house of M. Jean de Roszke has built him a lovely home in the Champs Elysees of Paris, where he and his wife may live. Mmc. de Reszke, senior, and her son Edouard and his family will also take up their abode in the same house.

The report of the Membership Committee of the New England Histor mittee of the New England Historic Genealogical Society shows that forty women were admitted to membership during the past year, that being the first year that the by-laws of the so-ciety have permitted their admission to membership.

Gleanings From the Shops.
Lisle hose in checks and large plaids White tulle spotted with gold equins.

sequins.

Neck clasps in greenenamel clover-leat designs.

Jeweled and enameled slides for soft ribbon belts.

Hatpins in rich mosaic designs and unusually large heads.

Gingham dresses for girls trimmed with lace or embroidery.

Watch chains and fobs in combinations of gold and gun metal.

tions of gold and gun metal. Imported skirts showing large plaids of green and red combined. Cloth suits for girls in smooth-faced materials trimmed with braid.

Silk evening hose in conspicuou olors with silk-embroidered insteps

colors with silk-embroidered insteps.
Beautiful organdies in designs of black, white and gray arranged in stripes or scrolls.
Safety slides for the hair made of tortoise shell, silver or gold, plain or

jewel studded.

Superb embroideries on a satin ground in combinations of pearl beads, jewels and tinsel.

Embroideries of velvet, satin or mousseline outlined with small beads, sequins or tinsel.

Midseagen togens of less satisfies Midseason toques of lace or richly

embroidered transparent materials, flowers and aigrettes.

flowers and aigrettes.

Fine quality dotted swisses showing narrow stripes in delicately colored pompadour patterns.

Misses' frocks composed entirely of lengthwise rows of shirring, with narrow satin ribbons between.

Ready made pique gowns with three bands of open embroidery on the skir and guirpe of the same material.— Dry Goods Economist.

HOUSEHOLD AFFAIRS

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A Novel Use For Paper.

Crinkled Japanese paper may be used for decorative as well as useful purposes in the bedroom, dressing room or boudoir. It can be used to cover the tops of tables, shelves, etc. hanging down over the ends, and with its slightly rufled edges it makes a most artistic appearance, especially when selected to harmonize with the wall hangings and draperies of the room. One person had a very pretty boudoir and dressing room combined fitted up in greens, blues and dull tans, which blend so well together, and the walls, ceilings, carpets, rugs and cushions were all of these tints in pearl or blended patterns. Coverings of all shelves, tables, dresser top, etc., were of the same tinge of green, with the edges pulled out ever so slightly, and the effect was most pleasing.—

New York Herald.

Planning For Sunday Meals.

Arranging the Sunday meals on Saturday is very essential, especially where the housewife must do all the work without the aid of servants. A salad is a great stand-by for a Sunday-evening supper, and the fish, meat, or eggs can be prepared the day before, and the cress, celery, or lettnee washed and left in celd water ready for instant use. Meat loaf is another standard and palatable cold dish for Sunday night. The chafing-dish can be called into use for a hot Sunday tea. Omelets, hash, or other simple dishes cooked on the chafing-dish, with buttered toast and tea, make a desirable Sunday-evening tea. For breakfast there is nothing better than codfish cakes and stewed potatoes. The codfish balls can also be prepared over-night, and it requires little work to cook them up for an early breakfast. This leaves only the dinner to prepare for Sunday.

A delicate dessert for Sunday din-

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A delicate dessert for Sunday dinner is made by boiling a pint of cream with a quarter of a pound of sugar, and a little lemon flavoring. Mix this with a paste made of two teaspoonful of corn-flour, and let them boil a few minutes, stirring thoroughly. Pour this over a plate or bowl of mixed fancy cakes, macaroons, and strips of citron, raisins, and dried fruits. Make successive layers of the cream and

Inventory Books.

An "inventory book" is the latest convenience for the housekeeper. This is a printed list, with columns for date of entry, value and description. It is systematically arranged and makes the list complete in case of fire, theft or death. It is next to impossible to remember all that was in a room before a fire, and the insurance companies always require a sworn list before settling. This housekeeper's inventory will settle the matter quickly.

Articles likely to be found in any room of the house are arranged in alphabetical order, with the name and location of the room heading the page. Two pages are given over to each room, beginning, with albums, andirons, brackets, bric-a-brae, book shelves, bureaus, bedsteads, etc., and running through to wardrobes and window seats. Special lists are also arranged for bric-a-brae, books, clothing, jewelry, ornaments, paintings, pictures, silverware, dishes, chiua, glassware, kitchen utensils, bedding, and linen, while a miscellaneous list and recapitulation of the value of the whole finishes the book.

Every room in the house has its place in the book—chambers, parlors, reception hall, other halls, dining room, library, kitchen and pantries, laundry and cellar, attic or store room, and even the closets. Trunks, boxes and barrels have their places and space for lists of their contents. Nothing is left out.

Recips.

Marrow Toast—Buy a large shin

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Marrow Toast—Buy a large shin bone and have the butcher split it so the marrow can be taken out. Boil the bone for stock and use the meat to make potted beef. Mix in a hot dish a teaspoon each chopped parsley and lemon juice, half teaspoon salt, a grain of cayenne and several drops of lemon juice. Keep hot, but do not cook away. Have toast prepared and hot. Now prepare the marrow. Cut in slice's and boil in one quart salted water just ninety seconds. Mix with the seasoning, spread on the toast and serve at once. All must be hot to be good.

Broiled Vienna Steak—Have two pounds of round steak cut medium

Broiled Vienna Steak—Have two pounds of round steak cut medium thick. Mix together four tablespoonfuls of salad oil and one tablespoonful of minced parsley and a minced slice each of onion and a half teaspoonful of yellow lemon peel. Rub both sides of the meat with this mixture and let stand over night. In the morning drain, but do not wipe, and broil. Dust a half teaspoonful of salt and a pinch of pepper lightly over the broiled steak, dot over with a half teaspoonful of butter broken into bits, and serve on a hot platter. The flavor of meat treated in this way is delicious, and it makes tough steak jury and tender. "Bath Chaps"—Bath chaps is the

licious, and it makes tough steak jucy and tender.

"Bath Chaps"—Bath chaps is the fanciful name given a pig's cheek cured and smoked, though there is nothing to prove that the title was gained by the dish having been particularly associated with the City of Bath. They are an exceedingly favorite cold breakfast dish, and can be procured ready for boiling from most good stores and provision merchants. They should be soaked in cold water for a couple of hours before cooking. Put them on to boil in tepid water, and boil quiekly from one to one and one-half hours, according to their size. Allow them to get cold in the liquor. Then lift them out, remove the skin and sprinkle all over with bread raspings. Garnish with passley. passley.

FARM TOPICS

will continue to lay through the winter.

Threshing by Hand.

In the older portions of the country, especially among those who grow little grain, the steam thresher is much less in demand than it used to be. Unless there is grain enough to make a full day's work the job will not pay. A great deal of extra help has to be thred, and the money thus expended will hire the small job threshed by hand in winter, thus giving work for several days when there is little work to be had, and when for the poor the necessity of earning something is the greatest. There are other advantages of hand threshing. Much of the newly threshed straw will be eaten by stock that would not touch the same straw if it had been threshed by machine weeks before, and had lain ever since in the stack.

Hogs Sleeping Upstairs.

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A neighbor of mine, in building a new hog house, made a second floor just above the first, high enough to new hog house, made a second floor just above the first, high enough to clear aman's head. From each apartment he made a runway at an angle of about forty-five degrees, with strips to prevent slipping. The sleeping rooms for the hogs were on the upper floor. Most hogs will keep their sleeping rooms very neat, dry and clean. Sometimes young hogs will get into bad habits, but you can soon break them of that by closing a trap door to keep them down a little longer after eating. Old hogs are very particular about keeping their sleeping room dry and clean.

New hogs introduced into the house do not have to be taught to go up stairs to bed, but they will find their way up stairs within an hour after they enter the pen. The discovere of this disposition in a hog had confined several of them in an old log house where there was such a runway leading-to the chamber above. When he went to look for his hogs there was none to be seen. He searched the surrounding country, but no trace could be found. Going back to find where they had got out, he heard a noise up stairs and the mystery was solved.—J. B. Rice, in American Agriculturist.

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The Egg Producers.

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It is not altogether the chickens that will produce the greatest number of eggs a year, but the breed that will lay the largest number of salable eggs between October 1 and April 1. In lay the largest number of salable eggs between October I and April I. In other words, to make the poultry pay we want a breed that will lay eggs in winter. This is not always considered when we speak of the relative laying powers of the various-breeds. Winterlaying hens are worth nearly double the summer layers. If we can rear up a breed that will lay right through the winter, and take a rest in summer, we would make more money than from any now in existence. It is a very interesting question whether such a breed will not eventually be produced, for by artificial means we can adapt the farm animals to almost anything. Then why not induce the hens to lay exclusively in the winter? If they once got into the habit of it, nature would help to persist in this course.

ture would help to persist in this course.

Experiments in recent years seem to show that the best egg-laying breeds are the Leghorns, Plymouth Rocks and Wyandottes, and both the Brahmas and Minorcas have dropped to second place. This does not mean that they are unprofitable, but they are not quite equal to the first three strains for egg-laying. Moreover, the three breeds leading the list are the best winter layers. When kept in good, warm quarters, exercised properly, fed warm and egg-producing foods, they will lay more eggs per week than any other strain of chickens.

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The past season has also demonstrated that certain branches of these three great egg-producing strains of chickens have points of excellence superior to any other. Thus we are gradually getting down to the true egg-laying chickens. The White Wynandottes lead the rest of the family in this respect, the Barred and White Plymouth Rocks stand first among the Wyndottes, and the Brown Leghorns first among the latter strain. Thus we have the egg-laying families pretty well defined. Starting with these one has every chance to succeed in raising chickens for their eggs.

These several strains or breeds have scored an average of 200 eggs a

These several strains or breeds have scored an average of 200 eggs a year each. Of course the birds were selected, and the highest of their class, but it shows what can be accomplished with good breeds and good feeding. It is only by placing the standard high, and then by striving to come up to it, that we can hope to make a living in the poultry business. Try to lop off all the dead wood, and make each hen a selected bird for the business.—James S. Wilson, in American Cultivator.

If two tuning forks of the same pitch are placed facing each other, the one sounding, the other silent, in a few seconds the silent one will be giving out a distinctly audible note.