AS CHILDREN DO.

quickly passed from the room.

splendidly, and Fred's hopes ran

high. Day after day he resolved to

put his fate to the test, and although

his hope was almost confidence, still

At last the desired opportunity ar-

rived. Katherine was sitting before

the open fire, gazing into the dancing

flames as if she would read her future

Inspired with a desperate courage,

As she listened, Katherine's face

wore an incredulous smile, which

gradually changed to a look of sor-

answer, "but I'm engaged to Mr.

Fred in astonishment. "I didn't know

that you knew each other."

plied Katherine calmly.

"I'm sorry for you," she said in

"To John Thornton!" exclaimed

"We met at Marian Richards'," re-

Fred looked at her in helpless be-

"Marian was; and is, one of my

dearest friends," explained Kath-

erine. "When her family left New

York, after her father's failure, I

was away, and from that time until

I met her on the street here, shortly

after my arrival, I had lost all trace

of her. Since then I have been the

confidant of her joy and also of her

grief and disappointment. Knowing

your treatment of her, it is hardly

necessary to tell you that, even were

I free to do so, I would not care to

"Is that all?" asked Fred bitterly.

"No," replied Katherine, as she

went towards the door. "Hereafter,

affairs of business."-Boston Post.

Our Ideals.

By HUGO MUNSTERBERG.

ropeans. The other day we mourned

the death of Simon Newcomb. There

seems to be a general agreement that

astronomy is the one science in which

America has been in the first rank of

the world, and that Newcomb was

the greatest American astronomer.

Yet his death did not bring the

The death of the manager of the

professional baseball games inter-

loss at the hour when the nation's

slightest ripple of excitement.

occupy a similar position."

Fred eloquently pleaded his cause.

gree of intimacy.

he hesitated.

there.

row.

Thornton.'

wilderment.

Sometimes, when night is creeping down, And all the world about is dim, And an the world about is duit, And he must go to Sleepytown, You lie down at the side of him And whisper soothing little things In childish words, such as you frame To tell the sound of beetle wings And how the firefly gets its flame.

And soon the world grows darker yet And to the little fellow's eyes Strange, hidden dangers now beset The shadow places in the skies; But you speak low and comforting And tell him none of them are there, That near him is not anything , But what is good and kind and fair.

Then trembling come his little hands Out through the dark and find your face Out through the dark and not your As though by touch he understands 7 That he is in the safest place; And so with fingers on your check He sighs contentedly to sleep— And you, you may not even speak So very, very still you keep.

Sometime you, as a little child, Shall fare into an unknown night And shall yearn for the stars that smiled With all their soothing, drowsy light; And you, as little children do, May grope out through the darks of

ing Post.

x—x—x—x—x—x—x—x—x

MEASURE FOR MEASURE

By MARY F. HURLEY.

x-x-x-x-x-x-x-x-x-x

One glance at Benton's face told John Thornton that something unusual was about to happen, but, with characteristic caution, he waited for Fred to introduce the subject.

"John, I wish you'd do me a favor," began Fred abruptly, "and I promise faithfully not to impose on your good nature again. Aunt Sarah insists on my accompanying Miss Gordon and herself this evening, and, of course, that means that I can't take Marian to the theatre as I intended, unless-" "Unless by proxy," interposed

Thornton. "Exactly, and if you'll only help me out to-night, John, I'll never ask such a thing of you again. You'll go?"

"Well-yes," answered Thornton, reluctantly, "that is, if Marian submits to your arrangement. You know she was terribly 'put out' the other time, and made no effort to conceal her displeasure."

"I must please Aunt Sarah, John, and you know why," retorted Fred, irritably, "and you also know that she disapproves of Marian."

"She wouldn't if she knew her," retorted Thornton, warmly. Then with assumed indifference, he said: "Who is this Miss Gordon? Describe her.'

"She's a New York girl, but I can't describe her, John. She's dazzling." Thornton looked quizzically at

Benton, then said, seriously: "I hope you're not falling a victim to Miss Gordon's charms, Fred. You ested the country by far more. Pubknow what a susceptible fellow you lic opinion did not show the slightest are. It would break Marian's heart consciousness of an incomparable If you should desert her."

"I hope I'm not such a brute," greatest scholar closed his eyes. And quickly retorted Fred, remembering if I compare it with that deep nationa pair of brown eyes, tender and al mourning with which the whole bright, that had for some time held German nation grieved at the loss of him a willing captive, and vowing to men like Helmholtz or Mommsen or Virchow, and many another, the con-



Sometimes I go to other farms and

cook during harvest, clearing \$50,

and again I spend a couple of weeks

in the hop fields, which gives me a

little change, and adds from \$20 to

At the end of eight years I had

\$700 in money, and a fine mare worth

more than \$100. Last fall I leased

bought 137 head of sheep, which I

added to the thirty-three I already

owned, and put them on the place.

I have a man running the farm on

shares. I will get one-third of all the

grain and hay raised on seventy acres,

but the sheep I will look after myself.

At the end of five years I expect to

have \$2000 in my own right and to

do very little work myself. I think

any country girl who will save like

this in the beginning and strike out

on independent lines can make a

good, honest living, and not work an

the time, either .--- C. E. B., in Wom--

Feminine Philosophy.

A kiss in time causes ninety-nine

No woman is a humorist, because

The use of complexion powders is

These are the days that girls are

Most girls are also deciding these

It is easy enough for a woman to

look pleasant if she has anything to

The favorite girl of the family is

the one who can get the most money

days what they don't want for Christ-

crowding No. 6 feet into No. 3 ball-

never objectionable to the man who

an's Home Companion.

all of them are.

and then some.

room slippers.

mas presents.

look pleasant about.

A Gold Digger. Lady Sybil Grey is the latest distin- just gives one good outdoor exercise. guished gold digger. She accompanied her father, Earl Grey, Governor-General of the Dominion, on his recent trip to the Canadian Arctic gold fields. Near Dawson City, the capital of the Klondike, she pegged \$30 to my earnings. out a claim for herself with all the prescribed legal formalities and christened it the Sybil. Her first panning out produced \$20 worth of gold, a 360 acre farm for five years at a which she considers a very promising rental of \$250 a year cash, and I start. During the long Arctic winter, Lady Sybil will work her claim by deputy, but she says she will return next summer to supervise operations and examine results in person .--Westminster Gazette.

Wedding Invitations.

They need not be answered, unless the recipient is an intimate friend. Then a congratulatory note may be sent. An announcement demands no

reply. The matter of wedding gifts is, of course, an unsettled question.

There are a number of well-bred persons who do not respond to an invitation with a gift, believing that it is poor taste to send gifts to those whom they scarcely know, but to whose wedding they may have been invited, for some reason of courtesy. An "at home" card inclosed in the

invitation necessitates a call, within sells them. the time named, or, if one lives in a distant city, a card sent by post .---Indianapolis News.

Mrs. Locke's Theory.

I'd advise you to follow the golden rule in affairs of love as well as in If the theory propounded by Mrs. Clinton Locke is correct the cat is likely to play an important part among the remedial agencies of the future. She has developed the conviction that the care of a cat will exert a soothing and beneficial effect on If we are sincere, we ought not to lunatics. Mrs. Locke is president of overlook the fact that the scholar, as the Beresford Cat Club and vice-presisuch, has no position in public opindent of the American Cat Association. ion which corresponds to the value She's an enthusiast on the cat quesof his achievement, and to the mental tion. She has been studying the possienergy which he needed for it. The foreigner feels at once this difference conclusion that a person whose wits between the Americans and the Eu-

out of the rich uncle. No Thanksgiving dinner will be a complete success unless Nora, the hired girl, breaks a few dishes. It sometimes takes a woman a long time to discover that a cheap man is An extremely popular fashion with

Apple Cake .-- Place a thin layer of short pastry on a Our Cut-out Recipe Paste in Your Scrap-Book, round baking dish, pinching up the edges with the fingers so as to make a little ledge around the cake. Peel and cut in two some large apples, carefully taking out the cores. Slice them and arrange in a circle around the pastry, one slice overlapping the other. Sprinkle with ground cinnamon and sugar and bake for three-quarters of an hour in a steady oven. When cold sift powdered sugar over the top.

are addled can be materially helped | men would be one that would reduce by taking care of a cat or two. In the prices of things women wear. It is hard to tell which is the most order to test her theory she has sent sensitive, the girl who is getting too one of her finest animals-"a beautiful white female"-to an insane thin or the girl who is getting too fat. The old-fashioned woman has her asylum in Pennsylvania.-Hartford inning when she exhibits her pre-Daily Times. serves and needlework at the county

Ignore Trouble.

What's the use of women taking fair. "We can't make sorrow and trouble interest in the Cuban trouble non-existent by keeping them out of

wear.

tendency.

many seasons.

but the tiniest bit.

ed with Irish crochet lace.

basques are again imminent.

the charming new stockings.

bined with much furry material.

taken the place of net for blouses.

Hoboes En Route. By A. No. 1.

One evening, after being driven out from under the "Overland Limited,' we climbed into a box car loaded with lumber on a freight going East. We closed the door, and after pulling some of the lumber against it in such a fashion that the brakeman looking for a rake-off (a dollar tax levied on tramps by train crews) couldn't open it, we laid ourselves upon the lumber. Soon the train began to get under headway, and at each jolt of the trucks, up and down, sideways and crossways, the lumber would follow suit, only a little harder. as before it had time to settle, after each jolt, the next one would send it flying again into the air.

Poor Bobby! This was his first experlence as a box-car tourist. He had often complained to me after riding underneath the limited flyers about the sand, cinders and rocks that were hitting him, but this ride was a new experience, and he groaned: "Oh, A No. 1. I wish we could get out of this forsaken old rattlebox. Let's get off at the next stop and take the Overland." He kept on bothering me so much that I had to tell him that in the deserts passenger trains make mighty few stops, and that we might have to wait a week or longer at a lone depot before we could catch another ride; and that coyotes would make short work of us should they catch us after dark. Only by thus scaring him could I persuade him to wait until we reached the end of the division. The very next day, after being driven off at a lone water tank, we were forced once more to take a freight car.

We found this one loaded with large lump coal. Here poor Bobby suffered agony, because the coal, being packed solid to the floor, exactly responds to every jolt the springs of the car make, and as this kind of a soad reaches below the centre line, the top of the car tumbles from side to side, straining, creaking and groaning. Bobby was groaning, too; it was too much for him. He' shouted to me, over the infernal noises: "A No. 1, that lumber car yesterday allowed us to lie at least flat on our backs, but these miserable coal lumps won't even permit this, and the racket is making me deaf."

But, poor boy, he didn't know there is a limit in tough box-car riding, and that very night we had a chance to try this limit. We had climbed into a box car loaded with rough, coated plg iron. It's a bad proposition to ride and worse when the car is overloaded, as this one surely was. The springs seemed to have been forgotten when the car was built, and poor Bobby's lamertations were an unmistakable measurement as to what is the limit of misery in riding in box cars.

He shouted to me over the jumping, thumping, racket-raising pigiron bars! "'Every bone in my body is aching, my insides are all broken loose, my back is all twisted. I can't stand, sit up, or lie down to rest on these rough, jolting pig-iron bars. Don't you wish we had that coal car to ride again instead of this one?"-From "Bobby Lee," in The Bohemian Magazine.

WORDS OF WISDOM.



Roads, Wealth and Intelligence. It is estimated by statisticians in the Department of Agriculture that there are hauled annually over the 2,151,000 miles of public roads in the United States, more than 250 million tons of freight an average of nine miles, at a cost of twenty-five cents per ton per mile, amounting to more than 550 millions of dollars. As the cost in some foreign countries, where good roads are the rule, is estimated to be only from eight to twelve cents per mile, attention is naturally called to the element of absolute waste of

energy and substance, without compensation. Take the waste as being one-half of the amount paid, and it amounts to over 280 millions of dollars, which

would be saved by the existence of good roads. With our population of 80,000,000 people this loss amounts to \$3.50 for every man, woman and child in the country every year, or a handicap to our citizenship of \$100

per capita. It is further found that good roads appear to have a strong effect on the educational qualification of the people. In four States with a high percentage of good roads (30.55 per cent.) the percentage of white illiteracy is only 0.34 of one per cent., while in four other States which have few good roads (1.51 per cent.) the percentage of white illiteracy is 4.76 per cent. It may be claimed that the relation of cause and effect may be an inverted one, but whether bad roads are the result of ignorance, or ignorance the result of bad roads, the fact remains that they are closely allied.

It is invariably the case, when a good road is constructed through any section of agricultural country, the farms begin to assume a finer and better aspect. Buildings are painted, fences renewed, better horses, vehicles and farm machinery are procured, and the farm houses and farms take on an atmosphere of thrift and prosperity. It may not be putting it too strongly to assert that the means for this advancement comes from the saving made in marketing the crop. A small farmer may have of crops which he sells, thirty tons to take to market. His supplies may amount to six tons, making thirty-six tons in all for a year. At the average distance of nine miles at twenty-five cents per ton per mile, the cost will be \$81 for the marketing of the year. It can be readily seen that when good roads are constructed, and a half of this amount saved, a good deal of paint can be spread and

many elements of improvement put into operation. When this is done the social natures of the people begin to develop and a broader and a bet-ter intelligence results.-Good Roads Magazine.

The Cost of Administration. In the building of highways much

attention must always be given to the economy of administration. There is a tendency on the part of some newspapers throughout the country to criticise this department of the work, but they rarely give sufficient data for the formulation of of the time that he becomes as fareliable statistics.

A recent publication states that in

Name to Fit the Trade.

Old newspapers give us many instances of men's names fitting their callings. Thus we have Last, a shoemaker of Exeter, and Tredaway, who plied the same trade in Hammersmith.

There was a Bristol schoolmaster named Rod. Dodge and Wynne, attorneys at law of Liverpool, must have been the butts of their fellow townsmen, while few could have a more appropriate name than the Primitive Methodist preacher River Jordan.-London Chrozicle.

Poor Animal.

"Little boy," asks the well-meaning reformer, "is that your mamma over yonder with the beautiful set of furs?"

"Yes, sir," answers the bright lad. "Well, do you know what poor animal it is that has had to suffer in order that your mamma might have the furs with which she adorns herself so proudly?"

"Yes, sir. My papa."-Chicago Evening Post.

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Authors' Wives.

No fewer than twenty-five out of sixty-eight well known English authors were not married at all. A number, including Milton, Bunyan, Southey and Hazlitt, made several matrimonial ventures. Of the rest Shakespeare, Dryden, Addison, Coleridge, Carlyle, Ruskin and Dickens are the most notable of a long list of those who were unhappily mar-

ried. Why should the production of literature he apparently so incompatible with a happy domestic life? Are literary men less capable than lawvers and plumbers of choosing congenial mates?-

The truth seems to be that the writer husband is at home so much miliar an object there as the old cane-bottomed chair. Two persons who can survive twenty-four hours of each other's society a day without jars are happily married indeed.-Success Magazine.

bilities of tabby, and has come to the the dearest thing on earth.

himself that nothing would ever make him false to Marian. Aloud trast becomes most significant. he said: "See you later, and let you know what Marian says.'

After leaving Thornton's office, he sent a hurried note of explanation to the whole country enthusiastically Marian, then settled down to his ac- brought to him the highest thanks customed work. Reaching home at which he so fully deserved. But last after a tiresome day he found when, the year before, William James Miss Gordon more fascinating than left Harvard, the most famous ever. The evening was an enchanted scholar who has worked in this Harone, and Fred found his aunt's guest wholly irresistible. As the days went by Marian re-

seived fewer calls and more and more apologies, until, at last, they ceased to be necessary. Fred did not allow himself to think of his unmanly treatment of the girl who had been so dear to him, and was blind to all future consequences. He also went less frequently to Thornton's office, for Thornton's evident disinclination

One afternoon, arriving home earlier than usual, he found Miss Gordon at the piano, singing. Fascinated, he stood in the doorway and watched her, and she, catching sight of him, nodded and smiled invitingly.

"Katherine, sweetheart," he said, softly, going towards her.

Instantly, the friendly smile vanished, and rising, she said in her coldest and haughtiest tone: "Did you speak to me, Mr. Ben-

ton?"

Bewildered and intensely mortified, Fred left the room in a storm of in- lated enough money to plant a little dignant love. He resolved to return orchard of his own in the suburbs of to Marian and to forget the tantaliz- Hartford on ground that people said ing woman who had allured him from love, friend and business.

That evening found him waiting again in the little parlor where he acres and his income from the had so often waited before, and he hoped that Marian was as miserably unhappy as himself. She was much been mistaken .- Bookkeeper. longer than usual in coming, and when she did come it was hard to believe that she was the same Marian. blush beneath his ardent gaze met him to-night with a cold serenity more it." galling than reproach. She treated him with such polite indifference that the eloquent speech he had prepared was forgotten.

As the clock on the mantel chimed the hour of 8, she asked him to excuse her, pleading an engagement. reached it first, and said:

"Surely, we are not to part like this, Marian. Let us forget the past few weeks, dear. You know you perfect." love me, and-"

"I do not love you, Fred Benton," broke in Marian, emphatically. "Since when, Marian?"

"Since I found you unworthy of my love. I learned to love you and I have also learned-to despise you."

"Is there no thought of the past sufficiently powerful to make you of the hymn," said the minister. more kind?

"None, Fred," she answered, sadly. "Remember that there are wrongs a the same trust in you." She put both | --- Philadelphia Ladger.

When the president of Harvard University closed his administrative work, the old Harvard students and

vard generation, the event passed by like a routine matter. At the commencement festivities every speaker spoke of the departing administrative officer, but no one thought of the departing scholar. And that exactly expresses the general feeling .--- The Atlantic.

Peddler to Peach King.

Down in the State of Georgia they have peach orchards where one can to discuss Miss Gordon irritated him. walk a mile in a straight line and not get beyond the end of a row of peach trees. After the Civil War any one could go through the same country and see nothing but cornfields. Now more peaches are produced on the Georgia soil than in any other portion of the United States, with the possible exception of California. This revolution in horticulture was broughtabout by a Connecticut Yankee. J. H. Hale as a boy began his start in life by

carrying fruit and truck in baskets to Hartford, Conn., and selling it from house to house. He finally accumuwas unfit for any crop. Hale thought differently, and when his orchard grew from an acre to over a hundred

peaches to thousands of dollars a year, they realized that they had

Warning.

"No, Alice," counsels the fond The shy, trusting girl who used to mamma, "you should not marry Mr. Leftover. If you do you will regret

"Why, mamma? Because he is a widower?"

"Not exactly. But he will not make good husband."

"Why, mamma! Everybody knows that while his wife was alive he was a shining model for all the other 'As she moved toward the door, Fred husbands in town. He never drank, smoked or swore: he never stayed out late at night; he never danced with any one out her-he was simply

"I know, my child. And I want to tell you that a man who has been held down that way during his first marriage will know how to dodge such rules the second time."-Life.

Too Near the Pole. "Omit, if you please, the first verse The congregation looked surprised.

"It mentions 'Greenland's icy mountains,' " explained the minister We cannot afford to introduce into enough to forgive. I could never this peaceful gathering any subject wages I loaned at eight per cent. companied by its nether garments again have the old confidence and likely to lead to acrimonious debate."

our conversation." said a physician. "At the same time, I believe that nerves are wrecked and the suicide records increased by this modern harping on neurasthenia, degeneracy, corruption, social and political, tuberculosis, divorce and crime Things are talked about in the most outspoken way that it wasn't good form to mention once. All this makes the race wiser, no doubt, and evils must be known and discussed or they'll never be removed, I suppose; but think of the physic effect of all this verbal delving into dark places. Probably no one can measure the harm done by suggestion. I'd like to have the power to try, for one year, the plan of keeping all murders, suicides, divorces, etc., out of print and out of days and is on the wane. conversation. I'll wager there would be fewer murders, suicides, divorces the latter part of that year than the of the latest winter hats. first part.'

Society Millinery.

Miss Maude Converse, one of the society leaders of Washington, D. C., has opened a millinery establishment in the fashionable Northwest destrict. Miss Converse is a daughter of the late Rear-Admiral Converse, once chief of the Bureau of Navigation. Speaking of her venture, Miss Converse said:

studying Paris fashions, and all my life have been interested in the artistic designing of clothes."

Miss Converse said her shop would devote itself mostly to children's fine clothes, layettes, tea gowns, evening gowns and trousseaux. She acknowledged that she had gained much of her notion to open the shop from the successfel venture of Lady Duff Gordon in London.

was reported that, because of financial circumstances, Miss Olga Con-Baltimore News.

A Farmer's Enterprising Daughter.

six years old, and have earned my over which it is worn. own living for eight years. 'I am employed on my father's farm, eight felt hat is a band of wide soft satin miles from town, and he pays me ribbon looped at one side. The ends and have laid up some money each year.

ing my flock until I had thirty-three rufflings, which are detachable, are head; then I would cull out each year and sell the oldest ones.

The wool and wether lambs from year to year helped to keep me in nice small girl is an increasingly popular clothes and spending money. My one and nowadays each frock is ao-Each year I put in from one to two made of the same material as the acres of potatoes, and these I culti- frock itself.

when that country furnishes us nothing but tobacco?-New Haven Register.

DRETTY A

Large hats are the rule for evening

Sleeves have a decidedly fuller

Silks are more prominent than for

The waist line has been lowered

The cuirass gown has seen its best

Contrasting facings are a feature

The daintiest new hatpins are head-

Tight fitting and stiffly boned

Evelet embroidery has more or less

Jet trimming upon frocks of sap-

Ruffling for shirt waists will be

phire hue is one of the many varia-

A good guesser always boasts of his intuition.

If at first you don't succeed, blame t on your luck.

The best foundation for success in business is rocks.

Don't worry, and you'll have nothing to worry you. A girl's ideal is naturally shattered

when he goes broke. If you have any doubts about a

strange bed look before you sleep. Of course the best thing with which to feather your nest is cash down. A married man can always get a

little off his sentence for bad behavior. Lots of politeness is wasted on

people who are too slick to be taken in by it.

Even when a woman feels she is worth her weight in gold she hates to get fat.

If wishes were horses there wouldn't be any room in the world for automobiles.

Embroidery appears, on many of Virtue, being its own reward, you can't very well blame a man if he is good for nothing. Lace trimming on hats will be com-

The fellow who was weighed in the balance and found wanting must have neglected to drop a cent in the slot.

Some men can't even find fault Small bows are replacing the large without acting as though they had discovered something to be proud of. When a fellow feels like throwing himself down and worshiping a girl Glace gloves will be worn more he should wait. She will probably throw him down herself .- From "The Musinges of a Gentle Cynic," in the New York Times.

Quail in Louisiana.

Quail are increasing throughout the State. The quantities in Louisiana this year are said to be larger than in any other year as far back as the memory of those qualified to know extends. Officials and allies of the State Game Commission say the increase is one of the first fruits of the game protection system.

Frank M. Miller, president of the commission said: "There is no question but that the great increase in these birds is due to proper protection. Last March a closed season was declared, and from then until November the law was strictly enforced. As a result an enormous number of these young fowls bred during March and April, and what is more extraory dinary, a second setting was hatched during the fail along about September. Observers of the habits of our native game will testify that this is a unique occurrence."-New Orleans Times-Democrat.

She Took a Pair.

"How much are those shoes?" asked the lady who had the reputaion of being a keen shopper.

"Those shoes are not for sale," reolied the salesman, who had something of a reputation, too. "We're giving them away with every pair of shoe laces at \$3.50."-Judge.

a certain State a f'careful examination made from the orders issued for a period of one year, shows conclusively that only sixty per cent. of the appropriation was actually expended on the roads, the other forty per cent. representing the administration and supervision." This amount seems entirely out of proportion. Many practical road makers figure on a profit of ten per cent. in contracting, and an amount equivalent to fifteen per cent. to cover the expense of engi-

neering, supervision and all incidental expenses, including wear and tear on plant, interest, insurance, taxes, etc. In work done under direct supervision, instead of by contract, the element of profit is, of course, eliminated, as are the other items of wear and tear on plant; and such incidental items as the salaries of the executive officer and the employes of the office, should be covered by ten per cent., at most, of the appropri-

ation. It seems to be the concensus of opinion among engineers that the combined cost of engineering and ad-College. ministration in general work in the construction of roads, should not exceed fifteen per cent .-- Good Roads Magazine.

Cats Watching Sparrows. .Every afternoon just before twilight a row of cats of ail ages, stages, gauges, breeds, tribes and then a few other kinds thrown in to sort of even up the balance of things, can be seen in the yard next to St. Andrew's Church, at Eighth and Shipley streets. All of them are squeeded as close to the wall of the church building as they can get, and there they lie in wait for sparrows which infest the creeping vines that grow all over the wall of the church on the south side. Every moment or so some luckless sparrow alights too near the ground or chirps too loud, and some cat ingmediately makes a running jump up the vine, and before the bird can fly from under the leaves it is cat food. Sometimes as many as twenty cats can be seen in a row watching for their evening meal of birds .- Wil-

Oxalic Acid Costly.

mington News.

A most injurious thing which costs New Yorkers a big lot of money is the sly use of oxalic acid in home laundries by the visiting washerwoman, who carries a small bag of oxalic acid in her hand grip or maybe under her apron. Two or three tablespoonfuls of this cleaning dope put into a laundry tub of water make washing so easy that it is a sin to take the money, but what it does to clothes is a-plenty. Wise housekeepers try to watch for this trick, but it Chemicals used for laundering are deadly poisons .- New York Press.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Adams, of Norwich, N. Y., are parents of triplets, two boys and a girl, weighing less than eight pounds total. The father himself is one of a triplet.

Blue and White in Greek Flag. The Greek flag is an unpretentious piece of blazonry consisting of nine stripes of blue and white alternately, with a white cross on a blue ground in the top left hand corner. The navy flag has a golden crown in the centre of the cross.

Blue and white are the national colors of Bavaria, and were adopted oy the Greeks as a delicate compliment to the Prince of Bavaria, who accepted the throne of Greece when that country had succeeded in wresting her independence from the Ottonan Empire,-Dundee Advertiser.

Michael Idvorsky Pupin, known as the inventor of wireless telephony and who, according to report, received \$800,000 for an invention which is used in long distance telephoning, worked his way through Columbia

SECRET WORKER The Plan Upon Which Coffee Oper-

ates.

Coffee is such a secret worker that it is not suspected as the cause of sickness or disease, but there is a very sure way to find out the truth. A lady in Memphis gives an interesting experience her husband had with coffee. It seems that he had

been using it for some time and was an invalid. The physician in charge shrewdly suspected that coffee was the "Worm

at the root of the tree," and ordered it discontinued with instructions to use Postum regularly in its place.

The wife says: "We found that was the true remedy for his stomach and heart trouble, and we would have gladly paid a hundred times the amount of the doctor's charge when we found how wise his judgment was.

"The use of Postum instead of coffee was begun about a year ago, and it has made my husband a strong, well man. He has gained thirty-five pounds in that time and his stomach and heart trouble have all disap-

peared. "The first time I prepared it I did not boil it long enough, and he said there was something wrong with it." Sure enough it did taste very flat, but the next morning I followed directions carefully, boiling it for fifteen minutes, and he remarked 'this is better than any of the old coffee.'

"We use Postum regularly and never tire of telling our friends of the benefit we have received from leaving off coffee."

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Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

tions of the hour. The large hat is being restricted to dress occasions; small hats are in After the death of their father, it sway for all ordinary wear. Skirts, while cut on broader lines. still retain more or less the sheath verse and Miss Maude Converse would effect. The silhoutee is almost exgo into business or on the stage .-- | actly the same as it was last season. Coats are still semi-fitting, but the

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cut has changed. The backs are nar-

row and fat and the skirt of the coat I am a farmer's daughter, twenty- is almost as close-fitting as the dress A very pretty finish for the simple

\$2.25 a week. Out of this I have which hang below the brim of the hat clothed myself, had a very good time are finished with tassels. Orange, the exact shade of the fruit is one of the most fashionable

The third year I bought with my colors. It is alluring in panne velvet savings seven head of good sheep, for the long military cape, which is and let them out on shares. The next getting in fashion every day. year I bought fifteen more; then I had twenty-two old ones. I kept my part worn much this fall. This in a measof the increase, the ewe lambs. The ure is due to the low-cut coat. These wethers I would sell. I kept increasmade of tucked net, batiste or sheer

linen. The fashion for bloomers for the

"I have been abroad several months

ones for tying the young girl's hair. Lynx, black fox and pointed fox are best in small furs for general wear. than the suede with evening costumes