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T. B. Fraser, Sumter,

USEFUL SNAKE STONE.

Got Rid of the Poison.



in Maryland, but Betty's move to a fashionable center like Philadelphia made her change her mind, and arrangements were made by which Josie was able to go Betty one better. A young ladies' seminary in New York city itself received Josie. She left us bereaved about a week after Betty vanished from our ken, but promised to be back for the Christmas holidays. Betty was happy, she protested in every communication, and wholly con-She was getting along. The other girls liked her, and she liked them, these statements being made in the order of their relative importance. Lots of them, of course, were frightfully swell (Betty annexed "frightful-

ly" at school, by the bye) and had all sorts of clothes. The drug store, not to be outdone, supplied her with a party gown for state occasions.

Josie kept her promise and cam home for Christmas. She was reticent as to her impressions of the New York seminary, but seemed extremely glad to be home, notwithstanding the fact that Nat had apparently contracted no disturbing alliances with the other belles of our village. And Roland remained true-a reliable second string to Josie's bow. Roland was working hard at the bank, with an application that earned Blinky Lockwood's regard and outspoken approbation, and his Christmas raiment proved the sensation of the season.

In passing I should mention that Betty didn't come home once throughout the entire school term. The Christmas and Easter holidays she spent with a girl friend at her Philadelphia

Meanwhile life in our town simmered gently. Duncan continued to make progress. For one thing 1 recall that he put in hot soda with whipped cream, which helped a lot to hold the trade regained in the summer from Sothern & Lee.

Occasionally Duncan visited some of the towns in the county to develop the mail order business which he had successfully inaugurated and which increased materially the profits of the firm.

There was a certain night along to ward the 1st of January when trade was dull, as it always is after Christmas, and there was nobody in the store save Nat and Tracey. Each had their task, whatever it may have been, two Tracey seemed the more restless. Duncan broke a long silence in the

store. "What's the trouble, Tracey?" Tracey pulled up with a stare of confusion. "I-I dunno, Mr. Duncan; I was thinkin', I guess." "Anything gone wrong?"

"Not yet."

your doll's stuffed with sawdust, Tracey?'

cey's confusion became terrific. 'Say on, Mr. Tanner."

Tracey struggled perceptibly. The words when they came were blurted. 'Ah, I was only thinkin' 'bout Angie." "Do you ever think about anything

else?" But I was wonderin' "ot much.

sie Lockwood, ain't you?" 'Oh!" said Nat. "So that was it! That's a secret, Tracey," he averred. "All right. Only if you are she's our'n. "Just how do you figure that out?" "Oh, I kin tell. She was in here tohight with Roland." "Tonight?" "Yes, just afore you come home from rayer meetin'. She was lookin' for ou, an' when she seen you wasn't here she wouldn't wait for no soda nor nothin'; said she had a headache an' was goin' home. Roland went with her, but she didn't want him to. You just missed seein' her." "Heavens, what a blow!" "But Roland's takin' her needn't upset you none.' "Thank you for those kind words, Fracey." Nat sighed and passed a roubled hand across his brow. "You're true friend." "I'm tryin' to be, Nat, same's you are to me." Tracey thought this over. 1794 f t 1881

"Yes, indeedy, I would. An' p'rhaps

You-er-you're tryin' to court Jo-

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"Speak, I beg."

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"I WAS ONLY THINKIN' ABOUT ANGLE.

'But you ain't foolin' me, are you?" he and each was busied with it, but of the asked presently. "I mean 'bout bein' a true friend?" "Why should I?" "Ah, I dunno. You're so cur'us one morning, from there out into the sometimes. I ain't never sure whether country ten or twelve miles, danced you mean what you're sayin' or not.' "Oh, don't say that.' tigue. "Well, I ain't the only one. Every-body in town says they don't under-down walked into Charleston, a dis Duncan moved over to Tracey. His face was entirely serious. "Tracey," by he said, dropping a hand on the boy's shoulder, "do you know, nothing in life is harder to bear than not to be understood?" Tracey wrestled with this for a mo ment, but it was beyond him. so's folks 'll know what it's about?"

"Somebody been demonstrating that stand you half the time." At another time he was on his way urg county. to Blackville when he was overtaken R. H. Kellehan, Kingstree, Wila gentleman riding in a buggy liamsburg county When invited to a "lift" he repli-"No-o; but, say, Mr. Duncan"- Trathat, as he was "in a hurry, he would walk on." Once, while the guest of Dr. J. H. Saye, Sharon, York ounty friend living twenty miles from his Thos. F. McDow, Yorkville, York home, he offered to help Ashley's) his host shingle a house. Leaving county. or home to get his hatchet he told Beamguard, Clover, York J. E. is friend that he would be back for county "Then why the dickens don't you talk dinner. True to his promise, when Old Members. noon hour arrived Mr Ashle walked in with the hatchet in his hand. Williams, Aiken, Aiker "Not," Tracey admitted honestly, he demanded heatedly. John F. Mr. Ashley was 74 years old when he county. "Because-hm!" Duncan hesitated

mother.

ton county. Orangeburg county. "Gosh, that 'll be the hardest rule of Clarence D. Lee, Lamar, Darlingto A shadow clouded Tra county cey's honest eyes. "But I got to do it ounty. P. L. Bethea, Clio, Dillon county, that way, anyway. I can't ask her to Cyrus Mims, Harleyville, Dorches; marry me yit. I can't afford to ge ter county. Jerome H. Courtney, Trenton, Edge Spartanburg county. "It's a contrary world, Tracey, a con field county. rary world!" sighed Nat in a tone of T. H. Ketchin, Winnsboro, Fairfield county. leepest melancholy county. "What makes you say that? You R. A. Mears, Ridgeway, Fairfield county kin git married 's soon 's you want to. county. "You think so, Tracey?" R. Keith Charles, Timmonsville "All you got to do 's ask Josie"ounty. Plorence county "I'm almost afraid you're right." D. H. Magill, Greenwood, Green-York county "Why? Don't you want to git man wood county. John M. Daniel, Greenville, Green "Well"-Nat smiled-"no. Don't be ville coutny. ieve I do, not just now, at any rate." Wilton H. Earle, Greenville, Green "Well, you don't have to if you don' ville county. vant to. G'd night." C. D. Smith, Greenville, Greenville "Yes, I do," Nat told Tracey's back ounty. The rules say so. If the girl asks m J. W. Manuel, Hampton, Hampton ounty. He grimaced ruefully beneath hi B. T. Tison, Tillman, Hampton wisp of a mustache. "Anyhow, I'v county. got a few months left.' T. J. Kirkland, Camden, Kershav ounty. So the winter wore away, and as Geo. W. Jones, Lancaster No. 2 spring drew nigh upon our valley Dun-Lancaster county. can seemed to grow perturbed, even J. H. Miller, Cross Hill, Laurens as he had been in the autumn befor ounty them expressed his willingness to do Betty went away. J. Archie Willis, Laurens, Laurens so. Ten days previously I had chased Duncan urged Sam to move his ounty. a cobra of the species called by the nousehold from over the store to a Jas. C. Baskin, Bishopville, Le natives a "Tom-tom beater," I. e., the ouse. He pointed out that a separat ounty. black cobra with red spectacle mark esidence distinctly befitted the dig W. J. Dubose, Bishopville, R. F on its hood. The Cingalese, I believe, nity of a man who was at once D. No. 6, Lee county. think that they are the reincarnation prominent inventor and one of Rad J. Brooks Wingard, Lexington, Lex ille's leading merchants (vide a "Per of low caste natives, hence the name. ington county. onal" in the late issue of the Radville R. L. Shuler, New Brookland, Lex Citizen), to say nothing of the social than the common brown cobra. ington county. position of his daughter-meaning Betty. And the house Duncan had his J. J. Evans, Bennettsville, Marlbor ounty netaphorical eye upon was large D. McQueen, Dunbar, Marlbord nough to shelter Nat himself in addiounty ion to the Graham family. Frank P. B. Pegues, Kollock, Marl Graham fell in with the scheme with oro county ut a murmur of dubiety or dissent Geo. S. Mower, Newberry, Newberr, Whatever Nat proposed in Sam's un ounty lerstanding was right and feasible John B. Harris, Westminster, Ocone and even if it wasn't really so Nat ounty. yould make it so. They engaged the Frank M. Cary, Seneca, Ocone house and moved. Miss Ann Sophron ounty. siba Whitmarsh, a maiden lady of for-Dr. H. A. Odum, Springfield, ty-five or thereabouts, popularly known Orangeburg county. still, the cobra protruded its head as "Phrony," had been comin in by about an inch out of the hole in order J. Rutledge Conner, Holly Hill the day to "do for" old Sam in the Orangeburg county. oom above the shop. She was en-Jas. F. Hutto, Livingston, Orange gaged as resident housekeeper for the ourg county. new establishment and entered upon E. P. McCravey, Easley, Pickens her duties with all the discreet joy of ounty one whose maternal instincts have been W. E. Hopkins, Hopkins, Richland suppressed throughout her life. She ounty nothered Sam, and she mothered Nat, Geo. R. Rembert, Columbia, Rich and she panted in expectation of the land county day when she would have Betty to

P. T. Youmans, Columbia, Richland ounty [To be Continued.] E. F. Bookter, Littleton, Richland - Barnwell, December 30: ounty M H. H. Arnold, Woodruff No. 1, Sparoshua Ashley, known all over thi section as "Shug," Barnwell county' tanburg county.

Gentry K. Osborne, Spartanburg hampion long distance walker, wa ound dead in bed at his home, abou Spartanburg county. Jesse W. Boyd, Spartanburg, Sparight miles from Barnwell, vesterday

norning. A man of unusual physical tanburg county. strength, his powers as a pedestrian were truly marvellous, and many tales, some of them almost incredible, C. M. Drummond, Woodruff, Spar tanburg county Joe Mansfield, Spartanburg, Spar are told of his endurance. It is said that he walked into Augusta from his tanburg county. R. B. Belser, Sumter, Sumte nome, a distance of some forty miles

ounty. R. W. Hamilton, Jonesville, Union all night and returned home the nex day, showing very little signs of fa ounty

He is also credited with hav B. B. Chandler, Rome, Williamsburg ounty J. C. Graham, Gourdin, Williamstance of some one hundred miles

was a New York libel law. Charlie," cried the interrupter. Sir years' imprisonment, with a fine The court, through Chief Justice Charles, who happened to be a magistrate, adjusted his glasses, and calmiy scrutinizing his interrupter, re-marked, "My friend, if I am not mis-taken I have been the means of hav-White, stated that while the statute istrate, adjusted his glasses, and W. E. Bodie, Saluda, Saluda county. left no doubt where acts were done W. L. Daniel, Saluda, Saluda county. on reservations which were expressly Ben Hill Brown, Spartanburg, prohibited and punished as crimes by

was popularly ascribed to them ing your hair cut before today." It a law of the United States, that law ing your hair cut before today." It was at Newcastle that a candidate was the more or less honorable service, of Geo. W. Dick, Sumter, Sumter was dominant and controlling, yet, persistently heckled by an individual discovering military secrets, there is on the other hand, where no law of Sumter the United States had expressly prowho occupied a front seat and shoutdiscover internal plots against the exvided for the punishment of offenses ed, "Wrong, Jimmy," to every state-L. J. Browning, Union No. 2, Union istence of governments. Such spies have always been employed by the committed on reservations, all acts ment that was made. The candidate lice of every nation, and they are most necessary and most numerous lone on such reservations which were got tired of this and apropos of a point Sanders, McConnellsvill made criminal by the laws of the sev- in his address he fixed his interrupter when the government is autocratic

and declared "their grievances are and opposition is underground. eral states were left to be punished inder the applicable state statutes. as numerous as the hairs on your head." "Wrong again, Jimmy," cried Chief Justice White said that inestigation plainly established: the heckler, uncovering and display-

Charmer Who was Bitten by Cobra ing a head totally denuded of hair. "First, that adequate means wer

afforded for punishing the circulation The personal appearance of the speak-One Sunday morning two Indian er is always regarded as fair game of a libel on a United States reserva snake-charmers came to my small by the heckler. A socialist who was most infamous depth with the exploits tion by the state law, and in the bungalow at Hanwella," says a writer state courts, without the necessity of pleading his cause at a Huddersfield of Titus Oates and his associates in resorting to the courts of the United election thrilled the crowd by a vivid the reign of Charles II. in a Cingalese newspaper. "They had

three snakes with them and proceedpicture of the glorious conditions that States for redress. ed to make them dance as usual. I would prevail when socialism was es- and under Louis XIV, and Louis XV, "Second, that resort could not b stopped them and told them I had seen tablished. He was going full steam spying was vastly extended, had to the courts of the United States all that before, and asked them whethto punish the act of publishing a ahead when a voice cried out: 'E's a er they could compel a wild snake to newspaper libel by circulating a copy fine trade unionist, 'e is. 'E's got nine dance and, if so, whether they could of the newspaper on the reservation penn'orth of 'air on."-London Globe. catch one for the purpose. One of

upon the theory that such publication was an independent offense, separate and distinct from the primary print ing and publishing of the libelous article within the state of New York without disregarding the laws of that state and frustrating the plain purpose of such law, which was that there

It is certainly fiercer and more active conviction. "These propositions being true, "I had noticed at the time it had follows in the light of the constructaken refuge in an ant-hill near the tion which we have given the act of edge of the paddy field which formed 1898 that the court was right in one boundary of the new clearing upon quashing the indictment as not authwhich my bungalow stood, and situatorized by that act. No other conclued about 200 feet from it. I led the sion, we think, was possible, as the charmer to this ant-hill. When I ascourt could not have sustained the insured him that a snake almost certaindictment without giving to the statly occupied the hole he squatted down opposite to it and started blowing into ute a meaning directly conflicting with belt. the construction which we have affixa reed pipe which gave a sound sim-

should be but a single prosecution and

ilar to that of a bagpipe. After a ed to it." long time, and when I had almost given up the idea of the snake being there THE HECKLER.

### Habits of the Individual Who Breaks Up Meetings.

presumably to see what was going on. The charmer pounced upon it, and The heckler is a necessary comple seizing the head of the snake between ment to every political meeting, so his thumb and two fingers so that it much so that he is now dignified with could not open its mouth he pulled the title of The Voice. He bobs up in it out of the white ants' nest and the most surprising places with the brought it to the bungalow.

"He then tried to make it dance by holding a small piece of white root above its head. The snake tried to esman in the street he figures a welcape several times, but was brought back again, and ultimately was induced to dance with its hood extended. "I then asked the charmer what he teckler as conducive to the success and it is a most effective though simwould do if he happened to get bitten

of a meeting. But a candidate must ple farming tool. The knife is used to der Bismarck there was little secret by a wild snake. He told me that he needs be a versatile and resourceful did not mind it, as he had a medicine individual if he is to come out of the work of shovels and baskets the work which would certainly prevent any illencounter with flying colors, for the

effects. I then, more as a joke than anything else, promised him five average heckler sets out with the exanything else, promised him five rupees if he would allow himself to be press object of "upsetting the apple bitten by the snake he had just caught cart," and he is at some pains to fully believing that he would not at tempt it. But before I could stop him he had seized the snake by the neck bring about the result.

The member who has served his and had thrust the forefinger of his onstituency faithfully and well in the right hand deep in its mouth, and when past has to run the same or even a he withdrew it there were two pun more flerce fire of criticism than the tures on each side of the second joint. Both punctures were bleeding slightly aspiring tyro. A minute account of "He handed the cobra to his com-

his stewardship is demanded, and he panion, who immediately shut him up in the snake basket, and the charmer has to justify his existence. "What at once took out from his waist-cloth a piece of charred bone, well known as the snake stone, which he applied to have members been doing in London during the last few weeks," de-He then waited manded a heckler of Col. Sir George the two punctures. He then waited for some minutes, and I could see the Kemp when the latter was contesting veins on the back of his hands standa constituency. Before the colonel ing out like knotted strings. After a had time to reply a woman in the ped down, and he told me that he had extracted all the poison; and calling for a small cocoanut shell full of milk he put the stone into it. In a moment, after a considerable amount of bub-bling, there came to the surface a cer-tain amount of an oily-looking liquid pale straw in color."—New York World. converse to the surface a cer-tain amount of an oily-looking liquid uple of minutes or so the stone drop

poleon, found a congenial task in us-FARMING IN ARABIA. ng them to the full. In more recent times the police spy Primitive Agricultural Tools Used In has been generally employed Tilling the Soil. watch the movements of anarchi

For many centuries the Yemen has been famed throughout Arabia for its products of the soil. Though agricul-ture is the chief industry of the coun-gaginst nihilism, and the many Irish try, it has never been improved, and conspiracies during the 19th century the system of land cultivation today is the same as it was a thousand years, ago. Practically the tools of the Yemen farmer are but four in number-the plow, the thrashing flail, a pick with a short handle, but a long curved steel point very strong and lutionists in every foreign city sharp, and the broad bladed powerful knife which every Arab carries in his

The plow is drawn by one or two bullocks, sometimes by a bullock and a woman. It has a single handle of to discover their secrets and promptly wood and a wooden beam, but the to give them away; but it cannot be share is of iron about a foot in length denied that such a man as Major Le share is of iron, about a foot in length and sharp. It does not turn the soil Scotland Yard to checkmate the under, but cuts a very good furrow Clan-na-Gael, was a patriot in a very can plowboy can run a straighter fur-

better than the Yemen farmer can parison with the risk with this simple implement. The flail is the usual long and short cudgel fasmost surprising questions and though tened together with leather thongs, but ly every conspiracy are found willing he is the fly in the ointment so far as the Yemen farmer grasps the short to save their own necks by the betrayhe is the fly in the ointment so far as the Yemen farmer grasps the short the candidate is concerned, to the cudgel in his hands and flays out his grain with the long one. Everything come relief to the arid atmosphere of done on an American farm with hoes, ency to create conspiracies in order politics. There are candidates who rakes, harrows, etc., is done in the Yebroudly boast that they welcome the men field with the long pronged pick,

cut the standing grain; hands do the of barrows .-- Consular Report.

- That cats spread tuberculosis and

of Lakewood, Ohio, who within the last six months has dissected more than a hundred of the animals. Among Dr. Ensor's patients was the of a family who was afflicted tuberculosis. From the history ead with tuberculosis.

of the case the doctor was convinced the list of high priced foods. that the family cat had brought the ducks are imported at \$7 a piece, and disease to the house. As a result he Le Mans hens, fattened in a box, at made an investigation. He offered only a dollar less, while French qual money for cats and a hundred or more cost \$1.50 each. Sole—the real thing ere killed and examined. "I found from France-is half a dollar mor than the quail. n all of them germs of tuberculosis," "Of course not all plums raised in South Africa can be the doctor said. the cats were in the last stages of sold in New York for 25 cents a piece the disease, although at least thirty \$1 seems a great deal for a French ap

made it necessary for the English lice to rely largely on the use of the spy. The amazing exploits of the Russian secret police have been, of course, enormously exaggerated by imaginative writers, but the service is fareaching and complete, and the revoregularly and thoroughly watched.

from \$200 to \$1.000.

the police spy, who

During the unrest that followed the

reformation in England, the spy be-came, probably for the first time, a

national institution. Burghley had an

The laws against the Puritans brought

the inevitable squadron of traitors and informers, and spying reached its

In France, Richlieu and Louvois

employed spies in all stations of life

larly while Sartines and Berryer were

the lieutenants of the Paris police. The Revolution, with its fury against aristocrats, found ample em-

ployment for the spy, and Fouche, the

notorious minister of police to

army of spies smelling

business it is to

Jesuits

every instance the plans of the Irish dynamiters were foiled either by the greed of a traitor or by the ingenuity of a spy. It is not, per haps, attractive to the normal man to gain the confidence of conspirators, Caron, who time after time enabled real sense, and an exceedingly usefu police servant. Such a man carries his life in his hand, and the payment row or break up the surface of the soll he receives is little enough in com-

Here, again, there is a great differeen such a man as Le Caron and the pitiful creatures who in near-

al of their comrades. The evil that accompanies the institution of secret police is the tendthat they may be discovered. There is no question that the agent provocator is regularly employed in Russia and is not unknown elsewhere. that he was regularly used police.

The policy that it is better to bring conspiracies to a head and to give failities to the would-be revolutionary to carry out his dreams—and to be arrested. But the whole scheme is

arrested.

are a menace to the family was de- fundamentally wrong, and undoubtlared recently by Dr. W. I. Ensor edly frequently leads to the punish-

Expensive Food. Canvasback ducks at \$8 a pair, terrapin at \$80 a dozen and hothouse grapes at \$1.50 a pound do not head Rouen

Sole-the real thing When peaches and

