

ACID STOMACHS ARE DANGEROUS.

NINETEENTH OF ALL STOMACH TROUBLE SAID TO BE DUE TO ACIDITY.

A PHYSICIAN'S ADVICE ON CAUSE AND CURE.

A famous physician whose successful remedies in the cause and cure of stomach and intestinal diseases have earned for him an international reputation, said in the course of a recent lecture that nearly all intestinal troubles, as well as many diseases of the vital organs, were directly traceable to a deranged condition of the stomach, which in turn was due nine times out of ten to excessive acidity, which not only irritates and inflames the delicate lining of the stomach, but also sets up gastritis and stomach ulcers. It is interesting to note that he and his colleagues have secured remarkable results by the use of a delicate lining of the stomach, which removes the source of the trouble. He contends that it is as foolish to treat the stomach itself as it would be to treat a man who stepped on a tack by rubbing the tack without removing it. The best way to remove the tack and the best way to remove the acidity is to neutralize the acidity. Stomach troubles will disappear, if the acidity is removed, so long as the contents of the stomach remain acid; remove the acidity and there will be no need for medicine. The physician advised that for medicinal purposes the stomach should be kept at a normal temperature. He advised that for medicinal purposes the stomach should be kept at a normal temperature. He advised that for medicinal purposes the stomach should be kept at a normal temperature.

BEAUFORT RAINFALL.

Jan. 1-31	11.1	Feb. 1-31	10.2
Mar. 1-31	12.5	Apr. 1-31	11.8
May 1-31	13.2	June 1-31	12.9
July 1-31	14.1	Aug. 1-31	13.5
Sept. 1-31	14.8	Oct. 1-31	15.2
Nov. 1-31	15.5	Dec. 1-31	16.1

USEFUL READY RECKONER.

Every farmer should paste this table of weights in his pocket book.
One quarter equals 28lb.
Two quarters equal 56lb.
Three quarters equal 84lb.
Four quarters equal 112lb.
Five cwt. equal 112lb.
Six cwt. equal 126lb.
Seven cwt. equal 140lb.
Eight cwt. equal 154lb.
Nine cwt. equal 168lb.
Ten cwt. equal 182lb.
Eleven cwt. equal 196lb.
Twelve cwt. equal 210lb.
Thirteen cwt. equal 224lb.
Fourteen cwt. equal 238lb.
Fifteen cwt. equal 252lb.
Sixteen cwt. equal 266lb.
Seventeen cwt. equal 280lb.
Eighteen cwt. equal 294lb.
Nineteen cwt. equal 308lb.
Twenty cwt. equal 322lb.
Twenty one cwt. equal 336lb.
Twenty two cwt. equal 350lb.
Twenty three cwt. equal 364lb.
Twenty four cwt. equal 378lb.
Twenty five cwt. equal 392lb.
Twenty six cwt. equal 406lb.
Twenty seven cwt. equal 420lb.
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Twenty nine cwt. equal 448lb.
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Thirty one cwt. equal 476lb.
Thirty two cwt. equal 490lb.
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Thirty four cwt. equal 518lb.
Thirty five cwt. equal 532lb.
Thirty six cwt. equal 546lb.
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Thirty eight cwt. equal 574lb.
Thirty nine cwt. equal 588lb.
Forty cwt. equal 602lb.
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Forty two cwt. equal 630lb.
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Forty four cwt. equal 658lb.
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Forty nine cwt. equal 728lb.
Fifty cwt. equal 742lb.
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Seventy nine cwt. equal 1148lb.
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Eighty one cwt. equal 1176lb.
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Eighty six cwt. equal 1246lb.
Eighty seven cwt. equal 1260lb.
Eighty eight cwt. equal 1274lb.
Eighty nine cwt. equal 1288lb.
Ninety cwt. equal 1302lb.
Ninety one cwt. equal 1316lb.
Ninety two cwt. equal 1330lb.
Ninety three cwt. equal 1344lb.
Ninety four cwt. equal 1358lb.
Ninety five cwt. equal 1372lb.
Ninety six cwt. equal 1386lb.
Ninety seven cwt. equal 1400lb.
Ninety eight cwt. equal 1414lb.
Ninety nine cwt. equal 1428lb.
One hundred cwt. equal 1442lb.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

At the Beaufort Methodist Church on Sunday night, a memorial service was held in connection with the death of Corporal W. G. Davis, who was recently killed in action in France. The pulpit was draped with the Union Jack. Miss Jackson presided at the organ, and the violinists were Misses P. George and P. Stevenson. The choir sang the anthem, "God of the Living." Rev. E. H. Colman, who occupied the pulpit, took as his text, "For whosoever would save his life shall lose it, and whosoever shall lose his life for my sake shall find it." Matthew, 16, 25. God's way of valuing human life is quite different from their way; His estimate being shown to some extent in the words of their text. After dealing with the personal loss brought home to them, the preacher said there was a higher thought than that when a life was laid down like that of the young friend they were thinking of that evening. Many such lives had been given which were full of hope and promise, but they were not lost. These men had gone forth willingly, and had not gone because they had to go, the only compulsion being that of duty from within. The boy they were thinking of to-night—for he was only a boy, and just entering into manhood—like many others, thought he must go and do his part. He was not satisfied until he gained consent to go, and had said, "I must be there; I want to have my share in it." Were those who had given their consent sorry? Although the great sacrifice had been made, they were glad—not glad over their loss, but glad that the spirit which, in spite of the danger and possible necessity of the greatest sacrifice of war, had said, "I want to go." They gloried in their lads when they thought of boys like this, who had gone not merely for adventure, excitement, or to see something of the world. The preacher referred to the great losses sustained in the ranks of young church and Sunday school workers. Many of their soldiers—he did not say all—would come back better men, with a wider experience of life and death and what they meant, knowing all the horrors of death and being not afraid. Many of these young lives, although not given directly for Christ, had been given for Him. They could glory in the fact that in the army to day there were thousands of men who loved honor and peace, and hated all cruelty and war, and did not want to take one life and yet their passion for right and justice had led them into the battlefield. The preacher urged those who remained behind to give their lives to the service of Jesus Christ here. Honor, righteousness, truth, and character were dearer than life itself. Pointing to the fact that the cross of shame was the glory of the world to-day, he said the personal loss of a loved one at the front would be softened by time, and though the loved one was in a foreign land, they would be glad they had given him, and that their home bore the record of one who gave his life and found it in the giving. Their sacrifice was not in vain, and they rejoiced in the fact that which have so much for them. The congregation then sang the hymn, "Onward, Christian Soldiers."

WEDDING.

CRAYTHORN-LILLEY.
On Tuesday, August 1st, a very pretty wedding took place in the church, the contracting parties being Mr. Craythorn (third son of Mr. T. B. Craythorn, of Horsham) and Miss Winifred Lilley (third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Lilley, of Raglan). Rev. E. H. Colman officiated. The church was artistically decorated by the girl friends of the bride, and there was a large gathering of friends. As the bride entered the church on the arm of her father, the congregation sang "The Voice that Breathed our Eden." The bride, who looked very charming in a white silk dress with overdrift of shadow lace and a train decorated with true lovers' knots and orange blossoms, wore the customary wreath and veil, and carried a bouquet of white carnations, jonquils, and snowdrops. The bridesmaid, Miss Nellie Lilley (sister of the bride), wore a dress of cream silk muslin and blue sash. The train bearers were Rita Spencer (sister of the bridegroom) and Effie Lilley (sister of the bride). Mr. D. Lilley acted as best man. The wedding march was played by Miss S. Ball, who presided at the organ. The wedding breakfast was served in the present. Rev. E. H. Colman presided, and the usual toasts were honored. A bridegroom's present to the bride was a set of Australian furs, and the bride's bridegroom's gift to the bridegroom was a pair of gold and silver pendants. The happy couple left by motor to catch the 3.30 p.m. train at Beaufort, en route to Melbourne. The presents and the honeymoon was spent. The bride's traveling dress was a maroon cashmere crepe with plush hat to match and white and black gloves. The presents and several cheques. Mr. and Mrs. Craythorn are now residing at Dimboola.

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Separation allowance will be paid to married men who are receiving less than 8/ per day, but such allowance will not exceed the amount necessary to make up the difference between their daily rate of pay and 8/ per day. Subject to this limitation the amounts payable are as follows:—(a) For wife living at home, 1/5 per day; (b) for each child under 16 years of age, 4d per day. A similar allowance as in (a) is payable under the same conditions to the mother of a member, if she is solely dependent on him for support.

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Write the names of persons very distinctly.
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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1916.

Exceedingly heavy rain fell at Raglan on Wednesday during a few hours. Result being that low-lying ground was flooded.

The rainfall at Beaufort for September, as registered by Mr. Jas. McKeich, was 61.0 points, compared with 48.4 for the same month in 1915.

Mr. Stewart, stationmaster at Beaufort for about 12 months, has received promotion and is being transferred to a main road.

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THE GROSS RECEIPTS of the Beaufort State school... The following district exhibitors were successful at the Ararat agricultural show on Wednesday:

Six members were present at the monthly meeting of the Beaufort Fire Brigade on Monday night.

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The treasurer (Mr. E. J. Muntz) reported that £245/11/7 had been received and banked (less 5/- cash in hand) since the meeting of the 21st.

The following accounts under the County Roads Board were also recommended for payment:

CONTRACT 768.—Supply of 3000 yds of 3/4 inch galvanized iron sheeting.

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COMPLETE SHORT STORY.

THE CLUE OF THE CLAW HAMMER.

CHAPTER I. THE BURGLAR'S HAMMER.

"Come in, Greenhalge. I'm delighted to see you." This spoke the superintendent of police of Conchester as he grasped the hand of a tall, lean countryman who had just been ushered into his office. "Thank you, sir," responded Greenhalge, in a peculiar, high-pitched tone. "You know about me, I dare say. I'm superintendent, sergeant, and constable in Grainville. There ain't any police but me nearer than Springfield, and that's twenty-one miles by rail. Who's this young man? One of the boys?" "I wish he were," laughed the chief; "but he isn't. He's only a visitor. Mr. Greenhalge, let me introduce Detective Carter—Nick Carter."

"There's the man I want," said the superintendent, as he and Greenhalge passed into a large room where several officers in plain clothes were seated. He pointed to a heavily-built man with iron-grey hair and a bristling beard of the same hue, who was just entering on the opposite side. He wore a big overcoat, and was rubbing his ears with his gloves, while his face— and especially his nose—glowed redly. "A cold night, sir," he said, "I've just come in from a long chase!" "Sorry to send you on another soon, Hastings," responded the chief, "but I've just struck something that you will like."

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AN OLD MAID'S ROMANCE.

The damp fog of dull November made everything miserable. The trees dripped almost as though rain was falling, and the faint light of the street lamps—failing to penetrate the gloom—only intensified the desolation of the reeking world. Within a neatly-kept house, one of the unending villa clumps so common in the suburbs, an old lady sat gazing into the fire, and thinking, Ah, the pain of memory! Yet would any one forego the pleasure in order to escape the anguish? Drip, drip, fell the damp from the oak tree which stood without, in fearful monotony, as the fog gathered in thicker as night approached. But the old lady's thoughts were not hindered by the depressing state of the outside world; on the contrary, the dismal surroundings seemed to aid her reflections, which were not of the most cheerful nature.

PLUGHES WITHOUT PLOUGHMEN.

Before long a farmer will start his plough working in the morning, and will be busy all day with a hundred and one duties elsewhere, returning in the evening to find his field neatly ploughed.

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"John"—meaning Wheelock—"is a very good fellow, and I'm sure you'll like him." "Not me," cried Wheelock, with strong emphasis and weak grammar. "I don't propose to tramp out there for nothing."

"I guess we'll have to drag the river for that kettle." "I'll go back to the village and get some more," said Wheelock. Hastings laughed; but Greenhalge's brow was gloomy.

"Dear Aunt Harry," cried the young man, as he pressed his lips to her cheek. "I've come to ask for your congratulations. But, why, dear, you have been crying!"

"After that he's had no chance. My eye has been on him all the time. He's made several attempts to get away, but I have foiled them. And the prison or the gallows, society is safe from him."

"I don't know why he came back here," said the constable, softly. "Why didn't he skip?"

"She is pretty, too," continued Miss Nesbitt, controlling her emotions by a wonderful effort. "But are you quite sure that you love her with your whole heart?"

"Quite certain," replied Edgar. "And, dear boy, are you sure that she will always be first in your thoughts?"

"As sure as I am that you are good and true to me, and have always been so," said Edgar. "Miss Nesbitt resumed her study of the likeness in silence, and stood looking at the girl there, pictured, oblivious of all else save the time."

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DEATH OF SERGEANT A. T. PEARCE.

EPILOGUE REFERENCES.

Mr. H. Smith, of Traralgon, has reported from the front several interesting and touching memoranda in connection with the death of his nephew, Sergeant A. T. Pearce, formerly of Beaufort and whose death was recorded in a recent issue. The deceased was the son of Mrs. R. W. Dean, of Ararat. Lieutenant A. R. Dean writes:— "It is my duty to acquaint you of the facts connected with the death of your nephew, Sergeant A. Pearce, of the 1st Battalion Bombers, whom I commanded and who had been for six days and nights under an almost continuous bombardment. On the night of 11th August, close on midnight, a big shell crashed into a German dug-out, in which were your nephew and twenty men, burying them all. The remainder of the night I got to work, but as we had to stand in the open and work under shell fire, it was difficult to locate them, your nephew and two other men were dead and several others were wounded. His death must have been instantaneous, for a big beam had fallen on him. We buried our comrades next day on the battlefield in front of Pozieres, and put a simple cross over their heads. I am hopeful that a more lasting memorial will be erected very soon, but if I am spared I will send you a photograph of your nephew's resting place as we left it. Your nephew was a brave man—braver than most of us—and he did his duty with all his might, as he saw it, with devotion and sincerity. I think every one in the battalion mourns his loss, and will not readily forget him, for he was a credit to us all and worthy of his country. I am enclosing a few photos, and congratulatory messages from General Cox and General Birdwood, and these, I think, will be sufficient evidence of his gallantry and worth. May I extend to you my sincere sympathy at your loss, and say how much your nephew had personally earned my esteem and admiration."

On the body of the deceased young soldier were found two photographs of himself and a letter from Major-General Sir H. V. Cox, K.C.M.G., in which Sergeant Pearce was congratulated for his gallantry and resolution during the raid on the German trenches on the night of the 2nd July, 1916. Another letter was from General Sir W. R. Birdwood, to Major Monash, who specially mentioned Sergeant Pearce, amongst others, for distinguished work, the general stating that he would like the men presented to him on his next visit. These memoranda, no doubt, will be very much treasured.

Mr. W. Ellison, of King street, Ararat, has received a letter from her son, Alex (at present on the Headquarters Division Signalling Staff, France), in which he says:—"You will know by now that Alex Pearce has been killed, to the great sorrow of all of us, who have been with him on Gallipoli in the desert, and in France. He was one of the best of pals and comrades, and has been mentioned by General Birdwood and Cox for his courage and good qualities. We all bid him a hearty goodbye."

To mention or to-night, maybe, you will lose something that you prize highly. Nearly everybody loses something at one time or other, but in being it few things are lost that can not be recovered through a small ad. in the "Riponshire Advocate." It's easy to mail an ad. to the "Advocate," or just call at the office and tell us your trouble.

A general feeling of congratulation spread the Ballarat police when it was officially learned that Sergt. A. T. Pearce had been advanced to the rank of Sub-inspector. The newly-advanced officer recently underwent a severe operation for an affection of the eye, but he is expected to return at an early date. It is not improbable that Sub-inspector Nicholson will shortly take up the duties of his new office in Ballarat, as Sub-inspector Stapleton does not intend to remain here for any length of time.

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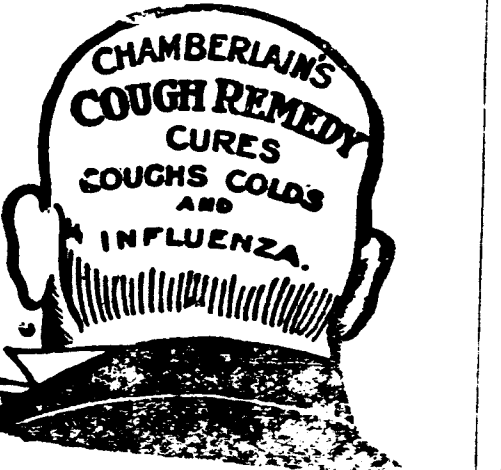
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Jan.	151	113	253	301	49	402	107	9	61	89	211
Feb.	180	20	33	80	292	341	126	94	106	53	91
Mar.	274	407	158	158	149	73	96	357	89	180	157
Apr.	239	329	401	124	406	71	144	58	309	18	229
May	185	451	151	141	229	330	335	342	206	336	375
June	414	530	361	355	301	404	298	339	125	309	238
July	59	106	118	103	265	189	350	238	317	129	148
Aug.	277	406	289	184	117	280	130	107	322	240	573
Sept.	189	327	410	270	307	132	383	361	114	884	176
Oct.	381	159	791	70	226	239	272	465	113	291	141
Nov.	32	10	40	7	234	73	402	180	173	163	163
Dec.	10	81	88	65	57	16	246	42	429	70	117
Total	42	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12

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One ton equals	2240lb
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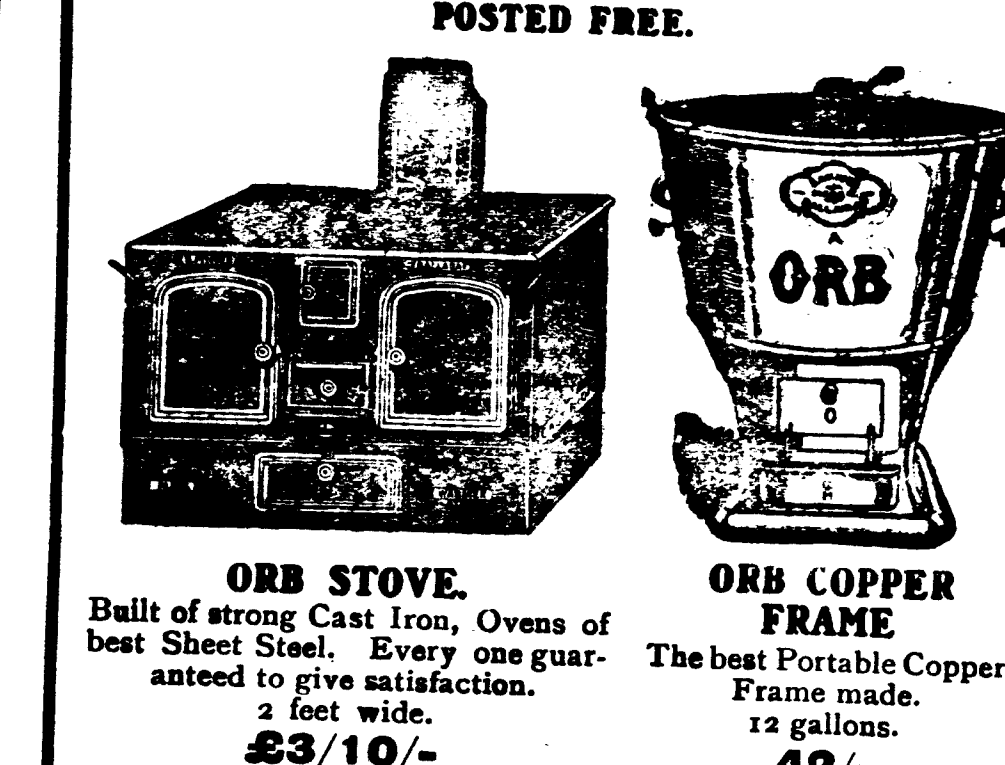
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Religious Services. SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15th, 1916. CHURCH OF ENGLAND.—Beaufort, 8 and 7; Middle Creek, 11; Trawalla, 3.

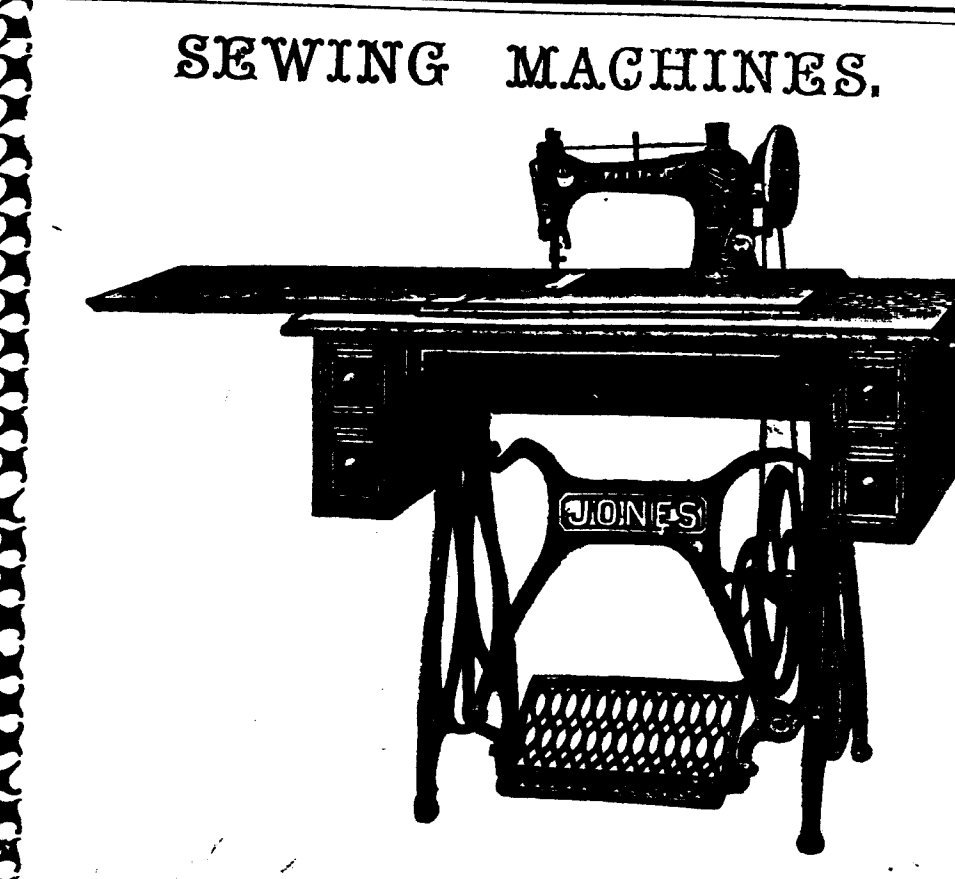
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MARRIAGE.

HALPIN-HOLDSWORTH.—On 20th September, at St. Andrew's Church, Ballarat, by Rev. A. J. Stewart, James Halpin, of Strathaven, Dowling to Emma, daughter of Mrs N. and late Mr Jesse Holdsworth, "Bradford," Beaufort.

BEREAVEMENT CARD.

MR. and MRS. W. THOMAS sincerely thank the Ripon Shire Council and their many friends for their kind expressions of sympathy in their recent sad bereavement.

IN MEMORIAM.

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Mr D. S. Oman, M.L.A. for Hampden, was also received with applause. The Mayor, Mr. J. H. W. Watson, and Mr. Manifold, who had made the first appeal, had not taken the line of least resistance, but believed the welfare of the nation should stand before parties, and he honored the men who had taken the line of least resistance.

The Riponshire Advocate.

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Six o'clock closing of hotels is to operate throughout Victoria from October 25.

The name of Private W. Thomas, of Beaufort (who recently died of illness whilst a prisoner of war in Germany), appears in the 28th casualty list.

About 20 of the district men called up for home service left for Ararat on Thursday night and Friday morning, preparatory to entering Warramboulo Camp.

A general meeting of the Beaufort Athletic Club, to elect officers and fix date of sports (probably for patriotic purposes), is to be held at the Mechanics' Institute next Monday at 8.30 p.m.

Mr Joseph Bernard, who is employed by Messrs H. F. Watkin & Sons, met with a serious accident on Friday morning, when the animal trod on his foot and moved suddenly forward.

A grand national concert, under the auspices of the Beaufort Thistle Club, is to be held in the Societies' Hall, Beaufort, on Thursday, 26th inst.

The quarterly meeting of the Beaufort Cemetery Trust was held at the Shire Hall on Wednesday evening.

Messrs J. R. Wetherston and D. F. Tappin, Esq., of Beaufort, appeared before the Police Court on Monday, and heard a number of adjourned claims for debt.

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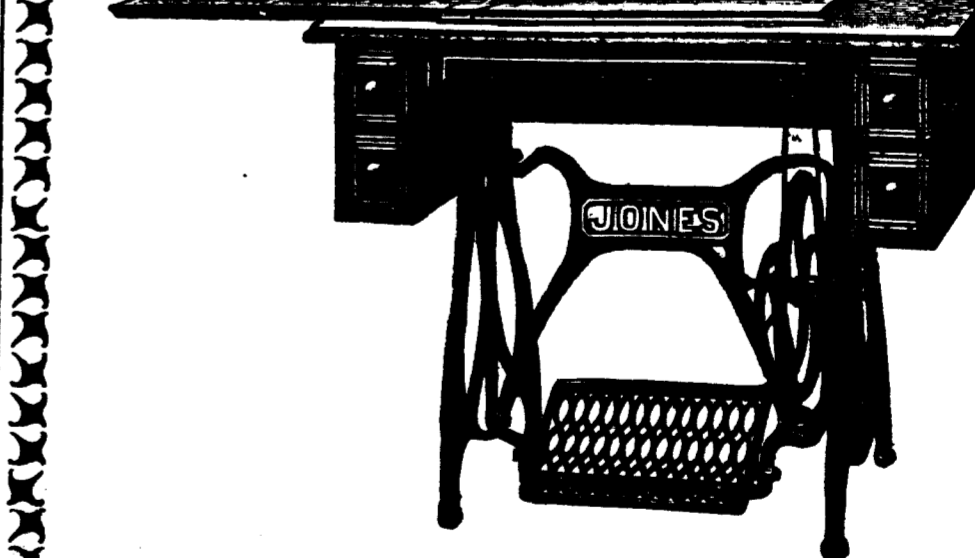
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THE QUARTERLY MEETING of the M.E.C.A.

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Heavy rain fell at Waterloo and Trawalla on Sunday, flooding low-lying ground and swelling streams and creeks.

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TREASURE FOUND—A BRIDE WON.

BY GEORGE E. GARDNER.

SYNOPSIS OF PREVIOUS PART.

Charles Tremaine, a rising young lawyer, surprised at receiving a visit from his old schoolmate, Jack Harding, who, recounting his experiences mentions how, since leaving school he has followed the sea as a means of livelihood. He relates that on one occasion, being shipwrecked, he and some of the crew are cast upon an uninhabited island in the South Pacific. Whilst there he discovers hidden treasure of enormous value, the knowledge of which he keeps from his companions. He eventually arrives at Melbourne, where he falls in love with Florence Winter, the beautiful daughter of an old friend of his father. Mr. Winter refuses to give his consent to the marriage, until Harding is able to support it with a fortune. With that determination he makes up his mind to recover the treasure, and sails for England, where he intends to buy and fit out a vessel for the task. Tremaine is persuaded into joining him, and it is whilst inspecting the "Janet," which Harding has purchased, that the latter halts an acquaintance on shore, introducing him to Tremaine as Mr. Morgan.

PART TWO.

CHAPTER IV.—(Continued.)

The two men disappeared down the companion. It was fully an hour before they reappeared, a time which I spent in completing my examination of the brig. As I went over the vessel, in whose rigging a number of men were busily engaged in bending the sails, an undefined presentiment of evil, at first unrecognised and then decided, forced itself upon me. I smiled at my folly, and with a strong effort shook it off. The will triumphed over the more reliable though more obscure instinct. There was certainly nothing uncanny about the snug little brig to arouse one's dread. I afterwards learned that the cause of this peculiar admonition of impending evil arose from the unconscious impression Morgan had made. On their return to the deck, Morgan sprang to the quay and walked away without a word. With a strong effort, Harding forced a smile as he said, in cheery tones: "Well, Carl, I've found a first mate."

"Who is he?" "Tom Morgan," answered Jack, quietly. "An exclamation of surprise forced itself from me. "He's a brave fellow and a good seaman. A better never trod a deck," Carl said, my friend, as though in self-defence.

"But I thought your manner towards him was not particularly cordial, and I must say that I was not favourably impressed by him." "To tell the truth," he went on, "I like him personally very much myself. He is a man, and so far as courage and capacity go, he is all we could wish. Besides, I am, I suppose under some obligation to him. You remember my telling you that my first voyage was in a ship called the "Janet." She was a large craft, and Morgan was her third officer. He was then, as now, a very tough fellow, and inclined to be severe on the crew. To come at it in a word, he was despotically cruel. I never incurred his resentment, but it was avoided only by the hardest kind of endeavour. When we reached Calcutta, he showed some kindness towards me, and ever saved my life when I was attacked by a gang of drunken men at that port, though I have always thought that he interfered in that affair more out of a desire to injure my assailants than to protect me. Whatever his motive, he certainly rendered me a great service, which I cannot fairly forget."

"I felt that Harding had not explained the real reason for shipping Morgan, though it would have puzzled me to tell why. I therefore remarked that as he was to be commander of the "Janet," he could let Morgan's disposition to tyranny within bounds. "Besides," I added, "cruel men are at heart always cowards, and you can easily master him if he shows any insubordination." Harding gave me a peculiar look as he said: "Morgan is cruel by nature, but he is no coward. He is absolutely without any sense of fear. I am brave because I am ashamed to be a coward. Morgan is brave because he has no notion of what it is to be afraid. However, I trust that we shall get along all right. He thinks the Janet a good craft."

"He doesn't know the object of the expedition, of course?" "I shall tell him before we reach our destination," was Jack's reply. And with that he began to talk about the brig and her equipment, and the subject of the mate was not again referred to.

The next two weeks were fully occupied in preparations, and on the 1st of March the "Janet" was towed well into the Channel and the voyage began. Mr. Morgan, whom I had not seen since our first meeting, appeared early in the morning, and was busy in getting the brig under way. He said little, his manner towards the crew, though sharp and distinct, was not particularly offensive.

Twelve men comprised our ship's company—seven sailors before the mast, an Irish cook, Morgan, Harding, myself, and a second mate who said his name was Ross. The latter was a short, sandy-haired fellow, a trifle consumptive in appearance, and rather reserved and surly in manner, his commonplace exterior giving no

hint of the dauntless heart and noble spirit which it enclosed. The day was peculiarly dark and dismal. The water was overlying by a dense fog, whose dull masses broke now and then before the raw wind which came straight from the north-east. It was a chill to the bones, and made even the distant coast seem inviting, as it loomed vaguely through the mist in a blank monotony. "The whole scene was so unpromising that, to relieve myself from a sense of depression that was rapidly forming, I went below to my state-room, where I began arranging my traps. The little cabin soon had an appearance of comfort and order, and I was about to return on deck, determined to enjoy the situation and make the best of it, when there was a quick knock at the door, and Harding entered. Seating himself, he said, abruptly: "I am glad of a chance to speak with you alone at the beginning of the voyage. There is something which I ought to have told you before we started. I didn't, however, thinking it would be useless; but I find myself so worried, now that we are fairly afloat and on the way, that I must inform you in regard to it. It is all about that infernal first mate of mine. The substance of the whole thing is that he knows the object of the voyage."

"Of course, you told him?" I exclaimed. "Not at all. He knew when he came aboard on your first visit to the brig. That is why I took him. He is the last man I should care to have for the position; but he calmly told me that I was planning to recover a lost treasure, and that I must ship him for the voyage as my first officer, or there would be some trouble for me, as he was here. How he obtained his information I cannot conceive; but he had obtained it in some way, and I concluded he was better aboard than elsewhere. As you may imagine, this affair has considerably upset me. I asked him bluntly how he came by his knowledge, and was met by a refusal to answer equally blunt. My fear that he has yet disclosed, and the suspicion that he has made up his mind to do so, makes me very uneasy. However, there isn't any use in seeking trouble, and I don't think we need look for any until after the treasure is on board. Then we can keep a lookout for squalls. Of course, he may only want a reasonable amount of the booty, and if that is all, we can get along comfortably enough, I fancy."

We both sat silent for a moment. The brig was already pitching considerably, and through the port-hole there was a vision, startlingly near and distinct, of the swift rush of the green seas. I recalled my suspicions and wished I had treated them with more consideration. At last I remarked: "I have disliked the fellow since I first saw him; but if we are on our guard I don't see how he can do any great harm. Distrusting him as I have, what you say does not surprise me, as much as it otherwise might, though it is certainly strange enough how he came by his knowledge. At any rate, you can rely on me, and together I think we can prove a match for our tactful companion."

"Thank you, Carl," said my friend warmly grasping my hand. "It was simply an inspiration which led me to think of you as a comrade for this undertaking. Let's go on deck now, and see what sail Morgan has got on the old girl. This breeze ought to make her show her heels if she's got any. He is a good sailor, anyway, and it may turn out that we haven't cause for bother in the end."

Slipping on a warm sou'-wester, I followed Harding, who at once took charge of the brig. She was under top-gallants, and though the breeze was not particularly strong, was already fulfilling Jack's prophecy that she would be a "top-gallant." The rolling heavily, and occasionally a green billow came dashing over her round bows, sending the spray flying in clouds to the foretop. Two seamen were aloft making some repairs in the rigging, while a tall and weather-beaten sailor stood at the wheel, glancing now and then into the binnacle, in which the lamp was already lighted.

The fog had largely disappeared, but there was the feeling of more wind and dirty weather in the air. Despite the light canvas she was carrying, the "Janet" made hard work of it, and Harding was impelled to reduce sail. The main-topgallant was furled, and this relieved her considerably. The log showed that the brig was making eight knots an hour, and it was thus clear that the "Janet" was a much faster craft than her rather clumsy appearance had indicated.

After giving the course, Jack went below, leaving the second mate in charge. The latter was standing near the lee rail, with hands in pockets, vigorously chewing—eating would describe the process more exactly—a huge mouthful of finely-cut tobacco, and watching, in a calmly disdainful manner, the action of the brig, as she bowed and rolled over the darkening surges. Small and insignificant as was his appearance, he had the quiet dignity, and repose which invariably marks the manner of a brave and self-respecting man. I felt that he was to be relied upon as such as Morgan was to be distrusted, and with a view to his friendship I approached and entered into conversation. He had come on board at the last moment, and I had heard Harding remark that his name was Ross.

"Let me introduce myself, Mr. Ross," was my remark, as the man looked up at my approach. "My name is Tremaine, and I am going to take this voyage at the invitation of Captain Harding, an old friend."

"Glad to know you, sir," was the response. "Not very pleasant weather for the beginning of our voyage, and it looks as though it was going to be worse."

"Yes; I think it will come on to blow harder before morning." "Who do you think of the brig?" I asked. "The more you spar rats, the heavier for her hull?" "Well, they do look rather large, but she is fast, in a light wind, and her rolling isn't bad when you are used to it. The yards will make her keel round a good deal, but she is a staunch craft."

"You have sailed in the "Janet" before?" I inquired. "Yes, from San Francisco two years ago."

"Any hard weather?" "Yes, some; but the hardest weather I ever saw" was off Newfoundland on the banks. You don't need to round Cape Horn to find wind and seas. The ocean's about the same everywhere. Let it blow hard enough, you'll always get the same things. And it blows plenty hard enough most anywhere in the world of the year," and with this remark the mate grinned sardonically, and relieving himself of the exhausted quid of tobacco, immediately replaced it with a fresh one. This being satisfactorily accomplished, he asked me if I'd ever been to sea before.

"Only on short trips; this is my first long voyage," I answered. "I hope you'll like it. But, for my part, I never could see what men with good berths ashore ever want to go to sea for, if they are well. Of course, if they are ill, it's different. I suppose the sea air does brace 'em up, but I always thought land-air would suit me, about as well."

"The sea has always had a great fascination for me," I answered, "and I should think you would delight in your work. Now, I'm a lawyer, but I have often thought that I would rather command a ship than be a judge."

Ross indulged in his philosophic smile, and even laughed a little. "Wait till our voyage is over, and I fancy you'll prefer the judge's job. The sea is fascinating, as you call it, when it is fascinating; but I never saw a sailor or green hand or anybody else who was fascinated by a howling hurricane, with the seas pouring aboard as though determined to drown your craft outright. If some of these fascinated fellows had to lay out on the end of that yardarm on a pitch-dark night, in a howling gale, and the wind doing its best to tear you off the rigging and nearly succeeding, they'd get over their fascination. It's something no sailor ever had."

"You are not afraid of your business, are you?" I remarked, somewhat surprised at what he had said. "No, I'm not afraid, no more than any other man, but I wouldn't be a fool just for the sake of being one."

"Then I suppose I am foolish in your judgment, in taking this voyage with my friend," said I. "No; I didn't mean that. Only it makes me vexed to hear landmen boast and brag, as they sometimes do, about how they'd never be afraid of anything that could happen, with a staunch craft under their feet."

"I'm glad to notice this particularly when I sailed a small sloop for pleasure parties at a seaside resort a year or two ago."

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For three days the storm raged with varying degrees of violence, but the "Janet" weathered her topmasts, proved herself a gallant sea-boat and suffered no further damage. Towards the evening of the third day there was a slight rise in the glass. The wind, though still violent, was very much steadier and had less weight. The back of the storm was clearly before us. When I came on deck the next morning, the sun shone in a cloudless sky, while the "Janet" was dancing over the white-caps as though rejoicing in her escape. A glorious breeze filling each sail, a new fore-topgallant mast and bowsprit were in place before night. Jack decided not to replace the main-topgallant, for though its absence would lessen the speed of the brig and give her a crippled look, the gain in safety in the weather would more than compensate for these deficiencies."

(To be Continued.)

CHAPTER V. The wind blew hard during the night, but the gale was short-lived, and the sun rose gloriously the next morning, bringing a steady breeze from the north-west. Under all plain canvas the "Janet" bounded merrily over the green sea, with regular rejoicing in the sunshine and the wind. As I gazed on the rolling surface of the ocean, glittering in the morning light, and felt the living leap of the brig from crest to crest, all fear of evil and uncanny thoughts about Morgan vanished, and I was glad that my friend had sought me out for his wild voyage.

We had, as yet, no reason to complain of the first mate. He was, to be sure, extremely uncommunicative, rarely speaking except when addressed, but his answers were invariably courteous, and his demeanour that of a gentleman. One could but feel, however, that he was constantly on the watch. I had detected him looking anxiously at the second mate, as though endeavoring to measure him mentally and physically, and I had also found myself more than once the object of his attention."

But as day after day passed, and no change in his conduct occurred, my suspicion was lulled, and I gave myself up heartily to the enjoyment of the voyage.

For more than a month we were favoured with fair skies and breezes, which never failed us till we were nearly at the equator. The run had been remarkably pleasant, and the "Janet" had developed a speed which surprised us all. The island, according to the memorandum of old Captain Harding, was in the South Pacific, some two thousand miles south-west of Melbourne, and Jack reckoned that, with favourable weather, we might hope to reach it within four months.

As the weather had been uniformly pleasant, and we had made so good a run since leaving home no one was disposed to grumble at the calm which had overtaken us. Moreover, it was too likely to be of long duration. The barometer had fluctuated considerably before the wind failed, and it was now steadily sinking.

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CHAPTER V. The wind blew hard during the night, but the gale was short-lived, and the sun rose gloriously the next morning, bringing a steady breeze from the north-west. Under all plain canvas the "Janet" bounded merrily over the green sea, with regular rejoicing in the sunshine and the wind. As I gazed on the rolling surface of the ocean, glittering in the morning light, and felt the living leap of the brig from crest to crest, all fear of evil and uncanny thoughts about Morgan vanished, and I was glad that my friend had sought me out for his wild voyage.

We had, as yet, no reason to complain of the first mate. He was, to be sure, extremely uncommunicative, rarely speaking except when addressed, but his answers were invariably courteous, and his demeanour that of a gentleman. One could but feel, however, that he was constantly on the watch. I had detected him looking anxiously at the second mate, as though endeavoring to measure him mentally and physically, and I had also found myself more than once the object of his attention."

But as day after day passed, and no change in his conduct occurred, my suspicion was lulled, and I gave myself up heartily to the enjoyment of the voyage.

For more than a month we were favoured with fair skies and breezes, which never failed us till we were nearly at the equator. The run had been remarkably pleasant, and the "Janet" had developed a speed which surprised us all. The island, according to the memorandum of old Captain Harding, was in the South Pacific, some two thousand miles south-west of Melbourne, and Jack reckoned that, with favourable weather, we might hope to reach it within four months.

As the weather had been uniformly pleasant, and we had made so good a run since leaving home no one was disposed to grumble at the calm which had overtaken us. Moreover, it was too likely to be of long duration. The barometer had fluctuated considerably before the wind failed, and it was now steadily sinking.

The mass of white clouds which seemed to disappear with the limiting of the stars, dark faintly in the black sky. They shone but dimly, and with no reflection in the surface of the ocean, whose waters heaved with a solemn swell. The sea had a heavy, sticky look, and the knowledge that

the wretched men rush to the rail, and stretch out their arms in mad entreaty. It is only the unrelenting instinct of self-preservation which we were as powerless to help them as though our brig were snugly moored to dock."

The fire was rapidly working aft; the mizen-mast was all ablaze, while the smoke and flame curled about the lower part of the jigger. "She'll soon go down," Harding yelled. "The fire must have eaten her hull through."

Scarcely had he spoken, when a wave of unusual size struck the "Janet" on the quarter, and nearly threw her bodily from the water. Down she slid with a giddy whirl, as though determined never to rise again, and we lost sight of the doomed craft which had driven some distance beyond us. As we mounted through the waves till the summited stranger poised on the summit of a ridge of water, seemingly one mass of fire. Then came an explosion resounding loud above the screeching of the storm—the ship ploughed foremost into the chasm and was gone. Blank darkness drowned the light, as the sea did the ship, and we were alone again on the weltering waste of water.

I had thought my nerves pretty steady, but the spectacle of the burning ship and her mad plunge and disappearance in the furious sea made me faint with either terror or excitement. Years have passed since that night, but they have never dimmed the recollection of its horror. In imagination I have often followed the burned-out hull as it sank through the waves till it reached the quiet depths below. How steadily it descended down through fathom after fathom, mile after mile of the black damp, until at last gently, as though not sure that its destination was reached, it grounded on the foundations of the globe, there to remain till the world shall cease to be."

But the gravity of our own situation speedily recalled our thoughts to ourselves and the brig. The meter had ceased falling, but the wind increased with the night, causing the "Janet" to wrench and roll as though in a death agony. No conversation was possible or necessary. Every man of us knew that the brig might go down at any moment, and we could only wait and meet our fate bravely, if our time had come."

At last there came a gust of unexpected violence. A crash aloft, ropes breaking like thread, and the fore and main-topgallant masts were carried far to leeward and completely clear of the brig. It was our salvation. Had the rigging held, the vessel would inevitably have rolled bottom up. Instinctively we felt it when the mighty blast struck her. The bowsprit, wrenched and weakened by the tearing away of the spars soon followed the rest, but the "Janet" was safer and more seaworthy than at any time since the storm broke."

Her top-hammer gone, the rolling largely ceased, and she rose to the surges with ease and buoyancy. The well, on being sounded, showed just a foot of water, which had probably been pumped out above. The pumps were manned, and in a few moments the hoarse, sucking sound so well known to a sailor's ears under such circumstances announced that the hull was tight. Unless some unforeseen mischance happened, it was plain that we should weather the gale. Just as it was beginning to grow light we went below, leaving the second mate in charge."

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HINTS ON HORSE SHOEING.

By W. W. Hunter, in "National Stockman and Farmer."

There is one part of the horse's body which domestic usage has subjected to more abrupt, radical and unnatural treatment than any other part of his makeup. I mean the hoof which is to my mind one of the most perfect combinations of extremely delicate parts, protecting other delicate and essential parts, to be found in nature. As I am not a professional I will not attempt to describe this most perfect spring system in the world that is enclosed within the wall of every horse's foot.

In nature's economy the horse's feet rest on mother earth and are washed by the dew grass and running streams. Under man's management he stands on solid plank or concrete, with a drop of moisture on his feet. On his native health he travels in over grass sward and yielding earth, and instinct compels him to use his feet just enough to keep them in proper shape. Man drives him over hard rough roads, and very soon the shell is worn so that shoeing must be resorted to.

That shoeing the most radical perversion of nature in the horse's domestic animal economy. The shell of the normal hoof extends just a little below the sole, so that the pressure is upon the shell and frog, but when the shell is broken or worn down even with the sole the sensitive lamina which with the small terminal bones make up the body of the hoof is exposed, and soreness is the result.

A great deal has been written on the subject of shoeing, much of it by laymen like myself who have only slight knowledge of the true principles of shoeing to enable the horse to travel without pain or inconvenience. Skilful horsehoers have little to say, because they know that there is so much variation in the size, shape, quality and formation of the feet in the action, usage and the habits of different horses that they cannot follow any hard and fast rules, but must adapt their work to conditions, always aiming to violate nature just as little as possible. Driving horses that do not have to draw heavy loads, or travel over slippery roads, may be shod with light plate shoes and retain the natural shape and pressure of the foot to a large degree, but the shoes ought to be removed frequently to cut away the growth which but for the shoe would have been worn off. Horses drawing heavy loads must have calks and toes to hold their footing, and the shoes must be heavy to prevent springing, as but three points under each foot sustain the horse and additional weight of the tractile force he exerts, and the longer the calks and toes the greater will be the unnatural pressure and strain upon the tendons connecting the foot with the leg.

As a rule horse shoers know how to do the work better than horse owners can tell them, but the best informed ones take kindly to intelligent suggestions, and are free to discuss questions connected with the business. Few of them are guilty of the charge of burning the foot down to fit the shoe, though they often touch the foot with the hot shoe to see where there is a high spot on the shell when truing up the surface and the scorched spots are pared off, and I do not think any injury is done. I have read that in the shop where Banner had Dexter, Maud S. and his other horses shod there was a marble slab on which the horse stood when the fetter were being fitted for shoeing and the hoof was dressed until even. The part of the wall rested equally upon the slab, then the part that touched the slab was smeared with printer's ink and the foot let down on clean paper, the result was a clearly defined picture of the size and shape the shoe ought to be. While this plan might not be practical in every day horse shoeing there is a good suggestion in it which means that the surface of the hoof ought to be exactly true, and the shoe must be just as true, and if both foot and shoe are true a perfect fit will result.

The impression seems to prevail that a colt ought not to be shod so long as he can do without it, and many colts acquire a short step, dwindling gait, because the feet are tender and this causes them to be afraid to step out. So long as they can stay on the farm they may get along, but natural feet must not be expected to do duty on unnatural footing such as public roads afford. Most farmers allow shoes to remain on too long. The hoof continues to grow all the time and the shoe that is a perfect fit when it was put on will not fit the hoof after it has grown a month or more, and when shoes are left on for three months, as is sometimes done, the hoofs are injured and sometimes ruined. One point in controversy between the blacksmith and the farmer is the use of worn shoes. I have already referred to the need for heavy shoes on draught horses, especially when calks and toes are used. A little thought will enable anyone to understand that so far as his ultimate development is concerned, the shoeing may be more apparent when we realise that in action only two feet at a time support all the weight of horse and tractile force.

Growing ducklings thrive best on a feed composed of equal parts by measure of corn meal, ground peas, bran and middlings, all made into a thick mash either with scalding hot water or milk, the latter being the best. The mash is improved by adding short cut green grass, clover or some other green stuff, and a handful of coarse sand.

Soft-looking and delicate clouds foretell fine weather, with moderate breezes; hard-edged clouds foretell wind; rolled or ragged clouds, strong wind. A bright yellow sky at sunset also presages wind, while a pale yellow sky forecasts wet weather.

Teacher (addressing her class) "I want you, children, to name some of the lower animals, starting with the lie Jones."

SUMMER CARE OF FOALS.

By H. E. McCartney.

The first summer is the time when growth can be put on the colts cheaply and most profitably. Plenty of feed is necessary for best growth and development. Of all feeds the mother's milk is of greatest importance. It is essential that the dam be cared for in such a way as to cause her to yield the biggest supply of milk possible. Mares suckling foals should be fed liberally of clean, healthful and appetizing foods. It is permissible and usually advisable that the mare be worked. She should, however, be in the hands of the most thoughtful and careful driver, and should be handled with good judgment.

After the age of about one month the foal needs food in addition to what it can secure from its mother. Clean, bright oats make probably the best feed that is available on the farm. Pure timothy hay, bran and oat meal in the proportion of 2 parts of each to 1 of oats, makes a splendid feed if one will go to the trouble of preparing or mixing a feed. Ordinarily a colt will learn to eat the first mouthful from the mother's teat box, but he cannot get enough there. He must have a small box out of reach of the mare, or some place where a larger and older stock cannot reach it.