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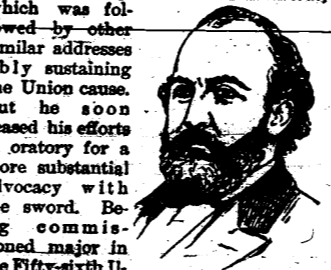
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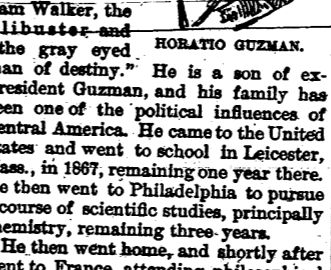
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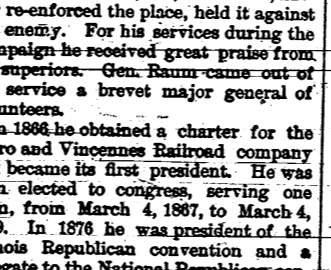
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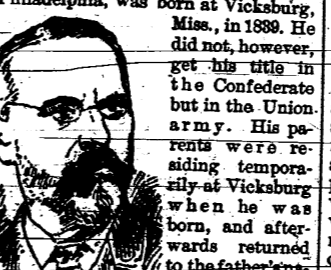
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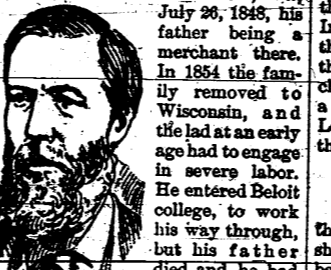
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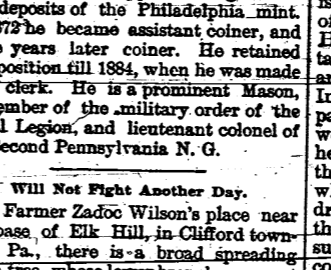
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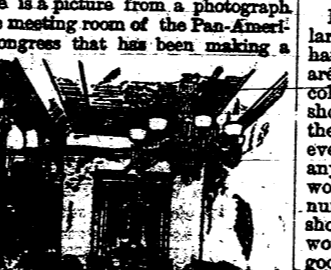
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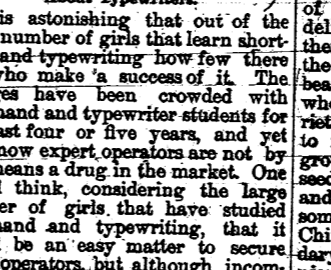
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Sleighing in Haying Time.

The truth in the lines of Scott in "Marrion". O, what a tangled web we weave, When first we practice to deceive!

Uncle Caleb.

Uncle Caleb, who has long since gone to his rest, was a farmer of the old sort in the group at the village store, in their tales of strange and interesting things gone by.

On a River in Spain.

Rain fell heavily during the night, washing the face of nature, brightening the whole landscape.

Badly Frightened.

M. Andre Theuriet has given his memories and impressions of the coup d'etat on the 2d of December, 1851.

He Got the Apple.

Teacher (to small boys)—Now, boys, spell the name "Jerusalem" on slips of paper.

Mad Mistake of a Dairyman's Boy.

"Do you know a boy who wants a situation?" asked one dairyman of another.

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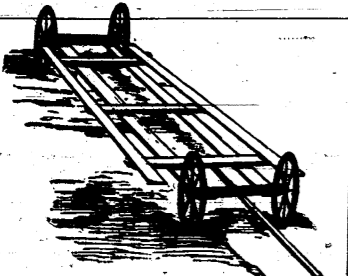
Nothing in the condition of Scotland today, says Dr. Comar Underwood, is so painful to the benevolent and philosophic observer as the spectacle presented in Glasgow of deformed men, women and children.

FARM AND GARDEN.

IMPORTANT SUBJECTS TREATED IN A PLAIN AND PRACTICAL MANNER.

Harvesting the Corn Crop—Cutting the Stalks—Husking the Corn—Stacking the Corn Fodder—Pig Troughs—Keeping Sweet Potatoes.

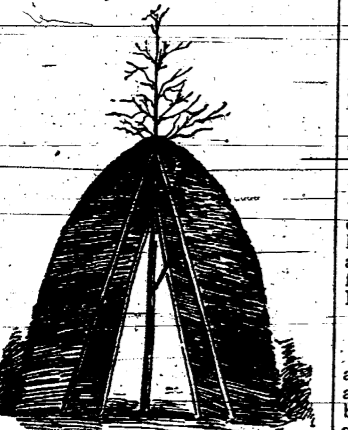
In cutting corn stalks the common sickle, employed three or four generations ago, is the implement used now...



CORN FODDER WAGON.

In cutting up corn stalks by hand, labor will be saved by adopting a regular system of steps. Country Gentlemen suggests the plan of twenty-five hills forming a shock, the operator taking three hills at a time.

Corn fodder sown thickly is very apt to heat and spoil when placed in a stack without ventilation. It is necessary, therefore, to provide a chimney in the center for the steam and hot air to escape.



A FODDER STACK WITH VENTILATOR.

Corn husking is still done by hand by the majority of our farmers, although we have had reports the past season or two of successful corn huskers, and doubtless in the near future some of these machines will be made sufficiently perfect to do away with the slow and tiresome process of husking by hand.

Last year several progressive farmers in the west claimed to have both husked and shelled their corn satisfactorily through an ordinary threshing machine. It is no longer necessary to shell corn by hand, for the market is supplied with small and large power shellers that do effective work.

The corn selected for seed must not only be thoroughly dried through to the center of the cob, but be stored in a perfectly dry place, where it will be free from frost and vermin.

Here and There. The forty-ninth annual fair of the New York State Agricultural society, held at Albany, proved one of the best as well as the largest shows ever made by this organization.

A significant feature of the twenty-sixth annual show of the New England Agricultural society was the diminution in the number of Jersey cattle exhibited and an increased number of larger, harder breeds.

The cotton crop is comparatively late. Rust has been reported quite generally on sandy soils.

"Corn roasts" seem to be taking the place of the old-fashioned husking in the Maine farming towns. As the new festival has quite as much eating as the old one, and much less working, it is destined to become popular, with the visitors at least.

ERCKMANN-CHATRIAN'S FIRST.

The Clever Base Which an Old Foreman Employed to Get It Published. I read in The Tribune of this morning a very interesting Paris letter about the deplorable quarrel between Erckmann and Chatrlian, the literary partners...

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CASH PAID FOR CATS' SKINS.

How Peep Pussy Assumes the Role of a Fur Bearing Animal. "Cash paid for cats' skins," the sign read in the window of a Washington furrier, who astonished the newspaper man by telling him that there was always a good market for pussies' pelts.

"Five cents apiece," said he, "is what we pay for common skins, ten cents for mottled pure and twenty-five cents for black. Of course they must be in good condition. Some male cats are so given to back fence warfare that their hides become considerably damaged. The fur of the sleek and well fed domestic pussy is what we find most available for our purposes. Street cats are usually too ragged and coarse haired to be useful."

"And what are the purposes of which you speak?" "The imitation of more expensive furs, chiefly. The French dye them very skillfully, and in that way transform the humble tabby after death into the regal ermine or other beast of rare and costly kind. The pure black and mottled and the tortoise shell are not dyed, but made to serve in the natural colors. Rugs of selected tortoise shell and mottled are already becoming quite fashionable, and the best ones are far from cheap. The only use made of cats' pelts in this country is in the manufacture of carriage robes, but vast numbers of them are sent from the United States to Europe, where they are made into coats, hats, rugs, dressing gown linings and other garments."

"Taxidermists, too, in other parts of the country are advertising for felines by the thousand for stuffing. In the process they employ the skin is first removed, leaving only the scraped top of the skull within it. Both head and body are then built up with pipe clay and tow, a piece of wire being so adjusted that one end comes through the forehead and the other at the tip of the tail. To this four wires running down the legs are fixed. The skin is then shown up and the animal formed into a desired position. The final operation is putting in the eyes. Fastened upon a scrap of red flannel in this manner, a small black kitten makes a very pretty pen wiper."

"But where do all the skins come from?" "Many are brought into the city establishments that advertise for them by small boys who are glad to earn pocket money by the comparatively easy method of assassinating a few unfortunate cats; but the main supply is contributed by professional fur collectors in the different parts of the country who shoot them. The ravine woods of New England are full of them running wild. They breed wonderfully fast and under such seemingly adverse conditions and can be popped off the fence and walls with ease by an expert marksman. A first rate lap robe of cat skin is worth \$40 or \$50. Yes, indeed, pussy is beginning to be recognized as a fur bearing animal, and instead of drowning the kittens, people will before long be propagating them for their pelts."—Washington Post.

Superstitions About Babies. In Ireland a belt made of a woman's hair is placed about a child to keep him away from mischief.

Garlic, salt, bread and steak are put into the cradle of a new born babe in Holland.

Roumanian mothers tie red ribbons around the ankles of their children to preserve them from harm, while Esthonian mothers attach bits of asafetida to the necks of their offspring.

Welch mothers put a pair of tongs or a knife in the cradle to insure the safety of their children; the knife is also used for the same purpose in some parts of England.

AM-TO THE COTTAGE.

A man who died in Berlin a few years ago left \$3,000 marks to be divided equally between nine relatives and a friend with whom he had quarreled. The remainder of his fortune, 183,000 marks he left to his native city in Bavaria. The Berlin legatees, the nine relatives and the one friend, were enjoined by a provision in the will from attending the funeral. Should any one disregard his will in this respect, that person, by an express clause in the will, forfeited his part of the 3,000 marks. The relatives, to a man, stayed at home, but the good friend forfeited his tenth of the money and followed the remains to their last resting place. His heroism was rewarded. A codicil to the will read: "But should any of the ten herein named forfeit the portion and follow my body to the grave, the money which must otherwise go to my native city revert to him."

Thus true friendship was rewarded by 183,000 marks instead of a miserable 200 marks.—John W. Wright in St. Louis Republic.

The Time We Live In. At the First Unitarian church yesterday morning the Rev. H. Simmons said: "A few years ago the term 'American Association' meant the 'Association for the Advancement of Science.' Today the reader searches in vain for the science, and instead of the discoveries of chemists and philosophers, finds the deeds of more famous men at the first base or short stop."—Minneapolis Tribune.

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