

SCHOOLS IN PUBLIC PARKS.

Boston's finance commission has placed itself upon record as favoring the building of one of the public schools in one of Boston's public parks.

While the finance commission does not wish to make its recommendation a precedent, it has in it a suggestion of value.

A Brooklyn woman lately wrote to the marriage license bureau of that city to know if she could be supplied with a good, honest, sober husband.

The pessimist can always find food for gloomy thought. The facts that the census shows a big increase in population while the death rate is decreasing will prove to that individual, who, like the proverbial Scotchman, is never happy unless he is miserable.

Those who have been wondering as to whether America would produce a new race have their answer.

That marriage is the worst kind of a failure is the opinion of a Gotham broker who is paying his first wife \$349 a month alimony and whose second wife wants alimony to the tune of \$500 more.

Trust science to rise to every emergency. It says we are all going insane from living in flats, and now a French surgeon is going to saw open our heads and scrape away the foolish fancies.

A Japanese scientist claims that he can educate oysters to produce perfect pearls. This may be glad news, but that the season is open to the patron of the restaurant pearl fisheries.

Football this year will have to compete with aviation, but as there seems to be no good way to see a college yell in connection with an airship the gridiron sport will have some advantages.

A Tokyo cable announces the Japanese will make a dash for the south pole to try and beat the American and British expeditions.

Girls caught shoplifting in Philadelphia explained that "they wanted to be stylish." In order to satisfy that desire they should have confined their immedes to smuggling.

A western man claims he is insane and brings forward as proof the fact that he was married three times in three months. "Insane" is an inadequate word, we opine.

New York has formed a league to banish French from the bill of fare. Merely to call a chef a cook would be a great gain.

We gather that the Brooklyn woman who named sixty-three co-respondents in her divorce suit, really deserves to win it.

New York bulldog turns on the gas and commits suicide. Even a dog can't stand the dog's life a New Yorker leads.

Now the sultan of Sulu says that one wife is a plenty. Thus he destroys his usefulness as a comic opera prop.

Sauerkraut is superior to beans as a diet, says a Boston scientist. Bostonians will take steps to deport him to the Fatherland.

President Simon of Haiti refuses to ride in an automobile, which is proof enough that he likes his job and wants to hang on to it.

It seems to be the opinion that a man can drink a quart of whisky all right, but that he can't carry it far.

SOCIETY MEN AS DARING AVIATORS



NEW YORK.—The International aviation meet at Belmont Park has had much the air of a social function, but also to the social standing of a number of the bold aeroplants.

GIRLS LACK HOMES

London Has No Respectable Refuge for Women.

Sister Maggie Has Strikingly Discouraging Experience—Ordinary Lodgings Unfit for Honest Poor.

London.—"Sister Maggie," a zealous and original worker connected with the Bloomsbury Social union, is engaged in an effort to provide hotels for respectable girls who find themselves in London without money or friends.

"In order to test the matter for myself," said she, "I disguised myself as a young country girl out of a situation in London and, with only nine pence in my pockets, I walked the streets to find a respectable night's lodging.

SWISS BRIDES BE HEALTHY

Radical Action Planned by Government of Switzerland in Requiring Physical Tests.

London.—That vexed question of state medical certificates of the health of brides is now in the region of practical politics. In all probability Swiss brides will in future be required to present a certificate of health to their bridegrooms.

TO CURE BASHFUL SPEAKERS

Club Is Formed in London to Train Speechmakers Afflicted With Shyness—Hook for Bore.

London.—Speechmaking in the dark is to be one of the methods to cure bashful speakers of their self-consciousness that will be employed by the newly founded Public Speaking club of Great Britain.

LOSES TROUSERS FROM TRAIN

Lloyd-George, Chancellor of Exchequer, Travels into London in Abbreviated Attire.

London.—There is a wicked story going the rounds about an adventure of David Lloyd-George, chancellor of the exchequer, the other day. He was coming to London from a little station in South Wales and sat on the platform ten minutes waiting for his train.

Kills Bear at First Shot.

Pendleton, Ore.—Unusual marksmanhood was displayed when Miss Grace Bean, a recent high school graduate and daughter of Judge and Mrs. H. J. Bean of Pendleton, shot and killed a black bear with a .22 caliber rifle.

Discovered Big Lake.

Winnipeg, Man.—According to a dispatch received here from William F. Druhard of Windsor, Ont., now in Edmonton, Alberta, a lake, supposed to be as large as Lake Superior, has been discovered in the Canadian northwest.

Benefit of Work.

It is impossible to be despondent when one is kept busy.

HOBBLE SKIRT AIDS MORALS

latest thing in clothes, shoes, hats and gloves can afford to be otherwise than well dressed; and to begin at the beginning, every argument to the contrary is a fallacy.

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In France there are 6,000,000 smokers. Of every 16 there are eight who smoke cigars, five who use pipes, and only two addicted to cigarettes. Still these comparatively few smoke 800,000,000 cigarettes a year.

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Undoubtedly.

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"What did you have on your umbrella handle the last time you saw it?" "My hand."

Great Britain's New Coinage.

With reference to the suggestion that the inscription of Britain's new coinage should be in English instead of Latin, one may recall a precedent.

Discovering Woman's age.

Who wonder what death the man will die, or what tortured life he will be caused to lead, who has just discovered the little "trick" by which a woman's age can be ascertained beyond a doubt—that is to say, while her health is normal.

Clothespin Saves Life.

With a clothespin kept constantly between his teeth for 15 days, to prevent the jaws from locking with the suffering from lockjaw, Renato Caplane, 18 years old, is now on the road to recovery at Plains, Pa., successfully responding to antitoxin treatment.

Uncrackable Glass.

Glass that can be heated white hot and then plunged into cold water without breaking, while an apparent impossibility, has yet been made an accomplished fact.

Getting Married.

in getting married you can have a house and not pay rent. And no man should get married unless he can do this. There is a spirit about a house owned by the occupants that is entirely different from that which pervades the rented house.

The American Home WILLIAM A. RADFORD Editor. Mr. William A. Radford will answer questions and give advice FREE OF COST on all subjects pertaining to the subject of building for the readers of this paper.

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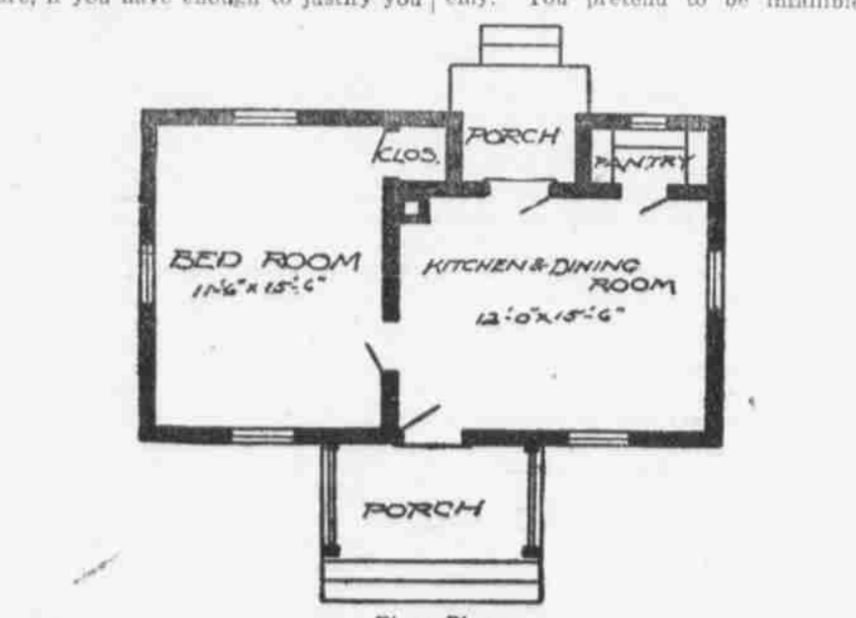
complete the chances are you never will have one, for the money will go some other way. Get into debt—reasonable debt—for a home, and you will be surprised how easy the struggle will be.



passerby as the abode of sincere people who have disdained to live in a rented house and who, despite their meager means, have an independent spirit.

equipment in every restaurant that caters to well dressed crowds. The style is too ephemeral to warrant buying a lot of long-legged chairs, so we simply elevate a part of those we already have by means of rings and reserve them for the hobbled women.

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SOME ODD BELIEFS

LUCK OR MISFORTUNE AScribed TO THE DIGITS.

Second Numeral Acquired an Evil Reputation Among Early Christians Because the Second Day Hell Was Created.

The number 1 is esteemed as very lucky by the Japanese, who allot but one day to each of the several operations of husbandry, leaving that portion of the crop that could not be gathered in one day, an exchange says.

The second digit acquired an especially evil reputation among the early Christians, because the second day hell was created, along with heaven and earth. It also seems to have been a number unlucky in English dynasties.

The number 3 has an abundance of superstitions connected with it. It was the perfect number of the Pythagoreans, who said it represented the beginning, middle and end.

Little mystery was attached to the numbers 4 and 5. In folklore the four-leaved clover is considered especially lucky.

The cabalists asserted that the number 6 was potent in mystical properties. The world was created in six days, the Jewish servant served six years.

The number 7 has been invested with more mystery than all the other digits together, and to it were ascribed magic and mystical qualities possessed by no other number.

There were nine earths, according to medieval cosmogony; nine heavens, nine rivers of hell and nine orders of angels. The number being perfection, since it represented divinity, was often used to signify a great quantity.

Nine knots made in a black woolen thread served as a charm in the case of a sprain. It was also believed and is still by some, that if a servant girl finds nine green peas in one pod and lays them on the window sill, the first man that enters will be her beau.

Nine grains of wheat laid on a four-leaved clover enable one, it is said, to see the fairies.

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