

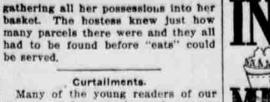
An April Party. My name is April; and I Often laugh, as often cry; And I cannot tell what makes me Only as the fit o'ertakes me! I must dimple, smile and frown, Laughing though the tears roll down. But 'tis nature, sir, not art; And I'm happy at my heart.

We are all happy "at our hearts" these days, and none more so than the little mother who planned this party for the children of the neighborhood, her own boy and girl being the host and hostess. The usual invitations were sent out, save that in one corner were the words "Soap-Bubble Party." The decorations were umbrellas suspended from the ceiling. Under each was a small table holding two pipes ornamented with bows of rainbow colors, a bowl and a bottle containing soap-bubble water. This mixture was soapsuds with the addition of a tablespoon of glycerin in every pint of water, which gives luster and stability to the fairy bubbles. Prizes were offered for the largest bubble, for the one remaining longest in the air, for the one with the most vivid coloring and for the one soaring the highest

A pretty game was arranged by stretching a board ribbon across the room like a tennis net, providing fans to blow the bubbles. The contest was to see which side could blow the greatest number of bubbles and get them over the ribbon. Two persons played at a time, or four, as in tennis.

The table was gay with a circle of candles in the seven prismatic colors around a large crescent-shaped cake. The flowers were hyacinths in delicate pink, lavender, white, yellow and pur-One stalk in a tiny pot at the plates made a beautiful table.

A Five and Ten Cent Shower. This folly affair was given for a girl parties known as "showers," as she said she considered them too great a tax upon long-suffering friends. In view of this, one of the girls who was a leader in the crowd 'phoned about thirty of the "crowd," both boys and girls, and told them her scheme of limiting the gifts to the "Five and Ten," and all were instructed to send their offerings to her (the hostess' house) on the day before the party. Then on the day set for the event, after all had arrived, the parcels, each securely wrapped, were brought in two great clothes baskets. Then all were seated in a circle, a step ladder and table brought in, and the packnges were auctioned off to the highes bidder by the funny man in the bunch. low, When all the articles were bid in they were bestowed upon the bride-and bridegroom-elect and the rest of the evening was spent in watching them open their "goods."



department love puzzles and contests of all kinds. I wonder how they would like to wrack their brains over the following which I am assured "is bully good fun." Go to work on it right now.

The word "dame" answers the first. Curtail a woman and leave a bar-

Curtail a slight depression and leave lair. Curtail a pair and leave a bever-

Curtail a conflagration and leave a

tree. Curtail a trade-mark and leave

husks. Curtall a four-footed animal and

leave a serpent. Curtail one vehicle and leave an-

other. Curtail an organization of men and

leave a limb. Curtail an orchestra and leave a

prohibition Curtail a building and leave an ob-

struction Curtail a fissure and leave part of

one's face Curtail a vegetable and leave an in-

sect Curtail a thick shrub and leave a

public vehicle. Curtail a system and leave a fish. Curtail a garment and leave a head-

covering. Curtail a ringing sound and leave a

tribe. Curtail a circular vessel and leave part of a ship.

Curtail a sound and leave a weight. Curtail a breeze and leave victory. Curtail an organ of the body and

leave to listen. Curtail to color and leave a bodily

suffering. Curtail a camp and leave a num-

ber. Curtail a club and leave a bever-

age Curtailments: Dame, dam; dent, den; team, tea; fire, fir; brand, bran; boar, boa; cart, car; army, arm; band, ban; barn, bar; chink, chin; beet, bee; bush, bus; code, cod; cape, cap; clang, clan; bowl, bow; tone, ton; wind, win; heart, hear; paint, pain; tent, ten; team, tea.

A Poem for Each Month. Some one has very carefully com-

piled this list of poems, one for each month in the year. I am sure all our who gratefully and firmly declined all readers will wish to cut it out to be used as occasion demands. It will give a touch of novelty at a birthday feast to have a poem for the month read aloud, and equally fitting to send to a friend who has a special anniversary in the month. January-"The Eve of St. Agnes," Keats.

February-"Afternoon in February," Longfellow. March-"A Morning in March,"

Wordsworth. April-"Welcome to April." Tenny-

May-"An Evening in May," Wal-

ton. June-"A Day in June," Lowell, July-"Rain in

Novelty Spoon.

eler who uses only a special brand of

tea is a spoon with a cover that is

perforated similarly to a tea ball. This

of scissors, being governed by a

Quilted Silk Mufflers.

Convenient for the feminine trav-

Keats.

Bryant

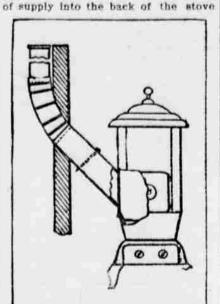
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NOVEL GRAVITY FUEL FEEDER

Invention Simplifies Work of Coaling Furnace or Stove-No Back-

Straining Labor Needed. The labor of coaling the furnace invention of a North Dakota man. This invention is known as the gravity fuel feeder and the coat merely flows into the stove as a valve is opened. To do this, of course, the coal bin or hopper that holds the fuel must be located above the furnace or stove. A pipe then leads down from this source



Gravity Coal Feeder.

and the weight of the fuel above keeps this pipe always filled. A cut-off at the bottom of the valve holds back the avalanche, but when more coal is needed this cut-off is opened and there is a rush which fills the furnace in an instant, without the back-straining labor of carrying shovelfuls or scuttlefuls to

PAPER CLOTHING IS INVENTED

English Inventors Hope to Be Able to Produce Garments Costing No. More Than Laundering.

London, which recently announced the discovery of economical ways of making artificial rubber, is the scene of experiments in paper clothing. Paper garments have been made and worn as curiosities, but they were pasted together and they did not commend themselves to a climate where rains fell from time to time. Paper napkins, towels and handkerchiefs have been offered to the public, but their introduction has been slow. They do not look enough like the articles they are designed to replace. Paper garments will not displace cotton and linen until they resemble them in texture. That is the

GIRL TEESTIFIS Films Will Be Displayed in Picture Room of Future Dwellings-Another New Industry. A prediction may safely be made that in the very near future provision

MOVING PICTURES IN HOMES

will be made for moving pictures m the home. When a man decides to build a house to cost, say, \$25,000 or more, the architect will plan the picture room in which the family and their guests can enjoy a select program of latest productions. It may be in connection with a dancing room

or it can be accommodated in much less space. A projecting machine suitable for the house will not be very costly, and the films will doubtless or stove has been simplified by the be delivered each week by companies organized for that special purpose.

Travelers returning from abroad will find pictures of cities and scenes they have visited a wonderful help in reciting to friends and relatives incidents of the places they have visited.

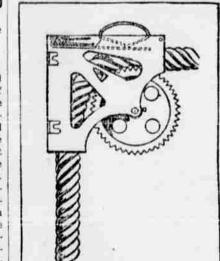
soon come into existence in all the tion committee?" were the words larger cities will be film photography, burned into the minds of members of H. H. Windsor writes in Popular Mechanics. Children's birthdays, garden parties, weddings and other functions which in later days or years recall pleasant memories will be thus perpetuated by the film photographer. He will eventually be considered as much a necessity as the orchestra. Undoubtedly one of the most acceptable wedding presents in days to come, from parents to bride and groom, will be a set of progressive films showing the children as they advanced from infancy to high school days. As a feature of the wedding

festivities these pictures would afford both amusement and entertainment.

DEVICE FOR MEASURING ROPE Machine Works Automatically and Wheel Registers Lengths Instantly-Useful in Store.

Rope Measurer.

A Kansas man has invented a device for measuring rope that might well be called automatic, inasmuch as the rope is measured as it passes over a wheel and the lengths instantly registered. This wheel is pivoted within a casing that can be fastened at some convenient place. In the upper portion of the casing is a spring arm that presses the rope against the wheel with just enough force to make



Rope Measurer.

places where rope is sold.

before of \$1,200,000.

tilted too far back.

patentes in England

of 426,976 short tons,

similar in many ways to the internal

NOTES OF

INDERIN

AND

JERRY HOWARD ACQUAINTS THE LEGISTURE WITH FACTS. Tom Steele, Manager, SALOONS ARE VERY INDIGNANT Lawmakers Express Indignation; Report of Investigating Committea. Lincoln .- "Can the beef trust defy all law; can that powerful combine atone for the loss of work taken away from a poor girl simply because she Another new industry which will testified before a legislative investigathe lower house when a letter from Jerry Howard was read in connection with the Losey report on female working conditions at the South Omaha packing plants.

The letter followed disclosures of the fact that a girl who had testified before the committee had lost her job wholly on that account. Two score legislators applauded the sentiment expressed in the Howard letter. Many more than that number said, "Shameful!" "Awful!" and other words that would not have sounded soothing to the keen cars of the packing barons. Representative Foster asked that inasmuch as the entire delegation from Douglas county had been re-

ferred to as "porch climbers" the communication be disregarded. "No, sir; it's to go in the records of

the investigation," indicated Chairman Losey of the committee. "The letter will be taken cognizance

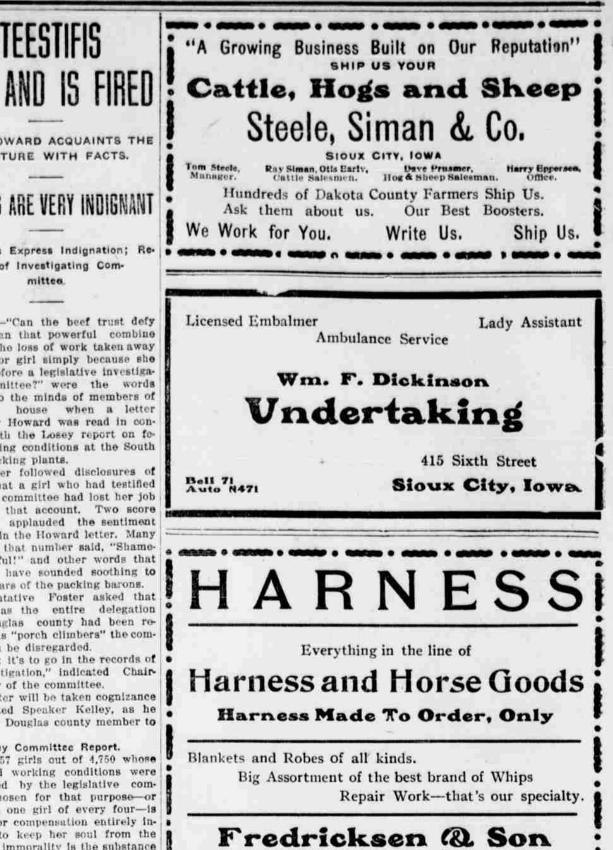
of," asserted Speaker Kelley, as he rapped the Douglas county member to his seat.

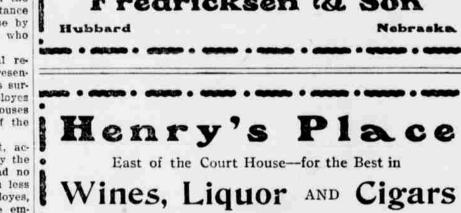
Losey Committee Report.

That 1,257 girls out of 4,750 whose wages and working conditions were investigated by the legislative committee chosen for that purpose-or more than one girl of every four-is working for compensation entirely inadequate to keep her soul from the squalor of immorality is the substance of a report made to the house by Chairman Losey and associates, who

conducted the investigation. The report follows a personal report made ten days ago by Representative Losey, in which conditions surrounding the work of female employes of the South Omaha packing houses were laid bare to the people of the state.

The committee reported that, according to the evidence given by the female employes, a girl who had no home cannot live respectably on less than \$5 or \$9 per week. The employes, however, swore that the female employes must serve an apprenticeship for a greater or less time before they are qualified to earn those wages. Of the conditions under which girls work the committee said:





Bond & Lillard, Old Elk, Sherwood Rye Whiskies.

Nulife Beer

Bottle or Keg

Two April Showers.

Did you ever hear of a "Trouble Shower?" Well, if not, try one on the next bride-elect you wish to honor. On the invitation notes pin down one corner with a needle and the other opposite with a pin, lettering the following nursery rhyme prohecy across the top:

'Needles and pins! When a maid spoon works on the principle of a pair marries her trouble begins!"

The idea to be carried out is this: spring near the root of the handle, The hostess provides a dainty work which sends the base of the contrivbasket or bag, as she may prefer, ance in one direction and the lid in and the guests supply the contents to the other. By soaking this spoon-of fit it out completely. If the favorite solid or plated silver-in the cupful of color of the bride is known it is hot water which railway porters are a pretty compliment to carry out that always able to provide, the traveler color scheme throughout. The shower who is a bit "fussy" about the quality I heard about had all in yellow. The of the cheering beverage may have basket was a gilded one, lined with it precisely to her liking.

yellow satin, and the needlebook of yellow satin, the scissor case of pig

skin. There was a tape measure, A pretty notion for feminine wear is thimble, emery, ribbon threaders, pin a quilted silk muffler cut somewhat on cushion, spools of thread and silk, but- the lines of the man muffler. These tons, safety plas, common pins and are made of pink or pale blue, brocases of needles. To make more fun, cade lined with quilted white silk, or these articles were done up separately they may be ordered to match the in white paper tied with yellow ribbon opera cloak. They are perfectly flat, and hidden all over the big living and are bordered their entire length with marabou matching the brocade.

The little bride-to-be had a time Ready made they cost \$2.50 each.

Large Ornamental Combs Accompany Modern Coiffure



Great importance is given to ornamental combs by the increasing simplicity of the present-day coiffure. As curls and the chignon have given way to the swathing of the hair round the face and over the ears, so the comb becomes more necessary as a form of decoration. These combs are more often in a square or horseshoe shape, some with big knobs on them, and others having a high gallery studded with steel or paste and colored stones. The latter shape is especially convenient as a means of hiding the base of the sigrettes or paradise plumes which are now so much worp

promising feature of the London ex-August-"Forest Hymn." Bryant. periments. It is said that a process September-"Hymn for September," has been perfected whereby paper George Herbert can be produced that will deceive it engage the cogs and turn the wheel, October-"Pleasures of Autume," the eye and pass for cotton or linen yet not forcibly enough to impede the November-"Death of the Flowers,"

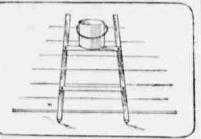
fabrics and will hold buttons, seams movement of the rope. This wheel is and buttonholes. The inventors hope connecetd with a registering mechanto be able to produce garments that ism, and each revolution represent so December-"The Holly Tree," Southwill cost no more than the price of MADAME MERRI. laundering. However, cotton plant- be. As the rope passes out, thereers are unlikely to take alarm for

the present.

USEFUL DEVICE FOR PAINTER

Does Away With Necessity of Man Stooping While Working on Scaffold or Side Wall.

The painter working on a scaffold or side wall must stoop to dip the brush in the paint pot. To do away with this stooping. I built a pot stand of oak barrel staves, ripped to one and one-half inches in width, writes Aug. Meyer of McCloud, Cal, in the Popular Mechanics. The crosspieces are 12 and 18 inches long, respectively. If the paint pot is large,



A Paint Pot Stand.

against the wall. This stand also comes handy many times as a step-Spikes are fastened in the lower ends te keep them from slipping. When moving the scaffold up or down, the of the United States last year, re- passage. stand is hung on the guard rope or cently issued, show a record output rail.

States navy are apparently most fav- English technical school. crably impressed with oil fuel, and this as the result of their practical cently uncovered a rich deposit of experience on ships that are equipped | coal many miles from where any coal for its use. Lieut, Com. Allen of the had been known to exist. Nobraska estimates that, weight for Aluminum can be blackened by imcould be stowed in the bunker spaces, and this one thousand tons would be five thousand miles.

Artificial Saltpeter.

Thorlakhavn, the best natural hargrowth in Natal, heretofore regarded bor on the south coast of Ireland, has as worthless commercially, has been been acquired by a French company, found to yield a juice that contains

along with neighboring waterfalls rubber in large quantities. vielding about 200,000 horsepower, and So that machine oil may be used to a plant will be erected at this place lubricate vehicle wheels instead of for manufacturing artificial saltpeter grease, a Seattle man has invented a by the utilization of atmospheric nitro- hub in which a channel is packed gen, according to the Birkeland-Eyde with wool, and with an opening to adprocess. mit the point of an oil can.

In Lincoln and Omaha. "We find that the sanitary condi-

tions under which the laboring girls are working in most of the leading manufacturing and business houses of Lincoln and Omaha are good. We would recommend that the labor commissioner investigate the sanitary conditions of the small laundries of the state. The conditions of the larger many inches, or feet, as the case may laundries is good.

We find from the evidence that the fore, the length is recorded at the girls and women employed in the packsame time. Such a device would be ing houses receive smaller wages than useful in a hardware store or other those employed in any line that we investigated, and in a number of cases are working under extremely unsanitary conditions.

"The committee investigated the weekly earnings of 4,750 female employes Their wages ranged from \$1.50 to \$40 per week. Of those receiving the latter wage there were but three; sixteen received \$25 a week, twentythree received \$20, thirty-six received \$18, seventeen received \$17, forty-four More than half of the lake shipreceived \$16, 114 received \$15, fifty re. ceived \$14, forty received \$13, 131 re-Missouri in 1912 produced 3,605,ceived \$12, 232 received \$5, 614 re-913 tons of sand and gravel, valued ceived \$6, 311 received \$7, 292 received \$8, 426 received \$8.50, 240 re-The increase in the cost of platceived \$9, 273 received \$9,50, 331 reinum has forced the chemist to look ceived \$10, 118 received \$11, one girl received \$1.50, one received \$1.70, one By January 1, 1914, there will be \$1.80 and one \$2.17, forty-seven reone automobile in use to every 75 inceived \$3 and ninety-two received \$4." The committee further asserted that Alaska broke another record last it feels under obligations to the comyear by producing minerals valued at mittee of Omaha women who helped \$21,850,000, an increase over the year in securing information, and especial ly to Mrs. D. G. Craighead. The busi-If rubber tipped screws be placed

ness men of Omaha and Lincoln were near the ends of the rockers they will commended for assistance in the gathprevent a rocking chair upsetting if ering of duta. As far back as 1791 a gas engine

Insurance Bill Favored.

After something over four days' dis. combustion engines of today, was cussion of the code insurance bill, the Final figures on the lead production senate recommended the measure for

> Passed by the Senate. The following bills were passed by

work and metallurgy are included in the senate: H. R. S. by Fuller of Seward-County ownership of telephones.

S. F. 394, by Talcott of Knox-Ninehour day for women. S. P. 256, by Shumway-Releasing

state claims on school lands of Dixon counts S. F. 180, by Placek-Provides that

along their property. S. F. 352, by Grossman of Douglas-

Non-partiean judiciary bill.

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Sunday Ball Bill Signed.

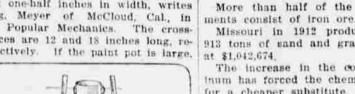
Governor Morehead has sent word to the senate that he had signed Senate File 28, the Bartling bill relating to baseball. The bill as amended in the house and accepted by the senate provides that it shall be unlawful to play baseball in any city or village without the consent of the electors thereof expressed at a special or general election, and unlawful to play ball in territory outside of cities without authority from the board of county commissioners expressed in a resolution.





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Value of Oil Fuet.

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weight, fuel oil will carry his ship one- mersing it for a few moments in a third farther than coal, and at much bolling of 30 per cent, solution of riparian owners must clear streams less expense, the saying of course canatic soda, drying it and polishing varying with the local market price with a plumbagoed brush.

sufficient to carry the vessel about the Hudson river, in New York, since 1901, if laid flat, would make a side-

walk 20 feet wide around the world. A species of tree of unlimited

of the oil. In that ship, one thousand in the 48 years that records have tons of oil can be carried in the dou- been kept more than \$160,000,000 ble bottom, over and above that which | worth of sewing machines have been exported from the United States. The brick made in the yards along