"Applause" to Be Barred From Congressional Record.

STUCK IN FOR HOME READERS

Bills for Monuments and Memorials Are Numerous This Session-Wave Perry's "Don't Give Up the Ship" Flag.

By GEORGE CLINTON. Washington.-Congress intends to shut down on "deceitful allusions to applause." Perhaps the public does not know it, but a great many of the fine speeches which appear in the Congressional Record and which frequently are sent out in pamphlet form to constituents to admire, never were and 29 sailors made a hurry-up march delivered. A member gets two min- from Chemulpo to Seoul in Korea in utes' time, stands on his feet, delivers himself of the opening paragraph of a speech and then gets "leave to during the war between China and Japrint" the remainder in the Congressional Record. When the Record appears with the speeches in full it frequently has been found that the member who was supposed to have delivered the speech has inserted here and there in parenthesis the word at the Korean capital. Admiral Mc-"applause" and occasionally he has inserted "great applause" and on other occasions ne may put in "long, loud and continuous applause," and again "great cheering." This has been pronounced time and again to be a petty

sumption and the making of votes. Congress may take cognizance of this "applause practice," for Representative Duvre has introduced this resolution, which it is said may pass:

sort of deceit intended for home con-

"Resolved, That the Congressional Record shall hereafter contain no reference to any applause that may occur in connection with anything done or said on the floor of the house of representatives, nor shall any method of indicating approval or disapproval thereof be employed in said publication."

There is nothing in this resolution to show directly what it is aimed at, but every member knows and it is probable that a good many men who have written the word applause a dozen times will vote for the resolution rather than have it appear that they have been addicted to a deceitful practice and would like to keep it up.

Season for Monuments.

This seems to be the session for the introduction of bills into congress for the erection of monuments and memorials of various kinds. Mr. Flood of Virginia has just introduced a bill, be, and there is a chance that Mr. his record. Flood's bill will pass the house. It will stand a fair chance of passage in the senate also, because although the Republicans there are in a majority, no party men like to let it appear that they are moved by political considerations to deny honor to the tormory of a great man of another

attempt to secure a monument to Christopher Columbus in the city of Queen Isabella of Spain.

Show Perry's Old Flag. Mise other day in congress an aps. Sut and properly exhibit the trophy nath now in store in the naval acadet at Annapolis, Md. In order that the appropriase timent to inspire its passage, one the naval academy several of the battle flags which are now in the keeping the flag flown by Commodore Perry at the battle of Lake Erie. It is a blue flag with these words in gold letters Ship." These words, of course, will be recognized as those of Captain Lawrence of the United States navy. who commanded the frigate Chesapeake in its battle with the British frigate Shannon off the Maine coast in the war of 1812.

Lawrence was mortally wounded in the action and his last words were "Don't give up the ship," words which became the motto of the American navy. Captain Lawrence lies buried in Trinity churchyard, New York city. his grave being within fifteen feet of the iron fence which separates the cemetery from the busiest part of that great thoroughfare, Broadway. Hundreds of thousands of people visit this grave in the course of a year and it is een through the fence palings by as many more thousands, who if they would stop for a moment, could read from the pavement the inspiriting inscription which the tomb bears,

Marines Are Ever First. The reported request from the legation there in case that the uprising against the president of Mexico dering any payment therefor. should endanger the lives of Ameri-

"Tell it to the Marines" is an old for 45 years.

saying and the implication in it is that the marines will believe anything and there is also something of a sneer in the saying. This "remark of reproach" is not nearly one, for the sailors who originated it only meant to intimate that the marines did not know anything about sailing a ship. No sailor has ever contended that the marine is not a good fighter and "all for the colors."

The American marines had the first fight with the Spaniards in Cuba. They were sent into China at the time that the embassies were beleaguered in 1900 and at the Battle of Tientsin the marines lost heavily. They have been landed in Mexico before this and in several of the South American countries and always have they done good service. Years ago over in Korea the marines of this government fought and fought well. The record of the marines is a long one and an honorable one.

General George F. Elliott of the marine corps years ago with 21 marines order to protect the American consulate and the missionaries at that place pan. At that time Elliott was a lieutenant attached to the U.S.S. Baltimore. News came to the ship that the Koreans were raising the cry "Korea for the Koreans" and were about to massacre all the foreigners Nair ordered Elliott and his little command to take up a "double time" across country to save the missionaries.

A Hazardous Trip.

It is probable that few military bodies were ever asked to engage in such a trip as that turned out to be. It was so hot that the marines turned the tables and told the sailors that their belt buckles melted in the sun. Nearly the whole line of the march was through submerged rice fields, the men being up to their knees it water half the time, with their footsteps clogged by the plant roots and stems. Under these conditions they made pace at the rate of five miles an hour, and they reached their destination in time to perform the service for which the call for the march had been issued.

General Elliott has seen service in all sorts of climatic conditions. He was assigned to the Alliance for her cruise to the Arctic years ago, and on the voyage the ship's crew reached a northern point of 80 degrees and 10 minutes, the record up to that time. It was immediately upon his return from the Arctic that Elliott was orderer to the tropics, and he saw fighting in Panama, which was then in the hands of the revolutionary forces.

During this Panama service the revolutionists made an attempt to blow "To provide for the construction of Elliott and his command off the face a memorial highway, archway and of the isthmus with dynamite. Elliott gateway in memory of Thomas Jeffer- and a private of marines caught the son at Monticello, Albemarle county, man hired to explode the stuff just as Virginia." The Democrats make more he was about to light the fuse. It was or less of a shrine of Thomas Jeffer | perhaps a narrower escape than any son's old home. The approaches to which the general ever had, and his it are said not to be what they should narrow escapes besprinkle plentifully

Many Claims in Congress. Readers of Mark Twain will remember his story of the great beef claim and the course of the proceedings before the lawmakers in Washington. When a man does digging after truth in the records of congress he can find some things which are stranger than the romances of the Representative Legare of South fiction writers. There are claims torolina, having noted the successful day before either congress or the court of claims which have their origin back in the Revolutionary days. The trac-Washington, has asked congress to ing of the right to recompense from erect a monument to the memory of the government for sacrifices made by ancestors of present day people is one of the hardest tasks known to lawvers. The trail gets confused after penteriation was asked to repair, pre-time, and so it is that some people who may have legitimate claims against Uncle Sam are unable to collect them,

Only the other day an adverse report on a Revolutionary claim was tica might have plenty of patriotic made by Senator Townsend of the senate committee which has charge of of the members had secured from such matters. The claim was for the payment of 30 loan certificates alleged to have been issued by Richard Ralph of that institution. One of them was Randall, May 15, 1779, which certificates were for \$500, continental money, specie value, \$47.73. Congress was asked that these certificates inscribed upon it: "Don't Give Up the should be paid with interest to a very remote descendant of Randall, who died in 1790. He left a son, William, who, when he was an old man, advertised for the lost certificates and memorialized congress for their payment. The lawmakers refused to pay any attention to the matter. Others have presented the claim but without suc-

Claims growing out of the war between the states are, of course, more numerous than those growing out of the war of the Revolution, because the one war is nearer to us than the other, and many of the active claimants are living. The senate has just given the Shawnee Indians of Kansas the right to go to the proper United States court to have their claims adjusted for indemnity for losses sustained by them during the Civil war. It is claimed that these particular Shawnee indians remained peaceful during the trouble between the states, did not commit depredations, and yet on the supposition that they had done so, American minister at the City of Union soldiers seized the Indians' pro-Mexico for marines to guard the visions, household goods, cattle, horses and hogs and used them without ren-

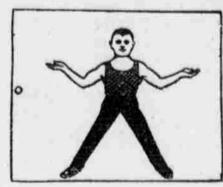
It has been said that the Civil war cans, accentuates the fact that the ma- is nearer to us than the Revolutionrines of the United States service allary war, but the length of time that most always have been the first of it takes to have a claim adjusted or the American armed forces to be call- even to start it on the way to adjusted on for service in case that this ment wy be made known when it is country is threatened with trouble said that this Shawnee matter has been pending in one way or another

# SOMETHING

OPTICAL TOY QUITE AMUSING

Can Easily Be Made by Using Piece of Cardboard With Two Ojects on Different Sides.

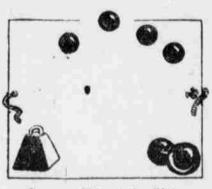
How many children know what a thaumatrope is? Very few, by that name. But most of them have seen thaumatropes. The dictionary says that a "thaumatrope is an optical toy depending for its action upon the per-



The Juggler.

sistence of an image on the retina of the eye. On opposite sides of a disk are depicted two objects or different parts of the same object, so that when the disk is rapidly twirled around a diameter the two sides appear to be seen at once and their images are combined."

Thaumatropes are not hard to make. Just cut out those pictures,



Reverse Side of the Disk.

paste them on opposite sides of a cardboard and twirl it by means of the string as shown also in the illustration, and you will have a thaumatrope.

## OPINIONS AS TO FRIENDSHIP

Healthy-Minded Girl Faces Facts Squarely and Looks for Reasons for Shattered Idol.

in Woman's Home Companion. "A tle children. friend should be this or that. We have the matter all settled in our minds. And then, along comes some 'experi-The friend to whom we have vowed undying devotion fails us in some essential and disappoints us deeply. The structure we thought secure for all minded girl faces the fact squarely and looks about for reasons.

is that we think of them as complete and established things. Friendship is a thing never complete-it is always tom and can be folded up, if not preference, but the type of roof will in the making. A vow of friendship, needed. It would probably be in use no matter how earnest, is at best only a promise to pay; whereas many of us mistake it for a payment in itself. Take any of these big qualities and requirements of every honor, unselfishness, fidelity-does it occur to you that any one of these can be established once and for all? Indeed, it cannot. Loyalty yesterday is not loyalty today, nor will an unselfish act of the day that is past serve to meet the obligation of usefulness of the day that is here. It is not a luxury, this, that can be bought and paid for and a receipt given,

# CUSTOM OF SHAKING HANDS

Display of Friendly Feeling Originated When Men Were in Habit of Carrying Swords.

Did you ever ask yourself why you shake hands with persons whom you know? Here is the reason:

In the old days, when every man who had any pretensions to being a gentleman carried a sword, it was the custom for men when they met to show that they had no intention of treachery to offer each other their weapon hands-that is, the hand that would be used to draw the sword, and to withhold the hand was usually the signal for a fight.

So fixed did this habit become that long after men ceased to wear swords they still offered the weapon hand to a friend and declined to offer it to an enemy. To this day when you refuse to shake hands with a person it signifies that you are at war. Among savages, who never carried swords, the practice of shaking hands is unknown, and it affords them amusement to see the white men do it.

Origin of Words.

"How did there come to be so many words in the world?" asked little Loa, who was turning the leaves of a dictionary.

"Oh," replied her eight-year-old brother, "they came through folks quarreling. One word brought on another, you know."

JES' INJUN STORIES.



jes' love Injun stories, An' snake stories as well; n' my ole Uncle Sam'l Is the man what shore can tell.

Sich stories till yer hair stands; An' yer blood fer fair does creep; An' after you have heard 'em You jes' can't go to sleep!

You're thinkin' an' you're thinkin' About them Injune wild, An' of them slimy serpents— Like the one ole Eve begulled!

But jes' the same, you like 'em, E'en though your blood does creep, An' shivers up an' down yer spine Does make you lose yer sleep.

#### REALISTIC DOLLS NOT GOOD

Better to Give Children the Old-Fashioned Beauties They Love Than New Weird Creations.

For many generations the doll has been growing more and more beautiful; her eyes have become larger and more languishing, her rosebud lips more perfect, her dimples more al-the ground is not naturally dry, it luring. If every child could not be should be ditched and drained artifipretty, at least no child need be without a pretty doll.

realism has swept over doll country. The realistic doll has come, says the Boston Herald. There is a popular demand for truth at any price, and the price in the nursery is bought at the expense of childish imagination. The installment of "real land" means the abandonment of dreamland. The realistic doll may be found upon the counter of every toy shop. It is a reproduction of ugly little people. It has squint eyes, or a snub nose, or protruding ears, or all combined. It is a weird creation of a distorted conscientiousness.

The modern child has great advantserious losses. Perhaps the greatest eases. of these is caused by the literal, realwhich is diminishing as rapidly as possible the priceless gift of imagination. childish ideal, the symbol of beauty there should be nothing admitted that healthy for fowls. is not beautiful; and he or she who "Most of us start out in girlhood trespasses against this law has tres-

# SAFETY SWING FOR A PORCH

ence entirely outside our expectation. One New Feature is its Collapsibility -Footrest Keeps Women's Skirts From Floor.

time falls suddenly. Some of us may the makers claim has several points impracticable for some types of roofs perhaps sit among the ruins, bewail- of advantage, has been designed by swing is its collapsibility, which of small breeding pens. There are makes it easy to put and take down "One reason our friendships fail and requires little room when it is on poultry houses. not in use. Another feature is the footrest, which is hinged to the bot-



Safe New Porch Swing.

most of the time, however, as it saves the porch floor from having paint scratched off by the feet of swingers and keeps women's skirts from dragging on the floor and becoming soiled and frayed around the bottoms. The swing fastens to the porch ceiling by chains and cannot be tipped over by children. A lawn swing of larger size is made on the same principle.

Wasn't Going to Be a Man. "Well, little chap," said the stranger n the family, picking up one of the hildren, "what are you going to be when you are a man?"

"Nothing? Why so?" asked the "Because," said the child, "I'm a little girl."

"Nuffin," said the child,

Holes for the Rain. "Mamma," queried little Ethel, what are the stars in the sky for?" "Each star is a world like ours, dear," replied her mother.

"Why," exclaimed the astonished Ethel, " I thought they were just little holes to let the rain through."



## CONSTRUCTION OF HEN HOUSE

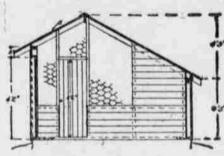
Few Practical Suggestions That Will Be of Much Assistance to the Poultry Keeper.

(By J. G. HALPIN and C. A. OCOCK, Wisconsin.)

For success in poultry keeping it is necessary to have a suitable house which will protect the fowls from inclement weather and from their natural enemies.

It must be remembered that from the standpoint of the hen, appearance makes very little difference, but the house must be so built and so arranged that it will be a comfortable place for the hens to live; otherwise they will not thrive and production will not be satisfactory. On many farms the hens are not provided with house constructed especially for them, but are housed in an old building originally made for some other purpose. As a rule this sort of a house is not economical, for, unless it is constructed especially for hens, it will seldom be found possible to reconstruct it in such a way as to

make economical production possible. Poultry houses should be located where it is dry and well drained. If cially, for poultry will not thrive in a house when the floor is constantly But suddenly a cruel tidal wave of wet. A damp location means a damp



Proper Way to Moke Partition.

poultry house all the way through, and the result is that the fowls are ages, but it has also sustained many affected with many troublesome dis-

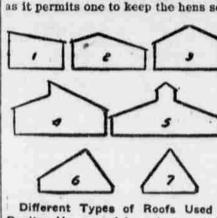
Houses should be placed so that istic, scientific form of education, they will not be subject to violent winds, yet good air and drainage are essential. A house should never be The doll is the embodiment of the placed in a low, damp spot where early fall frosts are likely to occur. and symmetry. In the kingdom of dolls These places are always cold and un-

One hundred hens will thrive in a pen 20x20 feet, that is four square feet with rather definite opinoins as to passed against that ideal world which of floor space per hen, but one hen oyster reposed within its can-for it friendship," says Anne Bryan McCall should be the special property of lit- will not thrive in a pen 2x2 feet. In was a canned oyster-and it rea large pen each one has a chance to pined. wander about over the entire floor | It was unhappy, space, thus getting more exercise.

Generally speaking, it is far cheaper to build a wide house than a narrow one. A house 20x20 is cheaper than a house 10x40 and contains as much floor space for the hens. A house A new kind of porch swing, which 20 feet wide, however, will be found us go on. and will not be found satisfactory several common types of roofs used

> Just which style of roof should be chosen is largely a matter of personal be found to influence the cost of construction to quite an extent.

Wherever there is only one poultry house a partition is always advisable as it permits one to keep the hens sep-



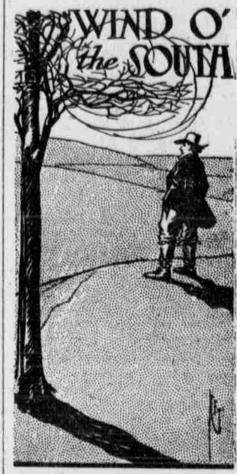
Different Types of Roofs Used In Poultry Houses. 1 is a shed roof, 2 a combination roof, 3 a gable roof, 4 a semi-monitor roof, 5 a monitor roof. 6 a slanting front roof, and 7 an Atype roof.

arated from the pullets early in the winter and makes it possible later to make up a breeding pen of the best fowls. In a small house, that is one not over 30 feet long, one should use boards for the partitions for about two feet from the floor. The rest may be made of wire or cloth except between the roosts of the different pens, where the boards should run to the roof.

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

Bad Air and Incubation. The atmosphere of a cellar where vegetable are kept is not fit for an incubator. The air, according to Poplar Mechanics, is charged with carbonic gas, which is fatal to young chicks.





Wind o' the south, come whisper now The spell that shakes the blossom-bough, The spell that wakes the waiting leaves Until they dance in wondrous weaves Of jewel-green against the blue And show to us a world made new.

Wind o' the south, come now and call The vines upon the crumbled wall Until they fill with spring's own blood And open many a swelling bud And fill each gray and empty space With restful strands of curving grace.

Wind o' the south, come breathe again Above the earth's old wintry stain Until the eager blades of grass Leap up to greet us as we pass, Let spring's carpet be outrolled, Starred with the dandelion's gold.

Wind o' the south, come o'er the miles With promise of the summer whiles; Come wake the slient, sleeping trees, Come wake the silent, sleeping And blow reveille for the bees, And waft to us the rare perfume Caught from some regal rose in bloom

Wind o' the south, come bring your song For which we harken overlong. Come singing gentle, singing low, The dreaming strains our hearts would know, Until the vibrant world shall be

Attuned to your glad melody.

The Happy Oyster. A common everyday church social

Yes, little one, it is enough to make any one unhappy to be cast for; the part of a canned oyster.

But that had nothing to do with this instance. It was merely a philosophical sentiment, so to speak. Let The canned oyster repined.

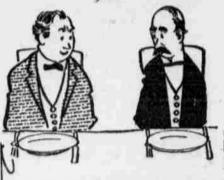
about it it saw lobsters and crabs and ing and embittered; but the healthy an Indiana man. One feature of the where one wishes to keep a number fish with which it had once mingled socially, going out on daintily decorated china to mingle with the best society. And even a canned oyster has aspirations. O, yes, child. . But at last, when the canned oyster was saddest, the chef, or some-

> body, approached it, speared it on a fork and laid it carefully on a shell that once had held a blue point, The shell, with five others similarly supplied, was placed on a bed of

> cracked ice in a dish and given to a waiter who was waiting. "O, joy!" exclaimed the oyster. For by the magic of the man in the kitch-

> en it had been raised to the blue point degree. And then it was served to a nature laker.

NO CHANGE IN THE MENU.



Star Boarder-I see that meat has advanced in price. Mr. Sourdropp-That won't bother

Foiled. The flerce mosquito on her cheek Was humped up like a camel, For her complexion bent his beak-

us. The leather market is firm.

You see, it was enamel. Sound Alike. "It puzzles me, indeed," says our

friend, the heavy thinker, mopping his beaded brow. "What puzzles you?" we ask, as is expected of us.

"I was just wondering if an eton jacket is in the same class as a dinner coat."

Just So. The man who blows his own horn often has to play second fiddle.

Mebur Dresbit