

ON THE HORSE TRADER

BY GEO. V. HOBART. ("HUGH M'HUGH.")

signals, rain or shine.

behind Sysonby's stepbrother.

Then Herman would point at the

scenery with the whip and describe

it, all the time watching the old sor-

Presently back went the left ear,

and then Herman would stop describ-

ing the scenery, and with a loud "Ged-

dap!" the old sorrel would start off

At the end of another half mile

back would go the sorrel's right ear.

and Herman would yell "Whoa!" and

then say: "Here on the right I

would like to point out to you the

Methodist orphan asylum, and over

there is Chase & Pendleton's cele-

rel's left ear for the starting signal.

very hard.

boy! Whoa!

know that.

once more.

Dear Bunch: Your letter from Ber- | this old sorrel was the fact that just lin is here, and after picking all the before he would begin to balk and stop "Hochs!" and "Gesundheits!" out of it | dead in his tracks the right ear would we're hep to the fact that you're both | fly back and stay there. And just before he intended to start having a swell time among the Geragain the left ear would fly back and mans.

Tell Alice to bring me home a stein join the right ear. -empty. 1 can get the beer and the "Prosits!" over here.

Your German letter having created an atmosphere, it's up to me to tell well. you about old Elsie Shulz, who is spending a few days at Uncle Peter's home across the road.

Elsie is a sort of a privileged character in our family, having lived with | for home he never stopped, but went Aunt Martha for over 20 years as a sort of housekeeper. Yesterday morning, while Peaches

and I were at breakfast, Elsie mean-



"I Got 1.."

dered in, bearing in her hand a wedding invitation which Herman had forwarded to her from Plainfield.

Elsie read the invitation. "Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Ganderkurds request der honor of your presence at der marriage of deir daughter, Verbena, to Galahad Schmalzenberger, at der home of der pride's parents, Plainfield, N. J., May first. R. S. V. P."

brated sash factory. Over there on "Vell," said Elsie, "I know der Ganthe left-" But just then the sorrel's derkurds und I know deir daughter left ear would fly back, and Herman Verbena, und I know Galahad Schmalwould have to say "Ged-dap!" right in zenberger; he's a floorwalker in Bauerhaupt's grocery store, but I doan'd know vot is dot R. S. V. P. yet!"

I gently kicked Peaches on the instep under the table, and said to Elsie: "Well, that's a new one on me, also. Are you sure it isn't B & O. or the C. R. R. of N. J.? Those are a couple of railroads in New Jersey, but I never heard of the R. S. V. P ..' For the first time in her life since she's been able to grab a sentence between her teeth and shake the pronouns out of it Elsie was amazed.

She kept looking at the invitation and saying to herself: "R. S. V. P.! Vot is it? I know der honor of your presence; I know der pride's parents, but I don't know R. S. V. P." All that day Elsie wandered through the house muttering to herself "R. S. V. P.! Vot is it? Is it some secret between der pride und groom? R. S. V. P.! It ain'd my initials, because dey begin mit E. S. Vot is dot R. S. V. P.? Vot is it? Vot is it?"



TWO LATE MODES

Herman said quickly: "Whoa, whoa, The gown at the left is of black crepe de chine. The half-empire skirt is trimmed lengthwise with tucked bands of taffeta and is finished at the bottom with a wide band of lace re-embroidered with jet paillettes. Of course, the old sorrel intended The corsage and little sleeves are trimmed to correspond, and also with to whoa anyway, but Hodge didn't

a jet fringe. The tucked guimpe and the undersleeves are of white tulle. The other gown is of black chiffon-mouseline. Undulating bands of taf-

feta and panels of filet guipure trim the skirt. The prettily draped corsage is of the filet guipure trimmed around the

neck with the taffeta bands. The yoke and undersleeves are of white lace; the girdle with pretty knot, is of black taffeta.

FROCKS FOR THE TUB.	WAY TO MAKE NEAT HEM.
Blue and Brown Galatea Among the	Accomplishment Few Women Seem to
Best of Materials.	Have at Command.

Best of Materials.

Ten Years of Age.

The first costume pictured is a smart

iittle dress in blue checked zephyr.

The skirt is trimmed with a band of

plain blue zephyr, the pinafore-bodice

Among the cheapest of the good-It is really surprising how few wolooking tub jumper frocks are those men know how to make a neat hem, made of blue and brown galatea. The although this was considered a necesmaterial sells at a very small price sary accomplishment in the days of everywhere and washes like a collar. our grandmothers. It is used to finish It comes in good tones that do not the raw edges of goods and it is most show soil and comes out of the tub important that it be evenly and neatly without being faded.

turned down; always turn it toward Linen makes charming ones, but you. To do this, turn down one-quarevery woman does not care to afford ter of an inch all along the edge and many linen frocks. The good quality baste it on the crease with even bastis the only one worth buying, and a ing stitches.

frock of it amounts up. Take a stiff piece of cardboard and When a girl feels she can afford mark on it the exact width of the only one, she should get it in rose hem. Place the edge of the creased pink or nile green in order that it may cardboard at the creased edge of the hay it costs on the average farm from vesting, thus saving from ten cents to This is the ideal costume for church with a thread, using the short and cow in the barn. this summer, at home or on a vaca- long basting stitch. Fold the hem on

The reason most of these materials material along the upper edge with an good pasture as from one ton of shorts to be advisable. were not comfortable before for sum- even basting. In hemming do not use or corn. The cost of these feeds mer frocks was because of their heat a knot. Hold the hem across the end around the neck and arms. An of the forefinger of the left hand. acre of pasture will save, then, from A PERTINENT Point the needle toward you, to the \$15 to \$20 worth of feed. It is quite

FENCING FIELDS FOR THE **PASTURING OF LIVE STOCK**

What It Costs and Why It Pays-By D. A. Gaumnitz, M. S., Agr., Minnesota.

It is generally conceded that good | the fence. It is much easier to fence pastures furnish by far the cheapest hogs into a cornfield than to fence feed for growing them out, and, as a rule, they do not animals on land make much effort to get out. In case not exceeding \$100 they do attempt to get out, a barbed per acre in value. wire stretched along the bottom, or The truth of this stakes one or two feet long driven argument is quite between posts and left just enough evident when it is above the ground so that the bottom of considered that the wire ribbon may be stapled to the feed as ob- them will keep them on the right side. tained by the ani- Such fencing will cost from 30 to 40 mal is in the very | cents per rod. The amount of fencing best condition. That used and the methods employed in is, it is succulent, handling it (see accompanying table) contains all the will make the cost vary from \$1.50 to nutrients, in an three dollars per acre. This will un-. easily digestible doubtedly prove more profitable in form and is ob- many cases than husking the corn tained by the ani- and feeding in the yard, especially if mal under very there is a good growth of rape or other healthful condi- catch crop that the hogs can get at tions. In addition the same time they ar getting the to this the cost of corn. In case this is not done, it is

5-0"

1:0

harvesting, curing, more economical to snap corn that stacking and feed- is to be fed at once than to carefully ing is eliminated. husk it. On Jand worth \$70 Fencing intelligently done offers one Good Post for per acre a cow of the safest investments of any of

Temporary Fen- can be pastured the farm improvements. Not alone is it for less than five valuable to inclose the regular pasture, cing. cents per day, but it often makes possible the pasturwhile at the present price of grain and | ing off of grain and corn fields after har-

Average Annual Cost of Fencing.

Kind of Fence.	Cost per rod.	Average Annual Cost per rod when lasting		
		10 years	8 years	6 years
26" ribbon, 2 b. wires, posts 1 rod apart 2 b. wires, posts 2 rods apart 2 b. wires, posts 1 rod apart 3 b. wires, posts 2 rods apart 3 b. wires, posts 1 rod apart Any fence Any fence <td>\$.55 .19 .28 .24 .27 .33 .20 .20 .25 .30 .40 .50 .60 .60 .60 .90 .90 1.00</td> <td>7.3c 2.5c 3.7c 3.6c 4.4c 2.6c 3.2c 4.0c 5.3c 6.7c 8.0c 9.3c 10.6c 12.0c</td> <td>8.7c 3.0c 4.3c 3.8c 4.3c 3.2c 4.0c 4.0c 4.0c 4.0c 4.0c 12.7c 14.2c 15.9c</td> <td>11.1c 3.8c 5.6c 4.8c 6.6c 6.6c 6.0c 10.0c 12.1c 14.1c 16.1c 18.1c</td>	\$.55 .19 .28 .24 .27 .33 .20 .20 .25 .30 .40 .50 .60 .60 .60 .90 .90 1.00	7.3c 2.5c 3.7c 3.6c 4.4c 2.6c 3.2c 4.0c 5.3c 6.7c 8.0c 9.3c 10.6c 12.0c	8.7c 3.0c 4.3c 3.8c 4.3c 3.2c 4.0c 4.0c 4.0c 4.0c 4.0c 12.7c 14.2c 15.9c	11.1c 3.8c 5.6c 4.8c 6.6c 6.6c 6.0c 10.0c 12.1c 14.1c 16.1c 18.1c

Note.-The last three columns of figures | age annual investment. To illustrate how in the above table are offered for the con- these figures may be used, let us consider venience of those who wish to know the the fencing required per acre to inclose approximate annual cost of any given fence. The figures are obtained by divid-ing the cost per rod of the fence by the number of years it is expected to last and number of years it is expected to last and year is 8.7c-8.7ex16 equals \$1.39, or aver adding to this the interest on the aver- age annual cost of fence per acre.

be dressy enough for afternoon wear. goods and mark the desired width 8 to 12 cents per day to feed the same five dollars an acre, which would otherwise be wasted. However, like any

Experiments show that as much other investment, it should be made this line of thread and baste to the pork can be made from one acre of only when careful reasoning shows it

you will be pleasantly surprised at the QUESTION improved appearance of your work.

JF.



FULLY FILLED THE BILL. Aunt Mandy Was Thoroughly Satisfied

with New Husband.

Aunt Mandy is an old colored woman who for years has done washing for several families. She has had

several matrimonial experiences, and

when her last husband died one of

her customers attempted to condole

"I was very sorry to hear of your husband's death, Aunt Mandy," she

"Ya'as, ma'am," said Aunt Mandy.

"You don't know- Gracious!

"Ah didn't have no doctah, ma'am."

It wasn't long, however, before Aunt

"I hear you are married again," re-

"Ya'as, ma'am," giggled Aunt Mandy.

"And is your new husband equal to

"Ya'as, indeedy, ma'am," said Aunt

Mandy. "He's jes as equal, if not

PRECISE.

"I was done married las' Sunday."

said Aunt Mandy. "He jes done died

"Ah really don't know, ma'am."

"He was a pow'ful good man."

Couldn't the doctor tell you?"

Mandy had another husband.

marked her patron one day.

a natch'ral death."

the last?"

equaller."

"What did he die of?"

with her.

said

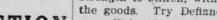
sure, Milton, that I'm the first you've asked to marry you?"

Mr. Manyack-Do you mean this present month or do you include last as well?

A Unanimous Vote.

A German-American who had recently arrived at the estate of riches attended his first banquet. The wine was particularly vile, and so several gentlemen who were seated near the German were quite satisfied to have him empty the bottles that had been set apart for their common use. Neither the quality nor the quantity of the wine in the least disturbed the Teuton, and, after draining the last glass, he looked around jovially and said: "Shentlemen, I haf now drunken all your wine and safed you the trouble of trinking vat you did not like. I tink you ought to vote me a public tank." They did .- Lippincott's.

Sheer white goods, in fact, any fine wash goods when new, owe much of their attractiveness to the way they are laundered, this being done in a manner to enhance their textile beauty. Home laundering would be equally satisfactory if proper attention was given to starching, the first essential being good Starch, which has sufficient strength to stiffen, without thickening the goods. Try Defiance Starch and



That evening we were all at dinner when Elsie rushed in with a cry of joy. "I got it!" she said. "I have untied der meaning of dot R. S. V. P. It means Real Silver Vedding Presents!"

I was just about to drink a glass of water, so I changed my mind and nearly choked to death.

Peaches tried to say something. which resulted in a gurgle in her



"Herman Would Yell Whoa!"

throat; the Swede servant girl rushed out in the kitchen and broke a couple of dishes, while Uncle Peter, who was dining with us, fell off his chair on the cat which had never done him any harm.

Elsie's interpretation of that wedding present is going to set Herman Shulz back several dollars, or I'm not a foot high. This same Herman is a character,

by the way, Bunch.

He's a horse trader by profession and a con thrower by nature. I must tell you, Bunch, about Her-

man when he lived and flourished in Rochester, N. Y.

A friend of ours named Will Hodge also lived in Rochester at that time. and Will went to Herman to buy a horse.

Herman had at this time an old sorrel horse which would never travel over half a mile without balking.

At some remote period of its life the sorrel had been docked, but Herman decided he could sell the horse quicker if it had a long tail, so he glued on a tail which he kept in the barn for this purpose. One of the peculiar features about | day.

A wreath of primrose glory in the sky Babylon. Like magic architects the winds have

made Of radiant clouds a city in the air, Temples and citadels and gardens fair, With all the show of pompous art dis-

played; Burnished and dyed with every fleeting

Of sunset-gold and rose and emerald

Until a phantom Bablyon is there, crown of blooming stars upon her head.

The tangled constellations wane and die. The witchery of waking dawn en-

twines

TWO SMART LITTLE DRESSES. Both Suitable for Girls from Eight to

"Saw a Man Running." the midst of his description of the

scenery. This was kept up about four times. and then all of a sudden Hodge let out a roar.

being bound with the same, and the "For the love of a kind Heaven!" shoulders and fronts connected by yelled Will, "don't you know that I straps of zephyr fixed under tiny butcame out here to see this horse go tons. A blouse of white muslin printand not to listen to your lectures on ed lightly with blue is worn with it. this bum scenery? Why, man, I have The second is another pretty washlived in Rochester all my life and I

tion.

know all about the sash factories and the orphan asylums, and I am on familiar terms with every bit of scenery you can shake a whip at, so now I will thank you kindly to point the reins of this horse and make him commence."

"Ach! oxcoos, oxcoos;" said Herman. "You vish to see him trafel, is it? So! I show you!"

Then Herman turned the old sorrel around, pointing his nose at the oats in the barn, and the wise old bonerack never stopped running until they were back home.

Hodge bought the horse on the strength of that return trip.

That afternoon Hodge took the sorrel out for a little exercise. Pretty soon it began to rain, the glue melted, and when Will saw his horse's tail drop off he nearly fell out of the wagon.

An hour later Herman was sitting in his barn door, when he saw a man running towards him who looked something like Hodge and something like a vigilance committee.

The man had a buggy whip in one hand and a horse's tail in the other, and he was traveling hell bent for election.

Herman took one peep at him, then he fell sideways out of the barn window and hid for three days in his cellar.

I don't think Will and Herman ever meet, because both of them are still alive and uninjured.

Yours for the Germans, JCHN.

flight!

over?"

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-William F. McCormack.

Still Anxious.

"I have quit fretting about getting any

Grecian Women Advance a Step. The chamber of deputies of Greece

has passed a law by which, for the first time in modern Greece, women are admitted in the public service. In accordance with this law, the director of posts and telegraphs is authorized to employ 50 women, to be used mainly in the telephone service. They are to be between 21 and 35 years old, and are to receive 70 drachmas (about \$13.50) a month, for six hours' work a

the effect is of one of the popular onepiece dresses. It is just such an arrangement that And all the orient incarnadines-Lo, Babylon has vanished with the night makes it possible to wear a blouse and skirt without a coat. And whither have the builders taken

English Dress for Indians. It seems not improbable that the dress adopted by educated India, "So your financial apprehensions are which is more or less of the western type, will also be adopted by the people at large in the future. The fond-"Not entirely," answered the man who is never satisfied to be happy.

neas of the orientals for bright colors may give rise to gorgeous neckties and gold-laced collars.-Hindustan Re- gins to be afraid that it hurts the money out of the bank, and am now anu gold-laced co worrying about how to get more in." view, Allahabad.

the hem close to the right hand. Draw | duction of animal products good pasthe needle through, leaving an end tures are an important factor. of the thread to be tucked under the

edge To begin the hemming stitch, point the needle toward the middle of the

have the thread slant in the right direction, see that each time a stitch is taken that the needle points directly across the middle of the left thumb. To have the hem appear well when finished care must be taken to have

the distance between each stitch exactly the same .- Exchange.

Old Idea Revived.

A pretty way of trimming a muslin and lace frock is by heading the deep insertion of lace on the skirt (the band of dentelle so beloved of Paris) with a beading wide enough to admit a soft satin ribbon, some two or three inches in width, this ribbon being threaded through it at intervals of about a foot, tied into pretty bows, but these are not left on a level with the beading. They are pulled through so that the bow hangs down over the lace, the little ends having a ball of floss silk to finish them off, with a bunch of fringe falling from the center of each ball. These loosely hanging bows look very quaint against the lace background.

Dressy Robes of Marquisette.

The very dressy robes for afternoon or evening wear are now composed of marquisette. This is so very fine that it looks like organdie or mousseline from a distance. It comes in all colors, too, and the colors are very dainty and delicate. Of course the marquisette is flimsy, but everything this season is the same. Drapers declared that goods were to have more body a year or two ago, but heavy goods have not yet made an appearance.

Chiffon on Summer Frocks.

No summer frock is complete without its yard or two of superfluous chifof zephyr, the sides being plaited and fon. It is a fad presenting such allurlaid under it. The tight-fitting lower ing possibilities to the feminine mind that it cannot be ignored.

Novelty in Skirts.

A Belting Jumper. The "really new" skirt, which we

Embroidered linen belting, in white find in silk cachemire, in heavy crepe and color, may be bought by the yard, de chine, in thick eastern silks of all and a very clever little lady has used kinds, as in supple light cloths, is it to make herself a jumper. A double made with folds dragged across the thickness over each shoulder, from the front from bust to ankles, the ten waist line in the front to the waist line dency of the lines being to mount in the back, is the foundation of the toward the back, perhaps crossing garment, while a few strips across the over obliquely there and ending under back and front give the whole a very a buckle on one hip, or at the shoulder jumper-like appearance. The four loops at the waist line formed by the shoulder straps are used to slip the belt through, so, when it is worn with a white skirt and blouse,

ing-dress of pink zephyr. The skirt

has a shaped piece turned up at the

The bodice has a small yoke of piece

lace set into a shaped yoke and platron

foot and stitched on the outside.

part of sleeve is of piece lace.

haby's throat.

right, and insert it under the edge of | evident that in the economical pro-

The reason more and better hog pastures are not used is chiefly due to the fact that hog fences are quite expensive. The advent of the woven

"FARMERS MUST KEEP UP ROADS." "POSTOFFICE DEPARTMENT MAKES RULING AFFECTING RURAL

DELIVERY." These headlines appeared in the left thumb and take up one thread of wire fence is overcoming this feature Chicago Inter Ocean July 24. It is perthe cloth and the same of the fold. To and now land may be fenced hog tight | tinent to ask why the farmers must

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A Good Hog Fence.

at an annual cost of from \$1 to \$2.50, keep up the roads. The roads are per acre, depending on the size and public property-they belong to all shape of fields fenced and cost of are used by all and all are benefited posts. by them. The sender of a letter to a

For temporary fences for hogs many | farmer served by rural delivery may farmers use only a plain woven wire be just as much interested in its de ribbon 24 or 26 inches high, put up on livery as the one who receives it. small posts or stakes set from one to Mail delivery is a public service per rods apart. The best kind of posts to formed over public property. Good use for such work are about three- roads help the farmer more than any inch posts, six feet long, well shar- one else, but they are not the only pened, and the corners rounded off on ones benefited. The country mer the upper end so they will not split chant and every one who consumes in driving. Holes may be made rap- farm products gain by good roads. The idly with a crowbar and then two or fair way, the equitable way and the three good blows with a post maul will only successful way to get good roads make the posts solid enough for tem- is by state aid, i. e., the state from the porary use. Such posts are easily general tax levy or a bond issue to pay taken out when it is desired to move half the cost and tax everybody for it.

Clean Out the Weeds .- Do not put | they are not hoed out. One cow that off the task of cleaning out the weeds pays a profit takes less care and pays between the rows and in the fence as much profit as three cows, two of corners, whether it be a field, a gar- which "break even" so far as the exden, a little grass plot, or a walk or pense account is concerned. Hoe out driveway. Those left will go to seed everything that does not pay a good and as a stitch in time saves nine, so profit. one year's seeding makes seven years'

Costly Pests .- It is estimated that the orchard pests do over \$30,000,000

Hoe Out Dairy Weeds .- There is worth of damage to the fruit of the such a thing as keeping the hoe going country every year. A little money in the dairy. Many of the animals are invested in arsenates and a little time little if any better than "dairy weeds" in using them would save most of this and they will prove death to profits if great loss.

Thoreau's Sensible Answer. When the forest-haunting hermit Thoreau lay on his deathbed, a Cal-

vinistic friend called to make inquiry regarding his soul. "Henry," he said, anxiously, "have you made your peace with God?" "John," replied the dying naturalist, in a whisper, "I didn't know that God and myself had quarreled!"



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blade. Fancy this in dead leaf color. meager as to underskirt, slightly trailing, and worn with a taffeta coat in light jade green, which, short-waisted and tailless behind, has two long side pieces that almost reach the ankles, fringed and embroidered in soutache. There is a soft sash of black liberty satin, which is carried

weeding.

across the bust under the coat, high enough behind to just show under the short coat back, and crossing there, returning to droop in front and knot

Her Last Hope.

at the bend of the legs. After a man's wife finds that it is useless to try to convince him that smoking is an expensive habit she be-