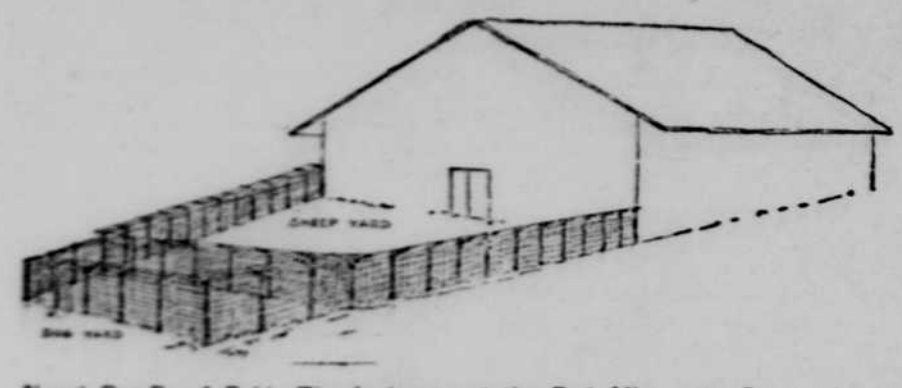


# PROPER PROTECTION AGAINST RAVAGES OF PREDATORY DOGS

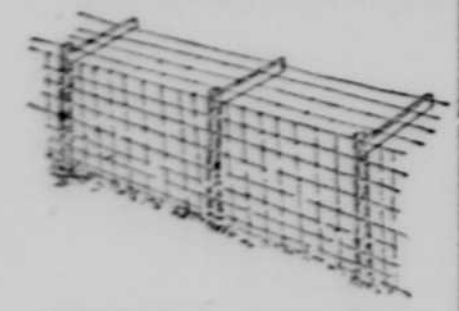
**Most Successful Plan Is to Build Yard of Boards, Leaving No Cracks on Outside of Fences—Partition Is so Constructed That Animals May Jump in, But Cannot Get Out.**



Novel Dog-Proof Fold—The Inclosure at the End Allows the Dog to Jump In, and There He Remains.

Wherever there are dogs and sheep together there is constant danger that the latter will at some time suffer. Sheep are so constructed that even worrying by dogs seems to shock their nervous systems to such an extent that they seldom prove profitable. In most states there are laws against depredation by dogs, but because of their construction many of them are dead letters, writes G. W. Franklin, in the Country Gentleman.

I have long since ceased to look to the law for any less sustained in depredations by dogs. I take the privilege of protecting my sheep in my own way. My first precaution was to provide plenty of bells—as many as one to every six or ten animals. When the sheep were suddenly excited the bells made such a noise that they would frighten some dogs and would at least arouse sleepers to look after the flock. Finding that this did not work satisfactorily, however, I hung lanterns out near the sheep-yard, but the dogs became so bold they paid no attention to the lights or to the noises.



Detail Construction of Dog-Proof Fence.

My next plan was a most successful one. Attached to the sheep-barn a sheep-yard was constructed of boards, leaving no cracks on the outside fences. The partition between this yard and another adjoining was a board fence with cracks not more than three inches wide. On the outside of the sheep-yard were dog-guards which prevented a dog from jumping over into the yard. The partition fence also had guards so that a dog could not jump over from the adjoining lot. This yard also had the guard on it, but they were on the inside, so that once he had gained access a dog could not get out. The fence inclosing this yard was constructed of woven wire, with the dog-guard made of smooth wire. I soon found that dogs would jump into the contiguous lot to get into the sheep-yard; but when they had gained entrance to this inclosure they had gone to their destruction. The next morning all I had to do was to go down and gather in the depredators and give them burial. I dare say that Kenner Farms have more dogs buried on them than any similar territory in the Union. I found that the dogs would easily gain access to the yard intended for them, but I never had one get into the sheep-yard if the dog-guards were placed correctly. The dog-guards are made by nailing arms on the top of the posts extending outward and upward at an angle of about

ten or twelve degrees. On the tops of these arms are nailed four or five barbed wires. These provide a barrier that a dog cannot scale.

I have been informed that it is unlawful to kill my neighbors' dogs; but when I find a dog in my sheep pasture or on my premises I take the privilege of killing him for fear he might do some damage. Notwithstanding that it is unlawful to put out poison, I have also used a good deal of this. I have never put out any poison for dogs, however, always being careful to put it out for wolves. If a dog gets the wolf poison, I cannot help it. When I put out poison I always notify my neighbors that I have done so, and advise them to keep their dogs locked up. I use strychnine—enough to kill a dog and no more. The poison is wrapped in a small piece of tissue paper so that it will not permeate the bait and make it bitter. When it is put in a carcass of a sheep several places are destroyed, and after one day the carcass is buried down below the reach of dogs or anything else. I have gathered in many dogs with poison that was put out for "wolves."

There is another method that I have found to be of some value in getting rid of dogs, but it is not to be recommended, since it is against the laws laid down by the humane society. It consists in saturating with lard a sponge about as large as a dog can swallow. When digestion takes place the grease is digested and the sponge swells up on the liquids of the stomach and can neither pass out nor be digested. The dog soon pines away and dies. No poison has been administered, for lard and sponges are not poisonous.

I am a firm believer in the justice of the sheep owner's taking this matter into his own hands, but keeping still about it, for if he is to keep on the good side of his neighbors he must never act as if he had been the means of killing their dogs. As a rule, however, a neighbor realizes that when his dog strays away on a sheep farm and is killed he has got no less than he deserves.

I advise all sheepmen to protect themselves against the ravages of predatory dogs. I have found that legislators avoid this question, for there are more voters who own dogs than voters who own sheep. A dog that is not kept busy will get into mischief, no matter how well he is bred. Some of the worst dogs I have ever caught are those called hunting dogs. They are sagacious and when not kept busy hunting have to work off surplus energy by chasing sheep. The shepherd dog that is reared on a sheep farm seldom gets into trouble, but if he is reared as a pet and is not made acquainted with sheep he is liable to get into mischief if not kept under restraint. Sheep should be kept corralled at night, thereby removing one of the dangers that are liable to come to a flock. Daytime depredations are scarce unless a sheep pasture is an outlying one.

## HOW TO MAKE OLD FARM PAY

**Stop Starving and Go to Feeding All Cultivated Land If Amount Is Only Five Acres.**

It is a commentary on American agriculture that in certain sections there are farms of 100 or more acres that can be bought for less than the first cost of the buildings, and in some cases for less than the policy insurance companies have placed on said buildings.

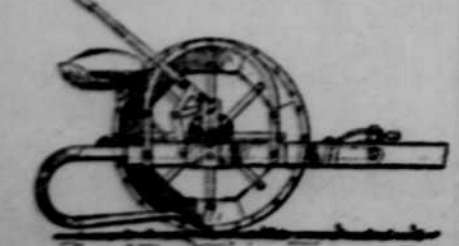
The old farm doesn't pay. Its tenants have been starved. Its soil has been tilled, and tilled till it would bear tillage no longer and nature went out on one of her inevitable strikes.

Can the old farm be made to pay? It certainly can not, by the old methods.

## IMPROVEMENT ON POTATO DIGGER

**Implement Drawn Through Field With Blade at Sufficient Depth to Pass Below Tubers.**

In describing an improvement on a potato digger, the invention of Wil-



Potato Digger.

Ham St. Dairy of Findlay, O., the Scientific American says: In operation the digger is drawn through the field, with a blade or plow a sufficient depth to pass below

the potatoes, and as it moves along the potatoes are lifted from the ground. During transportation the plow may be lifted out of the ground, and by means of the lever it may be held at any desired depth. The arrangement of the beam of the plow moving between the frame sections prevents any lateral swinging movement of the said beam with respect to the frame, so that the plow is held directly in the row. The width of the felly of the wheel is greater than that of the rings.

**Increase Wheat Yield.** It took England 200 years to increase her yield of wheat from 12 to 14 bushels per acre, to an average of 42 bushels. This was accomplished largely by the use of animal manure. The United Kingdom has 144 farm animals per mile, while our best agricultural states have less than 50.

**Manufacturing Establishment.** The farm is really a manufacturing establishment for the production of food stuffs. It is the farmer's business to make the largest and most profitable output possible.

## German Novelty



Scarf of camel hair with muff and pocket in combination—very appropriate for skating or any outdoors sports where the hands are not in evidence. It is light weight, yet very warm.

## IN THE JAPANESE STYLE MADE OF SEAL PLUSH.

**Excellent Suggestion for Linen Shower That Will Be Out of the Ordinary—For Place Cards.**

A charming idea for a linen shower is to carry it out in Japanese fashion with the colors of the cherry blossom as the decorative scheme.

If the luncheon is designed, darken the room and hang numbers of Chinese lanterns about. These may be suspended from red and green cords festooned around the walls, and candles for the table may be in green, with the rosy color for the shades. Carnations, or better still the cherry blossoms themselves, so beautifully made now in paper, can be the flower, and placing some of the branches in crystal bowls and vases, just a few in each, gives a pretty effect. Tall screens covered with the blossoms may be placed about wherever most effective, forming alcoves and cozy corners.



Have the parcels of linen wrapped in rose paper and tied with green ribbons. A girl friend wearing a kimono in the two colors may bring in the packages, handing them to the bride-to-be, or placing them on a large tray ready for the purpose, where the laughing recipient may open and display the contents to those present. Place cards may be tiny fans with Japanese heads pasted on them.

**Large Rug Muffs Eclipse Owners.** Some of the stoles and muffs that are being carried on cold days are so huge that they fairly eclipse a slip of a girl entirely. With the skirt and coat made as slim as the physical proportion of a slender girl can stand and then the addition of huge neck-piece and muff, to say nothing of an all-encompassing hat, a girl is completely lost. Twenty years ago she could never have carried the big muffs and neckpieces made of long-haired furs that are fashionable now without bending under their weight. But the furrier has looked out for that, and the biggest muff weighs scarcely as much now as the little old-timer did. One thing is practical about these giant muffs. No one's arms are going to suffer with cold while they have such a shelter. The best of these muffs completely envelop the arms to the elbows, and the muff itself covers the lap like a robe.

**White Gaiters Are Worn.** The woman who has pumps and does not wish to get high shoes until late in the winter can now use her cloth gaiters and be very much in style. White ones are quite the fashion and their rivals are pearl gray. These are worn with the black shoes with all kinds of gowns that are short and for the street.

**Citoyenne Jumpers.** The persistency with which the little basque effects shown in the peplums and frills to be used outside of the skirt have been brought to the front indicates that they have taken quite a strong hold. Jumpers are now brought out with this frill finish and are usually made of messaline or soft finished silk. They are cut on surplus lines, the model underneath appearing uncovered to the waist line both back and front. The edges are finished off with a narrow puffing—Dry Goods Economist.

**Home-Made Dress Box.** There are shirt waist boxes galore. Innumerable dress chests and many improvised receptacles for us in the woman's room, but the latest novelty is the result of an ingenious brain, which conceived the possibilities of having a dress box, full length, to match the hardwood floor in her room.

A cheap frame was constructed of pine, lined throughout with white cloth, the edge lined on the outside with black velvet with hioleum, a

A genuine sealskin coat is handsome, no matter how shapeless it is, but the seal plush coat must be faultless and elegant in line to possess distinction. This coat is exceedingly smart and graceful, though the material is the comparatively inexpensive brown seal plush and the collar and cuffs are of opossum—also an expensive fur. Like all these coats, this model closes far over toward the left hip and is quite straight from hip to ankle.

**No Race Prejudice.** "Very few railroad stations in the country show as much consideration for colored women traveling alone as the New York stations," said a woman traveler.

"Like other stations, their waiting-rooms contain framed placards giving the addresses of homes and associations where strangers in the city may apply for temporary accommodation, but usually these homes are for white people only. The New York stations, with a fine disregard of race prejudice, also display, in a conspicuous place, the address of the colored mission in West Thirty-sixth street."

## PULLED IN DIFFERENT WAYS

Ordinary Man on the Street Somewhat Puzzled by Seeming Business Contradictions.

"Life is full of contradictions." "Yes?" "For instance, about six months ago a life insurance agent got after me, and hounded me nearly to death. I told him at the start that I had all the insurance I was able to carry, but he kept right on trying to persuade me that I needed more and, finally, in sheer desperation, I consented to take out another policy. Then the company's doctor began trying in every way he could think of to make it impossible for me to get the insurance. He acted as if I was voluntarily trying to beat the company in some way, and when I failed to pass the examination both he and the agent appeared to think I had wronged them by taking up their time."

"That's nearly as bad as my case. Several months ago representatives of a piano house got after me for the purpose of persuading me to buy a piano on the installment plan. Just to get rid of them I at last agreed to buy. Now they've got a corps of men out trying to dig up proof that I never could or would pay for the piano if they were to let me have it. Business is a great thing."

## ALMOST FRANTIC WITH ITCHING ECZEMA

"Eight years ago I got eczema all over my hands. My fingers fairly bled and it itched until it almost drove me frantic. The eruption began with itching under the skin. It spread fast from between the fingers around the nails and all over the whole hands. I got a pair of rubber gloves in order to wash dishes. Then it spread all over the left side of my chest. A fine doctor treated the trouble two weeks, but did me no good. I cried night and day. Then I decided to try Cuticura Soap and Ointment but without much hope as I had gone so long. There was a marked change the second day, and so on until I was entirely cured. The Cuticura Soap we have always kept in our home, and we decided after that lesson that it is a cheap soap in price and the very best in quality. My husband will use no other soap in his shaving mug." (Signed) Mrs. G. A. Selby, Redonda Beach, Cal., Jan. 15, 1911. Although Cuticura Soap and Ointment are sold by druggists and dealers everywhere, a sample of each, with 32-page book, will be mailed free on application to "Cuticura," Dept. 24 K, Boston.

Young, but Oh, My! The lawyer was sitting at his desk, absorbed in the preparation of a brief. So bent was he on his work that he did not hear the door as it was pushed gently open, nor see the curly head that was thrust into his office. A little sob attracted his notice, and turning, he saw his face that was streaked with tears, and told plainly that his feelings had been hurt.

"Well, my little man, did you want to see me?" "Are you a lawyer?" "Yes. What is it you want?" "I want—" and there was a resolute ring in his voice—"I want a divorce from my papa and mamma!"

**Gentle Correction Needed.** Mr. Litterest—Doctor, what did you tell me your special treatment for sleeplessness? "Medico—We strike at the cause or the origin of the trouble." Mr. Litterest—You don't say so! Well, you will find the baby in the other room. Only, don't strike at him too hard.

**All Very True, but—** Fond Father—Yes, Johnny, when the millennium is come the lamb can lie down with the lion in perfect safety. Little Johnny (doubtingly)—I s'pose that's so, but I'd rather be the lion, just the same.

**Her Fate.** "I have three husbands to support," pleaded the ragged beggar woman. "What—are you a bigamist?" "No, sir. One husband's mine and the others belong to my two daughters."

**He Had None.** He—Don't you like to eat a peach with the skin on? She—No, it's like kissing a man with a mustache—er—I think I hear mother calling.

**His Theory.** Teacher—What is it, Tommie, that Shakespeare tells us "becomes the throned monarch better than his crown?" Tommie—Hair—Harper's Bazar.

**The Sixth Sense.** "Mrs. Meddle makes so much trouble in the neighborhood." "Yes, she has such a fine sense of humor!"—Life.

**Degrees.** Mrs. Gramercy—It's awful to have a jealous husband! Mrs. Park—But it's worse, dear, to have one who isn't jealous.—Judge.

**Accepting a Compliment.** Neighbor—What a lovely day this is! Weather Man—Thank you.

**TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY** Take LAXATIVE BROWN GUINNESS TABLETS. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GIBB'S signature is on each box. 2c.

Most of us would keenly enjoy working—if only we weren't compelled to do it.

Mrs. Whallow's Soothing Syrup for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, etc. a bottle.

Reproaches are certainly an effective cure to indifference; but they change it to anger rather than love.

Lewis' Single Binder, straight six—many smokers prefer them to 10c cigars.

It seems that to make both ends meet requires no end of money.

## MAKING THE BEST OF IT.



She—I am sorry I ever married you! He—Oh, don't worry about me. I'm pretty tough and can stand it!

**Jones Admitted It.** Jones and Brown argued as they always did when they had time enough. They had dined together, and as Jones lived at a distance and it was very late Brown offered to put him up for the night.

On the way home they fell to discussing the strategy of the Civil war as indicated by the campaigns of Lee and Grant. The topic was elastic enough to keep them going for half an hour, and reduced its height as they neared the Brown house.

Then Brown lost his temper. "Jones," said he, "if you don't admit that Grant was a greater general than Lee, you can't sleep here."

It was then two o'clock in the morning, and Jones was eight miles from home.—Chicago Post.

**How He Found Out.** "Mr. Chairman," shouted one of the delegates to the convention, "I move that the nominating speeches be limited to one minute each!" "Second the motion!" yelled a dozen others.

A storm of protest arose, but the chairman put the motion. It was lost by a vote of 47 to 45. "I merely wished to find out, Mr. Chairman," explained the delegate who had made the motion, "how many ambitious orators there are in this convention. There are forty-seven."

**Think of It!** Two brothers, each of whom is nearly six feet and a half tall, were one day introduced by an acquaintance to a young lady. As she sat gazing up at the pair of giants in wonder and awe, she exclaimed:

"Great heavens! Suppose there had been only one of you!"

**Probably.** Teacher—What did the Philistines say after David had slain Goliath? "Willie—O, I suppose they said, 'Never mind. The season's young yet. Wait till David hits a slump.'—Christmas Puck.

**Physical Proof.** "Y. Jims, I saw your double on the street today." "Impossible, madam. I'm a single man."

## METHOD OF KEEPING YOUNG

Remarkably Sound Advice for the Woman Who Has Some Years of Life to Her Credit.

The way to ward off old age is not to fear it, not to allow one's self to be oppressed by the dread of advancing years. Use only legitimate preventives and avoid trying experiments with preparations not indorsed by physicians. Do not wear toilettes intended for young girls, they only add years to the appearance. Keep up your interest in the young, but do not envy them. Retire with dignity from the struggle, do not pose as your daughter's rival. Above all, surround your life with sweet, true affections which prevent the heart from growing bitter. Do not lose interest in the growing events of the day; do not fall behind the times and do not harp on other and better days. To those who come to you for advice be always kind and sympathetic. As you advance in years preserve carefully your personal appearance, for once lost it may not be regained save by strenuous effort. Your costumes should be simple and unpretentious, yet graceful. These rules, carefully and sensibly followed, will keep you young and attractive.—Exchange.

## CREAM OF RYE

For health and energy eat it for breakfast. Reduces cost of living. Free Silver Spoon in every package. Ask your grocer for a package.

The modern woman gets next to the latest wrinkle with a massage machine.

A woman falls in love gracefully, but a man usually stumbles into it.



**THE KEYSTONE TO HEALTH IS HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS**

You can strengthen the system, keep the bowels open, prevent Colds and Grippe by taking the Bitters.

## READERS

of this paper desiring to buy anything advertised in its columns should insist upon having what they ask for, refusing all substitutes or imitations.

## Discouraged

The expression occurs so many times in letters from sick women, "I was completely discouraged." And there is always good reason for the discouragement. Years of pain and suffering. Doctor after doctor tried in vain. Medicines doing no lasting good. It is no wonder that the woman feels discouraged.

Thousands of these weak and sick women have found health and courage regained as the result of the use of

## Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

It establishes regularity, heals inflammation and ulceration, and cures weakness.

## IT MAKES WEAK WOMEN STRONG AND SICK WOMEN WELL.

Refuse substitutes offered by unscrupulous druggists for this reliable remedy.

Sick women are invited to consult by letter, free. All correspondence strictly private and sacredly confidential. Write without fear and without fee to World's Dispensary, R. V. Pierce, M. D., Pres't, Buffalo, N. Y. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate and invigorate stomach, liver and bowels. Sugar-coated, tiny granules, easy to take as candy.



## PERFECTION SMOKELESS OIL HEATER

Smokeless Odorless Clean Convenient

The Perfection Smokeless Oil Heater warms up a room in next to no time. Always ready for use. Can be carried easily to any room where extra warmth is needed.

A special automatic device makes it impossible to turn the wick too high or too low. Safe in the hands of a child.

The Perfection burns nine hours on one filling—glowing heat from the minute it is lighted. Handsomely finished; drums of blue enamel or plain steel, with nickel trimmings.

Ask your dealer or write for descriptive circular to any agency of Standard Oil Company (Incorporated)

## Constipation Vanishes Forever

Prompt Relief—Permanent Cure

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS never fail. Purely vegetable—act surely but gently on the liver. Stop indigestion, improve the complexion, brighten the eyes. SMALL PILL, SMALL DOSE, SMALL PRICE.

Genuine must bear Signature

Most of us would keenly enjoy working—if only we weren't compelled to do it.

## Rayo Lamps and Lanterns

Rayo lamps and lanterns give most light for the oil used. The light is strong and steady. A Rayo never flickers. Materials and workmanship are the best. Rayo lamps and lanterns last.

Ask your dealer to show you his line of Rayo lamps and lanterns, or write for illustrated booklet direct to any agency of Standard Oil Company (Incorporated)

## LIVE STOCK AND MISCELLANEOUS Electrotypes

IN GREAT VARIETY FOR SALE AT THE LOWEST PRICES BY WESTERN NEWSPAPER UNION 321-331 W. Adams St., Chicago

## PATENTS

Waters E. Coleman, Wash.ington, D.C. Books free. High est references. Best results.

W. N. U., OMAHA, NO. 1-1912.

## PUTNAM FADELESS DYES

Color more goods brighter and faster colors than any other dye. One 10c package colors all fibers. They dye in cold water better than any other dye. You can dye any garment without rippling apart. Write for free booklet—How to Dye, Bleach and Mix Colors. NONROE DRUG COMPANY, Quincy, Ill.