We had

eft Sydney on January 20, and during a thick fog and rough weather on February & the ship struck on a reef. The masts fell and smashed some of the small boats, and there was a panic on board.

"Fortunately all escaped in the boats that remained whole, but many were only partly dressed and some not at all. After a terrible experience in a heavy gale, lasting for almost a whole day, we reached the shore of one of the deserted islands the following afternoon and, after a battle with the heavy sea, managed to drag our bodies up on to the land.

"Naked and wounded, for what clothes we had had been ripped off. our bodies tora and bruised by being battered around, we looked like a band of phantoms marching on to the congoest of some infernal island.

"Almost starved, we lighted a big fire with flint and attracted some seabirds which we captured and ate. Making clothes for ourselves out of long grass and leaves, we started out to explore the island. After a search that lasted three days, some of our party discovered a rude shelter, showing that shipwrecked people had been there at some time before.

"On the following days we killed, with rocks, a number of albatross and exught a quantity of shellfish, on which we subsisted. Also, we captured a small seacow, which proved to be decent eating.

"As a chance of making our condition known, we caught three albatross the men, Captain Smith succeeded in alive and set them free with bark keeping the ship off before the gale cards tied around their nocks, stating for safety, using oil from port and starour plight in French and English. But board and thus diminishing the force day after day passed and help failed of the gigantic waves. After a day to come

the island for months, even years, be course that she was moving sluggishfore we could in some way or other ly, so the wells were sounded and it attract the attention of a passing ves- was found that there were eleven sel. The vessels, we knew, gave the inches of water below. particular island we were on a very

all of our own and called ourselves the sibility nerved the crew to redouble "Ship-wrecked Kingdom." We had a their efforts to bring the vessel to a sort of king, or boss, a cabinet of ad- safe harbor. Slowly but surely the visors and all that sort of thing. Our water was gaining. When the ship 'army'-or exploration party-was dis- took the heavy plunge that carried patched into the interior of the island away her deck-house and smashed sevand the 'army,' consisting of eight eral skylights, she started some of her men, discovered some wild sheep.

the Island Kingdom for over three months, the New Zealand government of Mr. Mills, the New Zealand Minis- pumping ter of Commerce, who superintended most of the work of helping us back to our natural civilized state and, as a token of our gratitude, we gave them through all our troubles with us as mascot of our little Kingdom."

At the end of the captain's report. Zealand." there is the simple statement that ten large vessels before the Anjou had eral Grant with a loss of seventy-five with death.

the this that have never come to the the story as that of "The Fire Wom- arrival in San Francisco that city sufeyes of the great reading world, actual an of the Sea." The latter, concretely, fered one its greatest conflagrations. remances and dramas of the deep that was-or rather is, for they say she is Six months later the hotel in which rival the attempts of fiction.

The Voyage of the Kerosene-Laden "Thornliebank."

dynamite happens to be included in United States army. For years there as the most extraordinary escaper the cargo, is one of the favorite and was a superstition among American from death that they have ever enstock devices of the sea-fiction writers, seamen that whenever Mrs. Bates countered.

Laments Engagement of Last Daugh

ter, Even Though She is Mar-

rying Millions.

Mr. Shrewdly to His Wife-Say, Mi-

randa, I have been looking up that

young Henderson, and if our Ethel can

land him she'd better do it. I been

terher down for a round million, and

he has a bachelor uncle who is down

for two millions more, and his mother

is one of old Bill Smitherson's girls,

and old Bill is rated at four millions.

Young Henderson hasn't sense

enough to come in when it rains, and

Ethel can land him if she tries. She's

What would you think of a story went to sea a hoodoo fire was sure to concerning a leaking clipper ship, with break out on the vessel that carried eighty-six thousand cases of kerosene her.

wrecking storms, that was on the point of being smashed to pieces every oth- when her husband was in command er minute, and that was finally brought of the Boston ship Nonantum. On to port eight thousand miles away? July 27 Mrs. Bates left Baltimore on She was saved only through the sleep the Nonantum forSan Francisco. The less efforts of her starved crew, who ship's cargo was a thousand tons of for two and one-half months guarded coal and a huge quantity of provisions the shifting cargo against expicsions listed for Panama. When the Nonan-

The clipper Thornliebank, of Glas- la Plata flames broke out in the hold gow, Captain Smith, left Philadelphia and for twelve whole days Mrs. Bates, bound for Wellington, New Zealand, July 1, 1903. It carried a cargo of eighty-six thousand cases of benzine and kerosene. When the vessel reached latitude 41 south, longitude, 13 east, off Cape of Good Hope, on September 9, it cocountered a cyclonic storm of such mabating fury that for days the Thornliebank threatened to

As the sterm worked its havoc, the men were compelled to lash themselves to one another, after the fashion of Alpine climbers, to prevent their being sent overboard.

Let us quote now from the plain, unvarnished record of the Thornliebank's perilous trip.

"In the evening the ship gave a sudcen lurch, plunged into the seas and for a moment was submerged from stem to stern. Ever; one on board thought she was foundering and the sailors dropped on their knees and prayed. While the vessel was submerged, everything movable was washed overboard.

"After a fine struggle on the part of "We resolved to make the best of gan to moderate and the ship was put our condition, because we feared-and on her course again. The officers norightly so-that we might be left on ticed soon after she had resumed her

"After successfully battling with a terrific hurricane, to realize that death "So we got up a little government by drowning was still a matter of posrivets. With the donkey-engine gone "On May 7, after we had been on there was no other alternative than to use the hand pumps, and from that day, September 10, to November 29, steamer Hinomoa rescued us. This they were kept going night and dayvessel had on board the two daughters two and a half months' of incessant

"Not for an instant were the pumps allowed to remain idle. With half the crew below decks working to keep the water down, the other half was laborthe cat that had been saved from the ing above decks to bring the vessel wreck of the Anjou and that had gone to safe harbor. On November 6 the Thornliebank rounded the South Cape and the course was shaped for New

In other words, the sleve-like Thorn-Hebank was brought by tireless and been wrecked at the same spot during fighting seamanship to her destination fifteen years, among them the Gen- after an eight thousand mile struggle

Here is another real tale of the sea. And there are scores of true tales In actual sailor lore, they characterize but on land as well. Shortly after her living in Massachusetts-Mrs. D. B. was destroyed by fire and Mrs. Bates Bates, the widow of a well-known narrowly escaped death. A ship's fight against a storm, made | American sea captain. She later marmore exciting by the fact that some ried Lieutenant James F. Hyde, of the

and benzine abourd, that went through | According to the chornicles of the highballs."

that. My wife and I have been hop-

would stay on with us, and this comes

mother and me. I'm afraid I'll have to

talk it over with her mother first. You

can't understand what it means to a

father and a mother to have the last

nest. Excuse my emotion. I suppose

that I am a foolish and selfish old

father, but the tears will come when

I think of our little Ethel going from

us, even with the man she loves and

It isn't that I have anything at all

against you, for I have always regard-

tooking him up and Bradstreet has his one of their children leave the home

twenty-six and it will soon be a case ed you as a man of character and one

of the last cur with her, so you better sure to make his mark in the world.

tell ber to fix it up with Henderson as Heigho! What sacrifices we parents

Exhel doesn't look out. Better have mother and you come to dine with us

Mr. Shrewdly to Henderson, Two bless you, my boy! I am grateful that

Days Later—So you want to take the if our little girlle must go away from

who loves her.

orrow night and tomorrow evening and I guess we can

as a great surprise to both Ethel's

"Yes, and among them is one for

WAS LAST OF THE FLOCK only birdling left in our home nest, do us that she goes with one whom her you, boy? Well, I don't know about mother and I have learned to love and esteem as we do you. I hope you don't ing that the last of our four girls think these tears unmanly. See you tomorrow evening, dear boy.-Puck.

> Bernard Shaw a "Good Fellow." At a luncheon of the Women's Municipal league in the Hotel Martinique the other afternoon, Annie Russell, the actress, told of her personal experi-

ences with Bernard Shaw. "Mr. Shaw is a man of extreme kindliness," she said, "and free from egotism, detaching himself from his work while it is being rehearsed."

To bear out her statements she read letters from Mr. Shaw written to her while she was rehearsing a part in "Major Barbara." In ope letter he told her she could show him more about soon as she can. He's such easy fruit are called upon to endure! Well, my the part than he could show her. that some other girl will run him in if boy, I will talk it over with Ethel's Again he wrote:

"Do as you like and do not think of the author. He will get more than his we'll clear out to the opera and leave fix it up all right, even if it does give share anyway."

She said the keen sense of humor always was in evidence when a rehearsal was in progress.

Average Life of Australian Cockatoo Said to Be Hundred Years.

Melbourne, Australia.-Among the wild birds of tropical countries whose average life is said to be close to one hundred years are said to be the cockatoos of Australia, a handsome bird belonging to the same family as the parrot, and a species of bird which is readily tamed and taught to do tricks which many domesticated birds and animals are unable to accom-

The cockatoo, particularly the yeliow-crested bird, is one of the most intelligent of the birds of the world. and while it may seem strange to some, it is a fact that by kindness and



narrow escapes from the

hoodoo fires that pursued

her than Kate Claxton ever

dreamed of. Mrs. Bates always went

Their first trip was made in 1850.

to sea with her captain-husband.

through its sides.

the small boats.

them by this time.

black ruin.

this time with little damage.

"He has very low tastes."

pelled to take to the small boats.

ror, was also laden with coal.

er the fire had been extinguished. Five

learned that the Symmetry was laden

been, and Mrs. Bates and the sailors

tum reached the latitude of the Rio de taught to accomplish almost any act that its owner wishes. her husband and the rest of the crew

The birds are naturally fond of play stuck to the burning hulk and, by and to combine play with instruction fighting desperately with the fire, finalis said by Edward Montague, an oldly managed to bring the vessel to the New Englander, to be the best meth-Falkland islands before the flames ate od of training. Montague's ancestry dates back in 1668, when Richard Mon-A mile from shore the fire conquered tague settled in Hadley, Mass., and all the fighters and the Nonantum began of his descendants, of whom there are to fall apart as all hands got clear in more than five hundred in the United States, take pride in displaying the After weeks of waiting, the party on Montague coat-of-arms.

the barren island were picked up by In addition to being proud of his the Dundee ship Humayoon, bound ancestry, Edward Montague is exfrom Scotland to Valparaiso. The cargo tremely proud of his flock of trained of the Humayoon was also coal, and, cockatoos and some of his birds, when the vessel reached Cape Horn, doubtless because of his training, disthe "Bates hoodoo"-as sailors always play almost human intelligence. called it-got in its work again and

The cockato is found in immense the ship went up in flames. Mrs. Bates flocks in the wild regions three hunand the others on the ship were com- dred miles west of Melbourne, Australia, and there they are 'easily The Liverpool ship Symmetry, bound caught in traps. There are several o Acapulco, rescued them. It was species, but those with the yellow erest are the most beautiful as well with coal, as the other two ships had as the most intelligent,

It is a strange feature of the breedgathered on deck and offered up pray- ing of the cockatoo that the mother er that the "Bates hoodoo" would pass bird hatches her young in a particularly torrid climate and then immedi-During the first three hours that ately flies away to some colder clime, Mrs. Bates was aboard nothing hap where the young bird quickly attains pened. But the crew of the Symmetry its growth. Another feature of the ere so positive in their superstition bird is that the crest is a barometer of that a fire would surely break out if feeling.

she remained on the vessel, that Mrs. When incensed the crest is percep-Bates and her husband were persuad- tibly raised, while when the bird ed to transfer themselves to the Fan- sulks, the crest is correspondingly chon, that passed the Symmetry on lowered. Naturally the bird is of a its course to San Francisco. The Fan- vicious nature and one pick from the chon, Mrs. Bates learned to her hor- sharp bill is sufficient to sever the end of a finger. On Christmas night, several days

Training of the birds is an interestlater, when the Fanchon was twelve ing vocation and usually extends over hundred miles from land, the usual a period of two years. The individuhoodoo-fire came about as sure as fate. al bird must first be taught to per-Half of the crew was quickly ordered form and then similar instruction has to go below and fight the flames and to be given to the flock. The birds Mrs. Bates, donning sailor's clothes, can be taught to dance, engage in gave the men her assistance, remain- chariot races, do stunts on the horiing below on watch for two days aft- zontal bars, perform on revolving balls and lastly to talk and swear. days later the Fanchon struck the The birds strangely pick up profane rocks of the Galapagos islands and words much more quickly than words Mrs. Bates was one of those who was of any other type, and some cockatoos hurled overboard by the shock of col- know more profanity than anything lision. Three hours after she reached else.

the shore-her life having been saved They live to be more than one hunby the merest chance—the flames ired years old, and some birds are in burst out on the Fanchon once more captivity which have exceeded the and one hour later the vessel was a century mark. They do not require any more treatment to sustain life After living for weeks as Crusoes on than a human being, and if they are the island, the shipwrecked colony was fed regularly and kept out of draughts rescued by a passing bark. Mrs. Bates they contract no illness. But they diswas then transferred to the steamship like extreme hot weather, and those Republic, carrying four hundred pas- in captivity always grow restless sengers. Five days out, the old hoo- when the hot sun shines upon them. doo again asserted itself. Another

flerce flight with fire was in order, but Tried to Return Marriage License. Vincennes, Ind.-After Herbert Smith had pestered Miss Mamie Neiss In short, fire followed Mrs. Bates as a shadow, not only for years on sea, to marry him for three years past, she finally consented, and they obtained a license. She balked before the ceremory took place, however, and the couple tried to have the license restill alive at the age of eighty-four and Mrs. Bates was stopping in Marysville turned. She says she does not love him and never will.

> Mrs. Bates, "the fire woman of the Deepest Hole in the World. sea," is regarded by American sallors Slaughters Creek, W. Va.-What will be the deepest hole in the world is being drilled by W. E. Edwards on his oil fields. Its purpose is to determine the geological character of the earth. The depth now is 5,230 feet. The world's record depth is 6,001 feet, attained in a South Ameri-

> > Need 7,000 Steel Workers. Pittsburgh, Pa.-Seven thousand men are needed at the various steel mills here. There are unfilled orders for about 25,000 steel cars. Canvassers are on the streets looking for workmen, and wages have advanced Leaf Blight, Is Most Common of 50 cents a day.

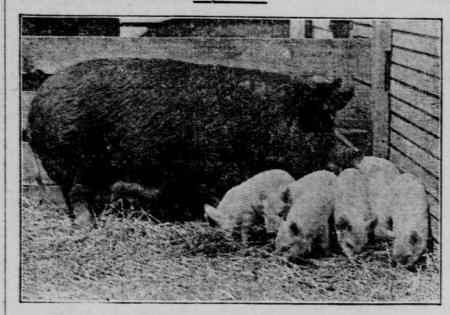
Guilty Man Pleads for Son. Brockton, Mass.-When sentenced to seven years in prison for counterfeiting, Patrick J. McGrath pleaded with the court to spare his son, who is to be tried. He said the boy acted only under his orders.

Paint Figures in Divorce. Pittsburgh, Pa.—Because he had his automobile painted red without consulting her Charles H Runting's wife deserted him, according to the story told by the husband in resisting her appeal for divorce.

Schoolgirl Selects Pall Bearers. East Sparta, O .- After selecting six schoolgirl friends, to act as pall bear ers at her funeral, Eva Teeple, aged seventeen, shot and killed herself

BIRDS THAT LIVE CENTURIES SEVERAL IMPORTANT FACTORS IN SECURING SUPERIOR HOGS

Too Much Stress Cannot be Laid on Selecting Breeding Swine From Sound, Healthy Animals - Cream Separator Has Greatly Reduced Scours in Pigs-Balanced Ration Best.



Excellent Brood Sow and Litter.

(By B. E. LARA.)

best prices for their fancy bacon for spells of sickness. the reason that they have established actual worth.

them rational care until grass comes other feed to mix with the corn. and has them ready for the market by the middle of June will make better money for his feed than he will on solid food. any bunch of pigs that he feeds during the year.

should be some provision made for this too many farmers feed too much dipping hogs. This not only proves to corn. be an easy and effectual way of disinfecting animals which are brought duced scours in pigs because the skim onto the farm but it also keeps them milk can always be fed while sweet. free from lice.

Possibly there is no other farm ani-He is an unprofitable animal any way years. you take him.

range as he has the reputation of not care for. preying upon neighboring corn fields | Exercise will help make that streak when food is scarce.

His build naturally adapts him to sired. his manner of living since he is longlegged, narrow in the chest, has a long, narrow shout. This adapts him SUPERIOR OAT to his manner of living. With the scrub hog it is "root hog or die." hence the long snout. His narrow body aids him in getting through small fence cracks and if he fails to Good, Plump Variety Will Germifind a place large enough to go through the fence he can soon dig under tt with his long snout

There is no standard of excellence for the scrub hog since he may possess almost any form except a beautiful one; he may be of any color. He has the reputation of being able

and still survive. He is regarded as being able to resist disease better than the improved yields that come from its use.

breeds of hogs. We very much doubt whether this quality attributed to the scrub hog is true since we have noas well as the well-bred hog. One thing is sure-that the scrub

and give less in return than any other animal that we know of. A farmer who owns a herd of scrub

hogs seldom needs any other corn turns to select one acre of the best crib than his hogs.

He never gets rich selling pork and bred hogs he would never own better plot.

excuse usually given for his existence. Poor farming and scrub hogs are usu-

ally found associated together. They are near and dear companions. Both make a rapid retreat benot a better evidence of the general that precaution. progressiveness of a people than the absence of the scrub hog from a com-

Too much stress canont be laid on not strong in constitution cannot with- seed. stand disease as well as those which are strong in that respect. In case hogs are troubled with disease it is cine or anything else that will prove

let the disease run its course. disease of any kind. It is an excel- America.

lent feed and has often been of great The farmers of Denmark secure the assistance in bringing hogs through

There is no disputing the fact that small packing establishments where corn is an ideal hog feed, but every they can haul their hogs and get their practical feeder admits that better repay for the hogs according to their sults can be brought about by feeding a ration that is composed of less than The man who has a lot of thrifty two-thirds corn. It is a mistake to August and September pigs and gives think that we cannot afford to buy

Ordinarily it is a mistake not to feed the hogs the liquid before the

Hogs will make from 10 to 12 pounds of meat, live weight, for each On each and every farm there bushel of corn eaten, but because of

The cream separator has greatly re-

When the sow of good type has proven herself a prolific breeder, an mal that can offer as poor an excuse economical feeder, and a good mother, for his existence as the scrub hog. it is a good plan to keep her several The mature sow requires only food

As an economical pork producer he for maintenance, while the growing is a failure. Even his ability to shift one needs food for growth. Furtherfor himself does not recommend him more the older one will have an appeto the people within the limit of his tite for waste that a young one would

of lean and streak of fat that is

SEED ESSENTIAL

nate Rapidly and Get Vigorous Start-Best Land Needed.

(By W. M. KELLY.) seed plpanted than any other causes a of small grain. Poor seed causes a to stand all kinds of rough treatment low yield of oats every time. The actual cost of improved seed is very low compared with the increased

By good seed I do not mean extremely high-priced seed that is advertised to produce 100 bushels of oats ticed that hog cholera takes the scrub to the acre but good plump seed that will germinate rapidly and get a vigorous start early in the spring. We hog can consume more valuable feed seldom see a large crop of oats threshed from a field that makes a

poor start in the spring. I have found that it pays big re land to grow seed oats on each year and to keep this crop for seed only in fact if he depended upon his hogs and to buy new seed every two to make him money to buy better or three years to plant on this acre

Under ordinary conditions I believe The scrub hog usually keeps his that we should change oat seed every owner so poor that he is not able to three or four years, for there is no buy better stock. In fact, this is the farm crop that will thrive better when moved from one locality to another than oats, or that will deteriorate faster when grown on the same farm year after year. Of course proper seed selection will help to overcome fore a progressive spirit and there is this tendency, but few farmers take

Closely linked with the good seed question comes that of selecting or planting healthy seed, and I have found it a good plan to treat all oat selecting breeding swine from sound, seed with formalin before sowing, to healthy parents. Animals that are kill the smut spores and insure healthy

Origin of the Potato. The potato, which was already culalmost impossible to give them medi- tivated in America when the continent was discovered, is spontaneous in very helpful. About all we can do is Chile. It was introduced to Europe in to feed a ration that can be easily di- 1580 and 1585 by the Spaniards, and gested and keep them in clean quar- almost at the same time by the Engters, thoroughly disinfect the pens and lish, who brought it from Virginia. where it had appeared about 1550. The Whole milk is one of the best sweet potatto and the Jerusalem artifeeds for hogs that are suffering with choke are also supposed to come from

DIFFICULTY IN GROWING MELONS the usual strength-six pounds of blue-

Canteloupe Troubles-May be Checked by Spraying.

When blight attacks the cantaloupe then the hopes of the grower wilts, as well as the leaves of his plant-it is usually a hard case to cure.

Leaf blight is the most common of cantaloupe troubles. The leaves become covered with light, to dark brown, generally circular spots, which increase in size and finally coalesce, resulting in complete wilting and curling of the leaves.

The spots commonly show fine and rather indistinct concentric markings such as are found in the common alternaria blight of the potato. The leaf stalks and vines are so affected. The blight is caused by a fungus which may at least be checked by spraying with bordeaux.

when the vines are from 12 to 18 inches long and then every two weeks during the season. The bordeaux mixture should be of

stone and six pounds of lime to 50 gallons of water. The greatest care should be taken to get down on the under side of the

leaves with the spray. Use a hand pump on small plots with a fine spray. If this does not save them nothing will

Watch for San Jose Scale. Watch the trees carefully for San

Jose scale. This pest comes like a thief in the night and is so small that it is hard to detect at first. Under the magnifying glass, it looks like a clam shell, with a tiny little insect underneath, but it is hard to tell this insect from the Palmer scale.

A horse axiom: "Long muscles for speed, short muscles for power;" to which should be added: excessive fat

CANADA'S PROSPERITY.

The New York Times of March 23, 1912, in an article dealing with Cana-

da's progress, says: "At the present moment eight shiploads of European immigrants are afloat for Canada, while there are signs that the outward movement which is customary with us during labor troubles will be marked this year. There is no such startling record of our loss to Canada. Our citizens quietly slip over the border in groups or trainloads, but their going is not advertised.

"There is no mystery why Canada is the 'good thing' the United States used to be. It is because Canada is following in its neighbor's footsteps that it is repeating the fortunate experience which its neighbor is envying, even while deliberately turning its back on the teachings of the past. A fortnight ago the Dominion budget speech reported the unprecedented surplus of \$39,000,000, and on Thursday the Government passed through the Committee on Supply credits of \$38,000,000 for railways and canals. With this assistance the railways themselves are both enabled and compelled to increase their facilities. Accordingly we find a single road allotting ten millions for work of its own. Naturally the Canadian newspapers contain announcements calling for fifty thousand men for construction work. This influx is apart from those Americans who go with money in their pockets obtained by cashing in their high-priced American lands.

"A St. Paul dispatch says that within a fortnight two thousand carloads of farm animals and machinery have passed toward Canada, the property of men who expect to pay for their farms with the first crop."

"Silent Actors" Not Silent. Ten-cent grand opera is fast nearing a reality.

A patent was granted last week to C. Milton of London, Eng., for combining a phonograph and a moving picture machine, so that they will operate in absolute harmony.

As soon as this patent is placed on the market, it will in all probability mean that moving picture shows will soon have phonographs in their houses, and will reproduce the words or songs of the now "silent actors" at the same time that the film is being projected on the screen.

The Sham Battle.

The militia was going through its spring maneuvers and many women had come out to witness the sham bat-

"Come out of that bush and surrender," yelled the captain to a private. "You are technically wounded." The private shook his head vigor-

"I may be technically wounded," said he, "but I can't come out. I've torn my pants on these pesky thorns."

When Caesar Crossed the Rubicon. Julius Caesar was about to cross

the Rubicon. "In an extreme case like this," he said, blithely, "I wouldn't mind going through the Hudson River Tube, even There is more light and inferior oat if I had to pay seven cents for the privilege."

> The Paxton Toflet Co. of Boston, Mass., will send a large trial box of Paxtine Antiseptic, a delightful cleansing and germicidal toilet preparation,

The Flat That Failed. Howell-How do you like your new

home? Powell-It is a flat failure.

to any woman, free, upon request.

A women can remember how a max once made love to her long after she has forgotten his name. More important than the choice of Presi-

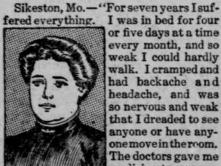
dent is the selection of Garfield Tea as the remedy for constination and bilions Perseverance may be the mother of success, but the offspring isn't always

just what it should be. No thoughtful person uses liquid blue. It's a pinch of blue in a large bottle of water. Ask for Red Cross Ball Blue, the blue that's all blue.

But a man who leads a double life never does two men's work.

WOMEN SHOULD BE PROTECTED

Against So Many Surgical Operations. How Mrs. Bethune and Mrs. Moore Escaped.



or five days at a time every month, and so weak I could hardly walk. I cramped and had backache and headache, and was so nervous and weak that I dreaded to see anyone or have any-The doctors gave me medicine to ease me

at those times, and said that I ought to have an operation. I would not listen to that, and when a friend of my husband told him about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and what it had done for his wife, I was willing to take it. Now I look the picture of health and feel like it, too. I can do my own housework, hoe my garden, and milk a cow. I can entertain company and enjoy them. 1 can visit when I choose, and walk as far as any ordinary woman, any day in the month. I wish I could talk to every suffering woman and girl."-Mrs. DEMA BETHUNE, Sikeston, Mo.

Murrayville, Ill .- "I have taken Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for a very bad case of female trouble and it made me a well woman. My health was all broken down, the doctors said I must have an operation, and I was ready to go to the hospital, but dreaded it so that I began taking your Compound. I got along so well that I gave up the doctors and was saved from the opera-

