By H. M. EGBERT

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self evenings," sigh & Ronald Cray, leaning out of the back window of his bachelor apartment and surveying the glooomy flats around him.

Two months before he had been summoned home from New Mexico, where his power dam had made him famous. to take charge of the engineering department of his company at headquarters. His salary was ample, he had wealth, he was only twenty-five; yet he had managed to make no acquaintances in the big city.

A free life in the West had made him different from the average citybred young man; he thought the metropolis stiff and its people devoid of to kill him," the girl would moan. "I interest.

Suddenly, as he leaned out, surveybuilding opposite, on the fifth floor, on a level with his. Behind a drawn shade he saw the silhouette of a man.

as Cray watched, he saw the shadow given it to him. I must have snatched of a woman behind him. Suddenly her hand plunged downward. The elongated object in it looked like a poniard. It struck the man in the side two impulses. He wanted to let the of the neck and he rolled over.

The woman stood looking at him for a moment; then, with a gesture of anew. And yet-he knew that he triumph, she flung the poniard out of loved her. Her helplessness, her the window, raising the shade a little. charm, the bond between them had Cray heard a metallic tinkle in the court below. Then followed darkness. ly sweet. He had been offered a new he had seen and hardly believing it real. How long he waited he did not asked her to be his wife and go with know. Suddenly his bell rang.

He west out into the passage and saw, standing outside the door, one of the most beautiful women whom he him. But she would not. had ever met. She was twenty-three or four. Her eyes gleamed with feverish and her hands were red.

"Save me! Hide me! Help me!" she pleaded.

Cray did not hesitate an instant. He pulled her through the doorway and led her to the bathroom. He filled the



Saw the Shadow of a Woman Behind Him.

took her into his spare room.

in. You can stay as long as you want | doubt what the verdict was. to."

him like a hunted beast. He hesi- her. Sne faced the prisoner and tated, then he closed and bolted the window and withdrew, leaving the

that he would hear the bolt snap, that air. she would try to plunge down into the court below. But hardly a sound lied to me, deceived me. I learned came from the room. When at last he that he was supporting another womreturned she was lying on the floor asleep.

He placed her on the couch and she did not awaken. Her sleep was of and over his head a dagger hung. It profound exhaustion. All night Cray seemed placed there for me. I struck sat up, waiting. Sometimes he stole him—and then the other woman came in to look at her, but she never stirred. It was not till the sun was well up that he heard her moving.

She came forward unsteadily and looked in at him as he sat by the window.

"Where am 1?" she cried. "Who are you?"

Cray rose and took her by the hands. "I am a friend," he answered. "You are safe here—safe to come or

Hi

to go." She burst into hysterical sobbing. When at last he had quieted her the

girl told Cray her story. She had met a man in her home in Virginia, three months before. He had asked her to be his wife. Her parture of daylight, and all vegetable parents mistrusted him; she followed growths quickly lose their color, if him stealthily, to learn too late that not their lives, if deprived of light. all that had been said about him was The sensitive plant is a popular examtrue. He was a gambler, a swindler. She remembered those three months with loathing. Her horror of him had wilt, the leaves falling limp as if withgrown. He had deceived her with a ered. Concerning the remarkable mock ceremony, lied to her-at last

she had learned that he had a wife already. She had written home, but her letters were returned unanswered. She gans of animals, such as eyes." had nowhere to turn, she was ignorant of any trade, and the man held her by his lying promises. He had almost got his divorce, he said; he loved her: for her sake he would reform, if only This proportion holds true in the Unitshe would trust him.

before; then there was a dreadful less. For some reason that nobody blank in her mind, and she had re- knows, infants in duplicate are not covered to find herself standing over nearly so common in warm latitudes the body. And she had fled wildly for as in cold countries. Relatively to

with me until the trouble blows over," Spain.

he said. "I want a housekeeper. You will be quite safe here. I shall let it be known that you answered an advertisement. When all is ready I will help you to a new life. You trust

She looked at him helplessly. "I am so ignorant," she wept. "I must trust you. I have nobody else."

"You will not regret it," said Cray. And he knew the girl was safe there. Nobody came to call at his little apart-The murder occupied two columns

of his morning paper, but the only clue was that afforded by a negro janitor, who had seen a weman ascending the "I don't know what to do with my. steps a few minutes before the trag-And he stated the her hair was fair. The unknown woman's was ebony dark. Cray felt safe.

The poniard was found, but gave no clue. And gradually the interest waned. Nobody knew the murdered man, who had very good reasons for disguising his identity.

As the days passed Helen Ware came to trust Cray absolutely. She cooked for him, mended his clothes, resolutely refused to take the money that he pressed upon her. "I can never forget what I owe you," she would say. But sometimes there would be spells of weeping. "I did not mean do not remember anything, except sitting at home waiting for him with ing the huge buildings and speculating bitterness of heart; then I heard him how many thousand lives ran on in come in and went to him-and I was them, a light sprang into being in the standing over him with the dagger in my hands."

"You don't recall the dagger?" "Yes. It was a curio of his; some He was stooping over a table and, friend from a savage country had it from the wall and stabbed him. As the weeks turned into months, Cray found himself torn between

girl go to some scene where she would be able to take up her life created an intimacy that was infinite-He leaned out, astounded at what position in the West. One night he took his courage in his hands and him where all memory of the past could be forgotten.

He knew by her looks that she loved

"It is your pity for me, Ronald, not love," she said, sighing. "I love you, intensity, her hair was disheveled but I can never be your wife so long as this curse of blood lies on me." "You acted rightly," he cried hot-"No jury would have convicted

> come with me." "I cannot," she answered sadly. "I must leave you, and you must for-

> But on the next day something happened which drove all thoughts of parting from their heads. The wife of the murdered man was arrested charged with the crime

> It was known that she had been in the city that day. She had threatened him; the negro janitor identified her as the woman he had seen near the apartment house. And Ronald and Helen watched the unfolding of the grim trial with dismay.

> On the evening before the last day Helen spoke to Ronald about what lay uppermost in her mind. let that woman be con-

victed," she said. "I must go down to the court and offer my confes-

Ronald could not dissuade her. He knew that it was the only possible

And all day they sat in the dreary courtroom listening to the intolerably long summing up. The jury had at last retired. Ronald had persuaded Helen not to speak unless the verdict was "guilty."

It was hours before the jury rebasin and washed her hands, drying turned. A murmur spread through the them on a towel afterward. Then he courtroom. The face of the foreman was deadly white. He trembled and You're quite safe here," he said in looked away from the prisoner's a low voice. "Nobody saw you come straining eyes. There could be no

Suddenly Helen sprang to her feet She crouched in a corner, glaring at Ronald rose and kept his arm about the same degree of severity were givstretched out her hand.

But before a word could leave her lips the woman in the dock uttered a For half an hour he waited, fearing shriek and recoiled, clutching at the

> "Yes, I am guilty," she cried. "He an, who was passing as his wife. I dogged him to his home. I entered after him. I saw him in the hallway, out-and she stands there!"

And she collapsed unconscious upon

the floor. Helen fell into Ronald's arms. "It is true! It is true!" she cried.

"I remember everything!" The verdict of "manslaughter" was further eased by a mercifully light sentence, and, with the obstacle to their marriage removed, Ronald and Helen went West, where they started upon their new life together.

Plants Must Have Light.

The blossoms of many plants open or close with the coming or the deple of "nerves." A tap on its stem is sufficient to cause it instantly to sensitiveness of plants to light Professor Ganong says: "Evidently some such structures advance pretty far in the direction of the special sense or-

Statistics as to Twins.

Take 900 average babies. There will be ten pairs of twins among them. ed States and England. In Italy or She had waited for him the evening Brazil the proportion would be much helter.

Cray patted her hands. "You stay in Russia three times as often as in

ATTENTION TO SOW BEFORE FARROWING



Healthy, Vigorous Sow and Litter.

(By H. M. COTTRELL.) While pregnant, the sow should be given muscle and bone-making feeds that will develop in the unborn pigs size and strong vital organs. When the sow has good alfalfa pasture, only a small quantity of grain is needed. The sow should be kept in good flesh, but not fat. A heavy condition of flesh is favorable if it is put on with muscle-making feeds and the sow has been given ample exercise. Underfeeding is extremely detrimental. The pigs from a half-starved sow are weak and undersized at birth, and are stunted while suckling from lack of sufficient milk

Sows fed much corn while pregnant make poor mothers, do not give a full supply of milk, are likely to be clumsy and the pigs are often small and weak. Peas, shorts, tankage, skim milk, and alfalfa, clover, cow peas or peanut the sow for developing strong pigs at birth.

Corn is deficient in the bone, muscle-making and blood-making materials necessary to develop the unborn | ing time were the consequence. Potapig. If the sow does not have these materials in abundance, the pigs are land left in ridges. Pregnant sows she can eat daily or a goodly supply with brood sows will often injure the of skim milk, are cheap feeds, and sows the same way. Not over five unequaled as a balance to corn.

you. Helen, dearest, forget it and is pregnant or suckling must be avoid weather many result in losses at fared. Pig-eating is often caused by rowing time. Pregnant sows should constipation. Laxative and bulky feeds, not be allowed to run with fattening in well and bake three-quarters of an such as pasture hay, will prevent this hogs.

trouble, and should form part of the daily ration. Exercise is necessary to keep the bowels in good condition. Small feeds of roots are good. Heavy feeding of roots is often the cause of weak or dead pigs at birth. Feeding frozen roots is likely to cause abortion. The pregnant sow should be

fed, sheltered, exercised and handled in such a way as to keep her in good flesh and health. Everything that facilitates this condition tends to secure pigs with greater vigor and more profitable as feeders. A blow or a strain of any kind to

the belly of the pregnant sow is likely to result in pigs dead at birth, or pigs born the wrong way, or her death. Sows had to step over a sixinch board in passing through an opening between their yard and pasture. There were many dead pigs at farrowing, and some of the sows died hay or pasture are the feeds to give from trouble while giving birth. The ground next to a hog pen was eight inches lower than the floor, and the brood sow had to climb over this step -dead pigs and dead sow at farrowtoes were dug with a plow and the small and weak and the supply of had to travel over these to get to milk is poor. A sow fed corn with- a field. At farrowing time there were out enough bone and muscle-making many dead pigs, and two sows died. feeds to supply the demands of her A boar allowed to run with sows that unborn is often so feverish and un- are bred will frequently knock them satisfied that she eats her pigs when around and bring the same trouble. they are born. All the alfalfa hay Horses or cattle running in a lot or ten bred sows should be allowed Constipation in the sow while she to sleep together, as crowding in cold

VACCINATION CURE FOR CHICKEN POX

pert of California Agricultural College Station.

periment station at Berkeley gives the particulars of a series of experiments of vaccination as a remedy for chicken pox made by J. R. Beach, assistant in veterinary science. It will be of interest to poultrymen to learn that he has made a successful application of the method of vaccination against chicken pox devised at the Wisconsin

agricultural experiment station. In one flock badly infected at the time of vaccination a total of 1,177 fowls were treated and only 9 per cent subsequently developed chicken pox lesions. In the same pens 121 fowls were left unvaccinated for controls, and 871/2 per cent of these subsequently developed chicken pox. The vaccination appears to have a curative

as well as a preventive value. Vaccine was given to 113 diseased fowls in addition to local treatment and 113 diseased fowls with lesions of en local treatment of the lesions only. The mortality percentage of the vaccinated lot was 25 per cent, of the unvaccinated lot 54 per cent. The average length of time required for re- LAYING HENS NEED covery of the vaccinated lot was fourteen days.

The technique of this vaccination method is so simple that it is believed prepare the vaccine and administer the treatment themselves.

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DISEASE OF STOCK INDUCED BY ERGOT

Interesting Report Made by Ex- Farmer Should Avoid Grazing Animals on Infested Areas—No Effective Remedy.

The report of the agricultural ex- (By W. W. ROBINS, Colorado Experi-Ergot is a name applied to one stage of a fungus that works in the heads of a number of grasses. It causes one of the oldest known stock diseases, the so-called "ergotism,"

Ergot forms purple-black, straight or hornlike, hard structures about onefourth to one-half inch long. These structures occupy the position of the grain in the head of grass. This hard mass is not a degenerate kernel of grass, however. The black ergot masses vary in size and shape, depending upon the plant attached. They are largest in rye. Ergot develops upon a number of grasses, chief of which are cultivated rye, wild rye, wheat-grass, meadow grass, timothy

There is no effective remedy for ergotism. Hence, one should become familiar with the appearance of ergot, and always avoid grazing stock on badly infested areas and also avoid cutting infested areas of grasses for

MORNING DUST BATH

that poultry raisers will be able to By Its Use Fowls Are Enabled to Rid Themselves of Pestiferous Little Mites.

> (By C. S. ANDERSON, Colorado Agricul-tural College, Fort Collins, Colo.) Laying hens must have their morning dust bath if they are to lay the maximum number of eggs through the winter. It is a necessary luxury for them. By its use they are enabled to rid themselves of mites and to remove all scales and dirt from the skin.

Lice and mites do their greatest injury to the fowls at night while on From several years' records of milk the roost. Instinctively they look for production and cost of maintenance it a place to dust in the morning. Do has been found that a cow must pro- not force your hens to dust in the duce at least 200 pounds of butterfat dropping or feed litter. During the or about 5,600 pounds of milk annually summer they will usually find their is she is to pay her way. This means own dusting place such as the road 19 pounds of milk daily for 300 days. or in the shade of trees and shrubbery, The annual cost of maintaining a but in the winter it must be provided cow is close to \$65, if a man values for them. Nail an old grocery box in one corner of the house. Elevate If a man wants more than a market it above the floor so that it will not price for feed and this bare wage, he get filled with straw or litter and put must put his time on cows giving more in six or eight inches of dusting material. During moderate weather The larger the increase over this their box may be placed out in the

Orchard Locations. As a rule, it is doubtless safe to assume that a site having a moderate slope in some direction is to be preyear they are too full. Good apple ferred for orchard purposes, other things being equal, to one that is level. One having a slope will usually have better soil and atmospheric drainage than a level area.

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MATTER THAT IS THE DESIRE OF EVERY HOUSEWIFE.

Monograms Should Be Embroidered on Every Piece-Fancy Work That Can Be Done in Moments of Leisure.

No housekeeper can ever have enough attractive linen for her table and her bedrooms. She may have enough for actual service, but it is wise to keep just a little ahead of the actual need in extra towels for guest room and bathroom. It is also advisable to keep just a little ahead in the supply of linen for the table.

Every set of napkins and each table cloth should have the housewife's surname initial or her monogram embroidered upon it. There is a question as to the proper place to put the heal red, rough and sore hands as initial or monogram, but the majority prefer the letter on tablecloths to be in the corner, where they will come just off the rounded edge of the table.

Napkins should have the initials in the corner or in the middle on one side, where they will be on top when the napkins are folded. Tea napkins are the only ones on which a wreath can appropriately be placed. It is quite permissible to place an initial within the wreath or other decorative motif. Tea napkins can also be finished with hemstitched or scalloped edges.

Some women may argue that they haven't time to put fancy work on household linen. This is a poor ar gument, for almost every woman has a few moments during the day when she sits down to chat with a neigh bor or when she is waiting for the homecoming of her husband to his evening meal It is during these odd moments that a great deal can be accomplished, especially in the way of fancy work. Pick-up work is good for the nerves.

Mexican Meat Loaf.

Mix thoroughly a pound and a haif of chopped beef, half a pound of finely chopped veal and a quarter of a pound of chopped salt pork, a tablespoonful of finely minced parsley, half a chopped onion and a tablespoonful of minced green pepper, also a teaspoon ful of salt and a saltspoonful of pepper. Cut a long, narrow strip from a canned pimento and arrange a layer of the meat mixture firmly in the bottom of a dish previously wet with cold water. Then lay the pimento strip lengthwise on the meat and cover with the remainder of the meat. Pack hour in a quick oven. Make a gravy of the drippings, adding a little tomato juice and chopped green pepper.

Pennsylvania Plum Pudding. One cupful milk, two eggs, one cup-

ful molasses, one-half teaspoonful nutmeg, one-half teaspoonful salt, two teaspoonfuls baking powder, one cupful bread crumbs, one-half cupful cornmeal, one cupful chopped beef suet one-quarter cupful finely minced citron, one cupful seeded raisins, onehalf cupful currants; flour to make a stiff batter. Steam fully three hours, turn from the mold and strew chopped almonds over top. Serve pudding not with sauce made thus: Cream together one cupful of pulverized sugar scant one-half cupful of butter, beat whites of two eggs in, one at a time, and one teaspoonful of lemon flavoring; stand on ice a short time before serving. Serve sauce very cold.

To Beat an Egg Quickly.

Break the egg into an ordinary glass tumbler. Place a piece of clean tissue paper on the top. Hold it firmly down all around to keep out the air. Place the other hand on the top of the paper and shake the tumbler vigorously two or three times. The egg is then ready to use without any further effort, and is as well-beaten as if whipped for ten minutes.

Oatmeal Muffins.

Put two cunfuls of uncooked out meal in bowl, pour over one and one half cupfuls sour milk, cover and let stand over night. In the morning add one-third cupful sugar, one-fourth cupful melted butter, one egg, well beat en, one teaspoonful salt and one cupful flour. Beat thoroughly, place in buttered hot iron gem pans; bake in a hot oven 20 minutes.

Creamed Chicken-Celery.

Melt 21/2 tablespoonfuls of butter, add three tablespoonfuls of flour and pour on gradually one cupful of milk; season with half teaspoonful of salt. one-eighth teaspoonful of celery salt and a few grains of pepper; then add 11/2 cupfuls cold cooked chicken cut in cubes and one-third cupful celery cut in small pieces.

Value of Garnishing.

Garnishing is a teature of cookery not to be despised, as under its gentle influence a family will yield to economy when curtain lectures and a flat purse fail to convince. Fresh parsley, celery leaves, sliced lemon and triangles of golden-brown toast are dependable garnishes.

To Serve Potatoes. Potatoes should always be served in

an uncovered dish. If it is necessary for them to stand for a few minutes before being served, cover them with a cloth, not a lid, in order that the steam as it condenses may be absorbed by the cloth and not returned to the potatoes to make them soggy.

Anna Potatoes. Wash and pare medium-sized pota-

toes, cut lengthwise in one-quarterinch slices, fasten with skewers (toothpicks), parboil ten minutes. place in dripping pan and bake about twenty minutes in a hot oven, basting often with butter or some other fat.

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He Had No Kick Coming. "That's awful pitching." "What's the matter, my dear?" "That's the second man he's given

pass to first this inning." "I don't see why you should complain, George. That's the way you came into see the game."-Detroit Free Press.

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