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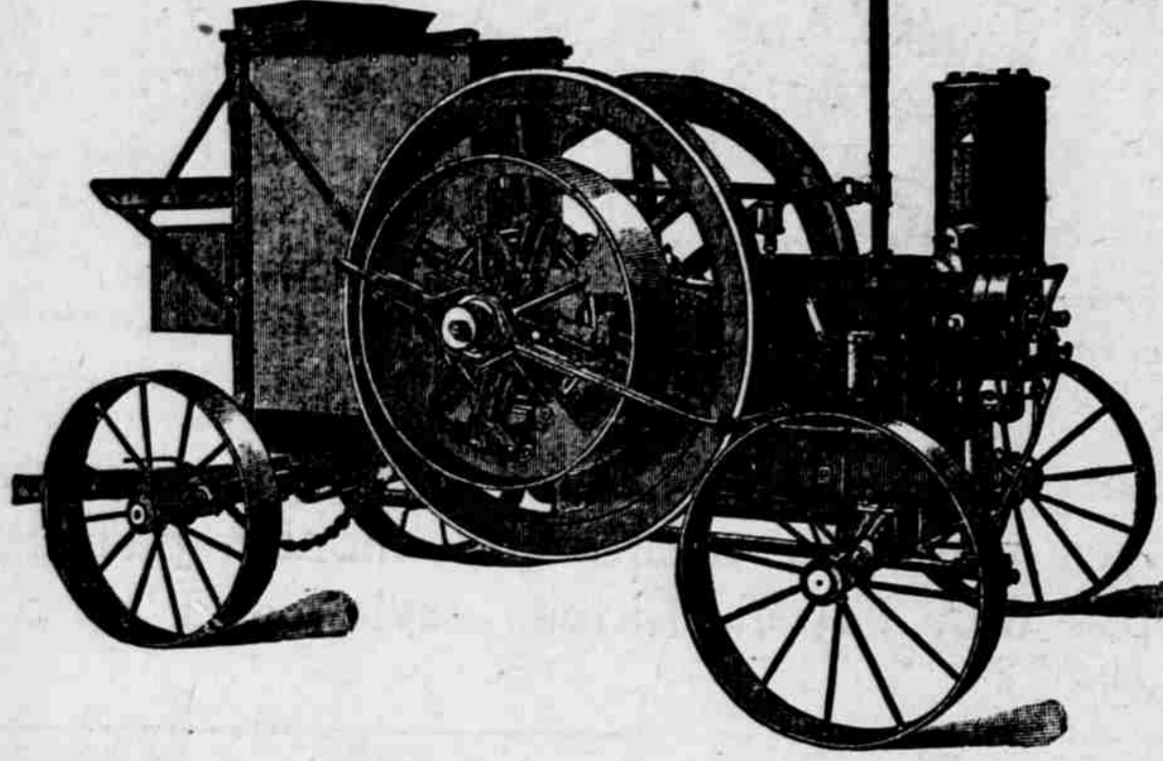
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Omaha, Neb.—(Special.)—Within a few weeks arrangements will be completed whereby the Sisters of Poor Clare when they die will be interred in vaults standing in the convent grounds, although the convent is in the midst of the residence portion of Omaha.

This is strictly in keeping with the rules of the order, although the rule cannot always be observed. The Poor Clares form one of the strictest religious orders in the whole world. When a novice takes her final vows she bids farewell to relatives and friends, never to see or hear from them again. She is also never to leave the convent during life, and, as intimated, the rule of the society is that even her dead body shall not be carried outside the enclosure. This latter has not been observed in Omaha in the past, but a burial vault capable of holding fifty corpses is now being erected within the convent walls.

The life of the Poor Clares is a strict one. All communication with the outside world is through the superior and when notice is received of the death of a relative the bereaved sister is never notified. Instead, the superior calls the sisters together and publicly announces that the father or mother (or whatever relation it may be) of one of those present is dead. None knows but it may be herself that is bereaved and, consequently, at each announcement each member of the house suffers in silence.

When one visits the convent on business he sees not a soul. Entering a hallway he hears a voice from the other side of a wall asking his name and business. Looking in the direction from which the voice comes he sees a turnstile upon which he places his card. The shelf is revolved and the card passed into the other room without him being able to catch a glimpse of the one who has spoken, or she of him. If an interview is to be granted he is directed to pass into a little closet, probably six feet square, in which a chair is placed by an iron grating window communicating with the room from whence the voice issued. This grating is about two feet square and behind the bars is a close meshed black wire screen and behind it a heavy black curtain. The conversation is carried on through this closely guarded opening, and such a conversation makes the outsider feel somewhat as if he was talking to a corpse in a grave.

Even the chapel in which the sisters hear mass every morning is closely protected in the same manner. Iron bars rail off the portion of the chapel where the sisters kneel, and these iron bars are also covered in the rear by heavy black curtains. The sisters can hear, but they cannot see the priest or servers, neither can the priest and servers see them.

Yet, notwithstanding the rigor of their life, statistics show that the sisters of Poor Clare live longer than the members of other orders.

There is a curious belief current among Roman Catholics of Omaha in regard to these sisters and the protection they have given the city in the past. It is a fact that while cyclones have devastated the country on all sides of Omaha and have sometimes come within a few miles of the city, one has never touched the city itself, and Catholics believe this is due to the sisters of Poor Clare who, within their convent upon the hill, pray every day for the safety of the city and its preservation from "the powers of the air."

Deafness Cannot Be Cured.

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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FARM NEWS NOTES.

Female calves are the dairy recruits and on their proper rearing largely depends their future usefulness. Some dairymen of scant experience imagine that when a calf develops into the proportions of a cow, no matter what vicissitudes she encounters during her growth, that she then is ready to become a paying animal. Dairymen should banish such false notions from their heads if they desire to possess cows of any merit.

Remember that calves cannot be raised to well. It pays to force their growth all that you can. Do not stop them much with sour whey or old butter milk. Feed both to them in a fresh state. They should have the free run of a partially shaded pasture, in which there is a good growth of mixed grasses containing some clover. Offensive surroundings, like proximity to a barn yard or stable, are inimical to the healthy development of growing calves. Sweet skimmed milk as it comes from the separator of creamery will make bone and sinew for calves especially if a little oil meal is added to it.

Never try to raise a calf that lacks good natural vitality. There are plenty enough animals born that can be grown into profitable, healthy cows, without trying to raise the puny ones. One farmer was so economical that he put his calves and pigs in the same enclosure. What was the result? Why, in a short time the poor calves were in such a scrawny state that, although speedily transferred to a fresh pasture, they never fully recovered from the effects of swine companionship all the summer. The troughs of buckets out of which calves are fed milk or whey should be washed and scalded at least once daily. Neglect in this direction is of frequent occurrence and is one cause for failure in the rearing of good calves.

Another thing not a bit sentimental, and when put in practice of great practical value, is to make pets of the calves. These young animals are very amenable to kind, gentle treatment, and if daily fondled at feeding time, will grow up to be docile cows, which adds to their commercial and milking value at least 25 per cent. If you do not believe so just try the plan and see.

Some criticism has been expressed in different agricultural journals because the reports supplied officially do not take into account the value of the skimmed milk. Skimmed milk doubtless has a value, and the herd that gives the largest amount of milk would naturally have the largest amount of skimmed milk to their credit; but against this should be charged the labor of handling, feeding or otherwise manipulating the same. As there are no prizes offered for skimmed milk alone there has been no competition on account of it, and the records have not been encumbered with the additional figures because of the confusion that it would lead to. Figures are given, however, that set forth the total milk as well as the total solids, though it has been impossible to work up even this in detail because of the mass of figures it would require. Very complete records are kept in the Model Stable that are open at all times to the inspection of those interested, and the closest inspection solicited by all stockmen.

As a matter of fact, the value of the skim-milk is of wide variation. Some judicious feeders value it as high as 15 cents per 100 pounds, while others are so careless and indifferent that the probabilities are that the labor of handling eats up all the profit. Commercially the price of 10 cents per 100 might be considered a fair valuation.

The greatest drawback (almost) to successful stock raising is the want of continuous care of the animals. This is the lesson which needs to be drilled into the minds of farmers—line upon line; here a little there a good deal, and in head and shoulders above the matter of improved, pedigreed stock as an essential to success. Improved animals have reached their excellence by judicious selection and generous feed and care. Common stock will endure greater privations with less loss of flesh than improved animals, for the reason that common stock are more self-reliant than improved ones whose wants have been anticipated and supplied for generations with but little exertion on their part. Under the restrictions of increasing price of land and a corresponding decrease of grazing area per animal, the keeping of live stock has largely increased the duty of the farmer toward his stock. Under these circumstances he must adopt the system of feeding stock from other fields, and this needs to be done with the same strict regularity which must characterize successful winter feeding.

After young turkeys have passed the danger period they are then very hardy and will take care of themselves with but little assistance. They are naturally great foragers and are therefore liable to destruction from dogs, foxes, and other enemies. They will always prefer high roosting places, and in alighting therefrom they sometimes become tame. Even when well advanced in growth they sometimes succumb to the attacks of the large grey lice, which are found under the wings and on the skin of the heads and necks. The remedy is to apply a little melted lard, as grease of any kind will destroy the lice; but, if to much is used it will also injure the young turkeys. An occasional dusting with insect powder will also be found beneficial.

The smallest tree in the world is the Greenland birch. Its height is less than three inches, yet it covers a radius of two or three feet.

MONEY BRINGS MARRIAGE OFFERS

Colorado Springs, Colo.—(Special.)—Laid at the feet of Miss Nellie Lewis, whose breach of promise suit against the late Sam Strong was settled by Mrs. Strong for \$31,000, are a hundred proposals of marriage. They come from more than half the states in the Union, and some of them are strangely unique, while others are quite laughable.

But they have all been refused, for Miss Lewis will never wed, so she says, and the love misstives will remain unanswered.

From the time that the news went abroad that the damage suit, which had been pending in the court for some time, of Miss Lewis against Sam Strong had been settled, letters have been pouring in with every mail, and even the letter carrier on that beat has threatened to resign if there was not a change.

Nearly all of the letters that come are love letters, and the writers are desirous of an immediate marriage. A few of them come from real estate agents, insurance men, piano dealers and furniture men, but the majority are from men who seek her hand in marriage.

These letters come addressed in every conceivable manner. Some are sent to Cripple Creek, others to Denver, and not a few come in care of the attorneys in the case and the district court. But yesterday one was forwarded from Denver. It was from a man in West Virginia. He had heard that Miss Lewis had won her suit, so to speak, and hastened to offer congratulations. At the same time he desired to open a correspondence with a view to matrimony.

But not all the proposals Miss Lewis receives are by mail. Not a few of them have been in person. There are at least a dozen men who have traveled from Kansas and Iowa to tell her their love. Like the writers of the

letters, their excuses for calling the first time have been many and varied, but in the end their business has been told, and like the others they have been refused.

One rather unique proposal which Miss Lewis has received during the past few days is from C. F. Kinzer of Wytheville, Va. According to the letter, Mr. Kinzer is a practicing physician, and while going from his home to Washington, D. C., had to change trains. The train which he was to take to the capital was late and he took occasion to stroll down on the beach. There, writtup upon the sand, he says, were the words:

"Miss Nellie Lewis, Colorado Springs, Colo."

Curiosity had compelled him to write to her, he said, and he had made up his mind that if the girl whose name was inscribed on the sands of the seashore was living he would willingly place his hand and heart at her feet. A girl whose name had withstood the ocean waves he thought good enough to link with his, and if she would but say the word he would wend his way to Colorado Springs and carry her away to his old Virginia home.

A New York man who bears the same name as Miss Lewis said that he was arranging for a trip to Paris, and that if she would but accept his hand in marriage they would journey thither on their honeymoon. He had read her story in the New York papers and had become convinced that she was the girl for him.

A Kansas man—in fact there are a number of Kansas men—asks her hand in marriage and tells her that while he was wedded once and his first wife was untrue to him, he is sure that she will remain constant. He feels that to wed her would be the fulfillment of his life's dream. The maid herself says that the dream will never be realized.

GUNNER PRAISES SCHLEY.

Iowa City, Ia.—(Special.)—James Havillik, Jr., second gunner on the battleship Oregon during the sea fight off Santiago, having resigned from the navy in order to marry an Iowa girl and settle down, says there is nothing to prevent him from discussing the conduct of the Brooklyn as viewed from a turret of the Oregon. He was found at his home, seated on pillows made by his wife from captured Spanish flags.

"We all loved Schley," he volunteered after considerable questioning, as he patted reminiscently a five-inch shell picked up on the Colon after the surrender. "Schley had a heart as big as an ox and was popular with the men, because he always seemed anxious to provide for their comfort and entertainment. He always seemed to want to know if the 'fellows below' were having a good time. At least that was the name he had among those on the flagship.

"After the fight of July 3, the Brooklyn passed us and Schley shouted loudly enough so that we all could hear, 'Bully for the Oregon. She did it all.' The men liked this spirit and every one of them cheered until they were hoarse.

"Sampson was a cool, reserved fellow whom we never liked. It would be difficult to imagine him coming up alongside the Oregon and conceding us the credit the way Schley did. We never considered that he would try to claim any credit for the battle, as he wasn't in it. He never came up until after it was over. The men never thought much of him anyway.

"I was gunner in the after-starboard eight-inch turret during the battle. The two eight-inch guns on our side were the ones that did the business. The men on the Oregon saw the Spaniards coming before anyone else. We fired sixty-one shots altogether. Lieutenant Miller, in the forward port turret, was so anxious to hit the Maria Teresa before she got out of range that he nearly blew our pilot up by firing across the ship. But we didn't blame him, and I don't think Captain Clark did either, though he gave him a big wiggling for it.

"The Oregon got a whack at every ship as it went to the west. When the Colon beached and struck her colors ten of us were ordered aboard her. The dagoes had opened all the flood-cocks, and I was nearly drowned trying to close them. We found one dead man on a stretcher. Three of us tied a couple of five-inch shells to him and dumped him overboard into Davy Jones' locker.

"During the fight we noticed the loop of the Brooklyn and did not like it, for it seemed to leave us alone with the Colon and we felt at that time we were going to get the worst of it in the matter of speed. The Brooklyn was a twenty-two-knotter, you know, while we were only a sixteen-knotter. But after the battle I was talking with some of the prisoners we got off the Colon and they said it had been their scheme to lead the Brooklyn away from the rest and then sink her. They called the Oregon the "white devil" for the way she pounded through the water after them."

SHE SAVED HIM FROM PRISON.

Taylorville, Ky.—(Special.)—Standing before a bar of justice, which a word from a girl had changed into a tribunal of mercy, Frank Leathers married Lizzie Hopper, the 14-year-old girl he had abducted. To save him from the penitentiary the girl faced judge and jury and a crowded court room to declare her love. And yet she had never known the man until one day last August when by force he carried her off into the mountains.

Lizzie, the pretty daughter of a farmer, started for the grist mill, carrying behind her on her horse a bag of corn. That evening the horse came home riderless. The corn was found scattered along the road. Among some bushes were signs of a terrible struggle. Otherwise all trace of the girl had disappeared.

Half crazed by grief, the father sought his daughter. For six weeks the search kept up. Armed friends helped him. One day the party stumbled on a brush hut far up a half-hidden tortuous ravine. The sound of a woman crying attracted them. Then creeping close, at the head of his men, big Will Hopper almost stumbled over his daughter, Lizzie. With her was a man. His friends prevented big Bill from committing murder.

The man, who gave his name as Frank Leathers, was brought to town. The girl told how he had dragged her from her horse and carried her a prisoner into the mountains. She seemed to hate him. The time for the trial arrived and Lizzie Hopper was the state witness. There seemed to be no doubt of the result. Then years in the penitentiary stared Leathers in the face. The jury had reported and the judge was about to pass sentence.

"Have you anything to say?" he asked the prisoner. Leathers looked up.

"I did it because I loved her," he said.

There was a stir and a slender girlish form arose.

"Frank, Frank, I didn't mean it! I love you, Frank!" and the next moment Lizzie Hopper was crying in the arms of the prisoner. The court was plainly perplexed. At last a bright idea struck the judge.

"Why can't they marry?" he said. The county clerk quickly procured a license. Another man brought a minister. He took the place the judge vacated and made Lizzie Hopper the wife of the man who had abducted her.

"And may God bless the union," said the Rev. Mr. Handy as he flashed.

An experiment in co-operative rail-roading on a small scale is in progress in Indiana. The employes of the Chicago & Southeastern railway, a common carrier plying between Muncie and Brazil, are running the road with the full consent and approval of the management. The cash on hand has not been sufficient to meet the pay roll for some time and the directors told the employes to take the property and run it until they got their pay out of it.

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