Louis Peterson's \$2,500 Home Will Burlington's Agent at Moorcroft Cost Him \$4,000 in the End.

HAS A TRUSTING DISPOSITION

His Carpenter Leaves Him in the Lurch When Home is Almost Completed-Matrial Men Swoop Upon Him.

With the savings of years Louis Peterson, janitor of Mason school, built himself a \$2,500 home. It will have cost him \$4,000 when it is finished. This is because of his trusting disposition and the peculiar lien laws of the state. Peterson now has the house paid for except for \$500, which he will pay in the near fu-

Peterson owned a lot at 2569 Mason street. He let a contract to William Ahearn at \$2,500. As the work on the building proceeded he paid Ahearn in installments until the contractor had re-

Ahern Abandons Building. Then Ahearn abandoned the building and left the city, being in financial Peterson finished the work himself, hiring carpenters and other workmen, and thought his troubles were over. Then Barker Bros. Co., the Platner Lumber Co., and others who had furnished Ahearn building material, filed liens against the house. Ahearn had not paid them for the material. were Peterson sued the material men to ered, immediately after which he was nullify the liens. He lost the suit, and placed under arrest judgment for the amounts claimed, totalling \$1,500, was entered against him.

Damages Are Asked for False Arrest

Damages of \$5,000 for false arrest are asked of Abraham Marks, head of A. court yesterday. The suit is the outgrowth | Trieste. of financial troubles and disagreements that followed the sale of the Farmers Protective association to A. Marks & Co. Kerrin was president of the Farmers concern when Marks & Co. offered to buy it. The sale was made with the unployed as manager by Marks & Co., and as follows: should receive a certain per cent of the earnings in addition to a fixed salary. After Kerrin went to work there arose a disagreement as to the terms of the sale contract and Kerrin resigned his position. Marks had him arrested, charging him with embezzling a \$17.50 check. He was cleared in police court. Kerrin alleges that the arrest caused him great mental anguish, damaged his reputation and brought him into public

LOWERING COST OF LIVING How Des Moines Brought Producer and Consumer Together Profitably.

P. Bottom, secretary-treasurer of eater Des Moines committee, gives an instructive account in Civic Progress, official organ of the American Civic Alliance, of the means adopted to lower the cost of living in Iowa's capital and the success of the enterprise. He says:

"Although the city of Des Moines, Ia., is the center of the richest agricultural district in the world, the prices of vegehigh that necessities were fast becoming luxuries. For instance, potatoes at higher than the average for former years, some of the advance being due to unta brable growing conditions. Most of the high cost was due to the necessity of the dealer's adding a large per cent to the cost of his produce to cover delivering charges, clerk hire, rent and profits. Truck gardeners were not able to peddle their products from house to house, because the grocers would then refuse to buy their surplus stock.

"The discussion of the high cost of living became a fad. The newspapers featured the subject, and it had its share of attention in the pulpits. The mayor and commissioners took the matter up. They announced that the little plot of lawn at the city hall would be opened as

a municipal market. It was regarded as an experiment, and many of the officials were skeptical as to whether it would be successful. The first four or five farmers drove their wagons on the lawn and sold vegetables from the cart. "The next day the number doubled. Within a week over 100 farmers were at the market. In a month it had become so popular that more than 100 farmers were selling direct to the Des Molnes housewives, and the wagons stretched after the United States, England and for three blocks along the curb on market days. In many instances the old prices were cut in half; in others the reductions were even lower. It is estimated that the average reduction has been about 35 pe rcent. Citizens from all sections of the city patronize the market, scores even driving down in automobiles to make purchases.

"Democracy reigns supreme. Mrs. Banker and Mrs. Laborer elbow their way good naturedly through the crowds. "The variety of produce that can be had at the market is constantly increasing. You can buy meats from several walers. The farmers bring in their ome cured meats. Milk, cream and butter can be had at lowered prices. Owners of orchards are greatly benefited by selling cider produced from their second grade apples that could not have otherwise been marketed in this season of plenty. The thrifty housewife dresses a few chickens in order to piece out her pin money. Some prepare pastry that finds a ready market. Surplus canned fruits from farmhouses meet with favor. A small boy tiring of his pet rabbits found an envious boy who was willing to exchange his savings for a air of furry, pets.

"The market place has stopped the agitation as to the high cost of living. It has convinced our people that they can secure their food supplies of the best quality direct from the producer without the possible chance of a combination of middlemen.

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BUILDER HAS HARD STRUGGLE GET-RICH-QUICK PLAN FAILS

Tries Scheme of His own. HIS SYSTEM WAS TOO COURSE

Would Sell Ticket to Chicago for Small Sum and Have Passenger Return It from Omaha

Henry Harshberger, agent for the Burlington at Moorcroft, Wyo., evolved a get-rich-quick plan, but before he had time to attach himself to very much wealth he found himself pried loose from his job and also in the custody of an

Harshbarger had a little ticket scalping scheme of his own, but in order to make it work he had to take into partnership all the passengers with whom he did business. Here's where he fell down and now he is charged with embezzling. The young man, for instance, would sell a passenger a ticket to Chicago over the Burlington for a small sum. Then the passenger would get off at Omaha, returning his ticket to Harshbarger, who would report it unused, thus keeping the money. The plan was so coarse that it went wrong as soon as the first bunch of the "unused" tickets reached the auditing department of the Burlington, Omaha. In the aggregate Harshbarger is no: supposed to have disposed of to exceed half a dozen tickets before his coarse In order to determine what his rights methods of doing business were discov-

COST OF LIVING COMPARED

Income and Outgo in European Countries and in the United States,

With the co-operation of the Commercial Museum of Trieste, Mario Alberti, author of "The Cost of Life," has Marks & Co., merchandise brokers, by prepared a study of "The Movement of Gerald E. Kerrin, former manager of the Prices and Salaries in 1911," which is pubconcern, in a suit instituted in district lished in Italian by Ettore Vram, of

Mr. Albeti finds by a comparison of prices in different countries for fourteen years that the upward trend is general, but that the percentage of increase is by no means uniform. Using an assumed base figure of 100, he finds derstanding that Kerrin should be em- the rise in eight countries to have been

	-P	Value		
1897.	1905.	1909.	1910.	1911.
Austria 97	108	118	119	132
Belgium 84	96	105	103	***
Canada 92	114	121	***	***
France 92	100	116	116	***
Germany 92	107	120	120	131
England 94	109	112	118	121
Italy 70	80	35		***
United States 90	116	126	132	

The United States in 1897 compared very favorably with the foreign countries named, the average of prices being loiwer than here, in but two of the seven. In 1901 prices here had become as high as any, though matched in Canada and Germany, both highly protected countries, In 1905, 1909 and 1910 United States prices were the highest, and led in height by an increasing margin, Germany and Canpressed in percentages, prices had risen here 46.6 per cent in thirteen years; in England, 25.5 per cent; in Austria, 23 per cent; in Belgium, 22.6 per cent. Yet the United States is the country of origin of much of the food of the world; of nearly all of its exported cotton, of lumber and ther first necessities.

Why, then, do Mr. Alberti's Austrian fellow countrymen and his Italian tables, fruit and garden stuff were so brothers in race continue to come here in such tremendous numbers? This is shown in another table, where the comone time reached \$3 a bushel. All kinds paratively stable conditions in England of produce were selling at prices much are taken as a standard of comparison:

	-Percent					
	Rent.	Food.	Costs.	Wages.		
England		100	100			
Belgium	. 74	98	94	63		
Germany		118	119	83		
France	. 98	118	119	38		
Austria		154	155	76		
Italy	. 105	159	148	67		
United States	907	100	150	00%		

From this table it is seen that rent is the one item that chiefly accounts for the greatly preponderant cost of living in the United States. Provisions still average cheaper here than in Austria or Italy, though more expensive than in the other countries named. But in the United States alone-probably also in Canada. if it were included in Mr. Alberti's second table—the balance of pay against cost of living is more favorable to the poor man than in England, Belgium, with the lowest wages of all, is less unfavorable to workingmen than Austria or Italy, because of its much lower living costs. Though the cost of living is pretty nearly the same in Germany and Austria for the laboring man, housewives of commercial and professional families are said to find Berlin a cheaper city to live in than Vienna, and Germany follows next Belgium as to the workingman's prosperity. Indeed, social legislation such as old age pensions, accident insurance, etc., not taken account of in these tables. may make his condition in fact next after that of the working Englishman. But why in this primary market of so many first necessities of life is the cost of living highest of all in the United States?-New York World.

PASSED UP A SNUG FORTUNE

How Grover Cleveland Threw Away Half a Million Profit on a Deal.

Recent sales in Washington in the neighborhood where Grover Cleveland, in his first administration, bought for his own use a country house and estate of 29 acres show that if he had retained it (and Mrs. Cleveland after him), the family would be worth \$600,000 more today. than it is. This Washington country home of the Clevelands was acquired soon after he was married, and at the time was quite in the woods, several miles distant from the center of activity in Washington, and especially from the White House. The president paid less than \$1,000 an acre for the property, which consisted of twenty-nine acres, but he spent about \$15,000 in improving the old house which stood on the grounds.

The purchase of the president in this neighborhood started things. The real estate speculators took a cue, and real estate in the neighborhood began to hum, and has been humming ever since. Washington declared that if Grover Cleveland park it is. found this a delightful spot to live in, despite that he could spend his days in his pleasures, and the country proving truly delightful, Washington was eager and is still eager to buy real estate there, and magnificent houses have been put up in this neighborhood, and streets and and his 29 acres, but for the comfortable

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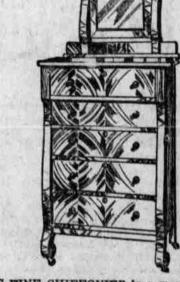


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omit the word "obey" in pronouncing the are more cordial or hospitable than those of another?"

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When the justice refused the young woman demurred and had to be urged by the fiance to proceed.

"Well, all right, then. But I don't income to do all the charter.

"Well, all the charter. My bushess."

"The idea! You must be popular."

"Not at all. I'm a bill collector. Catholic Standard and Times. woman demurred and had to be urged by her fiance to proceed. tend to do all the obeying. My husband must obey me, too," she declared

ulators another chance when he again became president. He again acquired a country house in Washington, but merely rented it.—Boston Advertiser.

R. Clouder of Springfield, Iil., when they appeared before Justice of the Peace Edward P. Williams in East St. Louis the other day.

Before Justice Williams began the ceremony Miss Fee demurely asked him to find that the people of any one locality words of one syllable,"—Houston Post.

**More it was a complete failure."

"Yes, but he invented it when he was sober, and when he got home and started to try it out he found there were so many big words in it that no main his condition could pronounce that he had to find that the people of any one locality words of one syllable,"—Houston Post.

which was a forest in the days of Cleve- Cleveland park today is worth at least BRIDE BALKS AT WORD "OBEY" land, and he would not recognize it the Cleveland house, the neighborhood has been called Cleveland park, and a

foot rails and high leg

Grover Cleveland ever hated to have himself made a source of speculation. the White House, it, too, would share but he could not help himself when the real estate, in consequence of his choice, took a boom, and he profited, after all, considerably; for after he retired as president the first time he sold the house roads laid out in it, so that, all told, sum of \$139,000, having made \$100,000 by the Washington has grown up to this spot, investment." Nevertheless, as land in

\$25,000 an acre, if the Clevelands had retained the estate and it were in their possession today, the entire Cleveland estate would be worth additionally \$725,000. The handsome fortune of \$600,000 was passed up when Grover Cleveland sold out after he had ceased to be pres-

Cleveland was not going to give spec-

The word "obey" in the old Anglican marriage ceremony almost stopped the

Ceremony Proceeds When the Bride

groom Agrees to Do Like-

wise.

"That's all right, dearle. I'll do just wedding of M'ss Mary Fee and Thomas exactly as you say," Clouder replied.

"Did the story he made up to tell his rife pan out all right?"