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## CAT BOARDING-HOUSE

HOW A DES MOINES (IA.) WOMAN MAKES PIN MONEY.

he Fond of the Felines and Takes raise to build a new edifice. Pleasure in Her Calling-Cares for Animals While Owners Are Away.

Des Moines, Ia.-Mrs. Katherine F. Steele, a University place woman, has spened a boarding house for cats, and finds that it is even more profitable than one of the ordinary kind. For Mrs. Steele is able to accommodate about a dosen times as many boarders at about one-twelfth the cost of the seen there, and the "hive," 75 feet usual hungry masculine or feminine boarder. Mrs. Steele does not have to against depredation. The congrega-Soard cats for a living, but they furmish her pin money in plenty and she delights in the work.

When Mrs. Steele's neighbors deeir feline pets would wander into ber house for food. She had a fine assortment of cats herself, and fed and ] cared for them attentively. And

8he sent notices to her friends that sche would care for their cats while they were away on summer or winter wacations for a dollar per week. And she agreed to return them safe and

cattery.

sound on their return from a vacation. The idea took, and Mrs. Steele soon sound that she was compelled to turn at least 100 the year round.

charges. She watches over her large struck him in the face. When arseat family as tenderly as if they were raigned before the mayor he told how schildren. Let one of them show the it happened. Seast symptoms of illness and the watchful keeper promptly administers Dearth cut his hair, and that night he a dose of catnip tea or some other called on a girl in whom he was much remedy. She has but few patients, interested. She laughed at him and for the cats are given the best of told him that he looked like a clown. care, and with plenty of fresh water, Other friends, he said, took it up, and fresh milk and some meat they thrive made life a burden for a few days. seplendidly. Pork is tabooed, for Mrs. | When Schmitt happened to meet Steele considers that meat one of the Dearth in the street the other night causes of distemper in the feline pets. the memory of the hair cut of three Fish, such as sardines and salmon and | years ago overcame him, and he could meat like liver, with an occasional not resist the temptation to take a effet of beef, forms the evening meal, punch at the man who made him but no in-between lunches are permit- ridiculous in the eyes of his best girl.

Mrs. Steele never turns away a cat, so matter whether it has an owner or not. Stray cats of all sorts and sizes Animal Took Document from Conand breeds are given a home and cared for along with the aristocratic boarders at one dollar a week, and often the fatter are turned away because the Crane, of Englishtown, had Archie cattery is already filled with stray Emmons arrested, and he gave bail cats. In the collection are a number for his appearance at court. It is

To Weed Out Bad Books.

women has been chosen to pass upon hands of Constable Rue, who owns a the propriety of all books circulating pet cow. The officer started out, and In the public library at El Paso. The as he was about to arrest Emmons he character of some of the books has discovered that while his coat was beeen attacked and it was decided hanging on a fence the cow had gotto appoint a committee comprising ten the warrant and eaten it. ... Mrs. H. S. Worthington, Mrs. M. A. When the matter was reported to read all books to which objections that the cow must be killed, but to mere entered, the verdict of the wom- this decision there was a protest. en to be final.

Divorce Figures in Big Total. Washington.-The speed of the diworce court mili during the last two decades is strikingly illustrated by a scensus report, which shows that from Kanawha & Michigan road ran into a dividuals have aired their troubles in mons, the fireman, were killed. Ened pairs, two-thirds have been suc- engineer of the train, refused to take cessful in having the bonds of matri- his run, saying he felt a premonition of mony broken.

BEES AND A JERSEY CHURCH.

Honey Stored in Old Steeple for Years Will Be Sold.

Burlington, N. J.—The little busy honey bees will contribute the nucleus of \$40,000 which the members of the First Baptist church, Burlington, will

The busy bees have been storing honey for years in the top of the old church steeple, and so have refuted the infantile belief-

How doth the little busy bee Delight to bark and bite,

To gather honey all the day And eat it all the night. Those frugal bees have not eaten a speck of honey. Probably a ton of honey is stored now in the steeple, for immense swarms have been often above the street, has been secure tion had contributed \$20,000 with the idea of repairing the present structure. But Rev. Dr. T. M. Eastwood, the pastor, announced at services that the parted on their summer vacations plans had been changed and \$20,000 i church.

The honey stored in the steeple will be sold and the money will go to make naturally they formed a large cat ac up the desired sum. Indeed, it is said, quaintance over the neighborhood. it was the example of quiet industry And this is what gave Mrs. Steele her and patient thrift set by the been that idea, and she determined to open a decided the church's building committee not to repair the church, but to build it anew.

"\$1 A YEAR FOR A GRUDGE.

Man Who Hated Barber Three Years for Hair Cut Is Fined.

Hamilton, O.-A fine of one dollar a away cats, they came so thick and year for cherishing a grudge was the Sast. She only had accommodations penalty Mayor Thomas assessed for 15 when she opened up for busi- against Philip Schmitt, a prosperous \*sess, but soon increased the number | book-binder, in the most unusual as-30 50, and finally now she takes care sault case that has ever come before the local police court. Schmitt met P. Mrs. Steele is a godmother to her A. Dearth, a barber, in the street, and

Schmitt said that three years ago

COW ATE THE WARRANT.

stable's Coat Pocket.

Mount Holly, N. J.-Mrs. Elia F. charged that Emmons cultivated a patch of potatoes on shares and then

sold all of the tubers. El Paso. Tex.—A committee of The warrant was placed in the

Adams, and Mrs. James Tucker to Justice Barkalow the latter decided Out of sympathy for the constable the justice issued a new warrant, which was duly served on Emmons.

Vision Saves Engineer's Life.

Corning, O.-A freight train on the 1887 to 1996 1,300,000 unhappy mar- train on a siding at Tangville. Edward ried couples or 2,600,000 luckless in Porter, the engineer, and John Edthe divorce courts. Of these mismat- gineer Wallace Stanley, the regular danger.

CAPITAL IN MEAT HUGE.

\$10,625,000,000 Engaged in Industry, Says Government Report.

Washington -A capital of \$10,625,-000,000 is directly concerned in the raising of meat animals and their slaughtering and packing, according to a report on meat supply issued by the department of agriculture.

This amount is five-sixths as large as all capital invested in manufacturing in 1904. Seven-eighths of the meat and meat products was consumed within this country. The stock of meat animals has increased since 1840, but has not kept pace with the increase in the population. The report asserts that the welfare of the raisers of meat animais and of the slaughterers and packers is dependent upon finding foreign, markets for the surplus of the production of meat above the home consump-

There was a total of 93.502.000 meat animals slaughtered and exported in 1900, of which the exported live animals numbered 276,000.

The dressed weight of the 93,502,000 meat animals constituting the meat supply of 1900 was 16,549,921,000 pounds, of which 14,116,886,000 pounds entered into domestic consumption, lard being included with the dressed weight of pork.

The report adds: "That meat consumption per capita has declined in this country since 1840 is plainly indicated. There is some ground for believing that at that time meat constituted about one-half of the national dietary in terms of total nutritive units consumed, whereas now it constitutes about one-third."

How important meat is in the diet of different countries is shown in the following meat consumption per capita in 1904 in dressed weight: United States, 185 pounds; United Kingdom, 121; Australia, 263; New Zealand, 212; Cuba, 124; France, 79; Belgium, 70; Denmark, 76; Sweden, 62; Italy, 46.

CANDIDATES ARE SO POLITE.

Each Wears the Campaign Button of His Opponent.

Hackensack, N. J.-Brotherly love and the Golden Rule are the principal planks in the platforms of both parties in Cliffside, where the contest for mayor is being waged with a politeness that has assumed Chesterfieldian proportions.

Maj. 8. Wood McClave, the Republican candidate, and Warren E. Sammis, his Democratic opponent, are as well known in New York as they are in Bergen county. Mr. McClave, & son of the late Police Commissioner McClave, has an extensive lumber business. With his ten children, two of them famous football players at Princeton, he occupies a fine old mansion at Edgewater Heights, N. J. Mr. Sammis is a lawyer, with a fine old home across the road from his opponent. He is still nine behind Mr. McClave in the family line.

Lawyer Sammis appeared at a smoker the other evening wearing a McClave button. Lumberman Mé-Clave at the present moment has a Sammis smile stowed away on his coat lapel. Close friends of both declare that each will vote for the other. Lithographs of each adorn the telegraph poles and dead walls, hanging side by side in perfect contentment. When a Sammis and a McClave man meet they extend both hands wide

mayor," say the Sammis men earnestir.

"McClave would make a splendid

"Sammis is good enough for us," reply the McClave men gallantly.

GOAT STARVES HIMSELF.

Fine Mountain Specimen in Pittsburg

Refuses to Eat. Pittsburg.—Intended as a gift to the zoo of Riverview park, Allegheny, a

fine mountain goat, brought from British Columbia by D. C. Byers of Sewickley, will instead, as the result of an incident, go to the Carnegie museum. The incident was the death of the goat.

Mr. Byers and W. R. Scalfe returned from a hunting trip of several weeks in Canada. The goat, a fine specimen, weighing more than 250 pounds, was captured in the Stickline river, on the border line between Alaska and British Columbia. It is supposed to have been chased into the water by a bear.

The death of the goat was directly due to starvation. He refused to eat a bite while in captivity. On only two or three occasions did the goat drink any water, either. It was expected, however, that after his being taken from the box in which he was shipped to Pittsburg he would begin eating. Instead, he shied at food more than ever.

Mr. Byers says the goat has a fine, pair of horns and is a magnificent specimen in every way. When he reaches the museum and is mounted proudly on a rocky pedestal, it is expected he will attract almost as much attention as if he were alive in a zoo.

New Island Is Discovered.

Washington. - Anti - expansionists will grieve to hear that the domain of the United States has been increased by a new island popping up out of Alaskan waters in the Bogaston groun of islands of the Alaskan peninsula. The new island is 490 feet high and over 1,700 feet in diameter at the base. A year ago it was not in existence. It was discovered by the crew of the revenue cutter McCullough and has been named in honor of the McCul-

## **WOMAN BUILDS HOUSE**

ERECTS NINE-ROOM STRUCTURE IN KANSAS CITY UNAIDED.

Plans Also of Her Own Making-Hired a Four-Dellar a Day Carpenter, But Found That He Botched Things.

Kansas City, Mo -- Miss Lillie M. Johnson has completed and moved into a nine-room house at No. 2848 North Eighth street, and she says with pride: "I built it all myself, except a little bit of botched work done by a four-dollar-a-day carpenter."

Miss Johnson began work on her house in the fall following the flood in the Kaw valley in 1906. She was a Salvation Army worker in Armourdale at the time of the flood. She lost everything except seven dollars. She went to a real estate firm and arranged to buy on payments the 100 feet of ground on which her house stands. The first payment was \$20, but she was allowed to take the ground on the promise that she would pay the amount in 30 days. She kept her promise.

After the ground was secured she started canvassing for a medicated soap firm and soon made enough to fence the ground. The cold weather forced her to seek indoor work. Then she began wrapping candles in a fac-

In May, 1904, Miss Johnson built a two-room box-house, doing all the work herself and getting the lumber on easy payments. After moving into her new home she received two women as boarders. She was able, by the first of July, to buy a cow. She sold the milk, and with her earnings bought an incubator.

Then she reared 50 chickens, hoping to make a payment on the ground. She penned up the "springs" to fatten them, but a thief stole them. Then Miss Johnson found herself facing a payment without the necessary money. However, her resources were not exhausted. She began taking in washing. Through these various means

she paid for the lot. But Miss Johnson was not satisfied. She must enlarge her house. She graded her lot with a spade and wheelbarrow, laid the foundation, put up the frames, roofed, boxed and weather-boarded the addition.

But she was forced to hire a carnenter to make her window frames. She has finished the entire interior of the house, laying the floors, lathing, plastering and papering the walls. The plans of the house were made by her and many original ideas have entered into it. She has a large cupboard in the dining-room, which extends along one whole side of the room. This cupboard has compartments for all the cooking necessities. flour, coffee, tea and spices and a large shelf for displaying dishes.

In her living room Miss Johnson has a bay window fitted up as a conservatory. In this she has many beautiful plants.

The grounds about the house are well kept. A large grape arbor, fruit trees and flower beds with the blue grass lawn make the place attractive. "How did I learn to do carpenter work? Why, I just found I could do it, when I built my little two-room box house, and I determined to try my hand on something better," Miss Johnson said.

"I had only three tools when I started out—a hammer, hatchet and saw. As I made more money I was able to buy more tools, till now I have a complete set.

"I hope to finish painting the house this fall, and when I get the porch columns in place in the spring the ranch will be finished. And I'll bet no passer-by would know that a woman

COLLECTS BUTTONS 40 YEARS.

Aged Man Who Has Gathered 80,000 Specimens Dies.

Reading Cal.-John C. Hepler, superintendent of Charles Evans' cemetery, died here, aged 78 years. While a well known and highly respected citizen, his chief claim to fame rested on the fact that he was one of the best known button collectors in the world. Hepler's collection numbers 80,000 buttons, and there are no duplicates. He began this peculiar fad over 40 years

ago. The collection starts with the cheap, humble shirt button, next the trousers button and so on to the expensive buttons on women's dresses, and finally, through a long list, to the military buttons of all the nations of the world.

Mr. Hepler knew the history of many of the gems in his collection. Some were secured through friends visiting or living abroad, and among his collection are buttons once worn

by royalty. The 80,000 buttons are all classified and systematically arranged. In design or color they are all different, and Mr. Hepler loved to tell how the different ones he prized came into his possession.

Bachelors' Marry-All Pact.

South Bethlehem, Pa.—Members of the Emmett Social club have organized the queerest bachelor's club. Every two months the bachelors will be lined up, lots will be cast, and the one who draws the fateful number will be expected to marry within the

if at the end of the twelvemonth he has not succeeded in coaxing a "yes" from a blushing sweetheart he will be banished from the clubrooms.

. DEATH TALE ON TOADSTOOL.

Lovelorn Michigan Man Writzs Sulcide Message in Unique Way.

Traverse City, Mich.-Plodding along through a field in the outskirts of the village of Kingsley, is miles southeast of here, Clarence Workman, looking for his cows the other evening, found a big toadstool with a death message written on it.

Everybody who has roamed the fields in his youth knows that the viscuous leathery surface of the toadstool is as good as birch bark to write upon. The toadstool found by Farmer Workman contained this message, as the statement comes from Kingsley:

"Notice.--!, J. Allen, hereby request that the person who finds this will notify my uncle, W. Allen, Grand Rapids, R. F. D. No. 2, of my death. That he may give to Ethel Thorn my share in my-father's estate. For I love her though she has drove me to this desperate deed, even though another has taken my place. This will be my last message. Soon I will have a hole through my brain. No use to look for my body.-Joseph Allen."

Joseph Allen is not known at Kingsley nor in this vicinity. The uncle, W. Allen, was called up by the authorities, and said:

"I have a nephew, Joseph Allen, whom I heard from ten days ago in British Columbia. He was in love with his cousin, Ethel Thorn. That is all I know about the case."

No systematic effort has been made to find the hady of the suicide-if the writer of the queer note really made way with himself.

MIGOAT'S DINNER COST \$50.

Animal Lunches Off Wad of Greenbacks Hidden in Clothes.

New York.-Thomas Haggerty, of Great Notch, N. J., had \$50-five \$10 notes-stowed away in the pistol nocket of his Sunday trousers. He says he saved the money; his wife, who did not know it was there, swears he hid it. After doing the family washing the other day Mrs. Haggerty, good woman, decided she would give Tom's best suit a dusting and airing. So she heat it well and hung it on the clothesline in the back yard.

An hour afterward Thomas Jr., rushed in yelling:

"Mommer, mommer, Finnerty's goat's eating up all the clothes!" The billy goat had come in the yard through a hole in the fence that divides it from James Finnerty's yard. The goat had pulled down most of Mrs. Haggerty's fresh-washed clothes, had swallowed one of the baby's little dresses and in making dessert on the pistol pocket of Haggerty's trousers had chewed the money in it into shapeless

To partly appease Mrs. Haggerty's vratn mrs. Pinnerty clothes again and Finnerty killed the goat. Haggerty has been trying ever since to explain how and when he saved the money "to buy a ring for his wife." The pulpy money will be sent to Washington in the hope that the treasury will redeem the \$50,

STICKS TO HALF HIS HOUSE.

in Spite of Jeers, Finneran Lives in What is Left of Home.

Worcester, Mass.-William Finneran has the courage of his convictions in spite of the laughter and jeers of his neighbors, for he is living in one third of his former house, the other two-thirds having been sawed down

and removed by the city. Finneran lives on Shrewsbury street and the city engineers were forced to take two-thirds of his house in constructing the new boulevard. Finneran was obstinate and refused to move. He refused to accept the damages of fered him by the city. He refused to accept any and all propositions. So the engineers went ahead and cut his house in two and removed the front and larger part of the house.

They left him in a miserable, narrow one-third of the home in which he had lived for years. No one thought him serious when he said that he and his family would live in the third, but he has done so. The house is causing all Worcester to laugh, but the congregation of crowds on Sunday—and the crowds make funny remarks about the house-is what raises Finneran's ire.

He likes, however, to joke about it himself. He says that if a dog was born in the house, so cramped are they for room that the dog would have to learn to wag his tail up and down, as he wouldn't have room enough to wag it from side to side.

SPIDER WEAVES "LUCK" WEB.

School Children Watch Spider Spell Out Words in His Trap.

Waynesburg, Pa.-Much has been said about the spider, but it remained for this county to have one that shows its talent and possibly takes its copies in lettering from the West Waynesburg school. The spider is one of the large black fellows, with white spots.

It has been industriously at work for sometime spinning webs and training in sign-making. The spider does its work on a building adjacent to the West Waynesburg schoolhouse.

The web woven was so beautiful that it attracted the attention of the pupils and teacher, and while admiring it all were amazed to see the word plainly lettered as type could make it, "Lack."

A storm came and destroyed the work. True to instinct, the spider went to work again to construct the net, and placed in it this time three capital letters-"W A T."

## ASK FOR BUMBLEBEES

FILIPINOS NEED INSECTS TO FRUCTIFY CLOVER FIELDS.

Government is to Send Five Hundred Long-Tongued American Buzzers to Help Out the Farmers of the Islands.

Washington.-Now a wild clamor comes from the Philippines for a colony of American bumblebees. The Filipino farmer declares these insects are indispensable in his business. He wants to raise red and white clover, and it cannot be successfully done without the bumblebee.

Scientific sharps at the department of agriculture declare that the honeybee and all kinds of oriental bees have been carried to the Philippines. but all of them leave clover alone. The scientists explain that these bees have short tongues. They are unable to reach the honey in the clover blossom. They realize this inability

and pass it by. The American buniblebee has a long tongue, and likes to dig down in a juicy clover blossom. As a consequence there is nothing that can make the clover crop of the Philippines a success except the American variety

of bumblebee. The wail of distress from the Fillpino farmer has been heeded. The first shipment of bumblebees will consist of 500. These will be carefully selected with reference to long tongues. The bureau of entomology of the agricultural department is charged with the duty of seizing the bumblebees on their native heath and arranging for their transportation. Agents of the bureau now are in Ohio and Kansas busily chasing bumble

The bees will travel in two "queen" baskets. Two hundred and fifty will be placed in each basket. The baskets will be set in refrigerator boxes. This will make the bees understand that winter has come, and they will go immediately into a state of hibernation.

Two Filipino students who have been in this country securing points on advanced agriculture will take the been in custody. They will pick up one box at Cincinnati and another at Manhattan, Kan.

The two students will sail November 5 from San Francisco in a transport. It is predicted the bees will become properly acclimated and that their multiplication will be rapid.

It has been the experience of agriculturists here that American seeds to the Philippine deteriorate much more rapidly than in this climate. Large quantities have been sent there for experimental purposes. These include all species of farm and vegetable seed. If planted promptly and given proper care good results have followed.

Some complaint is made that the Filipinos as a rule are careless and do not make any undue haste in planting the seeds, and in many instances they deteriorate so that the expected crop is far from satisfactory.

A bureau of agriculture was ea tablished in the Philippines in 1902 and for the first year 50,000 packages of vegetable seeds were sent to the islands from the agricultural department. Experimental farms were started in different portions of the islands. Since that time efforts have been scientifically made to ascertain just what varieties of American seeds are suitable for planting in the Philippines. The results have not yet been definitely determined by those in charge of this work.

BIG ESTATE GOES TO STATE.

Lawyer's Production of Will Causes His Indictment for Forgery.

Newark, N. J.—On application of Attorney General McCarter, acting for the state, a sheriff's jury, with Sheriff Sommer acting as commissioner, de cided that the late John W. Russell of East Orange, who died two years ago, left no legal heirs. By this verdict the estate of Russell, valued at about \$150,000, will escheat to the state unless adverse action is taken by the supreme court

At the time of his death Russell. who was past 80 years old, was possessed of property in East Orange valued at about \$75,000, with additional property of equal value in New York city and Canada. About three months ago an alleged will appeared and was offered for probate, in which Mary C. Calvin, a former housekeeper of Russell, was made the sole legatee. The genuineness of this will was disputed, and Matthew J. Ready, a Newark lawyer, is under indictment and awaiting trial for forgery, it being alleged that he drafted the document.

Goose Guards Princess.

Middleboro, Mass.-The strangest guardian known in this section is owned by Princess Teeweelema, one of the three aged living descendants of that Indian chieftain, King Philip. who once ruled the southern Massachusetts domain. These princesses are passing their declining years at Betty's neck, a promontory in Assawampsett lake, the largest inland water in Massachusetts.

Teeweelema, with her sisters, makes her home alone on the promontory, and their guardian is a big goose. It has done service for 12 years now, and is as good as an alarm clock. At the approach of a paleface the goose sets up a long continued squawking, warning the Indians of the stranger's approach.

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