

in'," said the man with the hod, paus early in the mornin's an' that little of day with the man with the boe. me with the job o' bossin' him. Why pushin' that long nose into things there, don't he stay where he belongs an' let same as he does here. He's gotter look Burke run the works?"

do," said the man with the hoe.

"That's what's the matter, I guess," said the man with the hod. "Burke'd get along all right if he'd let him alone. There's worse than Burke if he was let to do as he'd a mind to, but he ain't let to. It's 'How many perch bave these men laid since they started in to work this mornin'? I notice there ain't but keep tab on jest how much has two courses on the south wall since yes- done an' go in an' take a look at the t'day. Hustle 'em up! Hustle 'em up! blue prints. Then it's 'Hurry 'em up What are them men waitin' for around hurry 'em up!' An' he bops into the there? Scantlin's not here? Why ain't | wagon an' goes chug-chuggin' off to the it here? It orter to be here. I ain't next place like he hadn't a moment payin' wages to have men layin' around | spare, an' there it's the same thing all doin' nothin'. Telephone down to the over again. I'd like to know how yards and ask 'em why in thunder that many miles a day that machine travscantlin' hasn't got here. Be here in- els." side o' five minutes? Well, call 'em again. Hustle 'em up! Hustle 'em up! Why ain't that pitch bot? Hustle it | "In the office downtown it's much the fire to burn, darn him!"

the man with the boe, feelingly. "He they call him; but be ain't content to laid upon the window ledges of the wanted Burke to hustle that up.

and he don't realize it takes time," I'd like to have him carryin' this hod himself." wunst-jest a day of it."

quit," said the man with the hoe.

"A good thing he ain't," said the man with the hod. "I wouldn't stand for it with the hod, knocking the ashes out either, but he's buttin' in at the other of his pipe. "He ought to have to work

"I wish he had to work for his liv- | busy, he thinks. He's up bright as ing by the mortar box to pass the time | buzz wagon of his is scootin' around with him here an' there an' everywhere. "I'd like to have him where I am an' He's over to the avenue by 7 o'clock at every brick that goes into the build-"I guess he ain't got nothin' better to | in' to make sure it's up to contract an' the same with the lumber an' the sand an' the lime an' the rock an' the hardware. He's afraid somebody might shove off something on him that isn't jest right."

"O' course be'd git cheated," said the man with the hoe.

"Course he would. Then he's gotter

"It's a plenty," said the man with the

up! Hustle it up!' He can't wait for about the same, they tell us," said the "Nor for lime to slack," supplemented | ger there or the head clerk, whatever let them do the work they're paid for, "He don't know what work is himself | ar.' let it go at that. He's got to overhaul all the books an' have 'em figursaid the man with the hod. "He ought in out jest how much is comin' in an' placed in a comparatively small space. to get his material by telegraph an' how much is goin' out, an' he's got to leave it run into a chute with a ma- know the whys an' the wherefores ready for use it is kept in position by chine that 'ud slap it up into a ten- about everything, an' it's 'Hurry 'em story buildin' in about eight hours. up! Hurry 'em up! Keep busy; keep attached to the framework in a manner Then he'd kick because it was too slow. a enovin'!' Pity he ain't got to do it which makes the tower very substan-

"Pity he ain't got some work to do, "If he was around all the time I'd jest to ockycrpy his mind," said the man with the boe.

"That's what I say," said the man places jest the same. He's gotter keep for a livin'."-- Chicago Daily News.

The state of the s THE BEGGING "CHAIN LETTER" AND THE MAIL ORDER PRAYER.

The chain letter seems to have taken a new lease on life. I can think of nothing more delightful after a particularly "nagging" day, when the wheels by his firm. of the domestic machinery have been clogged, when the children have been on

a rampage of general misdemeanor, and with the expenses of the family verging upon the last straw that broke the camel's back, than to run to meet the postman vaguely hoping for a letter of good tidings, and receive a chain letter. "Dear Friend," this missive begins,

"pdease make a half-dozen copies of this," etc., ending with the gentle request for a dime to assist a poor widow to buy a little bome, or an ambitious girl to continue her education,

Having just refused one's own child a coveted nickel with which to purchase chewing gum, and being at the moment trying to divide 50 cents in such a manner as to get 60 cents' worth of groceries, one cannot at once get "in touch" with the chain letter.

Being of a somewhat iconoclastic turn myself. I do not find it at all difficult to break the chain without ceremony; but there are soft-hearted people who besitate to do so, and rob themselves of much needed dintes, not to mention the matter of inflicting upon six de-

JULIET V. STRAUSS. I am a regular skinflint when it comes to giving. There is never a moment when I am not in need of forty or fifty things that I can't have, and if I should have a dime to in est for the general welfare, I would need only to glance around my immediate neighborhood to find a place to apply it If I had the power to give for the benefit of people less fortunate than myself I should like to be allowed to follow my own inclination, and there would never be anything vague in my giving. But the chain letter would never receive my patronage. I am with chain letters exactly as I am with tramps, It is a matter of principle. I believe they should not be encouraged. So, if any obliging person is engaged in lengthening a chain, let him avoid me as an inveterate chain-breaker,

The begging chain letter is, however, respectable beside the chain of prayer. Lately I received half a dozen chain prayer letters, all of which I have instantly broken, considering them, as I do, not only silly and utterly unworthy of notice, but in fact sacrilegious and partaking of a superstition which, as rational beings, we ought to be rid of .- suliet V. Strauss, in Chicago Journal.



The life of the mercury are lamp in some cases amounts to 3,000 hours and more. The conducting material of the anode is either mercury alone, graphite

and iron, or nickel. A bill is before the New York Legislature to make the existing laws governing telephone and telegraph companies organized for the distribution of music by electrical means.

At a mild red heat good steel can be drawn out under the hanrner to a fine point; at a bright red heat it will crumble under the hammer, and at a white heat it will fall to pieces.

American tunnel projects have attracted attention abroad. The French government will build a tunnel for railroad purposes under the Seine from Havre to Rouen and has retained the services of Charles M. Jacobs, designer of the Pennsylvania ratiroad tunnels the hunt. under the North and East rivers at

Pennsylvania still leads in the number of her cokemaking plants. She has 112, and their product in 1905 was 70 per cent of the .. antry. and output of coke. Fifteen years before '> percentage was over 84. The capital represented in the establishments of this country is \$90,712,877, and the total number of wage earners is 19,000.

In human history a great river bas sometimes formed a dividing line between peoples possessing quite different characteristics. Dr. W. M. Lyon, Jr., has discovered a similar phenomenon affecting equirrels in Borneo. He found No one "creed" you stalk different forms of squirrels inhab- feel like switing it.

iting the northern and western parts of that great island, and observed that a large river proved an effectual barrier in separating two distinct races.

One of the reasons why pneumatic tires gradually become exhausted, even when unpunctured, is that the compressed air within slowly escapes through the rubber, and this process is hastened by the oxidation of the rubber, which causes it to crack. As at least a partial remedy for this, it as been proposed to inflate tires not with ordinary air, but with nitrogen, an inert gas which does not affect the rubber. Tests of nitrogeninflated tires for automobiles have been made in France, and the results are said to be encouraging.

Knew Him Too Well.

The late President Chester A. Arthur although he was a man of warm friendships, had a high sense of personal dignity that would brook no undue familiarities. A lifelong friend of Mr. Arthur, who had accompanied him on one of his bunting trips, was telling an acquaintance some of the incidents of

"I know it's the general impression," he said, "that Mr. Arthur is a cold, self-centered sort of man, but it isn't true. He is one of the most genial and companionable of men when you become well acquainted with him. I thought I already knew him pretty well, but I came to understand him better while on that trip than ever be-

"I suppose you know him well enough now to call him by his first name," ventured the other.

"On the contrary," was the rejoinder, "I know him well enough not to call

DEVICE FOR FIRE RESCUE

Ingenious Apparatus Invented by Resident of Baden-Baden. The Department of State has been furnished with a description of an ingenious device for the removal of person and property from burning buildings. It was sent by United States Consul Brittain of Kehl. It is said a model of this profitable fire escape invented by Withelm Lampe of Baden-Baden will soon be brought to this country and may be exhibited in Washington.

The apparatus is built on a wagon or trucks. It is provided with a number of extendable platforms which can be set according to the heights of the floors of the building from which the people are to be rescued. It is also supplied with a double arrangement of ladders and with the necessary number of railed safety bridges which can be let down and put together. These are to assist in the rescue work and in removing furniture from burning buildings. The entire fire escape with appliances may be placed in service in a few minutes. It can also be used in making military observations and for searchlights.

A framework of lazy-tongs is constructed in such a manner that the external places of injunction of every second pair of legs are adjusted to serve as supporters for the platform. These platforms can be put up at the various heights of the floors of a burning building and a gangway is hinged to each platform. By the aid of these gangways persons are enabled to pass from the windows of a burning building to the main platform and then descend by the aid of a rope ladder.

When in operation the gangways may be let down collectively by a single man with the hod. "There's the mana- n:ove: uent so as to stand out borizontally, with their outer edges or ends different floors of a building. The entire framework of the portable tower or fire escape may be folded up and When the tower has been adjusted a system of rods made of tubing and tlai .- Washington Star.

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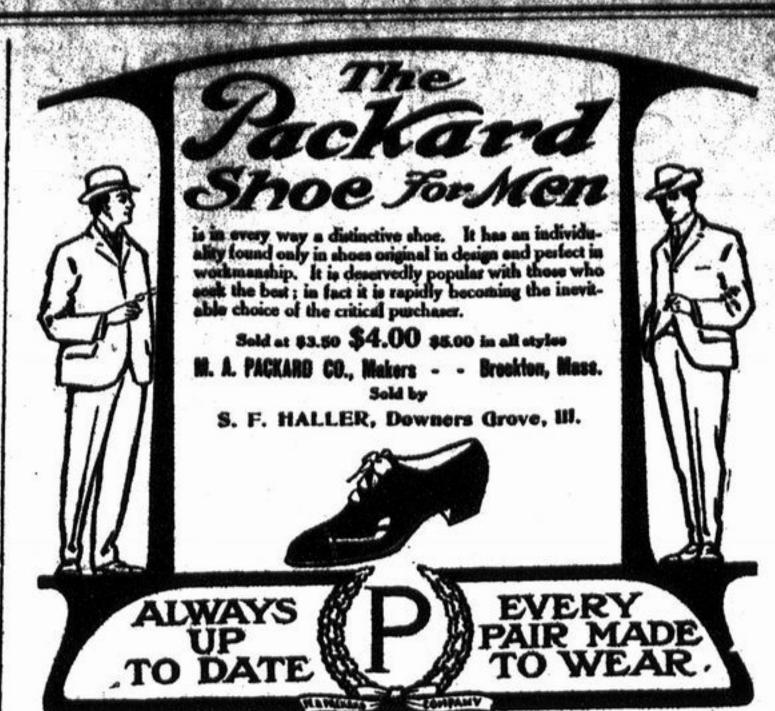
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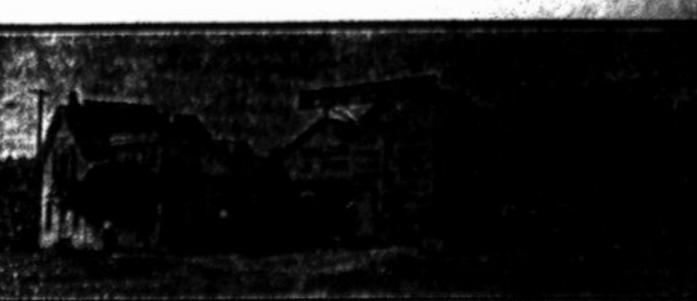
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