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THE CHAIN-DRIVEN CHICKEN

I think dear little Gertie Green
The sweetest child I've ever seen;
And I shall say you why.

She's so very rude, she's never wild,
This very "proper" child.

Her eyes are always dry...

She never plays, nor never rests,

And never goes to bed before nine.

Nor wears her frocks away.

And has she, now, no faults at all?

None! She's a picture on the wall.

And that's the reason why...

—Gulliver.

ORIGIN OF MOCHA LEATHER

Where Material For Manufacture of
Gloves Comes From

The dusky native tending his flock
of Mocha sheep about the sun-baked
coast of British East Africa and on
the sheltering plains of Arabia know
as the ultimate destination of the pelts
of the antelope which are used as the
average weaver of a Mocha glove of
the origin of the leather from which it
is made.

About thirty years ago when the
last of the antelope disappeared for
ever from the eastern plateau of
Africa the question was raised which
might be substituted in the manufacture
of leather was a serious one to
the glove manufacturers of Fulton
County, New York, and other centres of
the industry. Up to that time antelope
skins had been extensively dressed into
leather known as dosskin, from
which a very good quality of glove
was made.

Lightweight dosskin and shagreen
dressed lambskin were resorted to
but they did not prove satisfactory and
the problem was causing no end of
worry to the manufacturer when a
method was needed in the leather dress-
ing business by the discovery that
the skin of the hairless sheep of
Africa and Arabia could be made into
leather which was even better than
that of the antelope for glove purposes.
It was M. H. Northrop, a plainer glove
manufacturer of Johnstown, N. Y., who
after patient experimenting succeeded
in producing the first leather from
the skins of these animals.

The name Mocha is no doubt derived
from Mocha, a town in Arabia from
which it got its name. It was brought
back, but the true origin of the name
seems to be more or less buried in
obscurity. However, the greatest
number of skins come from British
East Africa; although what is known
as the white head variety of Mocha
sheep are raised to some extent in
Arabia and parts of Persia.

The skin of the black head Mocha,
which is grown in Sambian on the
west side of the Red Sea, gives a
larger spread and in other ways is
superior to the hairless leather. There
are also the smaller known as the
red head. These designations apply
to the color of the head of the
animal, the hair on the body being
black and white, red and white or all
white, according to the variety.

The Mocha market of the world is
at Aden, at the southern end of Arabia
and there are never more than eight
or ten buyers residing there at the
same time, and they practically buy
the supply of Mocha skins for the
world excepting what skins are bought
through native collectors. Those
native collectors at the principal
points to which skins are brought by
caravans. The skins are taken in
baskets across the Gulf of Aden to Aden
where they are sorted and baled,
about three hundred in a bale accord-
ing to size and weight, ready for ship-
ment.

When delivered by the natives to
the collectors the skins have been sun-
dried. The carcasses are eaten, the
meat being about the only kind con-
sumed by the natives. Before the
skins are sent to the dealers the
skins with mastication to prevent
their destruction by worms on the long
voyage. The skins are wrapped in a
carabas made of matting woven by the
natives and those for America are
shipped to Marselles, Trieste, Naples
or Genoa and shipped to New York.

So far the supply of Mochaskins has
been equal to the demand, although
last season the quality was not so good
as usual owing to a protracted dry
spell which caused a scarcity of feed.
Winter is the market time for the
best skins and the best skins are
the most valuable leather. The
best grade of pelts come from the black
sheep. The manufacturer of Mocha
leather involves a number of operations.
In fact, no other leather goes
through so many processes as does
Mocha.

In the coloring of Mocha, leather
dye woods form a basis of the color-
ing matter with the addition of alkalines
to give the various shades. The skins
are either colored with the animal
material, or the latter
being the process used for the more
expensive goods. Grays and reindeers
are the most popular shades for Mocha,
but the leather is peculiarly adaptable
for coloring and almost any hue may
be obtained.—M. O. Hughes, in Glou-
cester.

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A BOY'S REFORMATION

Remember the struggles of Whit-
low, Mother and Son
Book Club.

One day recently, as J. J. Keho,
Superintendent of the Children's De-
partment, was walking to work in the
Parliament Buildings, Toronto, there
was a knock on the door, and in
response to this call is a list of fifteen,
shabby and travel-stained, entrants.
He was a runaway for whom no
home or family could be found.

He was a member of a gang of
thieves, together with some unknown
knaves, changed his heart, and he
began to think fondly of the mother
whose life he had soldiled by his
wilfulness. Enquiring from the people
with whom he lived, he learned that
Mr. Keho was the head of the Children's
Aid Society, and a day or two
after he suddenly disappeared. After
a search of hardship he made his way
to Toronto and to Mr. Keho, who said,
"I couldn't stand the boy longer."
Keho said, "I'll take him in." The boy
had to go to his old home, mother
and all, and put himself back to support
the children, and I'm glad enough to earn
money for her. Give me a chance, and
I'll do the right thing."

"Give me your hand," said Mr.
Keho; "Any boy who wants to help
his mother will have all the chance
I can give him."

"What," said the astonished lad,
"you won't put me in the Reformation
Home?"

"No, indeed," was the reply, "I'll
pay you to go to school, and after I
put you up with some clothes, and give
you letters to influential people who
will get you work right away."

The lad was overjoyed with emotion.
"Say," he at last said, "when I get
home I'll join the Y. M. C. A. just as
soon as I earn the money, and there
won't be any more trouble with me."

Further conversation and a few days
of testing revealed that his religious
conviction was deep and genuine. He
was sent home to his overjoyed
mother, and he shortly started in to
be a real comfort and help to her,
Toronto Star, etc.

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