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How did that gold mine pan out? All a mistake. We had been prospecting in an abandoned graveyard, and had assayed the dust of a graduate from a goldcure institute.

PRACTICAL FARMING.

GATHER UP THE MACHINERY. A tool house located in a fence corner with a three, possibly a four barbed-wire fence for two sides, a luxuriant growth of weeds for the other side, and nicely covered by the blue dome of heaven, may be a convenient place to store unused machinery, but we question the economy of such a structure. If it was merely a question of the easiest way to dispose of the tools we would all find it most convenient to drive into a corner, unhitch the team, and leave the implement until again wanted. Many farmers do it, and we must suppose they have a reason for the practice. Yes, and we have seen some men who considered themselves pretty good farmers utilizing a spare corner or two on their farms in this way. They will spend several days in looking over our different kinds of self-binders, or plows, or other implements, and figure and bicker with the different dealers to get a saving of \$5 or some such sum. They go home feeling that they have Street, Lower Town. Office hours from shown wonderful business ability and ing in order to make it shed why our fellowmen should want to then let the same tool stand out in water. It would be better to have the provide us with so many more-why the weather and lose several times what they have saved in the buying. We must bear in mind that the injury to a piece of machinery thus left exposed to the weather is not limited to the weather-worn wood, decayed joints and rusted irons. We must also consider the extra wear and strain that loosened joints and rusted bearings throw upon the whole machinery. When exposed to the hot sun the wood becomes checked and warped. Then the rains bulge out joints and ridges here and there which throw the whole machine into disorder. The farmer in his rush leaves the harvester or mower for a day or two until he gets time to put it into the shed. The two days lengthen into months, and when finally he finds time to store it away the sickle has become rusty and must be ground before using again. Perhaps Will be at the Commercial Hotel, it is necessary to grind away more than son's use. The platform of the harvester becomes swollen and uneven, and next season when the farmer gets ready for harvesting the apron catches and stops, and he becomes impatient. A hatchet is the nearest tool at hand and with it he attacks the dificulty. We all know the result. The plow ust, which is longer than is needed. stands at the end of the field and becomes rusted. Five times as much work is wasted in attempting to make it run the next season as would be required to put it away when the plowing was finished. And if the rust has eaten into the metal the plow will never take the former polish. And so we might continue. Tools built almost entirely of iron are left expos-DARRISTER, SOLICITOR etc. Office ed because they cannot be injured. Of-

fail in different parts and we must then begin a process of repairs, a pro-

practices? Each year hundreds of dollars are will not be necessary to make the secspent by the farmer for tools. Much ond layer. It is quite important to of this could be saved, which would keep them a little below the freezing mean increased profits. We sometimes point. It has been suggested to keep think that the manufacturer and deal- them in some convenient building, but er are getting the greater share of this plan has always resulted in failthe proceeds of the farm. We would | ure as the dry atmosphere is fatal; not be misunderstood in this matter. The farmer must be thoroughly progressive in the use of improved machinery as well as in other lines of his business. He must not be slow in utilizing the better tools that the brains and push of our inventors and manufactuerers are placing on the market for purchase. But the point is simply this: If through neglect to properly shelter a planter question between Venezuela and or harvester the farmer is compelled Great Britain has been taken by the buy a new one three or four years selection of Professor Maertens, the before he otherwise would, is there distinguished Russian jurist as umpire not a direct loss which might be avoid- and president of the court. Each party ed? True we may not be able to build to the dispute submitted a list of disexpensive tool houses, but this is not | tinguished jurists who would be accepnecessary. A cheap shelter will ans- table as umpire; and Professor Maertwer as well. Set posts in the ground en's name was the only one in both board up with rogh boards and roof lists. He has a wide reputation as an open on one side for a drive-way into the United States Supreme Court are

ing in the yard. Then if a piece of lins on the part of Great Britain. machinery is to stand idle but a few TOHN QUEEN, ORCHARDVILLE, has days it will be under shelter. We have that the machine is to be placed at once in proper shelter. Other work may press upon us, but if we will persist-Insurance Agen tools under shelter let us at once

> our shiftlessness. STORING POTATOES.

year, a fact which makes it all the manent set. more necessary that growers take good care of what they have and keep them in first-class condition for the good strong prices that will be likely to prevail during the winter and spring. parted. If potatoes are buried, says Iowa Home- way.

stead, they should be covered only moderately at first, additional toyering being added as the weather becomes more severe. Burying however is one of the most inconvenient ways of preserving the potato crop, and when potatoes are worth anything it is also likely to be one of the most expensive. Storage of potatoes or indeed of any other vegetable, in the cellar of a dwelling house in quantities beyond the needs of immediate consumption is always objectionable because likely to breed disease. Even with the lest of care there is always more or less decay, and family that lives over this species of destructive fermentation, is pretty certain to suffer for it, especially during the early spring. If one has any considerable quantity of potatoes or other tubers or roots to keep through the winter, an outside root cellar furnishes the best means to preserve them. A side hill, giving rapid drainage makes a good site for such cellar. and there are many kinds of soil where no walls other than what the dirt affords are necessary. If, however, a retaining wall of some kind is necessary, cheap boards and poles can be laughed. "Don't pay any attention to used so that no great expense need me," she said at last. "I only say it too, may be of earth thrown over because I always have said it." the roof may be shingled. It is important that a dry place be chosen and we have a hospitable instinct or a There should be an alley way through the cellar and a ventilator shaft through the roof and if the door is on ly down to take a smiling share in a level, or nearly so, with the floor, them. How proudly parents bask in being selected as the site there will new departure they once thwarted with always be good ventilation. Bins can all their strength and authority! And be provided on each side of the alley the reverse of this is true-how we are tact with the walls, or they will at- and the penalty all pay for having inat intervals through the roof, near the that we live to mourn the loss of that outside of the bins, through which po- which we have suppressed. We re-Such a structure can be cheaply built and will readily enough carry potatoes through until spring without sprouting. Some varieties of potatoes which sprout readily need to be turned over once or perhaps twice during the winter. There is no way to prevent sprouting except storing them in some such way as described and then using the scoop-shovel to turn them over, unless one can have access to cold storage. With cold storage, potatoes can be kept without sprouting until Aug-

WINTERING CABBAGE.

The old plan of burying, or putting There are men whose nightly return ter, or for winter use, has become obbage is grown on a large scale for in a few years the machine begins to lift the cabbage and stack two tiers deep and as closely as they can be placcess always expensive in both time ed in an orchard, or wood if convened and must be cut and new ones put be kept in place by a slight covering and affronts which they have not had put in plenty of seasoning. in again? We have had these experi- of earth. In this way the heads will ences and know what they mean. Why keep perfectly sound all winter, and then continue such unsatisfactory they can be easily taken up as wanted for shipping. For family use cabbage Machinery costs money we all know. can be kept in the same way, only it cabbage must be kept moist and cool, the slightest wilting rendering it unfit for the table.

THE VENEZUELA TRIBUNAL.

The final step in the constitution of the tribunal of arbitration which is to decide the long-pending boundary which tools can be pulled and left as to be arbitrators on the part of Veneconveniently as they can be left stand- zuela, and Justice Herschel and Col-

THE CHILDREN'S TEETH.

Mothers are beginning to realize the importance of taking care of the chilwork is to put a tool away as soon | dren's first teeth, in order to insure a good sound "second set." It should be remembered that when a child has -all that are added belong to the permanent set, which should be carefully ently adhere to this rule we will find it the best. If we have not followed this practice and already have not all with the idea that these are transient, and will be replaced. This is not so, gather in any exposed to the weather and the very first indications of decay Money to lend. Money invested for parties and standing as an advertisement of should receive immediate attention. The children should be early taught to wash the teeth after each meal; and if this habit is established while they still have their first teeth, there will be very lit-The potato crop is not large this the danger of their neglecting the per-

UNANIMOUS. Medium-The spirit of your wife is here, and says she never dream-

ed of such happiness since you two The Man-Tell her I feel the same

THE ETERNAL DON'T.

"What is your name?" asked some one of a small boy who was always being nagged. "Charley Don't," he answered having in his cheerful imperturbability mistaken the invariable accompaniment to his Christian name.

But few of us have the imperturbability of this child under the don'ts of our families or our friends. Some of us have our spontaneity crushed. Some of us grow rebellious and indignant. and are in this way forced into opposite extremes, getting off our balance on the other side, And most of us grow self-conscious and have periods in which we question every one of our best impulses, weighing them against our motives.

The development of many a young person sensitive to impressions is retarded for years by the thoughtless don't of an elder whose opinions they have been taught to respect. For many of the don'ts are thoughtless, springing from habit, and not from serious consideration, we know a wise old lady who said don't so many times one morning to a grown-up daughter that she detected herself in it at last and

poles but a roof of this kind Circumstances present us with so will need some sort of thatch- many impediments, one often wonders roof made of boards that break joints, they should perpetually say, for inor if a more permanent structure stance, "Oh, don't do that!" when we with less regard to cost is intended, happen to make a courteous remark to some one they do not know, or when that it be sufficiently ditched around charitable impulse they do not on the it, and the door should be on the south. instant share. For the curious part of it all is this; when the rewards of our best impulses (those opposed by them) are repeated, they settle complacenta side hill with a southern exposure the sunshine of a child's success whose way and they should be raised several condemned for losing that which the inches from the ground. The sides of don'ts of another have driven out of us! the bins, also, should not be in con- Some law of right is at work with us tract moisture. Spouts may be placed | terfered with another's development is tatoes may be porred into the cellar. pulse with a don't the demonstrations of our children and of those who are nearest to us, and we live to perish of hunger for them.

NAGGING MEN.

A few months ago Dr. Cyrus Edson wrote in the North American Review some articles on "Nagging Women." He related his experiences as a physician, and declared that a large share of human misery was clearly the resu't of women's pestilent and persistent "nagging" of those about

But what about "nagging" men!

cabbages in trenches during the win- to their homes always means needless misery to their households. They find solete, and a more simple and easy fault with their dinners, with the plan has been adopted. Where cab- household bills, with the children and with everything else. They make sarcastic remarks that burn and scarify ten we notice no effect for a time, but | shipping purposes, the best plan is to | the sensitive souls of their wives. They carry home the worries of business. They "take it out" of their families for everything that has gone wrong in the day's work, and some are even and money. If any part needs renew- ient, and cover with leaves to the depth cowards enough to revenge upon the ing or changing all the bolts are rust- of two or three inches, the leaves to innocent and helpless those wrongs

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courage enough to resist and resent upon the offer er. Dr. Edson a cared that the disposition to "nag" in women is clearly disease. In men it is almost always the venting of a mean and cowardly disposition where it is safe to vent it.

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"Nagging" in men (and women alike is a sign of weakness, both moral and intellectual. In men it means a wretched cowardice as well.

MISTRESS AND MAID

Mrs. Slimdiet, boarding house keeper-What, have you in this pot, Brid-

Bridget, who is trying to clean the old lamp burners by boiling them .-Plaze, mum, thim's th'ould lamp tops. They wuz no use at all at all. Mrs. Slimdiet-Well, don't forget to

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