

About the House.

MISS THEM TO-NIGHT. God bless the loving little ones. The ones you call your own, And give you deeper tenderness...

BABY CLOTHES. More or less, according to the size of the mother's pocketbook, I know every intelligent up-to-date mother wants her baby to be comfortable, healthy and happy...

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DRESSING FOR ROAST FOWL. There are different kinds of dressing for roas fowl, but we believe the following to be the one most generally used. The best effect in color is perhaps obtained by browning slices of bread in the oven very carefully, for if burned ever so slightly both color and taste are spoiled, and it is a great advantage to have the bread, sage, etc., prepared the day before using.

ITALY'S CROWN PRINCE. There is no more daring rider among European royalties than the heir to the throne of Italy, the Prince of Naples. He is a keen sportsman, and has very few equals in the hunting field.

WHAT UNCLE SAM IS AT.

ITEMS OF INTEREST ABOUT THE BUSY YANKEE.

Neighborly Interest in His Doings—Matters of Moment and Girth Gathered from His Daily Record. Five hundred persons are buried every year in Boston's potter's field.

YEAST ROLLS. At the last molding of bread take enough for a small loaf, roll it out and spread over a beaten egg. 2 tablespoonfuls granulated sugar, a scant 1-2-teaspoon of lard, mix well, add a handful of flour, let rise, mold into rolls, let rise 20 or 30 minutes and bake.

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YEAR FOR EACH.

A German Shoemaker Sentenced For Fifteen Murders.

A murderer not unlike the fiend Holmes was tried and sentenced in Brescia, last week. He was a shoemaker named Herrmann, and had in the course of twenty years disposed of three wives and 12 of their children. He practiced his art for years without suspicion. In two cases the dead wives were supposed to have been toward the end he grew impatient and took off his children too rapidly, whence the denouement.

TAI TSUNG'S MAGIC PAINTING. A Dresden Chemist's Imitation of a Chinese Emperor's Wonder. The Chinese Emperor Tai Tsung possessed among other treasures a picture known as a magic painting. It represented a pastoral scene with a cow standing in a field and mountains beyond. When the picture was shown to strangers or guests and they admired it the Emperor would say: "Yes, this is a remarkable painting. The cow, as you see, is standing; but if the room was darkened the cow would think it night and lie down."

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DEFICULT JUNGLE COUNTRY. On March 31 of this year the line reached the 27th mile, which brought it close to Kikuyu, the densely peopled country south of Kenya, the great equatorial snow-mountain. Not until it reached the district was it to be expected that the line would have an appreciable effect upon the export trade. So Great Britain is just reaching with her railroad the regions which she expects to benefit and from which she hopes to derive a profit.

SINGULAR SALARIES. Millions of Laborers are Paid With Very Curious Money. The pastors of certain churches in the remote provinces of Australia receive their stipends by curious methods. Every quarter the members meet at the minister's house, bringing with them their contributions toward his support. These rarely ever take the form of cash, but consist of provisions, clothes, etc., which are afterward sold or sold by the pastor. A droll disadvantage attaching to this system is that a superabundance of one particular article often prevails, while another article, equally needed is not represented at all.

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NEWS

THE CANADIAN PACIFIC

The Canadian Pacific hotel in Winnipeg. The most magnificent hotel in the West. The Y.M.C.A. will hold its annual convention in Winnipeg, Wis. The striking of the telegraph wires in the northwestern states of the United States. Lord Minto went to the local street for injuries. It is announced that the Pacific will build a new ship this year.

The Hamilton gas-bill, for the railway permanent pavement on the polls by a majority. The Council at Ottawa has granted the way for its western extension of 53 feet on Pacific road. C. P. Porter, ex-Partner of Hamilton, of the steamer "E. J. Fox" when it ran from Falmouth. A commission of will inquire into the case of Donald Porter of who lies under the murder of a man.

The new fast steamer Pacific Railway about the middle of 18th. The flyer will be called the "Mr. D. D. Mann" and will be owned by the New Scotia Government. The Government steamer "Juba" is already making a round trip every three weeks between Zanzibar and the coast towns of the British East Africa protectorate, and it is expected to provide regular and sufficient outlet and ingress for all the trade the railroad may help to create.

Since August 20 last, trains have run regularly over that route completed at that time, or in other words, from Mombasa to Mito Andei, 162 miles. The stations on the way number thirteen, of which Maji, Chumvi and Voi are the most important. Voi, which is about 1,900 feet above sea level, is the dividing point between the seaward and the inland slopes of the country. Two trains start every day, one from the coast and the other from the inland station. Leaving Mombasa at 8:30 in the morning, after forty-five minutes' halt at Maji Chumvi, the first water place, the train arrives at Voi at 5:15 p.m., where it stops for the night. Next morning it leaves Voi at 7 o'clock and arrives at 11:15 a.m. at Mito Andei. If the passenger wishes to set out on his return to the coast on the same day, he will take the train leaving at 1:30 p.m., which arrives at Voi at 5:30 p.m., spends the night there, leaves for the coast at 8:30 o'clock next morning and reaches Mombasa at 3:15 p.m. Deducting all the time spent at way stations, the actual travelling time for the 162 miles is ten and a quarter hours for the inland and eleven and a half hours for the seaward journey. Only mixed trains, carrying freight as well as passengers, are now running. Three classes of fares are charged, the first class, for the 162 miles, being about \$20, second class, \$15, and third class, \$10, which is not much more expensive than a passage and is confined to the native and Indian patronage.

The building of this railroad is the direct outcome of the report made by Sir Gerald Portal in 1894 at the conclusion of his mission to Uganda. He spent over a year studying the country between the sea and Victoria Nyanza and the lands around that lake within the British sphere of influence, and he was sent out to collect data upon which the Government might decide to take the country out of the hands of the British East Africa Company and make it a protectorate, directly under the control of the home authorities. Sir Gerald said that nothing but a railroad would drain the commerce of Uganda, Ugooga, Uyooga and the other countries lying around the lake, and until the railroad was built "any organization, system of administration or plan for the improvement of these countries which may be devised will be of the nature of a makeshift."

Of the financial prospects of the line it is not easy to speak with any approach to preciseness, but unless there has been some great miscalculation an adequate return may be expected in good time. There is of course no doubt that the Government will reap much indirect profit from the road. The Government has been spending about \$200,000 a year merely for the transport of the material needed by its agents and stations in the lake region. It is estimated that the railroad will reduce this charge to \$30,000 a year. The transportation of the steamboat which the Government sent to Victoria Nyanza cost \$100,000, but it might have been carried by rail for a twentieth of that sum. But whether the railroad, when completed to the lake, pays dividends for many years to come it may be regarded as the best of all commercial Government and commercial facilities in that region which England undertook to carry out.

LIGHT ON THE PURE FOOD QUESTION. Cook—What's the matter? Waiter—Customer wants to know if you've got any turpentine. Cook—What does he want of turpentine? Waiter—He says he believes that if you'll mix a little of it with this currant jelly he can use the stuff for floor paint. Es-Secretary of the war on the floor. A dozen New plays have been tips. Miss Maud Ad