ceded, and the bay, or, rather, that arm be her last. of the bay, miscalled S n River. widened before them. But few could leave the lovely child to look upon the lovely scene. The boat was well out to sea in three hours' run-that is to say, by 9 o'clock -and by 10 o'clock they reached Witch Island, a wild, desolute, sandy isle of about a hundred acres, covered with

coarse, reedy grass, and a grove of gied Pine Island—it lay some thirty miles le was glaring on her sight, it was ring- this was a very sorrowful journey, full south of the mouth of S—n River, ing in her ears, it was maddening her of harrowing recollections and associaand within a mile of the shore. The brain as she fled away. A pall of sin tions. In passing every familiar scene shore for many leagues up and down was and misery and death seemed to lower he had loved so well, her heart bled sandy and desolate, and covered with a dark and stifing over the city. growth of pine trees, hence this section | With her hand pressed upon her ears of the State was called the Pine Bar- and eyes, as if , shut out sight and rens. The shore and the isle were both sound, she fled through the city, and beuncultivated, uninhabited, and unfre- | youd it into the green field, and past

or picnic or excursion parties. And it est.

tled in the executive pakece. Daniel Hunter had instructed his wife to invite Everybody enjoyed the outing, and it her sister-in-law to take up her abode was with regret that the trippers got in the palace for the period of their own aboard the gay little steamer and put residence there. It had been a very delightful task for the merry girls to range

CHAPTER VIII.

from room to room, through the spaci-

ous suites of elegantly furnished cham-

bers, and chose their owne apartments-

and much chattering, changing, and dis-

puting ensued before they could be ex-

Every one admired Mrs. Hunter, but

it was with a deep, hushed enthusiasm of

admiration, as of some being far remov-

ed above their sphere of thought and

sympathy. And, indeed, Augusta was

too much absorbed in the deep joy of

on the shrine of the little goddess, and

and gaze upon his sleeping child, until

anxiety and weariness and time itself

governor's council, with their families,

serarh. She seemed one without the usta-

stamp for the occasion.

in having none to bequeath to her.

The governor and his family were set-

to the excursion something of the novel-

scene than ever nature spread out be-

her domestic life to be familiar with her They were approaching very near the from her window and saw that they were social circle. Her life was a worship of city now, and very soon the steamboat approaching the city. When she turned unclouded joy. But the centre of all the touched the wharf. Carriages were seen away again she listened and found that interest in that mansion was the infant, waiting there, according to order, to car- the cabin was still. She looked through Maud. She seemed absolutely to be the ry the company home. In a moment all the keyhole and saw that it was deserted. him. first and last, the prevailing thought of on the steamboat was in a gay bustle; And then the heavy breathing of the The imminent danger of this child was

cently sent out to the infant costly Augusta left her husband's arm, and ed into the cabin. It was vacant of com- mained to bind her to life-to excite christening presents, and as gold or golden presents have a sort of cohesive at. Mand. There was no one in the cabin thrown back over her chair was vacant or comthrown back over her chair was vacant or en presents have a sort of cohesive at. Maud. There was no one in the cabin, thrown back over her chair, was sleeping her boy lasted several days, and when traction about them, no sooner was little except Letty, who was standing before a the profound. deathlike sleep only en- the crisis of life and death was safely

more, had made their will, leaving their "We have not taken Maud up yet," cate. blooming face of the slumbering to the practical advice of Father Goodimmense property solely to Maud Perci- said Letty, "we did not wish to disturb child as she lay enveloped in her white rich, who had remained with her during val, only daughter of Daniel and Augus- the darling till the last moment." gossamer drapery. There was not a mom- this danger. The priest advised her to ta Hunter. And so the little lady was "It is time now, however; the steam- ent to be lost.

to think no offering too rich to be laid babe was gone! Paralyzed by the sight, the mother only felt themselves the want of fortune stood-yet she did not believe the worst! She thought grandmother, or one of the And the devotion shown to this child young aunties, had taken her up and

idolatry. Even Daniel Hunter was not | -only that open window above the wafree from it. Inordinate affection for ter-it gave her such a shock! She hasthis only daughter was the one sole weak- ened out, still trembling, and asked, in ness of his mighty nature. His first a faltering voice: visit in the morning and his last at night | "Letty, why did you take the baby was to her crib. No matter how urgent up without telling me? It has given me

and harassing the State business, or how such a-" and almost fainting, she pleasant and long-protracted the festive | leaned against the door. scene, he was never too weary with busi- "I! I haven't taken the child up! ness or with pleasure to go and stand Didn't I tell you just now I thought I wouldn't disturb her till the last moment?" replied Letty, in surprise, were forgotten in the fascinating spell. "Somebody else has, then. Oh! I wish The fashionable season in town was they would not do things without letover at last. The balls and concerts all ting me know. I am so nervous where

forgotten, the theatres and public halls my baby is concerned. Mother! Harriet! and "palatial" residences-all closed, and Elizabeth! Where are you, girls? Bring the gay world dispersed to the mount- Maud here directly, please!" exclaimed ains and the seaside and to fashionable Augusta, hurrying from the cabin to watering places. Official business kept the deck. the governor late in the summer at the "What is the matter, Augusta? Good

eexcutive mansion, and Daniel Hunter Heaven, Augusta! what has happened? kept his family there with him. An ex- You look so deadly pale and faint!" said cursion was, however, planned to allevi- Daniel Hunter, meeting her. ate the heat and tedium of the July "Nothing-nothing at all has happer

days. This was a steamboat trip down ed, only my excessive foolishness again. the bay as far as Witch Island, and a I want my child! Lucy! Lucy" pienic party there. The members of the Daniel Hunter frowned. "You are realy getting to be a very remained in town, and these formed a absurd woman, Mrs. Hunter!" very pleasant select party of the right "Oh! I know it! I know it! but want my baby!! Elizabeth! Lucy!" ex-The day appointed for the excursion claimed Augusta, hurrying past him. was the 15th of July, and the steamer Old Mrs. Hunter and her daughters chartered for the use of the party was were standing on the forward deck, ready the beautiful little Sea Mew. Every to go on shore, when Augusta rushed member of Daniel Hunter's numerous among them-and afraid to give verbal family connection, from grand-uncles to utterance to the fears that her reason

the infant, were to be of the party, told her were absurd, while her every There was but one child on board-little act and looke betrayed them, she asked. Maud Hunter-and excited as all the in fainting tones: wearied city party were with the pros- "Where is my child? Is she wrapped pect of the wild sea trip, the greatest in- up well? Give her to me!" terest was shown in her. She was tak- "What do you mean, Augusta? en from the arms of Stella, her pretty have not go her! We left Letty and Stelnurse, and passed from one to another of la to take her up and dress her. They both ladies and gentlemen, and admired have got her. Why, what's the matter?" to excess. And, in truth, little Maud "Oh! my God!" cried Augusta, sink-

"Drowned! drowned! My child has fal-While they were caressing the beauti- len out of the window into the water. ful child, the steamboat cast loose from and is drowned!" cried Augusta, and

looked very beautiful; and it seemed no ing down upon the deck.
exaggeration at all to call her a little "Why, Augusta! Good Heavens, Aug-

the wharf, turned, and took its course fell upon her face with a shriek which down the bay. The city gradually re- those who loved her might well hope to CHAPTER IX. Loathing the sunight, cursing earth and blaspheming Heaven, the wretched Norah had fled from the gallows, one awful sight still glaring on her eyes, one awful sound still ringing in her cars -the vision of her son as he stood upon the fatal drop-a living man enveloped in a shroud-and the instantaneous click gantic pine trees-hence sometimes call- the rushing whirr of the falling body.

was upon these accounts that the isle | On the fourteenth of July she heard of had been selected by our party, and it | the governor's projected trip down the was this set of circumstances that lent river and bay, and a keen desire for re-

nursing mothers by increasing their flesh and nerve force. It provides baby with the necessary fat

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quented. They had never been the resort | them into the darkest depths of the for-

venge surged in the woman's breast. With the surpassing subtlety of insanity, Norah managed on the fifteenth of July to conceal herself on board the She accompanied the party down

To make away with "sweet Maud" was her purpose, but there seemed no opportunity of carriny out her fell design till the little party were on the return

Ever on the alert, she had heard two persons, the mother and the nurse, enter the deserted cabin. She heard the gentle voice of the mother directing the nurse to put out the lights. She heard her also dismiss the nurse. And then followed darkness and silence, softly brok en at last by the mother's low, melodity and adventurous aspect of an explorous voice as she sang and rocked the babe to sleep. Next she heard the entrance of another-Letty-and she listened to the conversation that ensued Lastly she heard the mother and the young anut open the stateroom door Augusta remained in the cabin, engag- rest. She laughed at the careful, oving ed in a much more interesting occupation colloquy between them as they took one precaution after the other against any fore the eye of man. She was seated in darling. She laughed when she heard chance harm or inconvenience to their a low rocking chair, nursing her child to them talk about the window, and each sleep, pressing the babe to her bosom, ask and assure each other that the winand singing in a low, sweet voice, as she dow was perfectly safe. And she laughed At last the deep sleep of the baby war- leave the babe alone. But soon she ranted its being laid down, and the mo- heard the voice of the nurse as she came ther softly arose and went on deck, fol- and drew a chair near the baby's state-

ess in America. And what was strange, she opened the state-room door and went about the window, with fiendish malice love marriage with poor William O'. deavoring to build up a strong, healthy of that crop would entail serious conseshe unhooked the blind and swung it Leary, but who, if they had hearts of and productive type. Furthermore, is quences. married aunts and uncles—they seemed But the window was open and the wide open, and trailed a portion of the flesh, must pity and succor her in her

her arms and gathered it close to her And the priest still deferred his deparwas not only worship, but superstitious | thrown the window open for more light | Little Maud, accustomed only to love | ceived. and care, and knowing when awake and It came—a hard, unchristian letter, in its downfall. The using of small po- quality and color. dreaming when asleep of nothing else, the pith of which was a coarse and vul- tatoes from degenerate hills is perhaps Oats promise generally to be the crop half smiled as she was lifted up, and mur- gar proverb: "As Ellen had made her one of the most glaring examples of of the year in Europe.

> on shore. And everybody was too much engaged to notice a new-comer, who, be-

CHAPTER X. When that awful day-that day of the darkest doom-was over, when the last sorrowful offices of love and the last solemn rites of religion had been performed for the dead, and when all efforts to recover the living and the lost had failed and been abandoned, and when the youthful widow could remain no longer absent from her ill and orphaned boy-then Father Goodrich placed his parish for a week under the sole charge of the spring, the fall of the trap and little donkey-cart to take Ellen and her of his colleague, and harnessed up the afresh-and on reaching the chosen spot of which he had spoken so hopefully on the last dark day of his life, her grief burst forth with passionate violence.

And nothing could have sustained her tions offered by the good priest.

burst into a flood of tears, and threw faithful and affectionate creature.

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herself.

also declared to be the heiress of a their ladies with their light shawls and was a great risk, but it should be run. her, by the fear of losing them, how Stealthily unlocking the door, she glid- great the blessings were that yet re- ality" of different parts is now general. States and Argentine crops, says "Crop ality" of different parts is now general. Reporter" of the Department of Aggiculary Maud's future English inheritance heard glass, tying on her bonnet, and Stella, joyed by the child of Africa. Norah openof than her father's two elder bachelor who stood near her, with a large lace ed the baby's stateroom door, and revealbrothers, John and Joseph lunter the shawl and an infant's cloak hanging over ed a vision beautiful as that of a sleep- again—joy, gratitude to God, hope for ing angel-the gold silk curls and deli- the future! She was enabled to listen

destined to be probably the richest heir- boat is at the wharf," said Augusta, and First, remembering the mother's talk indeed, disowned Ellen ever since her counterpane out, as if it had been drag- heavy misfortunes. Ellen was not comed there by a falling body. posed enough to write, but she permit-

Then she softly raised the child in ted Father Goodrich to write for her.

babe flatly as possible against her no possible answer. breast, and folding the shawl closely over her, Norah stole from the cabin, and creeping along under the shadows, reached the lower forward deck, which was also in deep gloom. The boat had now reached the wharf. A crowd of men were forward-some securing her to the pier, some throwing out the plank, some bringing forward baskets, casks and hampers that were to go

sides, kept out of the range of observa-Then Norah heard a sudden running to thousands throughout Canada — per- wherein a few plants succeed in rising yield of hops is indicated. and fro up in the cabin and she knew haps you are one of them. You find above the prevailing difficulties in an The 1907 current crop of Greece is they had missed the child. Seizing a ham- work a burden. You are weak, easi- endeavor to maintain the standard of the commercially estimated at 155,000 tons. per as an excuse she mingled with the ly tired; out of sorts; pale and thin. race, yet, unfortunately, these are quick. Last year Great Britain imported 6,crowd. Creeping along under the shadows Your sleep is restless, your appetite by gathered in and hurried off to market, 425,704 bunches of bananas. The import she gained the city streets, and swiftly poor and you suffer from headaches. leaving the smaller, less desirable, and is increasing largely each year. They and stealthily passing through them, she All this suffering is caused by bad often degenerate tubers remaining to be are from Madeira, Canary Islands, Costa at last reached the opposite suburb, ran blood and nothing can make you used for seed purposes. With such a Rica and British West Indies. The chief was very sweet. She laughed aloud. Her "About twelve months ago I was all wrung with agony as hers was once. It | run down as the result of over work. laughter rang through the silent forest. My doctor ordered me to take a com-The child moved restlessly in her amrs. plete rest, but this did not help me. She did not notice it. She was palpitat- I had no appetite, my nerves were ing with joy at the fruition of her ven- unstrung and I was so weak I could geance. She needed not to see the anguish | scarcely move. Nothing the doctor of her adversary. She felt it! But the did helped me and I began to think strong little child moved vigorously un- my case was incurable. While conder her shawl and heaved itself over, and | fined to my room friends came to threw out one of its fat, pearly arms. see me, and one of them advised me Then she opened its shawl and fanned to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. its robe to give it air. And then little did so, and soon my appetite improv-

through this last trial but the presence, stood watching at the cottage gate. And reached out his hand to turn on the fiwhen it drew up and stopped, and Ellen | luminations of the world.-From Roundgot out, the old servant came forward up Days, by Stewart Edward White, in to meet her, and the young widow | The Outing Magazine for October.

herself, and, asxing how the sick boy was, without waiting for the answer, rushed into the house to ascertain for "And where is the old mistress?" asked Abishag, as she received the young baby from the arms of Father Good-

"We do not know-she has been missing since the day of the execution. When I return to the city, I shall prosecute the search for her. And now, Abishag, you must not inflict your young mistress with any questions or comments upon anything that has occurred in the city. You must not even give her the least encouragement to talk about those things, even if she is disposed to do so, but try to draw her mind off, and interest her in the affairs of the housekeeping and the children. How is

"A good deal worse, sir," said old Abishag, heaving a deep sigh at these accumulated troubles. The priest hastened into the house where he found Ellen in the extremity of anxiety by the bedside of her boy, who was rolling about in the delirium of fever, and piteously calling for the

aroused her from the deep despair that part of the same plant. The best obtain-

ture until an answer should be re-

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(To be continued.)

and Strength. Mand, wearied to exhaustion by the play- ed, my color came back, and in less ing and tessing and caressing she had than a month I was able to leave undergone during the day, fell asleep my room. I continued the pills for another month, and they completely cured me. I am now in the best

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Dawn on the Prairies. While he ate the eastern sky lightened. The mountains under the dawn looked like silhouettes cut from slate-colored paper; those in the west showed faintly the prayers and the religious consola- luminous. Objects about us became dimly visible. We could make out the It was late in the evening when they | windmill, and the adobe of the ranch reached Deep Dingle, the forest home houses, and the cerrals. The cowboys of Ellen. It was a gray rock cottage, arose one by one, dropped their plates overgrown with moss and creeping vines, into the dish pan, and began to hunt and overshadowed by high; wooded hills. out their ropes. Everything was ob-There was no cultivated ground near it, scure and mysterious in the faint gray except a small garden, with a few fruit light. I watched Windy Bill near his trees inclosed by a low stone wall, moss | tarpaulin. He stooped to throw over grown and covered with creepers, like the canvas. When he bent, it was bethe cottage. As the little old donkey- fore daylight; when he straightened his cart wound slowly and carefully down back, daylight had come. It was just the rocky hill, old Abishag, the nurse, like that, as though some one had

herself, weeping, into the arms of the So it seems that the Japanese have been "hectoring" President Roosevelt. Don't like being hectored, eh?-Balti-Ellen almost instantly disengaged more Sun

POTATO IMPROVEMENT,

As Carried on Throughout Canada Under the Direction of the Canadian Seed Growers' Association.

the Secretary.)

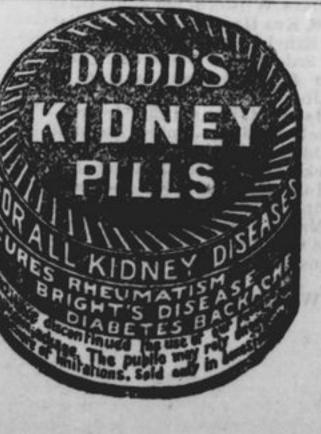
During the past year very material progress has been made by way of perfecting our methods of potato improvement and in instituting their application throughout the country. At the last meeting of the association a very excellent paper on "Potato Improvement" was read by Mr. W. T. Macoun, horticulturist at the Central Experimental Farm. Upon the work which Mr. Macoun and many other authorities on the potato plant, both at home and abroad have done, a system of potato improvement suitable for use among Canadian growers was drafted and is being applied by several this year. The system adopt ed is simple and practical, yet is founded on scientific principles, the individual plant being taken as the basis for im provement. The tubers produced by each plant are morphologically considered simply swollen portions of the vegetative and not of the reproductive system. The question has therefore been raised as to whether or not the principles through of breeding which apply in the case of sexual reproduction through the seed obtain in a sexual reproduction or perpetuation through parts of the vegetative system. Bud variation is, as a rule, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and ladies looking for their bonnets, scarfs nurse, stationed at the baby's stateroom of the greatest benefit to Ellen. It differ materially from those of another crop this year at 3.024,000,000 bushels.

The imminent danger of this cannot possess qualities which differ materially from those of another crop this year at 3.024,000,000 bushels.

So when the sun strikes on the walls, and my loved one will turn her gaze able evidence at the present time does having added 31,000,000 bushels for more duced by any single plant are all dis- ture. tinct parts of that plant, the possibility | The most serious wheat losses are of variation in the productive capacity looked for in Hungary, the Balkan counand in other qualities is recognized. The system drafted for use by this ed in Russia (spring wheat) and in association enables the grower to plant France.

seed purposes the year previous, so that Deterioration of the corn crop, however, write to her wealthy relatives-who had, any promising variation which may re- is reported by the Danubian States, owsult may be selected and used in en- ing to the lack of rain. A failure there which the potato has to contend. Un- moderate. fortunately, man himself is often the Barley is expected to give a satisfacworst enemy of the potato, and uncon- tory yield in Austria-Hungary, Germany sciously, though very materially, assists and Russia, but fears are expressed as to well afford to expend, and more careful In Hungary sugar beets, while backward, work on the part of the grower should are developing gradually, and are exbe encouraged. From each of the 25 pected to give a satisfactory yield. chosen hills 8 of the uniform, smooth In Great Britain potatoes are the and sound tubers are then chosen, and worst crop of the year, owing to wide? each set of 8 tubers so selected is used spread disease. Oats are the best crop

select for seed purposes those hills which have shown themselves superior to oththis way seed tubers which rank above 533,782. the average would be chosen while those falling short would be ignored, hence making for an upward instead of a 364. downward tendency. The need of just such an arrangement has been met by the association in its system of potato bushels. improvement already referred to. In undertaking systematic work according to this system it is recommended in the first place that a good stan-



best hills in these rows. The required

number of specially desirable hills can

then be laid away for planting on the

plot the following spring as above indi-

cated. Special blank forms are sent each

may record certain information regard-

grower in duplicate in order that he

(Extract from the last annual report of ing the performance of each row, referring especially to yield, quality and freedom from disease. While it is urged that the crop on the improved plot be sprayed for blight, yet the spraying of the breeding plot is left to the discretion of the individual grower. In districts where disease is troublesome the desirability of developing strains capable of withstanding these maladies is such that spraying is ignored, and those plants which have shown the greatest power in resisting disease are chosen. The difference between varieties in their aptitude toward blight and other diseases as observed at the different experiment stations is so noticeable that the development of

disease-resistant strains seems to offer great possibilities. maximum crops are recommended to try the above system. While anyone may carry on the work independent of the above association, yet there are certain advantages which come through organized effort. We advise all, therefore, who desire to know more of this work to communicate at once with the secretary, Canadian Seed Growers' Association, Canadian Building, Ottawa, Ont.,

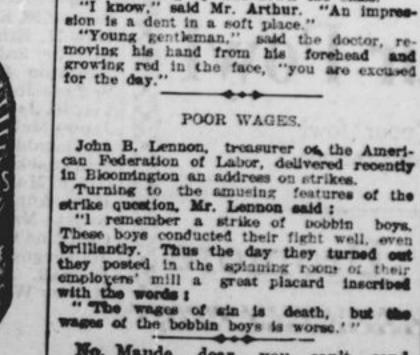
almost all parts of Canada no matter Rye promises a fair crop in Germany

muring "Minnie," put her arms around bed she must lie upon it," and this last able to depart somewhat from this rule Sugar beets in general are extremely the neck of her terrible foe and, with a disgrace of her husband's death on the and to reduce the size of the plot to one backward. Both in France and Germany sigh of tired infancy, resigned herself gallows forever precluded the possibility consisting of 25 rows with 8 hills in the average weight of the roots and the of a recognition of her by her family. each row, both rows and hills to be at condition of the plants are much below Norah were a large shawl. Laying the It was a letter to which there could be least 24 inches apart. A plot of this that at the same time last year the sube size, it was thought, should not require gar content is likewise lower, but in

> Through Overwork-Dr. Williams to plant one of the eight-hilled rows, a of the cereals. The quality of hay is this as far as the seed is concerned. The generally poor, but in bulk it is the crop practicing of improper cultural methods of the season. Root crops and oats are is another common error. Against these next; then wheat, barley and potatoes. things this plant is continually strug- Apples and pears are short crops, but gling year after year, and while there plums are very abundant in England, and Badly run down is the condition of is a continual survival of the fittest, bush fruits have done well. An under-

across the green fields and gained the well but good blood — nothing can system is there any wonder why many consumption is in the manufacturing disforest the scene of her agony after be- make this good blood so quickly as of our best varieties have suffered a trict, stretching east from Liverpool in a reavement. Here she sat down in the Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale rapid decline, until they are now practitrepidation, in the breathless delight of People. These pills never fail to cally worthless? What is needed among cheap Western banana finds a ready and an accomplished vengeance. She knew the make rich, red, health-giving blood. potate growers to-day is some practical growing market among the workers in brilliant and by far the most ornate is with hearts of those she had left behind were Mr. H. R. Reed, Quebec city, says: system whereby it may be possible to the factories. Banana imports increase as the raw apple imports decrease. Since

> "Dornbusch" puts the deficiency in the European wheat crop at 179,000,000 dard variety be chosen, and that the best | A few doses of Baby's Own Tablets possible seed of that variety with which relieves and cures constipation, indito start be secured. The new beginner gestion, colic, diarrhoea and simple is advised to test two or three leading fevers. The Tablets break up colds, a bewiludering display of vivid coloring; tuvarieties the first year in small plots expel worms and bring the little lips in gold, and cahrmine, and pink, and side by side, to keep the hills separate teeth through painlessly. They bring vermillon; grape hyacinths, with their apino when digging, and, after having decided health to the little one and comfort which variety has given the best re- to the mother. And you have the sults, to select and keep separate 25 of guarantee of a government analyst of the best hills of this variety for that this medicine does not contain planting in the breeding plot of the fol- one particle of opiate or poisonous lowing year in accordance with the regu- soothing stuff. Mrs. C. F. Kerr, Ellations as drafted. While the minimum | gin, Ont., says: "Baby's Own Tabsiz: of the seed plot recognized by the lets is the best medicine I have ever association is a quarter acre, yet in the used for stomach and bowel troubles case of potatoes it was thought advis- and destroying worms." Sold by all single whole tuber being used to plant medicine dealers or by mail at 25c. a each hill. At harvest time each row is box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine in spring, dull dark green in summer, and dug separately, and the individual hills Co., Brockville, Ont. within the rows are likewise kept separate for examination. This arrange-AN IMPRESSION. ment permits the grower to determine, "Ah, I have an impression!" exclaimed Dr. first, the best rows, and, secondly, the



Note-Potato growers looking for as the best time for selecting for next year's crop is not far distant.

the seed tubers taken from the different | Hungary will make up some of its hills which were especially chosen for wheat loss by an increased crop of corn.

how suitable may be the conditions, and a better than average yield in Rusthere are many adverse conditions with | sia, but elsewhere the prospects are only

more work than the average grower can Germany the diff ence is not so great.

1903 Great Britain's raw apple imports ers enjoying equal opportunities. In have decreased from \$13,536,866 to \$8,-Costa Rica in 1906 exported 8,872,729 bunches of bananas, valued at \$4,436,-

BABY AND MOTHER

Judge. "Now, young gentlemen," continued forefinger, "can you tell me what an im-"I know," said Mr. Arthur. "An impression is a dent in a soft place." "Young gentleman," said the doctor, re-

POOR WAGES.

to the mental philosophy class, according to

they posted in the spinning room of their employers' mill a great placard inscribed with the words : wages of the bobbin boys is worse." No, Maude, dear, you can't send hast shoes through the mail by simply stamp- well.

When Death both come from out the deep close my weary eyes in sleep, When gilence falls. evermore be this my prayer bat I may lie not far away,

ut near these heather mountains where hadow and sunlight filt all dayme their myetic passive spell, and woke the love my sires bequeathed mountain height and wooded dell So not one flower That grew in fragrance on the lea And not one song that from the sky Broke in light waves of melody

moorland grey, and dappled skies passion beauty, till there leapt Within my beart a mad love son; That long kept silence, for it slept

And lay me not beside Loch-Ness Where all my kindred take their sleet silent raptured lonelinees. Where waters plash and breezes swe Lull them to rest. But lay me by the church that stan The bright and green dew-sparkling land-

And my loved one will turn her gaze

Unto the east, and some bird calls

mournful cadence, these bright days With all the glow Of love and light will dim her eyes With tears that mourn the love she gave, And from the soft and western skies A breeze will blow above my grave

An Invisible Leader. Saul started out to seek his father's asses and found a kingdom. The treasurer of Canace, queen of the Ethiopians, sought inmation in the prophecy of Isaiah, and pen to him before his return. Little did Erisha know when he hitched his exen to the plow that before they were unyoked in the evening the mantle of God's prophet would did Gideon know when he went out to thresh field; when he comes to the well he will

find a Saviour sitting on the curb.-United Resignation of the Divine Will Resignation to the will of God frees the mind from a grievous bondage, the bondage who will make goodness and mercy to fol-

ever.--Robert Walker (1716-1783.) Nature's Vernal Beauties.

Of all the many and varied beauties and atout question a well designed landscape flowpilles of pink, primrose and white. Further berian crab-apples, the leafage entirely hidden beneath a gainxy of almost pure white lowers, as though transformed into two mighty enowballs. Scattered about the lawns are numerous flowering trees and shrubs; ical globe of pink-red floringe; some splendid ninguolins, every branch a serried enrichment of large vase-shaped, wax-like orgature; some double peaches, a brilliant display of plumed corymbs of rich pank; or a Canadian mespilus garlanded in waving

And, as a background, are the trees, in all beauty of their spring leafage; the gracelarches, now arrayed in their feathery em-

their winter nakedness; with here and there

a dark, swarthy Scotch fir or other coni-

beauty will have faded away; the flower-

Christ must be shut out from it all.

them all are the oak and

the stars for ever and ever. But those who refuse or neglect to accept the Gospel of

Holy and Most Merciful Pather, we ac knowledge the gracious providence by which our lives have been guided even unto this In days of youthful folly when we too eastly forget Thee and Thy righteous laws. to Thy guidance. Make all things work together for our good. Mould us by life's diccipline more and more into conformity to Thy will, and whatever place of service, difficulty, of responsibility, of danger, Thou hast prepared for us , fit us O God to fill it well. Make us humble, vet brave: distrustful of ourselves, but full of confidence in

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