

EXPERIMENTING ON A TRAMP.

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The widow Gregg was a natural reformer. One afternoon she left her farm for the village to do some "trading." At 4 o'clock, when she returned and drove into the yard, a strange spectacle greeted her. What might be called the north end of a man was protruding from a kitchen window. The case was plain. His trousers and shoes showed him to belong to the genus tramp. He had called out, finding the house alone, had forced up the sash of the window and started to climb in. At the halfway point the sash had come down on the small of his back, and he was held as securely as if he had been handcuffed and shackled.

The widow's face beamed with satisfaction as she entered the house to take a look at his plight. Yes, it was a tramp, and a lurching big fellow at that. She went outdoors with a look of anticipation in her eyes and hunted up a bit of board of just the right shape, and for the next half hour she was a busy woman. She stood off at just the right distance from the window, and the board rose and fell with amazing regularity and vigor. The tramp kicked his legs about and indulged in remarks, but the wallowing did not end until the woman had tired herself out. Then she took down the clothesline and wrapped it around the tramp's legs about forty times, entered the house and tied his wrists securely, and then raised the sash and let him fall backward on the grass. As he lay there she came out to bend over him and ask:

"Well, how do you feel now?"

"I-I don't exactly know," was the reply.

"This is an experiment on my part. I want to bring you to a state of humbleness. Do you think I have accomplished it?"

"Yes, I feel humbler than I did. It's a new feeling, and you must take the risks of it."

"Oh, I'll look out for the risks. Just make yourself as comfortable and as humble as you can, and when the hired man comes up I'll see to your care further."

Two hours later the tramp's hands were unbound and food set before him. The food consisted of bread and water. There was a consistency in a humble man eating humble fare. When he had finished eating he was again made secure and dragged to the barn and locked up in the granary for the night.

"The next step is to arouse your ambition," said the widow as she left him, "and I'll tell you my programme for the morning. I hope to find your humbleness greatly increased by then. Do you still feel humbly bubbling up in your soul?"

"I do, marm, and I am sorter afraid of it. It's a new feeling, and I don't know what it's going to lead to. It's an experiment, is it?"

"It is."

"Then you must take the risks, as I said before. I understand myself as a cheery tramp, but when you come to make a humble tramp of me that's different."

Next morning the fellow was handed out of the barn and asked if any additional feeling had come to him during the night, and he replied:

"I think there has, marm. I think I'm feeling what you call ambitious this morning. I find myself thinkin' of work without the usual feelin' of dread accompanym' it. That's ambitious, I take it?"

"Yes."

"But don't blame me, marm, if anything happens. When you go for to plant new feelin's in the breast of a tramp you can't tell what he's goin' to do."

"Will you take a hoe and go to work in the field if I give you a good breakfast?"

"I will, marm. I'm sorter curious myself to see what's goin' to result from this new feeling."

The first result was a breakfast that should have done for three hired men. It kept the widow on the jump to keep the table supplied. He wasn't eating on his humility appetite, but on his ambitious one. When he had finished at last he was asked to cut some wood before going to the field. In the course of ten minutes he shivered two ax handles and gave a cherry tree a mortal blow. Started for the field to assist the hired man, he tripped over the tomato and cucumber patches, tore down a panel of rail fence getting over it and in the course of another half hour had whittled his hoe so vigorously among the turpids that he had dug up two bushels with the weeds no broken the blade. The hired man sought to curb him. He was a lusty hired man that had licked over a score of tramps, but they had been tramps without ambition. When he tackled this one he was laid on his back forth with.

Then the tramp headed for the barn, and with a club he smashed the spokes out of three wheels of the family cart. He pulled the harness down and dragged it about, kicked the horse out of the stable, broke up the wheelbarrow and pounded the fanning mill, and he was shoveling oats out of the granary window on to the ground when the widow came out and said:

"This was an experiment on my part, you know."

"Yes, marm, and I told you to look out for results."

"I think you'd better drop your feelings of humility and ambition. Here's a five dollar bill, and you may go along."

M. QUAD.

WASHING SUMMER DRESSES.

How to Fix the Colors and Prevent Fading.

An excellent laundress who has never been known to fade a summer frock says she has a special "fixative" for every color.

Alum used in the rinsing water will prevent green from fading. A handful of salt thrown into the rinsing water will set blue.

Ox gall is good to use for gray and brown. Hay water made by pouring boiling water over hay is excellent for washing tan or brown linen.

A tablespoonful of black pepper stirred into the first suds in which cottons are washed will prevent colors from running.

Five cents' worth of sugar of lead crystals dissolved in a pailful of water makes a solution which fixes the tone of pinks, blues and lavenders. The fabrics should remain in the sugar of lead bath half an hour or so before going to the suds.

These hints will prevent a garment from fading if it is hung in the sun to dry. Delicate colors in fact, any colors at all are safe if dried in the house.

Vinegar is useful in reviving colors. Add one teaspoonful of common vinegar to each quart of cold rinsing water. Thoroughly saturate the article, wring tightly and dry quickly.

If the color has been taken out of silks by fruit stains, ammonia will usually restore it.

To wash brown Italian dresses, use heat, but no washing soda and no soap unless the skirt is very dirty. Boil two handfuls of bran in one quart of water and strain through muslin. Put the bran on to boil again, as you will require a second supply of bran water for rinsing.

Cool the water by adding one quart of cold water to it. Then wash the skirt. You will be surprised to see how the bran extracts the dirt. Rinse first in bran water, then in plain water. Put the article through a wringer and iron while damp on the wrong side.

How to Make Cement.

Something which the suburbanite frequently needs in small quantities, but which he rarely has on hand, is a good, quick setting cement for mending small fragments of iron, setting wooden handles into tools and a hundred and one other small jobs. A very good cement which will answer almost any requirement may be made by dissolving common orange shellac in enough alcohol to form a paste. This may be kept on hand in a tightly corked bottle with a wide mouth, tightly corked, or the alcohol will evaporate. When it is desired to use the cement place as much as it is desired to use in any small tin vessel and set the paste on fire. The alcohol will soon burn out, and the cement should then be quickly used before it has time to cool. This cement is very strong and is waterproof.

How to Make a Pot Roast.

Purchase beef suitable for a pot roast, lay in an iron pot, with salt and pepper and four tablespoonsful of vinegar, an onion and carrot, diced fine. Cover with boiling water, cooking slowly for two or more hours, or until the meat is well done. Then heat a skillet hot, add a few tablespoonsful of choice butter. Lay the meat in the same, searing it on all sides. Put the roast back in the pot, making a brown gravy by adding flour to the butter in the skillet and the gravy in which the meat was cooked, with a small measure of tomato catchup and some mushrooms, if liked. Serve with mashed potatoes and Yorkshire pudding.

How to Make a Belt.

If the belt for a woman is made of silk, cut it on the straight of the goods. Make it two and a quarter inches longer than the size of the waist. This allows for seams and the lap. For a stout person the belt when finished should not be more than half an inch wide, while the slim woman's belt may be an inch wide when finished. To the outside of the skirt stitch one edge, taking off a three-eighths of an inch seam. Turn the edge which remains over the top of the skirt and turn another three-eighths of an inch seam. Stitch either by hand or on the machine.

How to Break a Cold Quickly.

In addition to the ordinary precautions to break a cold, such as taking a few grains of quinine when first felt or six or ten drops of camphor on a lump of sugar if the cold be in the head, it is well to live carefully till the disease is conquered. Drink plenty of cold water, eat sparingly, avoid coffee and other stimulants and be careful not to overfatigue yourself or expose yourself to drafts. This does not mean, however, living in hermetically sealed rooms, as colds usually flee more quickly if one has plenty of fresh air.

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