CREDIT FOR JEWISH FARMERS

Co-operative Unions Are Established That Lend Them Money for Productive Purposes.

With the help of the Jewish Agricultural and Industrial Aid society three ! co-operative unions have been recently. astablished, one in Fairfield county, Connecticut, one in Rensselser county, New York, and the third in Ellington, Conn.

These credit unions are established in connection with the Jewish Farmers' associations in those places, which are branches of the Federation of Jewlab Farmers of America. The farmers. in each branch raised \$500 by selling shares, and the Jewish Agricultural and industrial Aid society loaned \$1,000 to them at a low rate of inter-

est. The management of the credit unions le entirely in the hands of a board of directors, who are elected by the farm-

The money is loaned to farmers for productive purposes on easy payments and with small rates of interest. While In Germany, Italy and other European countries the credit unions have been in existence for many years and were found to be very helpful to the farmers and small business men, in this country this is the first attempt.-American Hebrew.

HONESTEST PEOPLE IN WORLD

That is the Opinion Count Jacques de la Tour Blanche Has of Americans.

Count Jacques de la Tour Blanche was praising in New York the honesty of America.

"You are, for all the tales about" your political and corporate corruption," he said, "the most honest and the most honorable people in the world. It is to your cridit, not to your discredit, that adventurers so often dupe yed in Europe. It isn't because your minds are stupid that you are duped. It is because your minds are noble—too noble to believe such mean, small creatures as European adventurers can exist.

"That was a typical adventurer who. meeting an American millionairess in Paris, congratulated her on her good fortune in making his acquaintance. "You know." he said, 'I always pick

my friends." "But this lady, who was up to snuff, retorted:

"'As you would a chicken, ch, marquis?"

The First Free Lunch.

To Ned Mather, a native of this city and a man who spent his declining years bere, is given credit for originating the idea of free lunches, inaugurated the first free lunch in Baltimore, and Baltimore historians place the year at either 1865 or 1866. The front bar at Barnum's hotel in Baltimore, where the quality folks gathered, is where it is said to have originated.

One day Mather conceived the idea for free lunch in the place and sent word to the kitchen to ascertain from the cook what she had cooked that day in which she felt particular pride. The cook seat back word that the Smithfield ham was worthy to tickle the palate of a king. Mather ordered her to make up some sandwiches, and when the assal crowd came they found these spread on a table and declared Mather a philanthropist of the most useful and praiseworthy type.

Up to that time all that there was of a free lunch was a few crackers on the bar, but no one ever thought of eating them.

Vaccination for Typhold.

The last report of the surgeon genears! of the army adds more evidence to the already everwhelming testimony in favor of the protective value of anti-typhoid vaccination. The figmres given for the fiscal year ending June 20, 1909, showed an incidence of typhoid fever sixteen times greater mong the unvaccinated than among ...the vaccinated troops. Up to October 1. 1910, only five cases had developed among the non-immunised. Moreover, of these five cases four were so mild as to leave doubt as to the diagnosis, and there were no bad effects of any kind as a result of the vaccination .-From the Journal of the American .Medical Association.

To Help College Girls.

It is expected that college women throughout the country will be interested in the plans of the New York bureau of occupations that has re--cently been organised to bring to the attention of the undergraduates different kinds of employment for which they may fit themselves during their -college career. The Woman's Educational and Industrial Union of Boston has had such an organization for some time under the management of Miss Laura D. Gill. It has placed many women in suitable positions and helps those in uncongenial occupastions to something better.

To Train Perch Vines. Secure a child's wooden hoop. Fasten it with strong wire, so that it will be in the exact middle of the porch opening. Attach all the cords for the wines to climb on from the hoop to various points at the sides, top and bottom of the porch. When well covered with growing vines, the porch will present a beautiful wall of green, with a circular window in the center that is most decorative.-Woman's Home Companion.

HIS WAS A NATURAL ERROR

Suspect Thought the Enlargement of Finger Print Was Impression of His Corduroy Pants.

Mayor Gaynor was talking to a New York reporter about the famous robbery case wherein a criminal had been convicted by means of the Ber-! tillon system of finger prints alone.

"It reminds me," said the mayor, "of a story about a parson. This parson had a fine orchard, and one summer, just when the Bertillon system first came out, the orchard was robbed. The only clue left was the robber's finger print on an over-ripe peach. The parson had a photographic enlargement of the finger print made. Then, with this enlargement under his arm, he accosted in the main street the man

whom he suspected of the theft. "Pete," he said, somebody robbed my orchard last night."

"Pete took his pipe from his mouth. He gulped nervously. 'Is that so, sir?' he said

"'Yes, Pete, that's so,' said the parson: 'but the thief left his mark behind, and I shall easily trace him. Do you see this, Pete? And the preacher held before the man's eyes the huge enlargement of the finger print.

Pete, beholding the photograph, made a gesture of despair. 'I see there hain't no use denyin' wot I done,' he said. 'Ye got the bulge on me, parson. I ninched ver fruit, and no mistake. But I certainly would like to know, though, where ye got that there impression of my corduroy pants!"

SCOTCH AND IRISH DREAM

Head Clerk Tells of His Vision of the Piper and the Street Gang Foreman.

"There is only one thing that I envy 'Andrew Carnegie for," said the head clerk, "and that is the fact that he is able to hire an organist to wake him up every morning to the sound of music. I read that in a paper one day and I became so enamored of the idea that I hired an Italian to come around and grind his street piano every morning under my window. But the other lodgers complained so violently that I had to give it up.

"But that's not what I started to tell about. I had a queer dream last night. I dreamed I was Carnegie and that I had but been awakened out of a refreshing sleep by my Scotch piper, who was pacing up and down the wall around my castle at Ninetyfirst street and Fifth avenue. The Scotchman was pouring his whole soul into "The Wearing of the Green" -anything is possible in a dream, you know-when up came a small boy. Who began to suck a lemon right where the piper could see him. The Scotchman struggled bravely for a moment, his features contorted in ony, and then the tune died away into a mournful shrick. Whereupon the Irish foreman of a gang working out in the street produced a shotgun from somewhere and indignantly shot the piper off the wall. Yes, I woke up

The Wrong Cue.

"Could you make your expression a trifle-er-livelier?" asked the man at the camera.

His sitter, who looked as though he were about to have a tooth extracted by a painless dentist in whom he hadn't the remotest faith, frowned more mournfully than ever.

"Imagine," suggested the photographer, "that you are watching the corconation procession go by. Picture the joyous cheers and the flags and the amiling faces of the crowd."

The sitter shifted crossly and gave a good imitation of a dying walrus. "Think of your friends!" exclaimed the photographer, in desperation. "Think of your relations-"

"Confound H, sir, but that's just what I'm doingh" blurted the sitter,' losing his patience, "This photograph; is to go to some of them who want to visit me and star a month!"

New Linguistic Stock.

Prof. A. F. Chamberlain believes that he has demonstrated that the language of the Urus, or Puquinas, dwelling in the region of Lake Titicaca, on the borders of Peru and Bolivia, constitutes an independent family of speech. A vocabulary of some hundreds of words and many phrases and sentences of this curious language have been collected. A few descendants of the ancient Urus, some of whom still retain their mother tongue, are found scattered along the Rio Desaguadero, between Lake Titicaca and Lake Aullagas, or Poopo, and it is evident that in the past they occupled a much wider territory between these lakes .-- Youth's Companion,

For Deserving Young Men. The will of Mrs. Grace R. Shaw provides for the establishment of a fund of \$35,000 to Harvard university. to be called the Henry Russell Shaw fund, the income of which is to enable graduates of the college to travel abroad. The award is not based on scholarship. She said in the will that she gave the money for the benefit of young men who had not attained high scholarship, but had made good use of their opportunities and gave promise of success in business or professional

Ain't It the Truth! "Caruso says that a little thing like money doesn't bother him."-"Nor us. It's a little thing like the lack of money that is bringing stiver

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threads amongst the gold."

MANY WOMEN STUDY VIOLIN

German Writer Discusses the Qualifications for the Profession and Tells Its Drawbacks.

The increase in late years in the number of women studying the violin is commented on by a German writer. Twenty years ago, he says, parents hesitated before allowing their daughters to learn the violin, whereas at the present time the woman violinist is frequently met with.

Discussing the qualifications necessary, he says that the woman student of the violin must have a first rate ear and in the next place must be physically strong. The great drawback to the profession, he thinks, is the comparatively poor prospect it offers if one leaves out of question the so-called "women's bands," which are to be met with all over the continent in cases and places of doubtful reputation. At present no place is given to women violinists in regular orchestras, though there have been some eminently successful ensembles and & number of concert players have done well professionally.

On the whole the German writer does not advise the violin as a profession for women, though he admits the time is coming when the career is likely to be much more attractive.

WILD SCRAMBLE OF WOMEN

London Paper Teils of Scene in Clockroom After the Racing at Ascot.

At the end of the racing at Ascot vesterday it seems that the cloakroom arrangements miscarried, and when the women went to get their wraps they were not ready to hand. A wild: report circulated that the thief who stole the gold cup four years ago had been busy in the cloakroom and allthe women rushed to find for themselves if the dreadful thing were true.

There has not been such an outburst of feminine excitement since the last suffragist raid on the house of commons, and the attendants grew so alarmed and were so afraid of the cloakroom being stormed by the angry owners of the precious wraps that they sent for the police. When the constables came several ladies fied ignominously without their things. The police ultimately straightened out the tangle and the honor of Ascot was saved. The cause of the commotion is said to have been the action of some women who left early and put everything in confusion in the search for their cloaks.—London Express.

Marie Corelli Conservative. Marie Corelli, who reported the corcoation, is a standpatter and doesn't care who knows it. She is sure England should let well enough alone. Liet to Marie: "Remarkable too is the fact that this scene of unexampled magnificence has taken place at a time when Socialism is supposed to be rampant, when a radical chancellor of the exchequer is breathing fire and fury against the lords and the aristocracy generally, and when all that suggests power, place, supremacy. is condemned as something akin to political crime and equality for all men is the cry. . . All things will prosper under King George's wise and careful supremacy, and the loyalty of the people is aright, which will bring them prosperity. The grandeur and dignity of King George and Queen Mary could never be surpassed in any period of history. It is replete with meaning. It carries special significance. It has occurred at a moment where revolutionary and democratic methods of government threaten disaster to the realm and it shows on which foundation the people of England rest their hope."

Alcoholic Baseball. Once upon a time John Garner was the mayor of Winchester, Ky., and an enthusiastic fan simultaneously. In a

game one day with a visiting team the local right fielder had become so Kentuckified that he wabbled on his pins in a most precarious fashion. After he had missed a fly or two and was anxious to lick anybody who remonstrated the mayor approached

"Here, Bill," said his honor, kindly, "you'd better retire. You are in no condition to play. You can't see the hall, much less catch it."

"Aw, John," argued the fielder. "you get off the ground. I can see two balls, and God knows I can catch one of them."

Big Maine Salmon.

What is supposed to be the largest landlocked salmon ever taken with. book and line from a Maine lake or pond was caught Saturday morning at Greene lake by Luther Moore, an employee of the United States government fish hatchery, and weighed 16% pounds.

Nothing to equal this for a salmon has ever been heard of in eastern Maine, and so far as known now it is the biggest on record. One Bangor man said Sunday that he had heard of one weighing 15 pounds being caught with book and line at Greene take, but that was in the dim and misty past.—Kennebec Journal.

A Nautical Knewledge. Lady Passenger (on board liner)-What is the ship stopping for? Obliging Seeman—She's stopping to send the pilot ashore, miss. Lady-Why. I thought he went with us; but I suppose he just points the

rudder in the right direction before he

leaves.

SMALLEST OF POSTOFFICES

How the Patrons of the Five-Foot Federal Building at Virginia, Cal., Are Accommodated.

Virginia, Cal., boasts of having the smallest postoffice building in the world. It is situated in a lonely spot on the stage road north of San Diego City, and is maintained for the convenience of rich ranch owners in the vicinity. Not more than six or eight people get mail there, but their letters are of sufficient financial importance for a postoffice to be provided for their use. The postmaster's salary does not keep him in cigarettes, but he only has to be on duty on the days when the stage coach is due to pass. The stage driver drops the mail, the few letters from Virginia are handed up and the postmaster proceeds to distribute the letters, post cards and newspapers in lock boxes hung on the outside of the postoffice. After the scanty mail is distributed the postmaster locks up the little office and goes away.

When a citizen of Virginia mails a letter he does not buy a stamp, but deposits letter and money through the letter drop in the door. If the letter is a heavy one and likely to require more than one stamp he drops a quarter or a half dollar in with it and finds his change in his letter box next mail day. As the postmaster knows the handwriting of ever man, woman and child in the postal district he never puts the change in the wrong box. About once a year, generally near the holidays, a registered letter or package arrives, and then the accommodating postmaster delivers it. In Virginia registered mail is put in the letter drop, with the fee, and the receipt placed in the proper lock box the same as the change for stamps. The little postoffice building is constructed of rough slabs of pine, unpainted and windowless, and is only live feet square, and about the height of an ordinary man, who can only stand erect inside by taking off his

RUINS OF ANCIENT BABYLON

Explorers Have Laid Bare Palece of Nebuchadnezzar and Temple That King Bullt.

Exploration in the ancient city of Babylon is proceeding and the last report of the German Oriental society gives interesting particulars of it. The palace of Nebuchadnezzar is being laid bare in all its vastness and the line of fortification of the heights on which the palace stood is now almost completely traced.

The streets and private dwellings lying round the foot of the hill are being cleared. Among other finds is a small temple, the work of Nebuchadnegar, beautifully built, in apparenting the black and white color scheme characteristic of the Assyrians.

Operations on the thick stone wall, 30 feet high, connecting Palace hill and the so-called Hill of Amran led to the discovery of a magnificent gate, which Professor Koldewey identifies with the Gate of Urasch, often referred to in terms of admiration by old Greek writers. Meanwhile the professor's colleague, Dr. Andraes, is exploring the great temple of the god Assur, in the upper part of the ancient city, and the ruins of Hatra, some 40 miles distant, where valuable materials for the early history and customs of the Beduins are being brought to light.

Where Scare Are Prized. The natives of some of the islands of the Pacific are always glad to see the doctor on his periodical visits. At, Kaiser Wilhelm's harbor the German government has stationed Dr. Helsegang as medical officer. He is a busy. man. Natives by the dosen come to him, not to be treated for illness, but to get the benefit of his professional opinion on how to some themselves artistically.

The natives are very fond of scars, and nearly all of them are covered with specimens which have resulted from self-inflicted wounds which were kept open by frequent scratching or by the introduction of foreign substances like sand, bamboo, shells and so forth. The excrescence which results from the average vaccination is scratched off at the proper time, and the resulting large scar is very dear

to the native. A young islander whose face and body are a mass of cuts, bruises and scars is considered the catch of the season by the dusky belies.

Snowballing in Summer. A pretty game was devised by a mother planning for an outdoor birthday party. The little ones were lined up on the lawn and pelted with snowballs made of cotton and covered with white crepe paper napkins tied with white thread, thread and projecting paper ends being clipped off after making. Of course the delighted youngsters scrambled after the white balls. Laster on a contest was arranged, captains being thosen on two sides and ten balls being allotted to each small player.—The Designer.

Women Should Judge. Six men in Hartford, Conn., formed the jury to decide whether a lady's dress fit properly or not. Naturally, the women say that no man is competent to judge of such things, and that the jury should have been composed of six women. But, according to Mrs. Caroline F. Corbin, the men were doing their "God-given" duty and the jury room is no place for women.

Ingenious Old Woman Tries Her Hand at a Little Home Dentistry.

Shoe-butten eyes are frequently seen on the woolly dogs, cats and other animals sold for toys, penwipers and pincushions, but shirt button teeth worn by a human being are a decided poveity.

The only set ever made is worn by an old woman living in Pittsfield, Mass. Finding herself unable to buy a new set of false teeth she was driven by necessity to make them. She had worn for many years a gold plate, a relic of more prosperous days. This plate bore only four teeth, two on each side. In course of time her remaining front teeth fell out and she decided to try her hand at a little home dentistry. With infinite care and trouble she drilled eight tiny holes in the plate by means of which she firmly attached four white bone buttons of the proper size to it with strong linen thread. The "makeshift" touth," as she called them, were a great success, and when fitted in place in her mouth it took a second giance to tell how they differed from the ordinary dentist-made molars. As the edges of the buttons wear away with use she turns them unside down. When one is accidentally broken it is easily replaced, as she keeps a stock of bone buttons on hand for the PUTDOSS.

STYLE IN ENGLISH NECKWEAR

Broad-Ended Tie Has Been Rage for Half Decade and is Likely to Centinue.

For the last half decade the broadended tie made from the piece has been the rage in England, and haberdashers will not look at anything else. Its vogue is likely to continue for another year or two, particularly as it is to the interests of both manufacturers and dealers to keep it going as long as possible. This type of tie has a maximum length in England of 42 inches, the average for such fourin-hands being 36 to 38 inches.

A good grade of Irish poplin tubuhar the retails at about 50 cents, the highest quality Irish poplin, however, which comes in the piece, when made up, retails at about 75 cents. Other styles are priced at 60, 45 and 35 cents, and ties of these classes are to be found in the men's furnishings stores of any of the larger British cities. Wholesslers pay about \$3.90 per dosen for ties that retail at 45 cents each, and sell them to the dealers at \$3.40 per dosen, less two and one-half per cent.

Scions on Strike. Legislation in the lale of Man, off still because the bouse of keys has gone on strike. Manamen can afford to mark time, for their laws have long been advanced. Every woman, widow or spinsten in the Isle of Man, whether she be owner, occupier or lodger, enjoys the parliamentary franchise. Every widow enjoys half her husband's personal estate and has a life interest in his real estate, and she cannot be deprived of this by will. The sale of cirarettes and intoxicants to children was forbidden in Man for years before such a prohibition was enforced to England itself. England has legislated mildly against money lenders. The highest interest that can be charged for a loan in the Isle of Man is 4 per cent., and that has been the law for over two handred years. And there are many other instances in which Manz lawmakers have adopted progressive measures with entire suc-

Leper Colony of Molekal. "The leper colony in Hawati has not grown any the last several years." said O. B. Thomas of Honolulu. "In fact the number of lepers confined on the island of Molokai has been decreesed by the discovery that some of them were not suffering from the dis-

"The district in which the lepers live in separated from the main a. by a high range of mountains and the lepers have a regular municipal government of their own. They have their schools and their amusements and pursue their daily work with as much pleasure and industry as the inhabitants of thriving villages."

Deed by Doser by Arithmetic. Before wireless telegraphy was thought of, and the patient could communicate with the shore doctor, the captain was the ship's doctor, says the London Chronicle. He had a medicine chest with numbered bottles. and a book of instructions. There is a ship's carpenter still living who owes his life to the captain's treatment. It was rheumatism. The captain read in the book of instructions: "In cases of rheumatism one tablespoonful of No. 11 three times a day." There had been a run on No. 11. But "6" and "5" were full. "I reckon that makes "11." said the captain. And he cured the carpenter by arithmetic.

The Galaxy of Double Stars. Coburg, Lane county, a village of 200 people, boasts two pairs of twins born within the last six weeks, and six pairs of various ages in attendance upon its public schools. Upon the basis of these facts Colonel Roosevelt. in to be invited to visit Coburg while in the state and say a few encourage ing and congratulatory words to the

parents of the vilage.—Portland Ore-

monian.

SHIRT-BUTTONS FOR TEETH . IN FEAR OF HONORARY TITLE

Baron Stouben Alarmed Lost He Should Meet Mishap That Befel Lafavette.

Some men have shunned honorary titles almost as earnestly as others have coveted them.

After Lafavette had been made a doctor of laws by a New Jersey college shortly before the close of the Revolutionary war, Baron Steuben was in great fear lest he should meet with a similar mishap. Having to pass through a college town where the marquis had been thus distinguished, the old warrior, so the story runs, halted his men and thus addressed them .

"You shall have to spur the horses well and ride through this place like the devil, for, if they catch you, they will make doctors of you."

There is another story that only a flow years ago, when college degrees were scattered somewhat lavishly, an illiterate old man of great wealth, having been honored with a degree by a college which he had laid under obligation, made a wager that he could obtain a similar honor for his servant. He won the wager and, encouraged by his success, made another that he could obtain a degree for his horse. This time, however, he loat. The college authorities got wind of his game, and in answer to his request for a doctorate for So-and-se the president wrote a courteons note. saying that though the trustees were anxious to oblige so good a friend ed the college, they had found on emanination of the records that though they had once conferred a degree upon a jackass, there was no precedent for conferring one upon a horse.

MYRIAD FOES OF THE OAK

Most Afflicted of Trees is the Prey of /Over Fifteen Hundred Kinds of insects.

Along the Hudson river, from Spuyten Duyvil to Ossining, according to reports of foresters, thousands of elm trees have been saved from destruction since last fall, the apraying process, more freely employed than ever before, (having killed the eggs of devastating beetles by the million. Mon. provided with machines that throw a poisonous fluid even to the hisbest branches of the threatened trees, have been busy at this work for several months when the weather was favorable for such operations.

"Strange," said a workman in charge of a spraying apparatus, "but the beeties never attack a maple or a horse chestnut or any other kind of tree. These pests always go for the elm, but the oak has troubles of its own that are entirely different from those of We've found that the ani is greatly afflicted. No less than fifteen hundred kinds of insects feed upon it at one time or another durings the season of verdure. What do you think of that? The great wonder is that the elm, as a species, is not extinct." And the man wanted to read the names of the devouring pasts from a list of them he had in his pocket.

Complex American Legal Problems.

No country has such complex and varied problems to cope with as the United States. Conditions arising by reason of the heavy tide of immigra-Con from all countries, including gontiles, Jows, Oreeks, Turks, Mohammedans, those of all religious and those with none; those coming to promulgate socialistic doctrines, the perplexing Chinese and Japanese questions in the west, the abolition of shavery, the rights of trusts, the organisation and rise of federations of labor here raised perplexing questions which have demanded the attention more or less of the criminal arm of the law.

A War on Wild Pigeons.

A great slaughter of wild pigeons took place all over the Isle of Wight this week and it is estimated that quite a thousand guns were enrolled for the campaign, among them being landowners, occupiers and shooting tenants who were publicly invited to take part.

The guns were stationed in words and coppiess over a wide area. Some big bags were obtained. The farmers have suffered terribly owing to the depredations caused by the wild pigeons.-London Evening Standard.

Origin of Dollar Sign.

"Pieces of eight" mean the Spanish, peso duro, or hard dellar, bearing the numeral eight and being the value of eight reals.

Our commercial sign for the dollaris supposed by some authorities tohave reference to this eight, the vertical strokes representing the Pillare of Hercules, which in the beginning were stamped on some of the Spanish dollars. According to another account the dollar sign is derived from the stamp "8R," accompanied by two wertical strokes.

What She Forgot. A lady who had given a workman engaged on some work at her house a glass of beer, afterwards asked him. If he liked It.

"It is pure beer. I brow it myself, and it is composed of nothing but mait and hope." "And water," joined in the man.

"Ab, yes, certainly, and the water. I had forgotten that." "No, you didn't forget the water. ma'am; maybe it were the malt and

L'ABEILLE DE LA NOUVELLE-ORLEANS