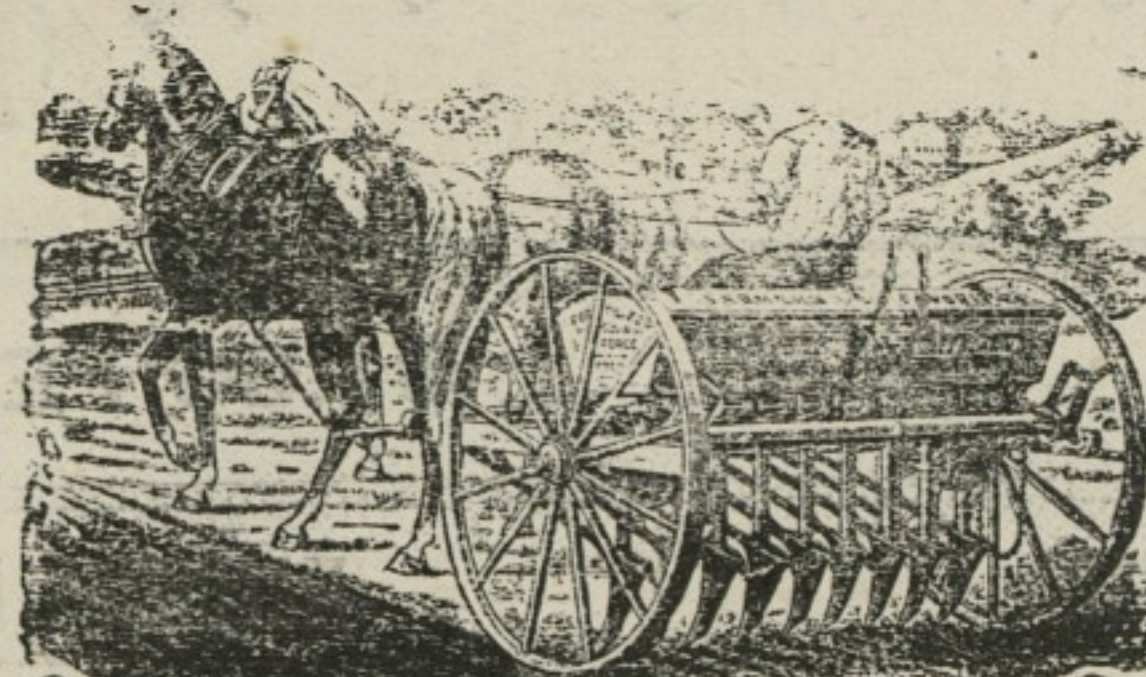


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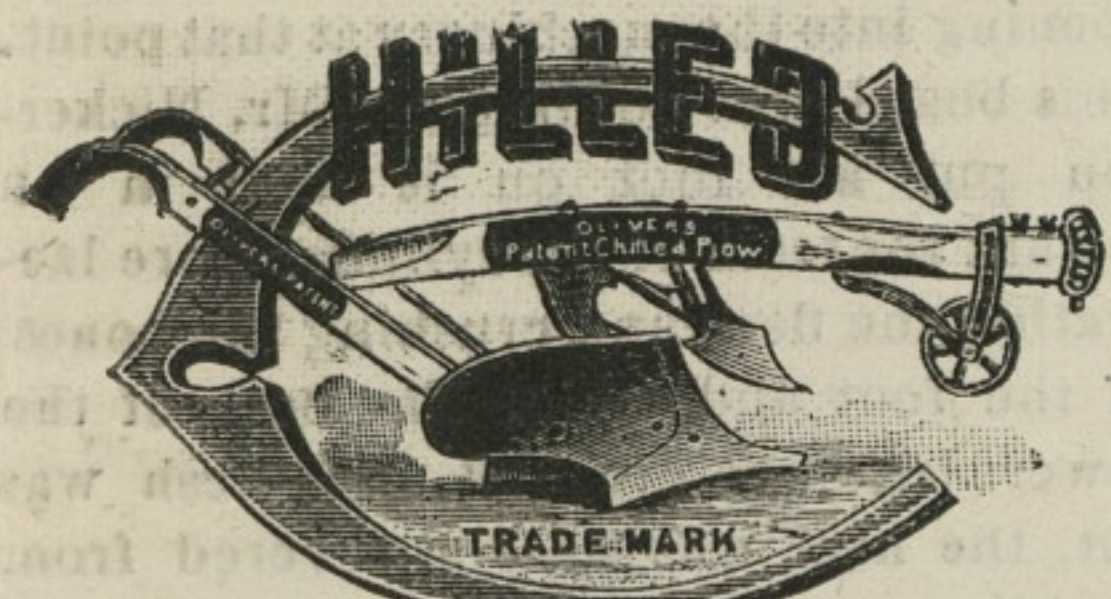
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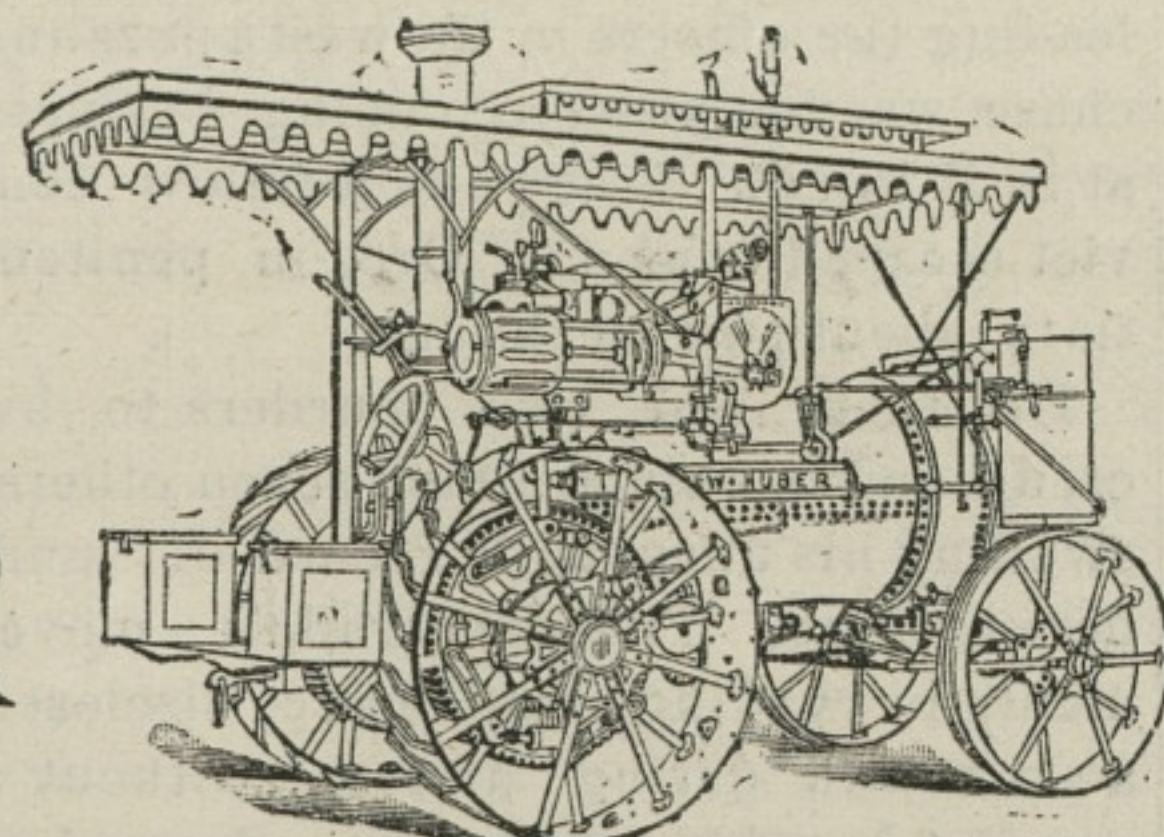
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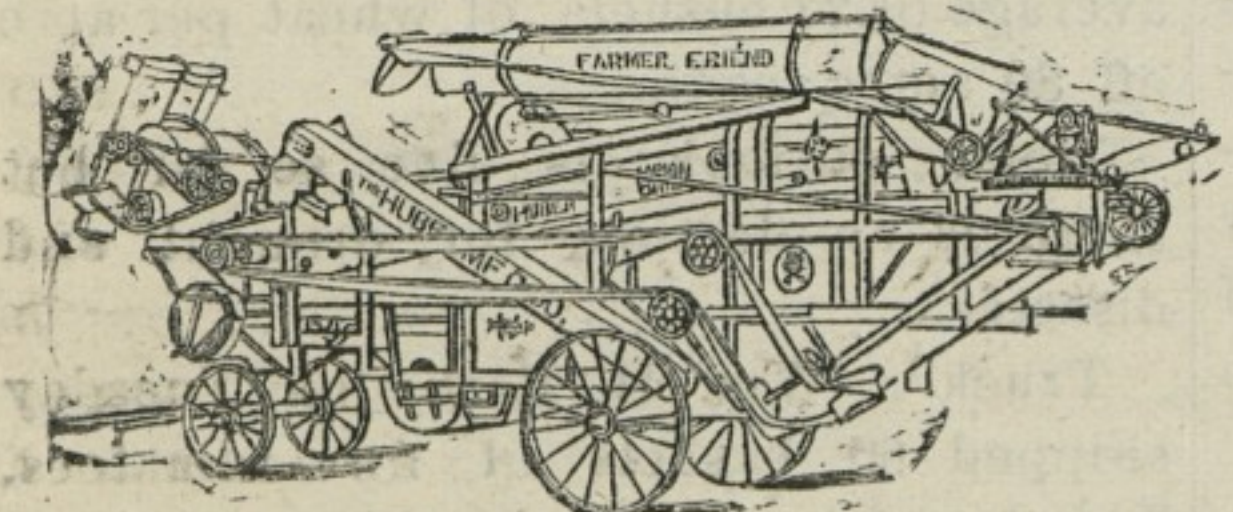
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THE HINDOO PITCHER.

A Charming Storytella by Rosalie Mitchell Schuyler.

[EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE TRANSCRIPT.]

Lady Winnifred Ashton sat alone, idly musing in her boudoir. Her unfinished embroidery lay untouched in her lap, her hands were clasped, and she was in deep thought. A tap at the door broke her reverie. "Come in," she said. "Well, Merton, what is it," as the maid appeared carrying a strange box covered with foreign seals and various markings. "This is something by the foreign express, which Jones has just brought, my lady." "Why did you not let Jones bring it up?" "I thought it was something important," the maid hesitated, and seemed confused, "and that you might prefer opening it by yourself." "You are right, Merton," replied my lady, as she unclasped her hands and leaned forward with more interest than she had shown for many days.

The girl proceeded to unstrap the cords, and with care and skill, soon opened the box, which was not large, but strong, and packed inside was a small but most exquisite pitcher of the rare china made in the East. It represented a lotus flower, perfect in shape and coloring, but coiled around the flower and twisted so as to form a handle was a perfect serpent, its head bent over the pitcher and the mouth wide open, showing a hollow throat some inches deep. The color of the serpent was a lovely green spotted with gold, and the open mouth was of a vivid scarlet. The whole design was strange, but very beautiful.

"Is there any name or letter of any kind," said Lady Winnifred? "I can find nothing," replied Merton, after carefully examining all wrappings. "From where does the box come?" "It's last marking is London, my lady, and the first," but again she hesitated. "I think it is Calcutta." A deep red crept over the lady's beautiful cheeks. Could it be possible that after years of silence and estrangement, caused by her own willful coquetting, that Reginald still remembered her? How long and deeply she had repented, only she, herself knew, while others wondered at her pale cheeks, and the almost life of a recluse that she led in her father's splendid home, Ashton Court. Could it be possible that she was still remembered after her cruel parting when Reginald left her, to go to active service in the Sudan, under Kitchener? But then, such a strange gift, and no message, not a word. She placed the pitcher on the table near, and had her maid fill it with water. Then a strange thing occurred. As the water rose some inches in the heart of the flower, a purring sound came from the depths of the pitcher, and the sweetest and most delicate odor seemed to emanate from it. The snake, which was coiled around the lotus, grew more brilliant in color, and the brilliant eyes shone like gems.

The strange gift was kept on the table of her boudoir, and possessed a mysterious charm for my lady. Her father, who was devoted to his sports, only gave a passing glance, pinched her cheeks and proposed a hunt on Lady Belle, his best mount. But hunting was one of the lost pleasures of my lady, who was paying the penalty of her rashness by days of ennui.

"I do believe," said Merton, in the servant's hall, "I do believe that that snake pitcher will drive my lady clean daft." "Why so," said Jones. "Oh, the strange sounds it makes, like it was alive, and the queer colors—sometimes pale, and then deep red, and such a sweet perfume as the flower gives out, and then my lady just mopes and gets paler and sadder all the time."

A year had passed since the box with its mystery had come to Ashton Court. Many suitors had come and gone also, for the fair daughter of Ashton Court had no smiles now for the gallants who came to win her hand. After the gayest life—in the whirlpool of fashion, where she had won and flung aside hearts and hands like paper cards, she had found that the dearest and best of all had gone with the rest, and now it was too late to recall him. This proud beauty was not more imperious than the brave man who had taken her flat refusal and gone to the wars—and then, silence.

Sometimes she heard of him as he rose in rank for brave deeds, but no message came. No sign that he ever had received a red rose, faded, but a token of repentance, that she had sent by her brother, also a soldier going to the Sudan.

One day two little lads, her cousins, came riding their ponies over the gravelled avenues of Ashton Court. They came to see cousin Winnifred, and when she took them to her boudoir they were delighted beyond words with the Lotus pitcher, "and Oh! Cousin Winnifred, we heard about it today, for when Lord Ross came to see papa, you know he is a general now."

But Lady Winnifred stood aghast "Lord Ross," she repeated, "at home, in England?"

"Why, yes," said the elder lad, "he came today, and papa told him at luncheon of your pitcher, with the snake, and all, and we just were wild to see it—And Lord Ross said, what was it, Douglas, I forget?"

"Oh! he asked papa if you were married, and papa said 'not yet, he believed you would wait for me,'" and the lad blushed, and Douglas, getting

near the pitcher, had pushed his little riding whip down the serpent's open throat, for fun, to see where the tongue reached, and as he hastily drew out the whip there fluttered to the floor a tiny ring with a sparkling ruby, and just one word engraved on the inside, "Eternity."

"Oh! Douglas," said his brother Rupert, "What have you done?" But my lady caught the ring with its talisman, the well known emblem of the Ross family.

Reginald had sent it. He was alive and had not forgotten her. The light of a new joy danced in her eyes, and when her lover came that evening to Ashton Court, he found the fair lady more beautiful than ever, in her joy of meeting him. And who would have thought that that little snake would have kept the ring in its throat so long, and my lady never to suspect it.

"Well, I always thought snakes were queer animals," said Merton to her audience in the lower hall. When the beautiful bride gave her hand to Lord Ross a few months later, no other ring would suit her for the wedding ring but the wonderful Ruby which came concealed in the strange Hindoo Pitcher.

ROSALIE MITCHELL SCHUYLER.

A "CRACKER" FOURTH.

How the National Holiday is Celebrated on St. Andrew's Bay.

St. Andrew's Bay, July 7th, 1902.

MY DEAR TRANSCRIPT.—Friends of long standing like ourselves may gossip occasionally and do no harm, even though we do talk about my neighbors, the "Crackers." You know the couple; "A little gossip now and then is relished by the best of men," still holds good and will most likely until the end of time.

All "Crackerdom" has been celebrating the Fourth. 'Tis the custom on the bay for each town in turn to hold the celebration, entertain visitors from far and near, have some one read the Declaration of Independence, deliver addresses and have contests for prizes. 'Twas little Millville's turn this year, and your correspondent has gathered stray bits from the day and stirred them together, and from the mass thus formed, evolved the following which will give you some idea of a Cracker holiday better than she could otherwise describe it.

On the Fourth of July, nineteen hundred and two, Millville gave a free barbecue. From miles and miles came Crackers galore. Until in Millville there was room for no more.

They came, these Crackers, both large and small. From tiny wee babies to six feet tall; Some were fat and some were lean; Most of them gawky and all of them green.

There were Crackers dark, and Crackers fair, Crackers a plenty with curly hair; Crackers in blue and Crackers in white, One Cracker in red, my eye, what a sight.

When the Declaration of Independence was read, Then came the rush for beef, mutton and bread; They ate and ate, these Crackers galore Until at last they could eat nothing more.

When the darkies' time came to get their share, 'Twould have made you smile to see them stare. For oh ye gods and little fishes, There was nothing left but empty dishes.

Then some one heard an old uncle say, "Gwine on foteen year since I come on dis bay. And dese putty face Crackers I natly spise, Dey eats like pigs and dey boun to tell lies."

Listen at em now; talkin so brash, They ain't nothin' nobow but po white trash. Reckon dey ain't had nothin to eat for a year, Been a savin' up till dey got down here."

Poor old man, he had been cheated out of his dinner and "des natly" felt cross himself, as it is very likely he had been savin' up for sometime as well as the putty face Cracker. If only "The Father" had been here the fun would have seemed increased a hundred fold to, FLORIDA.

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Jo Hill, the inspired poet of the Fayetteville (West Virginia) Journal, has a rival in a contributor who has evolved some remarkable staves, of which the following is a specimen:

"There was a young lady named Tate, Who went out to dine at 8.08; I'll not attempt to relate What this lady named Tate And her tete-a-tete ate at 8.08."

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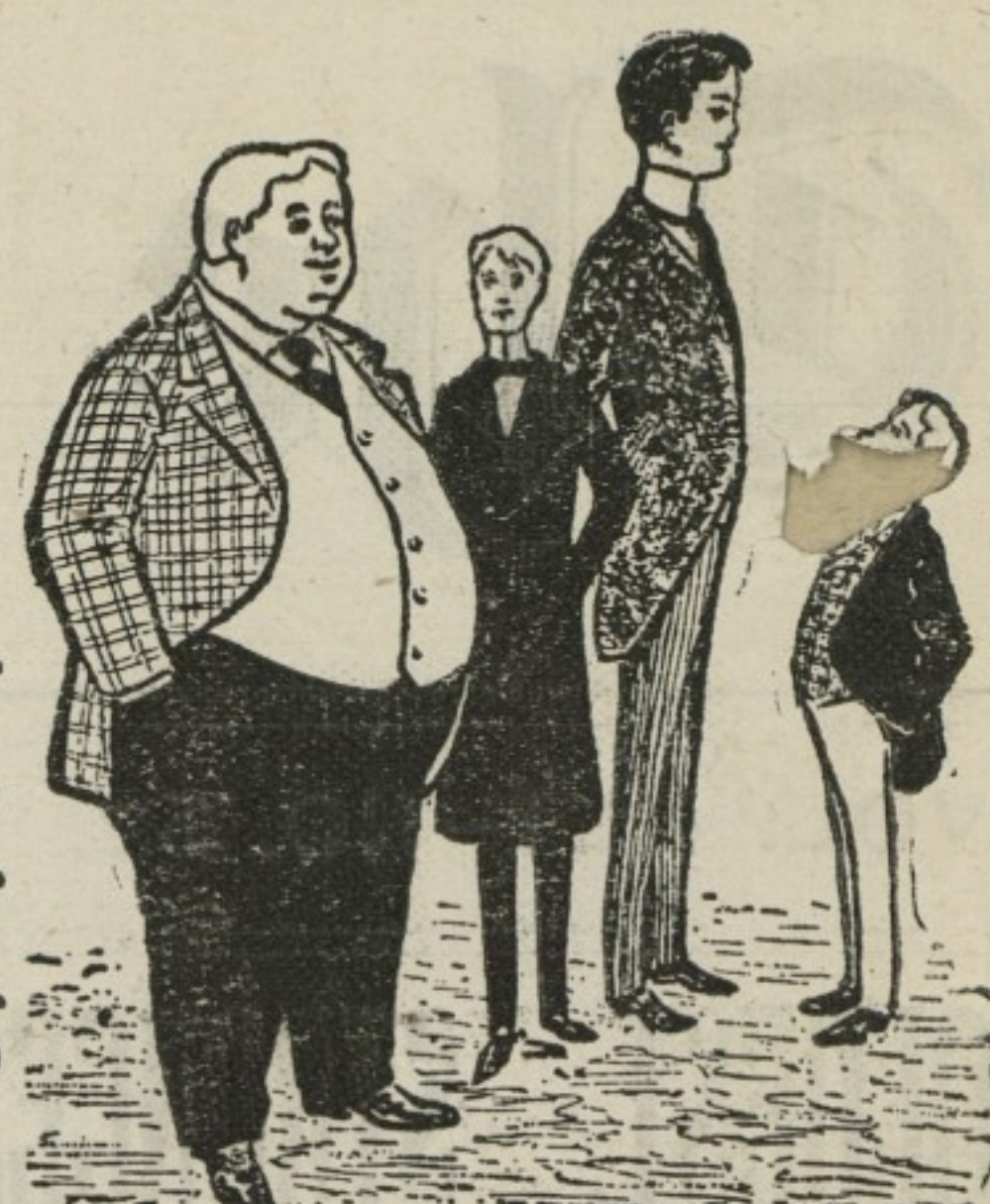
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