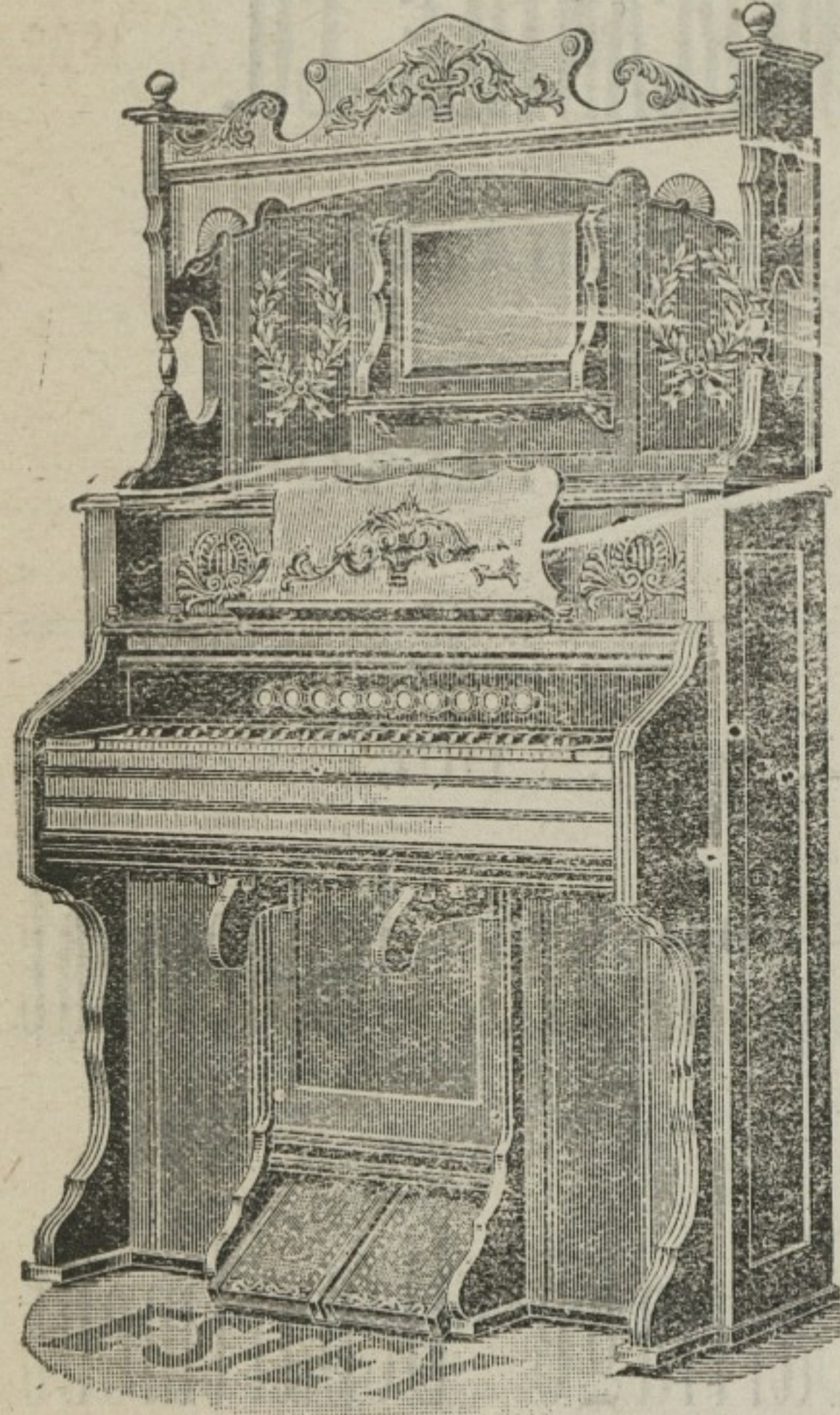


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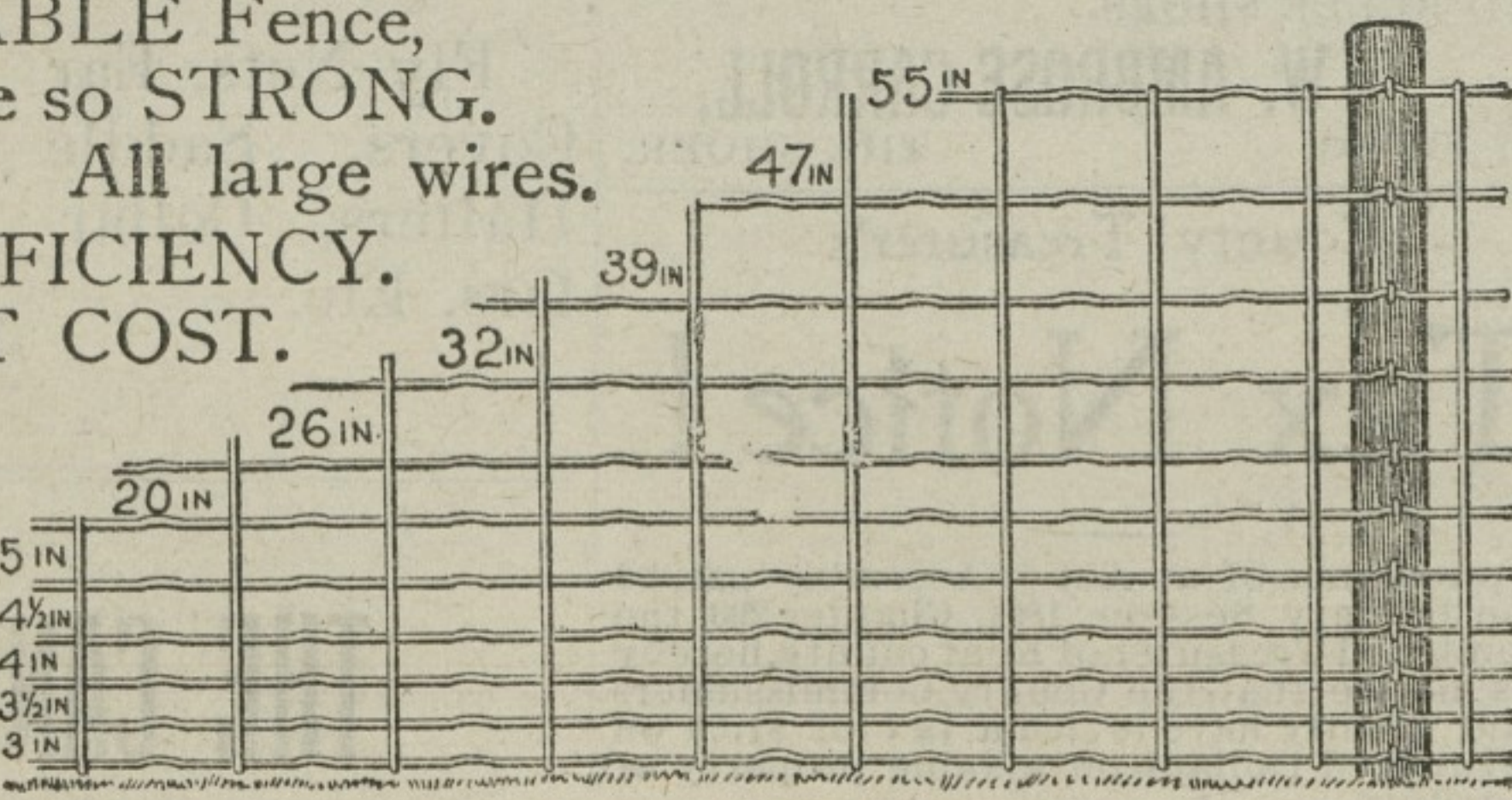
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MAIL BY ELECTRICITY.

Just at present considerable discussion is being aroused by a new invention of an Italian Count Priscitelli Taeggi, which will, it is claimed, make possible the transmission of letters by electricity at almost telegraph speed. Press reports state that the Count is even now in London arranging with the British government for the installation of the system which, if the contract speed of two hundred fifty miles an hour be reached, it is to include the entire territory of Great Britain.

"The general conception of the system," the inventor is quoted as saying, "is to have a small electric railway of steel wires, over which light vehicles are to run at a speed of two hundred and fifty miles an hour."

"The wires or lines are divided into sections. One set connects the most important towns, such, for example, as London, Birmingham, Leeds, Liverpool and Edinburgh. Other wires branch from the main line to towns of lesser importance, and from these towns other wires branch off to the localities within a limited radius."

"Therefore, the first and second class districts are in direct communication with each other, while the third class districts communicate directly only with those of the second class, which in turn forward the correspondence from the third class districts."

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"As soon as the posting box is empty, it descends and the collecting vehicle closes and resumes its journey, performing the same operations at each collecting box until it reaches the central post office again."

"When the letters have reached the central post office, they are carried on belts and so many dropped in front of each sorter."

"When they have been arranged according to their districts, the letters are sent up by means of elevators to the hall, where the boxes are placed on the wires."

Beside the unusual rate at which these mail boxes travel, it will be noted that another great advantage is in the fact that a letter is put in motion almost as soon as it is posted.

"IF YOU LOVE ME TELL ME SO."

BY A VIRGINIA WOMAN.

Some one asked the other day why it is that farmers are usually so chary of words of love and appreciation towards their wives. Why this should be so I cannot tell, but it is nevertheless a fact in the majority of farmers' homes. I have no doubt but that within their hearts they love their wives just as well as other people, but why not tell them so? Why keep it so closely hidden within the recesses of our hearts, when its expression would brighten the way of another, and at the same time make our own burdens seem lighter?

I recall an incident that occurred while on a visit to a friend who is a farmer's wife. She was not strong and was overtaxed with the many duties of the household. One day she ran out to the barn where sheaves of millet were stored. Gathering an armful of the large, feathery plumes, she brought them into the house, arranging them prettily over the picture frames and in the vases on the mantel, laughing and chatting the while and feeling brighter for her trip out into the sunshine. When her husband came in from his work at dinner time she smilingly called his attention to her decorations, asking if he did not think them pretty. Instead of praising her taste he asked gruffly if she had nothing better to do, saying that the millet thus wasted would furnish a meal for a horse. His wife turned away with tears in her eyes and a bitter feeling in her heart, and for her the day was robbed of its sunshine. This overburdened little woman longed many times for words of cheer and sympathy which were never given, leaving her heart sad and lonely for the want of them. And the pity of it is that hers is only among many whose hearts are hungering for expressions of kindness and sympathy and love. Some day, when too late, we may think of the loving words left unsaid.

Again the great detective was equal to the emergency. "Don't tell me that you are married," he hissed; "I see that you are only engaged!"

"How do you know?" faltered the young man.

"Because every cigar you offered me from your vest pocket was broken."

PRACTICAL EDUCATION.

The demand of the present is for practical education. The farmer, the merchant, the banker, are saying: "I want my boy to have a practical education." Very few boys pass through the years between fourteen and twenty-one without a strong desire to earn money. They feel power withing them, but it is potential power. They long to take their places among men and be in the front of the fight, but they are untrained,—they must be educated and they cry: "Give me a practical education."

The demand is perfectly reasonable and one that must be met but the question comes, "What is a practical education?"

There is your boy before you. The possibilities that are wrapped up in his nature are absolutely unknown quantities not only to you but to him. Your years of experience may have given you some advantage over him in judging what he is capable of doing, but, on the other hand, his personality can never be fully known even to you, his parent. But suppose you had the wisdom to determine the line of work your son could pursue most successfully, there is another party who must be enlightened and that is the boy himself. Here is the problem that the boy's education must largely solve—it must introduce him to himself! Once a boy is introduced to himself, once he catches a glimpse of power within him that he feels will be a real addition to the motive force of the world and you need not worry about his future—it is made if he be of the right stuff.

We are back once more to the question with which we started: "What is a practical education? It is that education which will introduce a boy to himself, that education which will give him such a view of the problems of life as to inspire him with a desire to face them, that education which will so show him the attainments of others that he will be stirred to exclaim, "I, too, can do that." If to study Latin or Greek, if to read the pages of history or the chapters of biography, if to learn to hold his thought to a problem in mathematics until the vague becomes clear, if these will give him a belief in his own powers and a grip to hold himself to his best possibilities, then the study of Latin and Greek, history, biography, and mathematics will mean for him a practical education.

"What is a practical education?" It is an education that fits a man to meet life successfully, nay, more,— an education that fits him to meet life victoriously, and more than this cannot be given to any man.—American Thresherman.

THE GREATEST OF ALL LANDS.

Hon. Ludwig Max Goldenberger, Royal Privy Councillor of Commerce of Germany, after having made an eight months tour of the United States in the interest of commerce, and studying our methods and ways of dealing with the public, says:

"The United States like an enchanted garden, has brought forth from a marvellously productive soil splendid results of human ingenuity. Yet the thing that causes most wonder is that the concentrated intelligence which, intended to replace human factors by machinery, has in working towards its aim, been giving to constantly growing numbers of workmen an opportunity to support themselves and become productive factors. The joy at the size of their own land encourages each individual. It makes him communicative and friendly to foreigners who are seeking information. It seems as though everyone were filled with the idea: 'The stranger shall see how great and strong America is.' My eight months trip of observation and study took me through the States, and everywhere I found opened doors inviting me to enter, and nowhere did I find the slightest attempt at secretiveness. Everywhere I observed an uncommon but steady bustle of men who enjoy their work and are consciously working for great results. 'It is a great country.' This is the verbatim designation of reverential admiration which the citizen of the United States has found for his country."

"That" is Proper.

There is one word in the English language which can appear six times consecutively in a sentence and make correct English.

To illustrate: A boy wrote on the black-board "The man that lies does wrong."

The teacher objected to the word "that," so the word "who" was substituted. And yet it must be evident to the reader, for all that, that "that" that that teacher objected to was all right after all.—Will Carleton's Magazine.

Too Risky.

"I don't believe," said the large, manly-looking lady with the square jaw, "in permitting my children to be the victims of the myth concerning Santa Claus."

"Still," her friend answered, "do you think there would be any real danger in permitting your husband to wear the whiskers just once a year?"—Chicago Record Herald.

Dr. Dosem—"My boy, don't you know that cigarettes paralyze the lungs?"
Boy—"Oh, I dunno. You order hear me holler when dad ketches me smokin' 'em."

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