

THE FARMER

In a lovely garden long ago Under the tropic sun, Old Father Adam toiled away Till his weary work was done.

A German Romance Complicated by the Entanglement of a Sonnet and Some Curl Papers

FROM THE GERMAN.

MAX VON KRIECHMAN was engaged in swinging dumbbells when the bell of his apartment rang. At this early hour it could be only an intimate friend or the grocer, so Max continued to exercise in peace.

of his love for the all captivat- ing widow. "I am very glad for you, Cousin Max," said Gretchen calmly, as he ended his confession. "Do you think you will be married soon?" Her voice sounded perfectly calm and unmoved, and somehow, Max was distinctly vexed that she took his news so quietly.

HOW MEN SHAM DISEASES

NOTABLE INSTANCES AMONG SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

Efforts of Beggars to Appeal to the Charitable—Securing Rest and Treatment in Hospitals—Fatal Self-Imposed Injuries—Not Easy to Detect Malingering.

THE art of shamming disease has reached a high level of perfection. This is mainly to be attributed to the fact that the rewards of proficiency are great. Fresh in the minds of all is the recent case of a professional beggar in the city of London whose voluntarily paralytic limbs stirred up the lively compassion of the passersby, even of the poor, so that charitable gifts flowed into his ready palm.

Imperceptibly into hysteria, and indeed in many hysteria is combined with the wish to deceive. It is not probable that in some of these patients there is a certain degree of cutaneous anesthesia, which renders the self-mutilation more easy of accomplishment. There are other causes for simulating disease or injury. Sometimes it is done to avoid punishment, sometimes to wreak vengeance on another person who is accused of having inflicted the injury.

COTTON OR SHODDY IN A FABRIC How the Percentage of the Adulterants is Determined. Worsteds cloths are less often adulterated than woollens and are more easily detected. A cotton worsted is a lie on the face of it, for the cotton stands out with prominence. But often a cotton thread is twisted with a worsted thread, and to determine its presence it is only necessary to take the twist out of the thread and then examine its component parts.

TO PROMOTE FROG CULTURE. Secretary Shaw Has His Legs and Calls Their Legs "Dressed Poultry." The recent increase of the import duty on frogs' legs has already stimulated a languid but pleasing industry. Although Secretary Shaw has no direct authority to revise the tariff, he may change the classification of an article so as to effect the rate of duty.

There was but one thing to do, and Max promptly made up his mind that, cruel as it was, he would tell his cousin...

Keep the poetry, sweetheart," Max continued, as, meeting with no repulse, he drew the young girl closely to his heart. "Keep the poetry, if you will, but let me tell you in prose what has long been true, although I realize it best to-day: that I love you and only you."

Another frequent motive for malingering is to attract attention not for the purpose of obtaining money but merely to gain notice. Simulated joint affections are not rare and there are many other forms. These cases merge...

It is impossible for a sane man to imitate successfully the persistent insomnia which often occurs in the insane; the impostor cannot put off sleep beyond the second or third day.

His Audience. A lecture by the eloquent pastor of Tremont Temple Church, Boston, is thus referred to: "A very interesting lecture was given by Dr. Henson. His subject was 'Fools.' A large number came."—The Boston Watchman.

Going to Rest. The craze for old furniture has reached such a height that Lord has turned his wife out of doors to make room for a Louis XVI. cabinet.—London Truth.