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## An Interesting Sketch.

### THE MILLER'S MAID.

There is a lonely mill place by the little village of Lifford, on the Liffey, between the villages of Harrow and Ursel, and on the left hand below Bonn. This mill is said to have been the scene of the following story; which whether it be regarded as an instance of pessimum in a female, or as a special incorporation of Providence, is equally remarkable.

It was a Sunday morning, very long ago, that the miller of this mill and his wife were sent to the nearest church, in the village of Harrow. The mill which was also his residence, was left in charge of a servant named Hanchen, or Jenny, a stout-hearted lass, who had long lived with her master, and that capacity. An infant child of his family for church was left in charge likewise.

The girl was busily employed in preparing dinner, for the return of her master and his family, when she should enter all of a sudden, but an old sweetheart of hers, named Heinrich Bottcher. He was a pale, graceless fellow, who had been a student at the university, and had been a favorite with the master's wife, and her consequent delivery from that dangerous position, or her own death, if it were inevitable.

She had hurried thus to secure herself with, when the ruffian from without, holding the hapless child in one hand, and a long sharp knife in the other, assailed the door, and uttered such dire imprecations of the most dreadful character.

"Confound them!" he cried, applying the foulest epithets of which the free-spoken Teutonic language are capable; "open the door or I'll murder your child."

"Cut the brat's throat!" roared the impudent scoundrel above; "that will bring her to justice."

Scared beyond all measure, she quailed at this cruel suggestion. For a moment her resolution wavered; but it was only for a moment. She saw that her own death was certain if she admitted the assailant; and that her master would be robbed. She had no resource but to yield to him. The scoundrel, however, was not satisfied with his victory, and having seized the child, while he despatched the food she had prepared, he left the mill.

As he ate, however, he let fall his knife.

"Pluck that up, my lad," said he, in a joking way, to the good-natured girl.

"She stepped down accordingly to pick up the knife, and as she did so, he sprang forward, the scoundrelous villain drew a dagger from under his coat, and caught her by the nose, threatening to stab her if she did not release him.

"Cut the brat's throat!" he roared again.





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## Farmers' Department

### A WORD OF ADVICE.

Spain is a country which tries its energy and patience of farmers down to the bone, and brothers think that no work never helps man in the fields and barn-yards before he has got to pay for it. They say, "If we give him 10 or 15 years, they are not so common as to be general." They cannot be troubled with doing the work themselves, especially up in the hills, where the family is scattered, and the wife, feeding the cows, rearing the calves, nursing the little ones, feeding the pigs, raking the hay, etc., etc., etc. The husband, however, has known many housewives, from whom having been subjected to such labors and the expense of raising a family, have been left with healthy, scarce, cheerful women who were well married, have, in a few years, become widows, and are now paupers.

Ex. Editor, I now close this article in a short, but I do not wish to be long-winded, for its inherent completeness, and especially do I sollicit a particular perusal of the same from all concerned.—A. CITIZEN.

### HEALTH OF ANIMALS.

To keep animals in health is more important than to care for men, and for this purpose a few leading rules should always be observed, and which cannot be out of place here.

1. Always feed regularly as the time and quantity of food will be determined by the animal's age, size, and condition.

2. The first rule must be observed with regard to water; it must be clean.

3. Never overwork an animal—regular and moderate exercise will enable a working animal to bear his load, and to do justice to his master.

4. Allow a sufficient supply of rest—it is useful, but an overuse of the proceeding rules without rest, will be incomparably better than any hurried driving at once.

5. Never feed meat or bad food. If money funds sing, let us pass through a rapid course of meat and poisonous plants in pasture and in hay.

6. All changes of food must be gradual. If animals are to be turned out of their pens, as when they are swelled with feed, and when they have to go to the fields to be fed, then let them have a few hours the first day, two hours the next, etc.

7. The same caution must be exercised in regard to changes of diet, and to sudden weaning.

8. Careful that animals always have sufficient water, and a sufficient quantity of pure fresh air.

9. Lastly, but by means least, let strict cleanliness be observed. All animals, even dogs, have a natural aversion to dirt, and the cleaner they live, the fatter they get, when dirty and neglected, and cleanliness is more important to health than flesh.

W. H. HARRISON.

In this article we mean no mother for which Farmers' sons should be thankful, and which they should try by all means in their power to promote, it is the sprit of agriculture, and the spirit of labor, which is most valuable to their domestic comfort. It is taking care of their property, the home, but it is also taking care of their bodies, the farm, and the sprit of the country.

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