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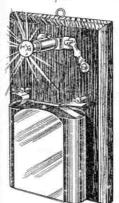
In the Science section of the building are two life-like tableaux, one of which can just be seen in the illustration on page 289. The first shows a tropical jungle scene, with long grass and wild undergrowth, the palms sheltering a little native hut in which a white man is lying haggard and ill. He is covered with a dirty scrap of native blanket and watches a native preparing a kind of porridge over a smoky wood fire. Flies and insects are innumerable and the country round about is swampy and full of fever, while snakes and wild animals abound in the jungle.

The second tableau shows what science has accomplished on this same piece of ground. The man is standing, well and strong, having cleared and drained the land, which is now being cultivated and made profitable. Fruit trees shade the neat little bungalow he has built, and the place is so healthy that even the man's wife may live here safely. All food and milk is protected from flies and insects by muslin covers, and the open verandah is covered with a mosquito-net.

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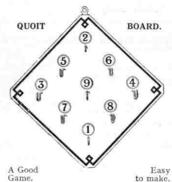
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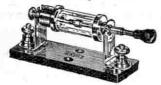
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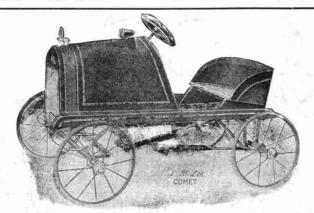
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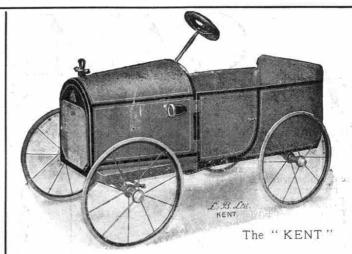
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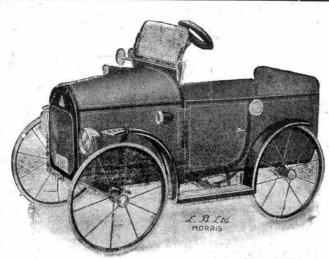
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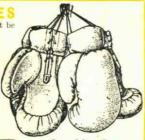
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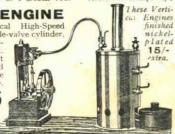
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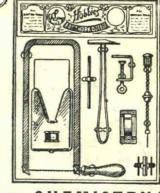
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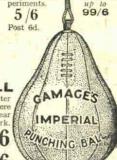


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