













# SONGS

## FOURTH

Five Little Boys.

Joe—  
I'd be a fifer on the Fourth,  
And lead the martial band:  
To march through town,  
All up and down,  
And play on every hand.

Horace—  
I'd like to be a G. A. R.,  
With uniform so blue;  
And sword of might,  
And bayonet bright,  
And soldier's knapsack, too.

Theodore—  
I'd rather be a marshal,  
And ride a prancing horse.  
I'd take the lead  
With my fine steed,  
And wear a badge, of course.

Harry—  
Oh, I would be an orator,  
And where the crowd could  
I'd stand up high  
On the Fourth of July,  
And talk of liberty.

Roy—  
Well, I would be just what  
I am,  
A boy among the boys;  
And go it strong  
The whole day long,  
With flags and fun and  
noise.

The Bells of Liberty.

Ring out, O bells of liberty!  
Ring out with joys of mirth,  
And send the rapture of your chimes  
Around the listening earth;  
Ring loud and clear that all may hear—  
The fettered and the free—  
The voice that stirred our fathers' souls,  
The voice of liberty.

Ring out, O bells! ring once again,  
A purer, holier chime,  
And the echoes of your strain  
Far up the hills of time;  
Ring, ring with clear prophetic voice  
The bliss that yet shall be,—  
Say to the earth, "Rejoice, rejoice!  
For love is liberty!"

Ring, tuneful bells, ring sweet and clear  
A hymn of prayer and praise  
That God will guide us year by year  
Through His appointed ways.  
Ring, ring harmonious to his will,—  
For only those are free  
Who in the love of God fulfill  
His law of liberty.

—Ida Whipple Benham.

A Doubtful Vindication.



The Hon. Eclat Jones (orator of the day)—Feller citerzena, it has been said dat I writes my orations. I denounce de 'cusation as false and slanderous. Feller citerzena, I kain't write!

In Darkest Africa.

The Fourth of July is celebrated by Americans in nearly every country under the sun where fortune has wooed them. Even in the wilds of Darkest Africa the day is always remembered by the natives as the birthday of a nation far across the sea from which comes the commercial man, who gives them yellow gold and bright silver for their ivory and shells. Of all white traders visiting the tribes of Central Africa the Americans are most highly esteemed by the black men. Sometimes this good feeling takes form in big feasts, which, as a rule, are held on the anniversary of the Declaration of American Independence.

July 2 and July 4.

Even at this late day there is more or less dispute as to the proper day for celebrating the Declaration of Independence. Contrary ones hold the annual celebration should take place on July 2, because on that day the declaration was adopted by congress. It was not until the Fourth of July, however, that the declaration went into effect.

More Work for Lawyers.

Dora—Edith married a very nice man, I hear.

Clara—He's nice enough, but it won't be long before there will be a divorce in that family. He is cross-eyed.

"What difference can that make?"  
"She can never tell whether he is admiring her or some other woman."

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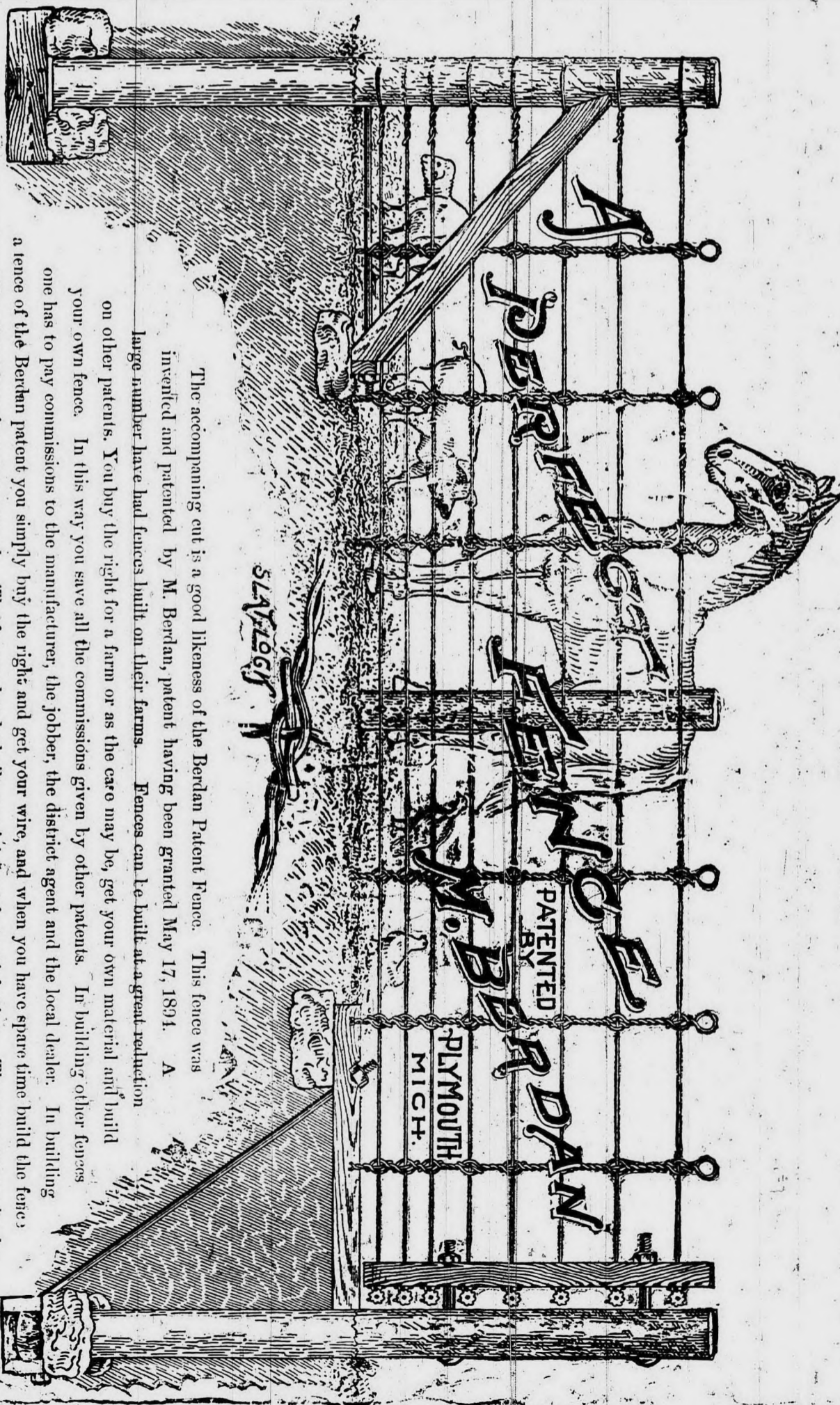
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