

We Wish You a Prosperous New Year

Wheat Popular

to mill Durum to its best advantage, a superior grade would be produced for macaroni and bread uses. This seems to be verified in the growing demand for it. One large mill in the country is now grinding it exclusively, while others use it to blend with hard wheat.

It is known that wheat grown with the minimum amount of moisture necessary for it makes better flour than that produced in the wet season, and an official of the Bureau of Plant Industry declares that Durum will thrive with a minimum rainfall of from twelve to fifteen inches per annum. Under these conditions there is no reason why it should not be a success every year in this portion of the state.

An Important Bank Ruling

According to a recent ruling of the Commissioner of Banking at Austin, which was made in conjunction with the Comptroller of Currency at Washington

in order to cover both state and national banks, these institutions are given very positive instructions relative to the practice of allowing overdrafts in cases where there is no apparent security.

In this issue will be found statements from each of the local banks setting forth this fact and reminding their friends and patrons that the overdraft will of necessity have to be discontinued. The state banking laws have been framed in order to furnish absolute protection to the depositor against all possibility of loss by reason of the failure of any institution and in order to continue this protection they have assumed a strict command of the business methods of each institution incorporated under these laws. Banks are required to file and maintain a record in charge of the captured diamonds, surrounded the other two and disarmed them. Breathing heavily from the short but sharp struggle, the captors marched their prisoners to the far end of the cabin and seated themselves between the Hindoos and the doors. They were still on the alert to prevent an attempt to escape on the part of Kananda or All. The other two Indians being handcuffed, it was less likely they would make a spurt for liberty, but the policeman took no chances.

New Year's Eve

Put on your thinking cap tonight,
The year is surely ending.
And be in earnest, just for once—
Let there be no pretending.
Repent bad deeds that you have done,
Harsh words that you have spoken,
The vicious thoughts that you have had,
And promises you've broken.

Make restitution where you can,
Repent each wrong intention,
And all your petty meannesses
Too numerous to mention;
Cast up accounts—see how you stand—
Though all may not be mended;
Do what you can to balance things,
The year will soon be ended.

Another yearly lap is run,
And have you been a winner,
Or are you still without the fold—
An unrepentant sinner?
No one can tell the length of life,
And none from Time can borrow:
Tonight is yours—and, who can tell?
You may not see tomorrow.

Con over good and ill, tonight,
Time's sands seem flowing faster,
And answer: In the coming year,
Shall right, or wrong, be master?
Shall conscience be your friend and guide,
From outer rim to center,
Or will you let the wrong prevail,
And satan be your mentor?

Close up the book, the year is done,
And another page is waiting,
And will you write it full of love,
Or obloquy and hating?
Decide, the clock is striking twelve,
The whistles are all blowing,
And you must be a derelict,
Or make a goodly showing.

Enroll your name—here, take the pen!
And hesitate no longer;
Decision, be it what you may,
Will serve to make you stronger;
The right is here, the wrong is here,
Choose love, or sin and sorrow,
But join the side that you would serve,
And "be a man" tomorrow.

—Jake H. Harrison.

NOTICE

This is to advise that on and after February 1, 1912, the undersigned bank of McLean will not pay the check of anyone that will result in overdrawing the account of the party giving the check. This action is necessary in order to meet the demands of the Commissioner of Banking, and is in keeping with modern banking rules.

We shall appreciate it very much if our customers will kindly anticipate their requirements to the end that it will not be necessary for them to issue checks on their accounts unless there be funds on hand to protect it, as the banks have no alternative but to decline payment of checks involving overdrafts.

Citizens State Bank

Time Table.

Westbound—
No. 41—1:04 p. m.
No. 43—4:26 a. m.
Eastbound—
No. 42—12:15 a. m.
No. 44—10:25 p. m.

not based on sound business principals and tends to weaken the strength and resources of the institution, the banks have decided to allow no overdrafts that are not secured by warehouse certificates, bills of lading, etc.

Flax Profitable Crop In Texas Panhandle

BY H. M. BAINER

The following article on the subject of flax growing in the panhandle should be carefully read by every farmer in this section who intends formulating a diversification program:

"While flax is one of the old-time domesticated crops, it is perhaps the newest one now being recommended for North Western Texas. It has been known in the U. S. since the time of our Pilgrim Fathers. Its growth so far has been confined largely to the Northern part of the U. S. and Southern Canada. It is not what might be called "a hot weather crop"

although it does very well in those sections where the nights are cool, even if the days are hot.

"On account of the altitude of the Panhandle this crop promises well. The nights are cool and the days are not hot. Flax like many other crops, adapted to this section, requires that the soil be well filled, with early deep moisture, and that the seed bed be firm at planting time.

"On account of having a tap root, flax will stand a great deal of dry weather after being well started. For this reason the seed bed should be thoroughly and well prepared.

"In the north, flax is considered as a sod or newland crop, although it is raised very successfully on well prepared, well settled old land. The sod for this crop should be turned at a depth of about 21-2 inches and should be rolled down at once.

"The seed should be sowed with a grain drill and be covered not to exceed one and one half inches in depth. From 18 to 20 pounds of seed is sufficient for an acre, if the ground is well prepared, and the seed planted with a drill.

"Flax will not stand frost therefore it should not be sowed until all danger of frost is past. The writer recommends sowing as early as May 15th, if weather conditions are favorable, the sowing season can then be continued to about June 10th.

The standard weight of flax is 56 pounds to the bushel; so it will be seen that one bushel is sufficient for sowing three acres.

Flax is a crop that cannot well be sowed on weedy land, unless the weeds can be killed before sowing time. The plant is rather inclined to gridding, when young and is therefore easily smothered by weeds.

In the North, this crop is often affected by what is known as "Flax Wilt," a sport disease. While this disease may not hinder the crop here, it is well to guard against it. This can be done as follows: Secure one pound of formaldehyde and mix it with 40 gallons of water. The seed should be spread out and thoroughly moistened with the solution. Care must be exercised to shovel it over until thoroughly wet. It should then be piled from one to two hours. If not sowed at once, it should be dried rather than left in the wet condition. In order to insure against this disease, the writer recommends that all seed sowed in this section be treated as described above. Flax is not a large yielding crop but the selling price is always good. The average yield in Canada is about ten bushels per acre, while in the U. S. it is a little better than six. The average selling price is probably about \$2. per bushel, although it is worth \$3



Are You Laying Some of These Away?

And are you looking forward to the time when on account of old age they will be harder for you to get hold of? You can choose no better place than in our bank to start your account and we are always ready to help our depositors in every way possible. MAKE OUR BANK YOUR BUSINESS HOME.

American State Bank

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POOR LITTLE MELLON "KIDS"

ONCE A WEEK WITH THEM IT'S "GOOD-BYE PAPA!" "HELLO MAMMA!"



PITTSBURG.—"Goodby, papa, dear."
"Oh, goodby! Mamma's coming to-morrow!"
That is the pitiful little tragedy that is enacted each week at the front door of one of Pittsburgh's most beautiful mansions.

The children are nine-year-old Alisa and three-year-old Paul, son and daughter of Andrew W. Mellon and Mrs. Nora McMullin Mellon.

Father and mother are struggling desperately in the divorce courts to be free of each other. The children are forbidden by the court to see either parent more often than every other week.

Were there ever two children so sore beset? For more than eight years of her young life Alisa had been quite the happiest little girl in all Pittsburgh. For six years she was quite certain she was very happy. Then, when a little baby brother came to keep her company, she was positive of it.

And what fine times Alisa and Paul, that was the name they gave little brother, had. Their papa was very, very rich. Everything they wanted they could have.

Mamma—how they did love her! She was so pretty, and she used to come into the nursery every morning, and how they did play on the floor.

Alisa, who was very old-fashioned for her age, every one said, often used to ask her father and mother if they supposed it was possible for anybody else in the world to be as happy as she was.

Now in all fairy stories there just has to be a bad fairy. And while this isn't a fairy story, there is a bad fairy to it for the little Mellon children.

Beginning of the Trouble.
Less than a year ago every one in Pittsburgh and many people outside of Pittsburgh were genuinely shocked and really sorry to hear that Mr. Mellon and his wife had disagreed.

Mr. Mellon, whose wealth is estimated in the millions, was very well known throughout the business world, and his friends were legion and loyal.

Mrs. Mellon was many years her husband's junior. She had come to Pittsburgh from Dublin, Ireland, as the bride of Mr. Mellon, and all Pittsburgh welcomed her with pleasure. They liked her bright ways, her keen wit, and she was acknowledged a beauty.

The Mellons, first when they had only little Alisa and later when they had Alisa and Paul, lived in one of the finest houses in all Pittsburgh.

In the year that has followed the declaration of Mr. Mellon that he intended to free himself from his wife there have been occasional references to the fortunes of the two little Mellon children.

At first the children were permitted to remain with their mother. Then a judge who had to look only through the eyes of the cold, harsh, unsympathetic law, said the children belonged to their father. Then another judge said they didn't belong to either—temporarily. And finally a Solomon-like judge wisely decided that they belonged to both, but that they can't have father and their mother at

So now the little girl and her little brother live in the great mansion with servants galore.

One week they have their mother with them. The next week they have their father to play with them.

Still Something Lacking.
Of course, Mr. Mellon is just as rich as he ever was, and everything that little Miss Alisa and young Master Paul want they still can have.

And Mrs. Mellon, too, is just as pretty as she ever was—in the eyes of Alisa and Paul, for, of course, they couldn't well be expected to see the lines of care that have come in her face, nor is it likely they will notice the one or two white hairs that trouble has sprinkled among the mass of brown. Nor is it likely that Alisa and Paul notice a bit of difference in their mother when she plays with them on the floor of the nursery.

But they really are not very happy. Just as they are getting real good and acquainted with papa again after he has been away for a week, he bundles them up in his arms, bids them good-bye, starts off and they don't see him again for a week.

And the very next day after papa goes away, mamma comes rushing in, smothering them with kisses, and when they want to know where she has been for a whole week, just puts her fingers on her lips and says, "Now, sweet-hearts, no fair asking questions."

That is the way the grave and very wise justice has settled the troubles of the little Mellon children.

It was ordered by the court that Mr. Mellon should immediately secure a house for the children's use. Then they were to be installed in it with their guardian, and Mr. Mellon was to be permitted to visit them for one week and Mrs. Mellon for the next, and so on alternating until the troubles should all be finally settled.

And that's the way matters stand now.

Fine Home for Children.
The judge hadn't specified what kind of a house the children should have, so Mr. Mellon promptly went out and found the nicest one that was vacant in Pittsburgh. It has twenty rooms and five bathrooms, and it really is plenty large enough for Miss Alisa and Master Paul.

Their rooms are right side by side and their guardian is directly across the hall. Then at one end of the house is a very nice, pretty, sunny room, that no one but Mrs. Mellon uses, and at the other end of the house there is a room that is kept for Mr. Mellon.

There are a few other rooms set aside for the servants, and the entire remainder of the house is just one big playroom.

There aren't many people who have ever been in this house, for the Mellon children are too young to have many callers, and it isn't likely their guardian would want them to have much company at present anyway.

If you happen to pass the house some day you will be quite certain to notice standing in the yard right close by the side of the big house a tiny little place that is just as perfect a house as you ever would want to see. That is Alisa's playhouse and it was

a present to her from her Grandpa Mellon.

Some people used to think that Alisa and Paul lived there in that house, but they really didn't, though in the summer time, especially, they spent so much time in it that it is no wonder strangers thought they lived there.

Finest of Playhouses.
It isn't at all likely there is another playhouse in all the world quite as nice as this one. It has real furniture, made to fit it; the finest little stove you ever saw; curtains on the windows, and dolls—well, there are so many dolls in the house that it really is quite overcrowded.

Yet neither Alisa nor Paul is any too happy, despite everything that kind-hearted people try to do for them.

When trouble first came between Mrs. Mellon and her husband the sympathy of the majority was plainly with Mrs. Mellon. Nor has she lost one bit of it since the case has been buffeted back and forth through the courts. The action of Mr. Mellon in having her forcibly ejected from the family residence, in seizing his two children, has made some of her friends most bitter in their denunciation of the millionaire. Yet, despite all the bitterness that apparently exists between the father and mother, they are as united today as they ever were when on the common ground of love for their children.

LEGENDS ABOUT THE CROW

According to Roman Mythology the Bird Was White Until Apollo Made It Black.

It is difficult to state the average life of a crow, but it is certain that its tale of years is much in excess of its merits, for it can scarcely be said to attain to a good old age, and even in its senility it is still ripe for mischief. For the crow in all ages has reached a bad eminence. It is frequently mentioned in legendary lore. According to Roman mythology its color was originally white, and it owes its black plumage to Aesculapius, for his mother, the nymph Coronis, had a quarrel with his father, Apollo, who so far lost temper—probably he had the worst of the argument—as to kill the unfortunate nymph upon the spot. Apollo had the grace to mourn his rash act, and he determined that the crow should mourn, too, and so he changed its white feathers into black, and the crow was made to "put on sullen black incognito."

The crow has always been fabled to have the gift of speech, and it was consecrated to Apollo on account of its gift of prophecy. The Argurs watched its flight as a means of divination. If it flew to the right it was a most favorable omen, while if it turned to the left it was a plain indication that disaster awaited the enterprise. Pliny also comments upon the long life of the crow, and states that if it made its appearance upon the left side it was a happy augury. He says that its cries were an indication of coming rain, and that its eyes were valuable as charms. The Latin crow seems to have been a more worthy and better behaved bird than his Indian brother, who is an incorrigible thief and mischief-maker, and an unmitigated nuisance. According to Dr. Buckland, funeral honors were read to the crow and the raven by the Romans and the Egyptians, and he gives the following translation in proof of this statement: "And the Romans performed funeral rites to the raven, a flute player leading the procession, borne aloft on the shoulders of two Ethiopians. Around the Marsh of Myria speeches of the crow and this, made of valuable stone, were visited."

PUT AN END TO COLD FEET

Scheme to Make the Carpet or Rug Warm by Means of Electricity.

By means of electricity it is now proposed to make the carpet, the Persian rug, or the tiger's pelt as warm in winter as the latter was while worn by the tiger. In Germany the experiment is now being tried of wiring the floor-covering so as to heat the carpet or rug and do away with solid floors. A patent has been taken out for running wires through the carpet in parallel lines in such a way that an ordinary lighting current can be run through the wires. The conductor becomes warm and heats the carpet. The heat in large carpets can be controlled as desired, and the carpet will remain warm for two or three hours after the current is turned off. A small foot-rug can be heated and taken for comfort during a carriage ride.

The wiring of carpets for this purpose is new, but patents have been issued before for passing wires or wire-gauges through compartments in tablecovers, carpets and other coverings for lighting purposes.

The Dog in Warfare.

Vegetius, the Roman writer on things military, tells us that dogs were used in the fortified towers of his time, to make known by their barking the approach of the enemy. During the middle ages dogs were employed to guard camps and bulwarks. The bloodhounds of Scotland bore a reputation for wonderful skill in tracking escaped prisoners; and they were used, too, for attacking the enemy's cavalry, being provided with coats of mail having hooks and prongs with which to mutilate horses. There are records of dogs having been used in warfare as far back as 1467, and Ptolemy and Pliny both refer to them in their books.

Knees Became Stiff

Five Years of Severe Rheumatism

The cure of Henry J. Goldstein, 14 Barton Street, Boston, Mass., is another victory for Hood's Sarsaparilla. This great medicine has succeeded in many cases where others have utterly failed. Mr. Goldstein says: "I suffered from rheumatism five years, it kept me from business and caused excruciating pain. My knees would become as stiff as steel. I tried many medicines without relief, then took Hood's Sarsaparilla, soon felt much better, and now consider myself entirely cured. I recommend Hood's."

Get it today in usual liquid form or chocolate tablets called **Sarsatabs.**

W. N. U., Oklahoma City, No. 1, 1912.

METHOD OF KEEPING YOUNG

Remarkably Sound Advice for the Woman Who Has Some Years of Life to Her Credit.

"The way to ward off old age is not to fear it, not to allow one's self to be oppressed by the dread of advancing years. Use only legitimate preventives and avoid trying experiments with preparations not indorsed by physicians. Do not wear toilettes intended for young girls, they only add years to the appearance. Keep up your interest in the young, but do not envy them. Retire with dignity from the struggle, do not pose as your daughter's rival. Above all, surround your life with sweet, true affections which prevent the heart from growing bitter. Do not lose interest in the growing events of the day; do not fall behind the times and do not harp on other and better days. To those who come to you for advice be always kind and sympathetic. As you advance in years preserve carefully your personal appearance, for once lost it may not be regained, save by strenuous effort. Your costumes should be simple and unpretentious, yet graceful. These rules, carefully and sensibly followed, will keep you young and attractive.—Exchange.

Barber Shop

L. L. LASSWELL, Prop.

Troy Laundry Basket leaves Tuesday and returns the following Friday.

ALL WORK GUARANTEED

murmur of complaint was heard from the passengers who, adopted the following resolutions:

Whereas; the officials of the Rock Island road having so heartily and hospitably provided for our comfort, and

Whereas; the trainmen having worked so faithfully discharging their duties, and

Whereas; the good citizens of McLean having welcomed us to their city so becomingly; therefore

Be it resolved; that we most sincerely thank both the railroad company and the citizens of McLean for any and all courtesies shown us during our enforced stay in their care, and

TIED DOWN, She Had 20 Years' Slavery—How She Got Freedom.

A dyspepsia veteran who writes from one of England's charming rural homes to tell how she won victory in her 20 years' fight, naturally exults in her triumph over the tea and coffee habit.

"I feel it a duty to tell you," she says, "how much good Postum has done me. I am grateful, but also desire to let others who may be suffering as I did, know of the delightful method by which I was relieved."

"I had suffered for 20 years from dyspepsia, and the giddiness that usually accompanies that painful ailment, and which frequently prostrated me. I never drank much coffee, and cocoa and even milk did not agree with my impaired digestion, so I used tea, exclusively, till about a year ago, when I found in a package of Grape-Nuts the little book, 'The Road to Wellville.'"

"After a careful reading of the booklet I was curious to try Postum and sent for a package. I enjoyed it from the first, and at once gave up tea in its favor."

"I began to feel better very soon. My giddiness left me after the first few days' use of Postum, and my stomach became stronger so rapidly that it was not long till I was able (as I still am) to take milk and many other articles of food of which I was formerly compelled to deny myself. I have proved the truth of your statement that Postum 'makes good, red blood.'"

"I have become very enthusiastic over the merits of my new table beverage, and during the past few months, have conducted a Postum propaganda among my neighbors which has brought benefit to many, and I shall continue to tell my friends of the 'better way' in which I rejoice." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pigs. "There's a reason."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are good, true, and full of interest.

Serious Complication.

"I know you'd sympathize with you, Mrs. Polhemus," said Mrs. Lapsing. "My left eye was affected once just as yours is, and I had an awful time with it. The doctor said the trouble was that the subjunctive was granulated."

Sure!
Kidder—Sandy, what is this "Carnegie Foundation" I've heard so much about?
Sandy—Dinna ye ken? 'Tis oatmeal.

The Occasion.
They had been having a little tiff. "Oh, of course," said he, wrathfully. "I am always in the wrong."
"Not always," said she, calmly. "Last week you admitted that you were in the wrong—"

"Well, what's that go to do with it?" he demanded.
"Nothing except that you were perfectly right when you admitted it," she replied.—Harper's Weekly.

Put Out.
Truxton Hare, the football veteran, deprecated, at a dinner at the Markham club in Philadelphia, that type of football player who always fails in his examinations.

"Such men do more harm than good to a university," said Mr. Hare, "yet even the fathers and mothers of such men are proud of them."
"One broker said to another the other day:

"How is your son doing at college?"
"Oh, rotten," was the reply. "He's put his knee out, and has to confine himself to his studies."

Says the Earth is Flat.
It is something of a reproach upon cultured Boston that a man living next door to it, Charles W. Morse of Brookline, believes that the world is flat as a pancake. Moreover he backs up his conviction with the offer to give a thousand dollars to the man who can prove the world is round. It is not surprising that there are men in this day and generation who believe in the flat theory, but it is remarkable that one of them should have been able to make a fortune.

Weary Feet.
I wonder how many people who suffer torture with their feet in hot weather, agonies of aching, burning, swelling and extreme tenderness, know that a raw potato, peeled and cut in half and well rubbed over them every night and morning, will cure the trouble? Or, failing that, a good daily soaking in strong cold tea? Or that the worst soft corns will yield to a treatment of salt—ordinary salt applied night and morning?

The New Fatality.
The player seized the ball as it rolled away from the half back and started down the field with it.
Just as he crossed the goal line he stumbled and fell and broke his neck.

"What was the cause of death?" they asked the coroner. "An accident?"
"A fluke," replied the official as he made a note of it.

Tribute to Washington.
"More than to any other individual, and as much as to one individual was possible, has Washington contributed to founding this, our wide spreading empire."—John Marshall.

Much Easier.
"My wife decided to do some preserving today and I left her performing the feat of a daring swimmer."
"What might that be?"
"Stemming the currant."

And So!
Nan—Jack asked me for a kiss.
Fan—Well?
Nan—Well, there wasn't time to write and ask Laura Jean Libbey if it was proper.—and so—

Naughty.
Without wishing to insult any bashful men get married, Globe.

Anatomical Study.
Miss Mary Garden, a beautiful Chicago, said of a beautiful young man, "The Callot svening," said B. Gown: "The prettiest evening gowns are turned out in Paris. In response to the right kind of pride—then," said Gaiders' Christmas ball to anatomy."

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A Vigorous Football Team

"Does your boy play football?"
"No," replied Farmer.
"Josh wouldn't stand coddle job like that that leads the mob in houses after the game."

In the Line.
Agent—I want you for the new directors shall be pleased to give condition that it be of type.—Harper's Weekly

Tragedies Told.
"She Had Married Him."
"Motorcycle Collision Car—Car Uninjured."
"Happened to Catch Smoking."
"Tries His New Trench Coat."
"Fat Man Sneezes in Elevated Station."
"Hostess Accidentally Ties of Bisulphide of Carbon."

Her Horrid Fate.
Her dearest friend for a call, and she put a box of expensive candy on the table. "Oh!" squeals friend, "I've been squandering your money!"
"Of course not; that's my money."
"A present? Have you been here to visit?"
"No."
"Some old schoolgirl?"
"Of course not."
"That business friend of yours?"
"Don't be so silly."
"Oh, I know! You were in the line."

Important Business.
Congressman Murray sets in the closing session of congress. In preparation to go to the camp and hunting trip, enthusiastic about it, he is giving lessons at a rifle range. His party was to leave for a trip, he received a telegram from his law partner in said:

"Come to Boston at once; business; don't delay."
Sadly Mr. Murray said trip, surrendered his observations and hurried to office. He dashed in, his partner. The partner said: "Hello, Bill! Come on!"

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Critical Condition

Women who suffer

Serious Complication.

"I know how to sympathize with you, Mrs. Polhemus," said Mrs. Lapaling. "My left eye was affected once just as yours is, and I had an awful time with it. The doctor said the trouble was that the subconjunctive was granulated."

Sure!

Kidder—Sandy, what is this "Carnegie Foundation" I've heard so much about?
Sandy—Dinna ye ken? 'Tis oatmeal.

The Occasion.

They had been having a little tiff. "Oh, of course," said he, wrathfully. "I am always in the wrong."
"Not always," said she, calmly. "Last week you admitted that you were in the wrong."
"Well, what's that got to do with it?" he demanded.
"Nothing except that you were perfectly right when you admitted it," she replied.—Harper's Weekly.

Put Out.

Truxton Hare, the football veteran, depreccated, at a dinner at the Markham club in Philadelphia, that type of football player who always falls in his examinations.
"Such men do more harm than good to a university," said Mr. Hare. "yet even the fathers and mothers of such men are proud of them."
"One broker said to another the other day:
"How is your son doing at college?"
"Oh, rotten," was the reply. "He's put his knee out, and has to confine himself to his studies."

Says the Earth is Flat.

It is something of a reproach upon cultured Boston that a man living next door to it, Charles W. Morse of Brookline, believes that the world is flat as a pancake. Moreover he backs up his conviction with the offer to give a thousand dollars to the man who can prove the world is round. It is not surprising that there are men in this day and generation who believe in the flat theory, but it is remarkable that one of them should have been able to make a fortune.

Wary Feet.

I wonder how many people who suffer torture with their feet in hot weather, agonies of aching, burning, swelling and extreme tenderness, know that a raw potato, peeled and cut in half and well rubbed over them every night and morning, will cure the trouble? Or, falling that, a good daily soaking in strong cold tea? Or that the worst soft corns will yield to a treatment of salt—ordinary salt applied night and morning?

The New Fatality.

The player seized the ball as it rolled away from the half back and started down the field with it.
Just as he crossed the goal line he stumbled and fell and broke his neck.
"What was the cause of death?" they asked the coroner. "An accident?"
"A fluke," replied the official as he made a note of it.

Tribute to Washington.

"More than to any other individual, and as much as to one individual was possible, has Washington contributed to founding this, our wide spreading empire."—John Marshall.

Much Easier.

"My wife decided to do some preserving today and I left her performing the feat of a daring swimmer."
"What might that be?"
"Stemming the currant."

And So!

Nan—Jack asked me for a kiss.
Fan—Well?
Nan—Well, there wasn't time to write and ask Laura Jean Libbey if it was proper.

A Vigorous Po

"Does your boy play football?"
"No," replied the father.
"Josh wouldn't stand a coddle job like that that leads the mob to his houses after the game."

In the Line

Agent—I want you for the new directors shall be pleased to give condition that it be of type.—Harper's Weekly

Tragedies Told

"She Had Married Him."
"Motorcycle Collision."
"Car—Car Uninjured."
"Happened to Call Smoking."
"Tries His New Test-rant Steak."
"Fat Man Sneezes in Elevator Station."
"Hostess Accidentally of Bisulphide of Ca

Her Horrid

Her dearest friend for a call, and she put a box of expensive candy.
"Oh!" squeals friend.
"Of course not, that's a present! Have no relatives been here to visit?"
"No."
"Some old schoolgirl?"
"Of course not."
"That business friend band, who—"
"Don't be so silly."
"Oh, I know! You

Important Bu

Congressman Murray sets in the closing session of congress, in preparations to go to camp and hunting trip. He is enthusiastic about it, and his party was to leave. He received a telegram from his law partner in said:
"Come to Boston at once business; don't delay."
Sady Mr. Murray started trip, surrendered his observations and hurried to office. He dashed in, in his partner. The partner said:
"Hello, Bill! Come on."

Anatomical Stud

Miss Mary Garden, at Chicago, said of a beautiful Callot statue make the prettiest evening are turned out in Paris, gowns are sometimes a decollete. Still, every body—everybody, Conservatory ball or dinner rather startling.
"I heard a woman say the other day: 'I took the child zoo today to teach them zoology. I think I'll teach them Gleders' Christmas ball to anatomy.'"

Advocates Right Kind

Miss Muriel Bechefer, Wellesley college paper, college to be a "sport" been denounced so often that it is hard to realize the right kind of prize—the bolsters up a limp back one to smile at the little which it is so easy to give girls first began to learn "sports," she says, they were cribbing, this glory left so long to the masculine

Naughty.

Without wishing to hurt thing it may be said that a bashful man get married. Globe.

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IN BARBER

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briskly around the corner and boarded at Bleeker Street a subway train. At Fourteenth Street they caught the first uptown Van Cortlandt express of the morning, and they made good time to Two Hundred and Twenty-fifth Street. There they left the train, and walked quickly along the edge of a grassy bluff overlooking the government cut that now connects the Harlem and Hudson rivers by a more direct route than the old Spuyten Duyvil creek. A few hundred yards beyond the low fence that separates the meadow from the street they came upon a man standing close behind a large tree. He was screened from the little street and from the bridge that spans it by thick underbrush. When he sighted Britz he lifted his hand warningly and beckoned. The three men went within the shelter of the bush.
"Anything Lew, Gordon?" inquired Britz.
"Yes," said the other detective. "They have gone aboard."
"Where's Hicks?"
"Down there near the water, piping them off."
"Are they on deck?"
"No, in the cabin; they seem pretty busy, too."
Gordon looked at the sky. It was growing brighter every minute.
Stepping with most solicitous tenderness on the grass, and avoiding every leaf and twig that might give forth a slight crackle, the four men made their way slowly among the bushes to the spot where Hicks, lying at full length with his head only a little way above the ground, was waiting and, at the same time, watching a naphtha yacht of more than ordinary size. Not a sound broke the silence of the early morning. The ground was bare of snow, the grass almost as green as in late summer, and only the chill in the air and the nakedness of the trees indicated the winter season. The sun was just rimming the far shore of the sound. A pioneer ray gilded the Spuyten Duyvil headland, caroming thither from the crest of Marble Hill.

After a whispered conference with Hicks, Britz slipped his hand into a side pocket of his coat, and took out something that glittered in the sunshine. At a single word from Britz, Gordon and Hicks wormed their way along the bank until they were at the bow of the yacht. Britz, Fitch and Manning stared near the stern. Suddenly the lieutenant fired a shot over the yacht that echoed metallically from the cliffs, and at the signal, all five of the attacking party leaped aboard the yacht, their feet striking the polished deck with a concerted thud that must have made those within the cabin think of a landslide.

The five men on the deck gave those below little time for analysis of their sensations. Gordon and Hicks raced around the wheelhouse to the starboard side of the craft, and dashed down the companionway from that direction, while Britz, Manning and Fitch hurled themselves into the port entrance to the cabin, alighting on a richly carpeted floor a dozen feet below the deck. Two shots followed before the police party could seize Prince Kananda and All, who, facing in opposite directions, stood at bay in the center of the cabin. Britz and Gordon struck upward the revolvers of the Indians as the triggers were pulled. Behind Kananda and All, using a table as a breastwork, stood two more Hindoos, both of them strangers to Britz. They were unarmed save for wicked-looking Malay krisbes they gripped nervously as they crouched in waiting for an attack. Britz and Manning jammed their pistols into the faces of the men with the krisbes; but the Indians, undismayed, made savage slashes at them with their razor-edged long knives. Gordon and Fitch sprang upon the kris-bearers, Hicks with a pistol in each hand standing off Kananda and All. Again and again the Hindoos slashed at their assailants, and that they did not split at least one head was due to the wary agility of the four who attacked them. Shots from the detectives' revolvers would have brought them down at such short range, of course; but the policemen seemed bent on capturing them alive, and Fitch was not a man to have recourse to bloodshed until he could be certain it was inevitable. Britz and Manning waited their chance. After futile swings at the Indians, they closed with them, clubbing their revolvers and bringing them down with crashing force on the gaudy turbans of the Orientals. A few seconds of that vicious pounding stunned the Hindoos, and it was then but the work of a moment to slip handcuffs on them. Kananda and All, in the meanwhile, had made no further attempts to use their pistols. They read death in Hicks' eyes as he confronted them with his long, blue gleaming barrels aimed straight at them. Their hesitation was fatal to them. Their revolvers. For even as their hope of escape faded, All, doubtless at a whisper or signal from the Prince, swung himself about to intercept himself between Hicks and the petty potentate's son, while Kananda turned for



"You Sent, huh, for Us, Chief."

deck, Britz, Fitch and Manning, leaving Gordon in charge of the captured Indians, surrounded the other two and disarmed them. Breathing heavily from the short but sharp struggle, the captors marched their prisoners to the far end of the cabin and seated themselves between the Hindoos and the doors. They were still on the alert to prevent an attempt to escape on the part of Kananda or All. The other two Indians being handcuffed, it was less likely they would make a spurt for liberty, but the policeman took no chances.

"Now, Mr. Kananda," said Britz to the Prince cheerily. "I reckon we'll have those diamonds."
"Perhaps you will be good enough to explain," parried the Prince with his most blase Cambridge manner.
"Explain nothing!" shouted Britz. "I've fenced with you fellows long enough. We've caught you now and we want the goods."
"Since you are resolved to carry this miserable farce farther," said the Prince, "I suppose we shall have to submit."
"You'll submit to a search, that's what you'll do!" interrupted Manning. "I don't blame you, Britz, for losing your temper with this crowd; fresh is no name for it."
The Chief nodded to Gordon and Hicks, and they began a search of the four prisoners that left nothing undone to find the diamonds. When they had examined every article of the Indians' apparel, from the Oriental costumes of the low-caste Hindoos to the conventional attire of the Prince, they looked to Manning for further instructions, for they had found nothing.

Then all four of the detectives, with the Chief and the doctor, ransacked the cabin, fore and aft and from starboard to port, as thoroughly as the Indian burglars had gone through the apartments of Griswold and Sands. They even lifted the carpet on all

sides, rolled the heavy furniture about, and prodded every locker in vain. If the diamonds were on board the yacht, they were not in the saloon.

Gordon went to the wheel, while Hicks, who had some knowledge of machinery, watched and regulated the feed of the motor. Silently as a giant swan, and as smoothly as the yacht threaded the cut to the broader stretch beyond the Spuyten Duyvil creek and, passing under the long railroad bridge on which the famous little Dolly Varden train toddled from bank to bank, swung downstream in the Hudson and headed for the Battery. The yacht was off Grant's Tomb before an idea occurred to Fitch, for which Britz not only gave him full credit, but blessed him heartily.

"See if any one of those men is wounded, Lieutenant," Fitch suggested. Britz and Manning looked the Orientals over, and made them walk up and down the cabin. The Prince halted slightly in his gait for an instant, then recovered control of his muscles, and strode as steadily as his low-caste captiots.

"That man has the Maharane," Fitch declared. "You'll find it in the calf of his leg."
Britz seized Kananda by the collar and shook him savagely.

"If you don't give up that diamond, your finish will be the operating table," said the detective.

Kananda forced another laugh. Britz, Manning, and Fitch seized him, and barring his leg to the knee, searched for marks of a wound. Strangely enough, there was a little lump in the calf. The detective looked at the doctor.

"Here's a slight protuberance, doctor," said Britz. "I guess the rest is up to you."
Fitch took out a pocket instrument case, and selected a tiny knife. Kananda, on the point of beginning another struggle to escape, was choked



and held powerless by Britz and Manning. Gripping the Prince's leg firmly, the doctor worked his scalpel gently into the small lump in the flesh—a wound so recent that it had been bound together by pieces of court plaster the color of the skin. Then he triumphantly extracted something which, though ruddied, sparkled in the gleam of the incandescent lamps with which the cabin, despite the daylight, still was illuminated.
"The Maharane diamond!" cried Britz and Manning together.

CHAPTER XXVI.

Mutual Explanations.
It was breakfast time, and Britz and Fitch after their exciting night were hungry enough to eat a Hindoo, but they did not stop to show consideration for their inner men.

As he expected, Britz found Griswold and Mrs. Delaroché in the big reception room of the Detective Bureau with the detectives who had arrested them waiting ponderously near the door, and an interested desk lieutenant looked up from his work to hear the denouement of what Police Headquarters had come to regard as the "star" case of the year.

Britz walked slowly to his own room, where the scowling Orientals were penned in a corner, while the chief of the detectives and his two subordinates were taking well-earned rest in the lieutenant's easy-chairs. Britz talked to Manning in whispers, then went to the telephone and called Mrs. Missioner's house.

"Good morning, Mrs. Missioner!" he said over the wire. "This is Lieutenant Britz—Britz, of Headquarters. I called you up to tell you we had arrested the jewel thieves and—beg pardon? What did you say—your jewels have been returned to you? That's strange. I have one of them in my pocket now. How's that? You say you have all your jewels? Then whose is this—the Maharane? Pardon me, Mrs. Missioner, I don't quite understand. We have the thieves here and the biggest of the diamonds. What did you say—you don't want the thieves prosecuted? Why, really, Mrs. Missioner—yes, of course—yes, I am talking from Police Headquarters—they are here now, all the thieves, lot No. 1 and lot No. 2. You say you don't understand? Well, I tell you, Mrs. Missioner, perhaps you had better run down here. Yes, I know it is a great deal to ask, but I have worked pretty hard to find your diamonds—yes, day and night. The Chief thinks it would be better if you could arrange to come down. It won't take you long; you need not stay more than five minutes. Oh, but you don't know who the thieves are; yes, you have guessed in part—not altogether; but I think you'd better come down; Mrs. Missioner, you will be interested, I am sure. How's that? Bring Mr. Sands? By all means, if you wish. Yes, I will await you—then you'll come? Thank you very much, Mrs. Missioner. Good-by."

"Now, what do you think of that?" said Britz to Manning. "After all our work, Mrs. Missioner calmly informs me that her jewels have been returned to her, and that she does not wish to prosecute the thieves. She says she is willing to overlook their little deviations from the path of honesty, as she is so glad to recover her jewels. I told her I had the Maharane in my pocket, and she insisted she had all her gems. What do you know about that, anyway?"

Mrs. Delaroché was brought in by a private of the detective force, and Britz, with elaborate politeness, bowed her to a chair. She was too angry to acknowledge his courtesy, and she sat looking at the lieutenant and the Chief with flashing eyes.

"Mrs. Delaroché," said Britz, "I may as well tell you at the outset that the game is up. We know all about your connection with this case, and the best thing for you to do is to tell us everything you know. Your friend, Mr. Griswold, as you have seen, is under arrest. What do you know about him?"

"I shall answer no questions," said Mrs. Delaroché, "until I shall have had an opportunity to engage counsel."
"Mr. Griswold is engaged to marry you?"
"Of course," she replied with an indignant flush.

"Now, Mrs. Delaroché," Britz replied, "I'm going to tell you that you are the most mistaken lady in Manhattan Island right now. Griswold is not engaged to you; at any rate he doesn't understand that he is."
"What do you mean, sir?"
"I mean, madam," answered Britz, "that Mr. Curtis Griswold, though he engaged himself to marry you, has been industriously engaged for some time past in attempting to become engaged to another woman."

"Who is she?"
"She is the possessor of many millions," said Britz, "a woman of acknowledged beauty and of undeniable charm. Of course, I don't undertake to say for a moment, madam, that her attractiveness equals yours. Doubtless, Mr. Griswold, being an enterprising young man, has eyes more to her millions than to her looks. Nevertheless, she is a beauty."

He watched closely the effect of his words on the high-strung woman facing him, and saw that he had touched a responsive chord. Her eyes flashed as if her very soul vibrated with jealous rage. Her breath came and went in short gasps. Her fingers twisted and untwisted nervously, and she seemed to be on the point of a violent revelation when the situation was interrupted by a knock on the door.

Britz, a flash of amusement in his face, walked to the door, opened it, and thrust his head out. In the corridor stood a man from the Detective Bureau who said:
"The prisoner, Griswold, requests an immediate interview with Lieutenant Britz."

Britz hesitated a minute, then said: "Bring him in here," and then returned to Mrs. Delaroché.
"I shall not ask you to take my word for it, madam," he said. "I'll soon give you proof of the very best kind that what I have told you about Mr. Griswold is true. Just sit over here in this alcove where you cannot be seen from the middle of the room, and pay attention to what goes on."

Shortly after that, Griswold was brought into the room, and the lieutenant, his hands in his pockets, his shoulders squared, his features cast in an iron mold, confronted the clubman.
"How long is this farce going to be kept up?" Griswold demanded.
"None of that now, Griswold. I've got the goods on you. The less of that kind of talk you indulge in, the better for all concerned. Mrs. Delaroché has told everything!"

Griswold inquired sarcastically. "And what, pray, had she to tell?"
"A great deal more than Mrs. Missioner knows," answered Britz craftily.
"Don't you mention that lady's name in such a place as this!" exclaimed Griswold with a show of chivalry that would have gone very well before a jury, but which was lost on such hardened thief-takers as Britz and Manning.
"No harm in mentioning her name, is there, when the lady herself will be here in a few minutes?"

This time there was no stimulation in the start Griswold gave. He stared at the detective as if he doubted his own hearing.
"Why—why—you simply must not let her come here," said Griswold again. "I would not have her see me here for anything in the world. Can't this be arranged somehow? Say, you know I am not a poor man—"
Britz grinned at him.
"Oh, I know you can't be bought," said Griswold. "But this is a serious matter to me. It means my whole future. I don't want Mrs. Missioner to come here and see me a prisoner. It will be different when the case comes to trial. I will have counsel then, and I can take care of myself, but just now I'm helpless. Don't bring the woman here to make her lose all respect for me; oh, man, don't queer me!"

Millicent Delaroché from the alcove heard and saw all that passed between the men. She gripped the slender arm of her chair until her tapering fingers curving around it bit into her pink palm. She watched the unmistakable agitation of the prisoner until no doubt remained in her mind of his attitude toward Mrs. Missioner. Then her rage broke through all restraint. Casting the detective's caution to the winds, she strode to the center of the room and towered above Griswold, as, thunderstruck at sight of her—in his self-centered pride of what might happen, he had utterly forgotten for a while her presence in Police Headquarters—he moved uneasily in his chair.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Louis Napoleon in America.
It is noticeable that Princess Caroline, who subsequently knew the emperor so intimately, makes no reference to the visit of Louis Napoleon to America in 1837.

He was for two months in New York, where he lived at the Washington hotel, Broadway.

It is interesting to know that he made the acquaintance of Washington Irving, whom he visited at Sunnyside. Irving had also met Mlle. Montijo.

On the occasion of the emperor's marriage, in 1853, he wrote: "Louis Napoleon and Eugénie de Montijo, emperor and empress of France; one of whom I have had as a guest at my cottage on the Hudson; and the other of whom, when a child, I have had on my knee at Grenada."—Footnote to Princess Murat's Memoirs.

How She Hurt Her Finger.
"What's de matter, Miss Clara?" asked Rosa, the Browns' colored laundress, seeing Miss Clara nursing her finger with a pained look on her face. "I bruised my finger with the hammer the other day and it hurts still," was the reply. "I has dat, too!" exclaimed Rosa, eagerly, "feels like a tingler all down de palm of my han', but mine jus' comes from slappin' de chullin' on de hand."

The man who stands on the side God's hand under him—she is a beauty.



The Scowling Orientals Were Penned in a Corner.

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PANHANDLE EXHIBIT.

Under the direction of the Amarillo Real Estate Exchange a scheme is being formulated to place in that city a permanent exhibit of the farm and garden products of the entire Panhandle.

The present plans of the exchange contemplate the renting of a ground floor building in the heart of the business district which will be fitted with glass cases for the display of farm and garden products. Each county will have the opportunity of renting a certain amount of this space commensurate with their needs. The space thus secured will be properly labeled and all exhibits placed therein may be labeled with the name of the grower and also a short history of the methods used in the production. The entire exhibit will be under the direction of a competent man who is familiar with the conditions in every section of the Panhandle and whose business it will be to impartially answer any and all questions that might be propounded to him by any seeker of enlightenment on any section represented.

The expenses of the exhibit, the hire of the man, etc., will be paid from the rent of the display space and each county may have placed in the office literature concerning its specific advantages, which will be given out to investigators.

If carried out strictly according to the proposed plans we believe the exhibit will be of great benefit to every section of the Panhandle as practically every homeseeker coming to this country finds his way to the metropolis and would have an opportunity of viewing her resources from a "bird's eye" standpoint. Later he could make more thorough investigation of the particular section that might suit his needs and requirements.

Telephone Lines Suffer.

The usually most efficient service of the local telephone system has been seriously handicapped this week on account of the freezing rain and high wind that damaged the entire line Monday night.

Manager Kibler is authority for the statement that a number of wires and cross arms were broken and tangled up and in consequence there was a merry mixup in connections. Work of repairing the system has been pushed and by the end of week it is hoped the lines will be put back in their former condition.

Buy a Gasolene Engine

And you can pump water—wind or no wind. See the

New-Way

Air cooler—won't freeze. Self oiler. Use less gasolene. Develops more power. Ask about it.

McLean Hardware Co.

Cook's Store Burglarized

For the second time within a year the store of C. C. Cook has been broken into and robbed of clothing, etc., by "tourists" who were evidently more needy than wise. This last offense occurred Tuesday night and the tramps effected their entrance through the back door by removing one of the panels with a sharp knife. After the panel had been removed it was an easy matter to work the door lock from the inside as the key had been left in it.

From appearances Wednesday morning it was evident that they had worked without a light as shelves had been rifled from front to back and practically everything in the way of clothing had been inspected. Among the articles known to have been stolen were two pair of shoes of size eight, one a heavy pair of work shoes and the other a pair American Gentleman dress shoes with rubber heels; a coat and vest; a ducking, fleece-lined coat; a sweater, etc.

Messrs. Massay and Harbert went to work on the case early Wednesday morning and soon found where the boys had discarded their old clothes on the cotton platform south of the water tank. Two pair of old shoes, some hose, overalls, etc., as well as two new undershirts were found. Later it was learned that Walter McAdams had seen one of the men with the new clothes on trying to board the blind on the east bound passenger train the night before about eleven o'clock. McAdams, with Messrs. Massay and Harbert, were at the train looking for the man who escaped from the county jail the evening before and happened to see the man mentioned. Not knowing he had burglarized the Cook store he was not molested and it is considered likely that both of the thieves made their escape on this train.

Early Wednesday morning telegraph messages were sent to all parts of Oklahoma warning officers to be on the lookout for the men and they will likely be apprehended before they proceed very far on their journey.

The former robbery of the Cook store happened last April and two boys were arrested and given jail sentences of six months each for the offense and have only recently been liberated. It seems that Mr. Cook is

fated to receive the brunt of all the burglary operations in this city, which is probably due to the fact that the rear part of his store is practically isolated from the comings and goings of the general public, making it an easy matter for thieves to conceal themselves while effecting an entrance to the building.

Just before going to press this morning we learn that one of the men has been taken into custody. A message was received from Erick yesterday that the place had two men under arrest as filling the description of the two wanted and Deputy Sheriff D. N. Massay, accompanied by Walter McAdams, went there on the noon train to identify them. On their arrival they found that the men in custody were not the ones. Mr. Massay, however, made a search of the town and about one o'clock this morning he located one of the thieves on an outgoing freight. The other man either made his escape on this train or had gone on before. The man arrested was returned here by Mr. Massay and McAdams and the Erick marshal went on to Saye to try to locate the other.

Miss Evans Married.

Friends were agreeably surprised to learn of the marriage of Miss Bonnie Evans which occurred at the home of her sister, Mrs. Elmer Kirby, at Granite, Okla., last Tuesday morning at ten o'clock. The very fortunate young man was Geo. W. Briggs of Granite and the wedding was the culmination of a courtship that had its beginning many months ago. Mr. Briggs arrived here Monday evening and Miss Evans accompanied him back to Granite, the marriage ceremony being performed immediately after their arrival.

Miss Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Evans of this city, was raised at Granite, but had been with her parents here for the past two years. Both here and at Granite she enjoys the friendship and esteem of hosts of admiring friends who join with the News in wishing for her all that is best in life.

The young couple will make their home in Granite, where the groom is engaged in business.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to extend our hearty thanks to all who have given us such liberal patronage since taking charge of the Guill Hotel. We have enjoyed an excellent patronage and hope to merit a continuance of the same.

Respectfully,
J. E. CLEM.

With S. O. Cook.

L. J. Mayfield of Shamrock arrived in the city the latter part of last week to accept a position with the hardware establishment of S. O. Cook. The gentleman has had years of experience in this line of work and will likely be a valuable addition to the business life of our little city.

Senior League Program.

Topic—Elijah, the Hebrew Prophet and Patriot; The Strength of Revolt Against Wrong—1st Kings 18:17-18; John 2:13-17.

Talk on lesson by leader.
Hymns 393, 386 and 382.
Brief story of the three crises in Elija's life—Mr. Montgomery.
Duet—Misses Anderson.
Some modern application of how our voice should be raised against evils of today—Luther Petty.

Modern Elizabeths' needed—Edith Stockton.
How the story of Elija's life helps me—thought for each member.

Leader—Bessie Sitter.

Your Feet Can Be Made Glad

This cold sloppy weather by bringing them to our store and letting us fit you up in a nice pair of shoes for any member of the family. We are very proud of our shoe business as it is growing very rapidly. We are constantly getting new things in our shoe department and we try hard to keep the sizes that you will need when you come.

We have just received a nice line of hose for the girl and boy from St. Louis and we don't think you will find anything better in this or any other town. We have the Topsy for the boys and girls and there is simply nothing better made for them.

We would also like to call your attention to the fact that we handle work trousers, work shirts, overalls, neck ties, suspenders, etc., in fact many things that it seems impossible for us to have in so small a space.

At any time our customer wants something we don't happen to have in the store we will be glad to get it for them. We take pleasure in showing our goods believing we have as good (or if any difference better) as any of the smaller stores.

Yours for business in the fullest sense of the word,

BUNDY-HODGES CO.

County Prisoners Escape.

Word was received from Sheriff Denson at LeFors Tuesday evening that a prisoner had escaped from the county jail. The man was serving a sentence for robbery, having stolen several articles from J. W. Mars east of McLean several weeks ago. He gives his name as Fluffy Ruffles.

The manner in which he escaped is not known at this time but it stated that another man by the name of Thompson, who was serving sentence for complicity in the same offense, escaped at the same time. Thompson was captured soon after while making his way south from the court house.

At this writing no clue as to the whereabouts of Fluffy Ruffles has been secured and officers are searching in every direction.

LATER—The escaped prisoner returned and gave himself up to officers next morning.

Successful Move.

After working a large crew of section hands for days; after spending many hours struggling with a snow buster and a rotary snow plow, the Rock Island finally yielded to the inevitable the first of the week and procured one of our large Canton Listers and opened up their road for the passage of trains.

The Canton Lister will do the work required of it under any and all conditions. We have them for sale.

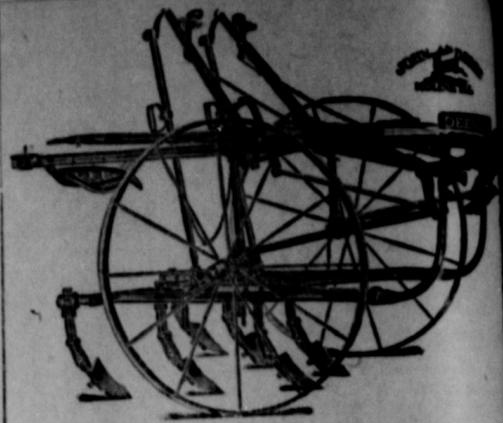
S. O. COOK.

Notice.

I am preparing to again enter the real-estate business in this place, and am preparing a descriptive list of this section of the country, together with a list of some special bargains which I am prepared to offer for sale or trade as the case may be, and would be pleased to see all parties who want to sell or trade and get a list of what you have so that I may complete my list as soon as possible. As I am working with some of the leading real-estate firms of the North and East I will be able to get my propositions before many more people than I could do otherwise.

Thanking all, in advance, for their promptness in calling at my office and giving me a list, I am,

Yours for business,
Jas. F. Healy.



A Full Carload of

Implements

We have just received full car of farming implements and can furnish you any kind of plow you need. See us about price.

McLean Hardware Company

Furniture For Sale

One piece or the whole store. It is cheap but good. Come and see it.

J. A. GRUNDY.

We Accommodate All Classes

Many persons keep their money in this bank, that they may have it within ready reach when needed for daily use; some keep it here awaiting opportunities for investment; others, to avoid the risk and annoyance of loaning, keep their money here as an investment.

It will be seen that we accommodate all classes.

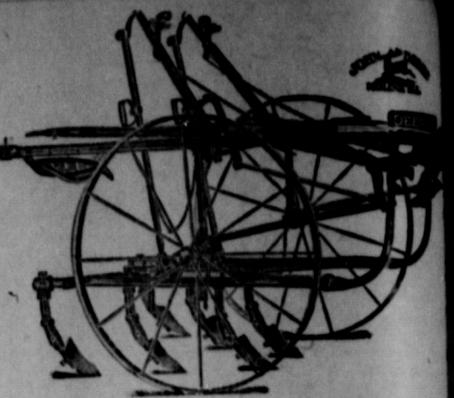
Citizens State Bank
McLEAN, TEXAS

READ THIS

List what you have to sell or what you want to buy or what you have to trade on our exchange book. If you have a horse to sell there may be a want registered for that very horse on our exchange book. Cows, hogs, mules, farm implements, feed, grain, etc. You may find just what you want, or sell what you have or trade what you don't need for something you have to have. Try it once. It costs our customers nothing.

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J. E. CLEM,
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Local Happenings

Items of Interest About Town and County

... dinner at the Guill Hotel Sunday.

... returned from a business trip to Okmulgee, Oklahoma.

... children, eggs and butter at the Guill Hotel.

... meningitis in this section "grip" is very prevalent.

... of the Panhandle are from a severe coal famine.

... was home for a visit Sunday.

... at the Guill Hotel for a week.

... Carpenter has had his residence on our subscription which he has our thanks.

... money. Save time and money by taking your meals at the Guill Hotel.

... LeFors visited with friends on a business trip to Pampa the first of last week.

... Orr requests us to announce he will be here January 1st for one week to do dental work.

LOOK OUT FOR THE CARS

DO YOU know of anyone who is old enough to know who has not seen that sign at a railroad crossing?

... has seen it at some place or other, then why doesn't the railroad let the sign rot away? Why does the railroad company continue to keep these signs at every crossing?

... you think, Mr. Merchant, that everybody knows my name, I don't have to advertise.

... store and your goods need more advertising than the railroad need do to warn people to "Look Out for the Cars."

... is ever completed in the advertising world.

... Department Stores are a very good example—they are continually advertising—and they are continually doing a good business.

... pays to run a few ads around about Christmas time, it certainly will pay you to run advertisements about all the time.

... is just business, that's all, to ADVERTISE in THIS PAPER

Have you seen Langley? If not call and settle that account for he needs the money.

A Mr. Thompson has recently moved to this city with his family from Comanche, Okla., and will make this his home.

I have 160 acres, with 45 acres in farm, all fenced, to sell at \$10.00 per acre. J. L. Crabtree.

Requested to announce that the Methodist brethren will hold their regular service at the church next Sunday.

Lost—Gentleman's sight ring engraved "AR". Finder please notify News office.

Mrs. S. B. Fast returned Wednesday afternoon from a thirty day visit with relatives and friends at different points in Illinois.

320 acres well improved; four room house, well and windmill; 135 acres in cultivation to sell for \$1200, easy terms. J. L. Crabtree.

Tom Allen of Eastland county, formerly a Gray county citizen, is here this week looking after business matters.

For Sale—A limited number of Barred Rock cockrels of the Thompson strain, at reasonable prices. Mrs. F. M. Faulkner.

H. A. Gardener of Amarillo, representing the Crescent Candy Co., was here the first of the week and made the News office a pleasant call.

That New Way gasoline engine at the McLean Hardware Co. is a Honey-Lula. Air cooled and does its own greasing.

The Panhandle Poultry Show was in session at Amarillo last week and a magnificent collection of fine birds was on display.

Just received a shipment of Michigan salt C. C. Cook.

E. C. Mahaffey left Wednesday afternoon for Elk City, Okla., where he went in response to a message stating that his brother was seriously ill.

A half car of canned goods coming, C. C. Cook.

J. W. Steffey and John Moreland of the Alameda country were among the business visitors in the city Wednesday.

A car of coal oil coming, C. C. Cook.

Miss Mary Grundy is home from Ramsdell for a week, her school having suspended on account of the coal famine.

Mr. and Mrs. Newton T. Heggie of Sayre were in the city the latter part of last week for a visit with the latter's sister, Mrs. Thad U. Salmon.

A car of stock salt to arrive in a few days. Phone your order. C. C. Cook.

Carl Lovelace, a prominent young druggist and business man of Miles, Texas, was here the first of the week looking after real estate holdings.

The News man spent a few days in Amarillo the latter part of last week and found that metropolis of the Panhandle in a thriving condition. Many new residences and business houses are going up and other extensive improvements are being pushed.

I have on hand a supply of pure hog lard of my own rendering. If you have to buy lard I would like to show you what I have. City Meat Market.

Ye Bachelors.

Here is a chance for some honorable young man—and they are all of that class in this section—to get in correspondence with a female woman who has the necessary matrimonial intentions. We could suggest several names but of course the gentlemen we have in mind will have the forethought to take the matter up with the lady. The following advertisement is self-explanatory:

A young eastern lady would like to get acquainted with a gentleman of the west. This is a bold method of getting acquainted but it is the only resort that I have to become a westerner.

I am sincere and will marry if suited. I understand from my friends that there are a good many in the west tired of single bliss and loneliness. Hence I am thankful to the editor if he publishes this article. I would appreciate the acquaintance of an honest and honorable gentleman. For further particulars please write to the undersigned.

A. E. L., Box 33,
Toledo, Ohio.

Moore Eggs.

Get some green bone meat at the City Meat Market and feed your chickens. It is the best egg producer on the market.

WANTED—Two diningroom girls at the Guill Hotel Sunday. Apply at once.

The Methodist church has been undergoing a thorough renovation the past week, considerable improvements being made on the interior.

A car of flour, meal and brand to arrive soon. Call and get prices. C. C. Cook.

Mrs. F. H. Yorkley returned the latter part of last week from an extended holiday visit with her mother at Graford, Texas.

Homer West has liquidated to the extent of a big dollar and the News will visit him regular for another year.

From the looks of C. C. Cook's advertising it appears that he is going into business.

A crowd of young people from this city attended a dance given at Alameda Wednesday night. They report an enjoyable time.

Overstocked on candy. Will sell the \$1.00 boxes at 65 cents as long as they last. Now is the time to get good candy cheap. Langley Drug Store.

D. N. Massay and Walter McAdams went down to Erick yesterday afternoon to identify two men held there charged with the robbing of the Cook store.

If you intend putting down a well on your place, remember that we always have a good supply of well casing, pipe, succorrod and windmills and will be glad to fit you up at the lowest market price. Cicero Smith Lumber Co.

Word has reached friends here of the marriage last Sunday on the banks of Whitefish Miss Linnie Neal and Mr. Floyd Shannon, the latter living near Hedley. The happy young couple have the best wishes of a host of friends for a long and prosperous career.

Don't fret about the burglars—they know where to find the best goods. Come in daylight and let me show you. C. C. Cook.

Friends will regret to learn of the death of C. E. Miner, which occurred recently at Pasadena, Calif. Mr. Miner was for many years a resident of this section, being engaged in the cattle business. He was at one time in partnership with F. M. Faulkner of this city.

Under New Management.

The Guill Hotel has recently been leased to Mr. J. E. Clem, who comes here from Ryan, Oklahoma. The gentleman has had considerable experience in this line of work and is already building up a lucrative business in this popular hostelry.

Mrs. Guill and the girls have returned to Petrolia where they have a hotel, which has been under the direction of Mr. Guill.

We are glad to welcome Mr. Clem and family to our citizenship and hope they will decide to make this their home permanently.

If you want news subscribe for the News. \$1.00 per year.

Organize Orchestra.

There is considerable talk among local musicians of organizing an orchestra which will probably be under the direction of S. H. Bundy who is a violinist of ability. There are in the neighborhood of fifteen instruments in the town and they can all be manned with capable talent.

We sincerely hope the organization will be perfected as there are many occasions where a band or an orchestra can be of value to the town as well as a constant pleasure.

Just received a nice line of Topsy Hosiery for boys and girls. Also the two buckle overshoes for children. Bundy—Hodges Co.

TEXAS APPLES BRING SPLENDID DIVIDENDS

NO PRODUCT PAYS ANY BETTER TEXAS FIGURES SHOW.

5,000,000 TREES BEARING

The apple has always played an important part in the history of the human race. It was an apple rosy and red that attracted the attention of Eve and she gave to Adam, who according to Holy Writ, "did eat" and ever since that eventful day the apple has been a favorite diet of mankind. It was an apple falling to the ground that stirred the brain of Newton and he gave us the laws of gravitation. It was an apple tree upon which grafters first pried their vocation and so successful were their operations that the profession has since flourished so rapidly as to menace civilization. It was a Texas apple that was awarded the first premium at the World's Fair in St. Louis in 1904 and no State has ever been able to wrest from us this undisputed evidence of our superiority as an apple producing State.

It is the most obedient plant in the vegetable kingdom and yields implicitly to the genius of man; it will change color, size, flavor, maturity and durability at the touch of a master hand. It is undoubtedly the most universal, resourceful and profitable of commercial fruits.

The northern tier of counties has long been known as the banner section in apple production, but is now dividing honors with the Pecos country and the Panhandle. Some idea of the increase in the apple industry in Texas may be gained when we consider that the number of trees in the State today is more than five millions, while in 1870 there were less than 300,000 trees. The following table, taken from the reports of the Department of Agriculture, shows the progress of the apple industry by decades:

1870.....	290,000
1880.....	550,000
1890.....	662,000
1900.....	1,485,000
1910.....	5,000,000

Texas offers to the orchardist a soil and climate that will give vigor and productive power to the trees, color and flavor to the fruit and an established reputation to the product.



The Pure Drug Act

Would not have been a necessity if every drug store carried the kind and quality of drugs that we carry. Purity means health, and we are the people who want to keep you healthy. We have just received a large shipment of Nyal remedies and want you to try a bottle. Phone 6.

Will H. Langley
DRUGGIST

Posted.
All parties are hereby warned not to hunt or otherwise trespass on my land east of town. Violations will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.
GEO. BOURLAND.

We're Opposed to Mail Order Concerns Because—

They have never contributed a cent to furthering the interests of our town—
Every cent received by them from this community is sent to our merchants—
In almost every case their prices can be met right here, without delay in receiving goods and the possibility of mistakes in filling orders.
But—
The natural human trait is to buy where goods are cheapest. Local pride is usually secondary in the game of life as played today.
Therefore
Mr. Merchant and Business Man, meet your competition with their own weapons—advertising.
Advertise!
The local field is yours. All you need do is to avail yourself of the opportunities offered. An advertisement in this paper will carry your message into hundreds of homes in this community. It is the surest medium of killing your greatest competitor. A space this size won't cost much. Come in and see us about it.

Crow & Stafford Bros.

Livery Barn
Good rigs and reasonable rates. We also do hauling. Feed and good mares for sale.
Phone 25.

Notice.

Nice five room dwelling, well and under ground cistern, two lots fenced with low picket fence, cement walks in front, residence part of city. Also a \$3,000.00 stock fresh groceries (cash sales average \$2,000.00 per month). Will trade for good land in the McLean country. If you want a bargain see W. A. Fowler at once.

If you are behind on your subscription to the News, please pay it now. We need the money.

Your Printing

If it is worth doing at all, it's worth doing well.
First class work at all times is our motto.
Let us figure with you on your next job.

LET US SWOP SUPPORT

We are anxious to have your trade and will treat you right. It is our desire to also be of service to you when you need accommodations.

To help in this good work and to protect our own interests we are also going to ask you to call in and make some disposition of your due accounts. All persons who owe us and do not make arrangements to pay same at once will have to pay the cash as we have to have money to meet our obligations and continue to give you accommodations. Settle up promptly and we will be glad to accommodate you.

We will appreciate your business during 1912.

C. A. Cash & Son

GENERAL MERCHANDISE

The FIGHT AGAINST the OPIUM EVIL

THE past few months have witnessed political changes in China that are fraught with grave import for the people of the most populous country on the globe. At the same time there has been working to a culmination another evolution in public affairs that holds almost as much significance for the inhabitants of the Orient as does the upheaval of the machinery of government. This late development is a crusade to free the Chinese, and, incidentally, other peoples of the world, from the bondage of the opium habit which has for so many years been a drag upon their intellectual and material progress.

We, as Americans, must feel an especial pride and interest in this breaking of the grip of the deadliest drug habit because it has been brought about largely through the efforts of the United States. Or, in other words, Uncle Sam set the ball rolling. At first the movement simply had as its object the banishment of opium from China, but gradually the scope of the anti-opium "missionary work" expanded until it embraced the whole world—every section of the globe where the use of opium has become a habit—and finally within the past few months the fight against the evil has been expanded in scope until it embraces prohibitive or restrictive action not only against opium, but also against morphine, cocaine, and, in short, all habit-forming drugs.

The fight against the opium evil, with Uncle Sam as the chief aggressor, has been going on steadily for some years past but it is only now on the eve of complete success that it has come to attract attention from all classes of the community. From the time when Chinese began to settle in the United States, bringing with them many of their habits, their love of opium smoking it was realized that the evil was one of the menace of which would sooner or later be brought home to our people—particularly those residing on the Pacific slope and in the western section of the country where the bulk of the Mongolians settled.

However, it was only after Uncle Sam came into possession of the Philippines, following the Spanish-American war, that our public men and government officials were thoroughly aroused to the necessity of grappling with the problem. In the Philippines our people found great numbers of Chinese who were confirmed opium smokers, and, worse yet, they were rapidly teaching the destructive habit to the natives of the islands. There was much agitation of the subject both in the Philippines and here in the United States and the upshot of the matter was that the congress of the United States passed laws prohibiting the importation of opium into the Philippines except for medicinal purposes. From that moment there was a marked improvement of conditions.

The example of Uncle Sam's action and the complete success which attended it, awakened China to her own need and gave hope of a solution. The progressive men of China were deeply moved by the spectacle of another nation (and one that had always been traditionally friendly to China) combating at the very doors of the Orient with an evil that was realized by all thinking men to be sapping the life blood of a large share of Asia's population. The result was a strong anti-opium movement in China and out of this grew a direct appeal to then President Roosevelt from representatives of missionary societies in the Far East and from commercial organizations and institutions in the United States. It was the plea of these various interests that the United States government, considering its historical attitude in regard to the opium traffic in the Orient, should take the initiative in assisting China to secure the prohibition of that traffic.

This was in the year 1904, but it was a couple of years later that definite plans were made for an international concert of action in the matter. In that year Bishop Charles H. Brent of the Philippines, who was, naturally, in a position to appreciate the havoc wrought by opium, wrote to President Roosevelt, appealing to him "to promote some movement that would gather in its embrace representatives from all the countries where the use of opium is a matter of Therapon. President Roosevelt, secretary of state, Mr. Elihu Root, and the president with all the powers



WORLD ANTI-OPIUM CONFERENCE WAS HELD



DR. JEN GOVERNMENT OF HONGKONG



WHERE OPIUM TRAFFICANTS ARE TREATED AT NANKING



TYPE OF VESSELS USED IN THE OPIUM TRAFFIC

having possessions in the Far East to ascertain if it would not be possible to form a distinguished international commission that would study the opium problem as it then appeared in the quarter of the globe where it had proven the greatest menace, and would, further, report the wisest measures for bettering the situation.

It required a year and a half of letter writing, back and forth, before the governments concerned could be induced to meet each other on a common basis. In explanation of this reluctance it may be pointed out that a number of the countries, notably Great Britain, and her colonies, France, Holland and Spain, derive large revenues from the opium traffic, and in some instances opium production is a government monopoly. Should the traffic in opium be virtually abolished, as it is likely to be in time, these various powers stand to lose revenue to the enormous aggregate of one hundred million dollars a year. No wonder they hesitated. However, in the end the common cause of humanity triumphed and it was arranged that an international opium commission should be created.

This commission, which took up its work at the city of Shanghai, China, early in the year 1909, discussed all phases of the moral, economic, scientific and political aspects of the opium problem, not only as existing in the Far East but throughout the world. The outcome of the gathering was the unanimous adoption of a series of recommendations in which the delegates and experts assembled, strongly urged that their respective countries take action in three matters, namely an overhauling by each nation of its own regulations with reference to the opium traffic; the adoption of measures for the suppression of opium smoking, and, finally, the enforcement of restrictions upon the manufacture and sale of morphine.

The experts of the different nations having agreed upon the measures that ought to be taken to curb the evil, it was up to the United States, she having inaugurated the project, to make the next move in the matter. This she did with no loss of time. Our officials wrote to the various powers suggesting that they get together and take action on the recommendations that had come from Shanghai.

In other words, it was suggested that as a sequel to the earlier effort there should now be international co-operation for the placing of the production and traffic in opium under international law.

The culmination of the long fight is now in sight. An international conference was held recently at The Hague, the capital of the Netherlands, to arrange for measures that will put up the bars against opium and other habit-forming drugs all over the world. Many of the men who attended the Shanghai conference were appointed by their respective governments to represent them at The Hague. The power and significance of the two gatherings was vastly different, however. At the Shanghai conference those in attendance could only advise and recommend. At The Hague conference the delegates were empowered by their respective governments to agree upon definite measures. After prolonged sessions, measures were decided upon which, it is expected, will fully carry out and put into effect the objects of the conference. These measures will be reported to the various governments represented, to be followed by legislative action on the part of their law-making bodies putting into execution the regulations agreed upon. This is supposedly a mere matter of routine, as all the powers have given their promise.

Foremost of the regulations agreed upon are those for uniform national laws and regulations to control the production, manufacture and distribution of opium and its derivatives. Almost as important will be the regulation by the universal postal union of the transmission of opium through the mails. Going yet further in the direction of complete control will be the restrictions that are to be placed upon the cultivation of the poppy, from which opium is derived, and limiting the number of ports through which the drug may be shipped by opium-producing countries. There was adopted also uniform marks of identification for packages containing opium in international transit.

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About one man in a hundred stand prosperity. The other nine never have a chance to whether they can or not.

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COSTUME—Cedar-brown cloth is used here. which measures about at foot, is trimmed at front with a band of blue smart little coat has front that wraps quite side, where it fastens is of satin which is car shoulder to waist both a similar strap to the elbow length sleeve lace underleaves; loops form trimmings; black satin, trimmed with plume, completes a costume.

The FIGHT AGAINST the OPIUM EVIL

THE past few months have witnessed political changes in China that are fraught with grave import for the people of the most populous country on the globe. At the same time there has been working to a culmination another evolution in public affairs that holds almost as much significance for the inhabitants of the Orient as does the upheaval of the machinery of government. This late development is a crusade to free the Chinese, and, incidentally, other peoples of the world, from the bondage of the opium habit which has for so many years been a drag upon their intellectual and material progress.

We, as Americans, must feel an especial pride and interest in this breaking of the grip of the deadliest drug habit because it has been brought about largely through the efforts of the United States. Or, in other words, Uncle Sam set the ball rolling. At



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TYPE OF VESSELS USED IN THE OPIUM TRAFFIC

first the movement simply had as its object the banishment of opium from China, but gradually the scope of the anti-opium "missionary work" expanded until it embraced the whole world—every section of the globe where the use of opium has become a habit—and finally within the past few months the fight against the evil has been expanded in scope until it embraces prohibitive or restrictive action not only against opium, but also against morphine, cocaine, and, in short, all habit-forming drugs.

The fight against the opium evil, with Uncle Sam as the chief aggressor, has been going on steadily for some years past but it is only now on the eve of complete success that it has come to attract attention from all classes of the community. From the time when Chinese began to settle in the United States, bringing with them, many of them, their love of opium smoking it was realized that the evil was one the menace of which would sooner or later be brought home to our people—particularly those residing on the Pacific slope and in the western section of the country where the bulk of the Mongolians settled.

However, it was only after Uncle Sam came into possession of the Philippines, following the Spanish-American war, that our public men and government officials were thoroughly aroused to the necessity of grappling with the problem. In the Philippines our people found great numbers of Chinese who were confirmed opium smokers, and, worse yet, they were rapidly teaching the destructive habit to the natives of the islands. There was much agitation of the subject both in the Philippines and here in the United States and the upshot of the matter was that the congress of the United States passed laws prohibiting the importation of opium into the Philippines except for medicinal purposes. From that moment there was a marked improvement of conditions.

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This was in the year 1904, but it was a couple of years later that definite plans were made for an international concert of action in the matter. In that year Bishop Charles J. Brent of the Philippines, who was, naturally, in a position to appreciate the havoc wrought by opium, wrote to President Roosevelt appealing to him "to promote some movement which would gather in its embrace representatives from all the countries where the use of opium is a matter of concern. Therapeutic President Roosevelt Secretary of state, Mr. Elihu Root, conference with all the powers

having possessions in the Far East to ascertain if it would not be possible to form a distinguished international commission that would study the opium problem as it then appeared in the quarter of the globe where it had proven the greatest menace, and would, further, report the wisest measures for bettering the situation.

It required a year and a half of letter writing, back and forth, before the governments concerned could be induced to meet each other on a common basis. In explanation of this reluctance it may be pointed out that a number of the countries, notably Great Britain, and her colonies, France, Holland and Siam, derive large revenues from the opium traffic, and in some instances opium production is a government monopoly. Should the traffic in opium be virtually abolished, as it is likely to be in time, these various powers stand to lose revenue to the enormous aggregate of one hundred million dollars a year. No wonder they hesitated. However, in the end the common cause of humanity triumphed and it was arranged that an international opium commission should be created.

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Who is Engaged.

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To Serve With Oysters.

As I intend having a little gathering at my home some evening soon, I am writing to inquire what would be the proper thing to serve with oyster soup.

Kindly outline a little menu in connection with the serving of oysters for the first course—Puzzled.

Paying the Wedding Expenses.

Will you kindly tell me whether it is customary for the bridegroom or the bride's parents to pay for the carriages at a large wedding.

Please reply in your columns.—Debutante.

For a Home Wedding.

... home wedding, is it good form... the bride's parents to be down-... among the guests before the... or is it preferable to have... come down on her son's... before the orchestra starts... the wedding march? You may... a newer way.

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Her Career.

She—You know Clara was ambitious to have a career.

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"That's nearly as bad as my case. Several months ago representatives of a piano house got after me for the purpose of persuading me to buy a piano on the installment plan. Just to get rid of them I at last agreed to buy. Now they've got a corps of men out trying to dig up proof that I never could or would pay for the piano if they were to let me have it. Business is a great thing."

ALMOST FRANTIC WITH ITCHING ECZEMA

"Eight years ago I got eczema all over my hands. My fingers fairly bled and it itched until it almost drove me frantic. The eruption began with itching under the skin. It spread fast from between the fingers around the nails and all over the whole hands. I got a pair of rubber gloves in order to wash dishes. Then it spread all over the left side of my chest. A fine doctor treated the trouble two weeks, but did me no good. I cried night and day. Then I decided to try Cuticura Soap and Ointment but without much hope as I had gone so long. There was a marked change the second day, and so on until I was entirely cured. The Cuticura Soap we have always kept in our home, and we decided after that lesson that it is a cheap soap in price and the very best in quality. My husband will use no other soap in his shaving mug." (Signed) Mrs. G. A. Selby, Redonda Beach, Cal., Jan. 15, 1911. Although Cuticura Soap and Ointment are sold by druggists and dealers everywhere, a sample of each, with 22-page book, will be mailed free on application to "Cuticura," Dept. 24 K, Boston.

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Two Brothers.

Two brothers, each of whom is nearly six feet and a half tall, were one day introduced by an acquaintance to a young lady. As she sat gazing up at the pair of giants in wonder and awe, she exclaimed:

"Great heavens! Suppose there had been only one of you!"

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Some One Else's Meat.

Broker—Business is simply rotten these days!

Friend—Why? Isn't there a sucker born every minute?

Broker—Yes. But they buy automobiles.—Puck.

Then They'd Stay at Home.

"Bunderby has some freakish ideas of legislation."

"Yes?"

"One of his latest notions is that capital punishment ought to be provided for women who gab about too much."

"Capital punishment would be rather severe."

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She—You know Clara was ambitious to have a career.

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ONE WAY OUT OF IT.



The Deacon—You shouldn't fly your kite on Sunday.

The Boy—Oh! well, we'd kite's made over a religious paper.

Young, but Oh, My!

The lawyer was sitting at his desk, absorbed in the preparation of a brief. So bent was he on his work that he did not hear the door as it was pushed gently open, nor see the curly head that was thrust into his office. A little sob attracted his notice, and turning, he saw his face that was streaked with tears, and told plainly that his feelings had been hurt.

"Well, my little man, did you want to see me?"

"Are you a lawyer?"

"Yes. What do you want?"

"I want— and there was a resolute ring in his voice—"I want a divorce from my papa and mamma!"

A Little Off.

Senator Penrose was talking in Washington about the dreadful hunting accidents of last month. "When buck fever seizes a man," he said, "he goes as far off his aim as the old lady went in her definition of the word 'bellicose.'" She was talking with a friend about a bishop.

"He's a fine man," said the friend, "a fine, handsome man. His only trouble is that he's a little bellicose."

"Bellicose?" said the old lady with a surprised frown. "He must have changed, then. The last time I saw him he was tall and rather slender."

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BEST TRICK NOT IN THE AIR

Aviator Was Clever at His Work, But Shone Best in Another Line of Endeavor.

Henry M. Neely, the aviator poet of Philadelphia, said at a recent banquet at the Bellevue-Stratford:

"Yes, it is true that it takes a lot of money to become an aviator. You can't get an aeroplane and you can't learn to fly without plenty of cash."

Mr. Neely smiled.

"I was watching a brother aviator making a volplane the other day, when I heard a young lady say:

"He can do a lot of tricks, can't he?"

"Yes, you bet he can," her companion agreed.

"What is his best trick?" she continued.

"His best trick far and away," was the reply, "is buying a biplane on credit. He's done it twice now, and I shouldn't be surprised to see him pull it off a third time before he breaks his neck."

Jones Admitted It.

Jones and Brown argued as they always did when they had time enough. They had dined together, and as Jones lived at a distance and it was very late Brown offered to put him up for the night.

On the way home they fell to discussing the strategy of the Civil war as indicated by the campaigns of Lee and Grant. The topic was elastic enough to keep them going for half an hour, and reached its height as they neared the Brown house.

Then Brown lost his temper. "Jones," said he, "if you don't admit that Grant was a greater general than Lee, you can't sleep here."

It was then two o'clock in the morning, and Jones was eight miles from home.—Chicago Post.

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XXI. QUARRELS

THE neigh of a horse made Darius King of Persia, the six contending powers for the throne agreeing among themselves that the one whose horse should neigh first should possess the kingdom. This ancient method of settling disputes among politicians could be revived with profit in Texas today. If our partisan factions and petty politicians could only settle their disputes by the neigh of a horse, the bark of a dog or the bray of a donkey, it would be a great blessing for Texas and would give our citizens a better opportunity to pursue the vocations of industry free from political strife.



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(Continued from page 1.)

here now.

The U. S. does not produce enough of this crop to supply its own demands. A short time ago 120,000 bushels was imported into the U. S. from India in one week. A great deal is also imported from Argentina.

The crop is not only valuable from the seed standpoint, but also for its fibre. When raised in quantity in a section so there is enough straw to pay tow mills are established to work over the straw as a fibre product. Flax straw is an extra good roughness for livestock, also.

As an experimental crop, the writer recommends that it be tried this coming season. In order to give the crop a chance the seed bed should be thoroughly prepared.

Very few statistics are available as to results of yield of this crop in this section the past season. Four different farmers of the Panhandle who tried it out on a small scale, averaged from twelve to fifteen bushels per acre. The following letter from Mr. D. L. Hickcox shows the remarkable success he made with this crop last year.

Amarillo, Tex., Dec. 4, 1911.
Mr. H. M. Bainer,
Amarillo, Texas,

Dear Sir:

Referring to your request for data pertaining to my experience and results of growing flax in the Texas Panhandle.

On my farm nine miles northwest from Amarillo I planted 200 acres of "sod land" and 50 acres in old land in Flax last year. This being my initial experience in the Texas Panhandle, and having no precedents to guide me in flax culture in this section, I planted my crop a little too early, during the last of April and the first of May. As an experiment I sowed eleven acres additional the latter part of May. My yield from the 200 acres averaged fifteen bushels to the acre, while the eleven acres yielded twenty-two bushels to the acre, using one third bushels seed to the acre.

I am now preparing my land to plant 1500 acres in flax the coming season, possibly will plant as much as 2000 acres.

My method of preparing the soil is to break sod land in the spring and "roll down" as fast as broken. Old land should be broken in the fall and winter and kept in shallow cultivation during the Spring and up to the time of planting which progress thoroughly prepares the soil and destroys all grass and vegetation. Sow Flax any time in June, which will mature the crop during September. In planting I use an ordinary press drill and plant about two inches deep. I cut with an ordinary binder and drop loose in bunches in the field and leave until ready for threshing, when an ordinary thrasher is used.

I have grown Flax in Minnesota and North Dakota for the past twenty years. In my judgment the Texas Panhandle is the greatest Flax growing country I have ever seen, its soil and climate is better adapted to its growth and culture than any other section of the country that has come under my observation. Here it attains a substantial and uniform growth and produces from four to six spears to the stalk, where ordinary two or three spears is a maximum. The seed matures large and firm and possesses a uniformity unknown to most Flax growing countries.

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