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## PEACE ENVOYS DESIRE TO HASTEN MEDIATION

### ADVANCE OF CONSTITUTIONALISTS MAKES EARLY ACTION IMPERATIVE.

## GEN. HUERTA'S FALL IS NEAR

### Mediators Realize That Rule of Anarchy Will Follow His Abdication in City of Mexico.

Niagara Falls, Ont.—The observance of the Sabbath at Niagara Falls has been the subject of the most pointed criticism from the most punctilious. There were no conferences of even "conversations" until almost midnight, when the Mexican delegates gathered for a short talk. Mediators, Mexicans and Americans, attended church services and walked in the parks or spent the hours reading in their rooms. Sunday is at all times a quiet day in Canada and this seemed particularly quiet.

Reviewing the work of the first period of Pan-American mediation, the story can easily be told. After playing at foils for two or three days, it became evident that the hour for serious business had arrived. The Mexican delegates themselves felt this to be the more keenly. The constitutionalists were continuing their victorious march and soon the situation at the Mexican capital must require attention.

Should the Huerta government collapse as the constitutionalist army approaches, it is realized that chaos and anarchy may result. This might alter the entire situation. The mediators are working rapidly, therefore, hoping to see established in Mexico City a new provisional government that may be accorded prompt recognition by the United States before the constitutionalists can seize control. The mediators believe a government set up by the constitutionalists arms cannot last long if unrecognized by the United States and the world powers. A revolution would be inevitable. Hoping to avert such a contingency they are relying on the United States to enforce a strict embargo on the exportation of arms to all factions in Mexico.

The diplomats do not believe Huerta can reach Mexico City in less than two months because the federal army is destroying the railroads as it retreats and gathering more strength in the thickly populated regions.

## HUERTA WILL REBUILD RAILWAY

### Permission for Repairing Vera Cruz Track is Asked.

Vera Cruz.—Apparently convinced that the United States will adhere rigidly to the armistice agreement, officials of the Huerta government are preparing to replace the track along the line of the Mexican railway, torn up by Gen. Gustavo Maas.

The general purchasing agent of the Mexican National railways called at Brig. Gen. Funston's headquarters and asked if the American commander objected to the restoration of the lines. He was assured the Americans would be glad to see the service restored and was told the Americans never were able to understand why Gen. Maas destroyed several miles of line. The Mexican official declared that the work of replacing the track probably would be started immediately.

The Texas Silo company has purchased the plant of the Central Unadilla Silo company at Beaumont. The annual output of the industry will be doubled, bringing its capacity to about 500 silos.

## Military Program for Sweden.

Stockholm.—The government's defense bill, which has been introduced in the Swedish parliament, provides for the annual expenditure of 63,000,000 kroner (about \$15,500,000) for army and 50,000,000 kroner for the navy. The new national defense program includes the construction of eight battleships and 16 destroyers.

## ALBANIAN AGAIN ON THRONE

Returns to Palace at Durazzo, Guarded by Italian Marines.

Durazzo, Albania.—Prince William of Albania, formerly Prince William of Albania, was conferred by the powers last February, again in the palace of Durazzo, guarded by Italian marines.

Outside the city insurgent supporters of Essad Pasha, former minister of war, who a few days ago was deported, threaten the existence of the new regime.

Conditions in Durazzo and the surrounding district were quiet, but the prince and princess are ready to re-embark should danger arise.

## U. S. Orders Bordas Cease Firing.

Washington.—Capt. Eberle of the United States cruiser Washington cabled the navy department that he saw President Bordas of Santo Domingo final warning Saturday that artillery fire into the town of Puerto Plata, held by rebels, must cease. Capt. Eberle's report said: "Desultory rifle fire and artillery fire south and west of Puerto Plata. Bordas says artillery fire will be kept clear of town in future. No foreigners or non-combatants injured."

## TEXAS BREVITIES

### THE HIGHEST AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE PAID FOR SKILLED LABOR IN THE UNITED STATES DURING 1913 WAS IN DALLAS.

## WHOLE WORLD THE FIELD

### Current Domestic and Foreign News Boiled Down to Readable and Small Space.

A deal was closed at Fort Worth last week whereby the Stone & Webster Interurban corporation becomes the owners of the Fort Worth-Denton interurban. The transaction involved all right-of-way surveyed and secured by the Fort Worth-Denton company. The Stone & Webster people will begin the construction of the line without any unnecessary delay.

The bank of but one reserve district remains unorganized, that being San Francisco. The organization papers for the Atlanta, Dallas and Kansas City banks have reached the treasury department. Blanks have been sent to all member banks, on which they will be asked to designate an elector and their nominations for Class A and Class B directors.

The Dallas Electric Company plans to create an issue of \$2,500,000 three-year 5 per cent coupon notes. A special meeting of the stockholders has been called for May 29, to act on the proposition. The directors have made arrangements to sell \$1,500,000 of the notes, which arrangements the stockholders will be asked to ratify, as well as to give the directors authority to sell the remaining \$1,000,000 from time to time at such price as they may determine.

A probable gain of 1,500 to 2,000 in the scholastic census for Dallas county outside the city limits is anticipated this year by County Superintendent Henry. Last year the county had 12,367 children enrolled, exclusive of those in Dallas. This year districts that have reported have all showed gains of 10 to 35 per cent. All reports must be in by May 31.

The United States consul, John R. Silliman, at Saltillo, for some days, arrived in Mexico City Friday evening. He left Saltillo May 14, and says the Mexican military authorities did everything possible under the circumstances for the safety of the train and the accommodation of himself and his traveling companion, H. L. Degener, representing the British vice consul at Saltillo.

It was reported Thursday that the Mexican federalists, under Gen. Maas and Gen. Demareas, had evacuated Saltillo and the city had been occupied by Gen. Villa and his army. This report, however, is being contended as authentic by constitutionalists at Juarez, but had not been confirmed Saturday. Gen. Villa has not lifted his embargo on news and from the five correspondents with the federalists has come no news of the evacuation.

Arthur A. Stiles, state reclamation engineer, is in receipt of a letter from United States Senator Morris Sheppard stating that he had collaborated with Congressman Henry in drawing an amendment to the rivers and harbors bill, carrying \$100,000 for a topographic survey of the Brazos river. This being classed as a navigable stream, the survey would be under the supervision of the corps of engineers of the United States army, but the result would waive the state the expense of making extensive topographic surveys.

Arrangements are about complete for the erection of the moulding room of the Kelley Plow Factory which was destroyed at Longview recently by fire. A fire-proof structure will be put up this time.

The fig growers in the various sections of the state held a meeting in Houston last week to devise ways and means to dispose of their fig crop this year at a profit. It was decided to erect additional plants to preserve the fruit, as it is not susceptible to long hauls.

An army of 5,000 constitutionalists having occupied Tepic, with a loss of 400 killed and an unknown number of casualties among the federalists, has begun its advance on Guadalajara.

On account of the recent heavy rains all over the state, and the consequent delay in farm work the officers of the Texas Industrial Congress hereby decided to extend the time in which entries may be made in the \$10,000 crop and livestock contest to June 6.

The house has passed the Rucker resolution, which, in effect, renews the Democratic congressional committee of charges that it violated the corrupt practices act in assessing senators for campaign contributions.

Announcement was made at Galveston, by Alfred Hampton, special agent of the United States in charge of the refugees, that alien refugees who had been brought from Mexican ports will be returned May 23 at the expense of the government, on one of the several ships under charter.

## GOOD ITEMS OF NEWS

### ENTIRE WEEK'S HAPPENINGS THAT ARE WORTH PASSING NOTICE.

## PROUD OF MADRID

### Citizens of Spanish Capital Take Great Pride in City.

Metropolis Has Lost Much of Its Old Peculiar Picturesqueness—Contains Handsome Buildings, Fine Parks, Drives and Public Gardens.

London.—"From Madrid to heaven, and in heaven a sphyx to look at Madrid" sums up in a sentence the pride of the inhabitants of the Spanish capital. True, cosmopolitan Madrid, as it exists today, has lost much of the old peculiar picturesqueness, but few, if any, of the great capitals contain more really handsome buildings, finer parks, drives and public gardens.

A whole new city has arisen outside the old boundaries, plaster has given place to stone and marble, and the statues, which so plentifully adorn its plazas, are almost all works of art, and worthy of their position. Electric lights and street cars are everywhere. The viaduct, markets, hospitals, public buildings of all kinds, the palace—now one of the finest in Europe—hotels and private houses furnished with every modern luxury, form a veritable transformation scene, even for those who remember the capital as recently as in the time of Isabel II.

In Madrid all roads lead to the Puerta del Sol, the Piccadilly of the Spanish capital, on which, or in whose vicinity, are situated the hotels. Ten streets radiate from the plaza, within which, from morning to evening, and through the night itself, the never-resting life of a great part of the populace wears itself out with recreation. Noise and disquietude are its elements of life. You will see motor wagons and clumsy carts drawn by oxen, the grunting barrel wagon, newsboys running and shrieking, crowds promenading or sitting and standing before the cafes—a life and animation of irresistible charm to the visitor.

All types of Madrid's population may be seen here, from the royal fighter to the great legislator. American and English tourists mingle with the throng; German commercial travelers talk business to their customers on the seats outside the cafes, and one hears all the languages of Europe spoken hereabouts.

Near by is the wagon corso. In two closely crowded rows many gorgeous and still more simple open wagons, all with two horses, drive up and down a good long hour before sunset. In

Thousands awaited the arrival at Battle Creek of the "LeCompton," the special car bearing the body of C. W. Post, the millionaire food manufacturer of Chicago, who died from a rifle wound at his winter home in Santa Barbara, Calif., last Saturday. Five hundred members of the chamber of commerce formed an aisle through which the body was carried to the hearse by eight of the oldest employees of the manufacturer.

Unless American and other foreign mine owners return to the Parral district and reopen their properties by June 1, the mines will be seized and operated for the benefit of the Mexican people, according to a notice said to have been issued by Gen. Luis Herrera, chief of the Parral district. It is estimated that there is from \$30,000,000 to \$50,000,000 foreign capital invested in the Parral district.

Twelve men Friday for the second time decided that Charles Becker was the arch conspirator responsible for the Rosenthal murder, which nearly two years ago woke New York to a realization of corruption in the police department and opened a new era of police reform. Becker, once a police lieutenant, was found guilty of murder in the first degree. Only a pardon or interference again by the court of appeals can save him from following to the electric chair the four gunmen who shot Herman Rosenthal, the gambler, early on the morning of July 16, 1912. The jury decided that the 1912 murder was Becker's agents. Becker's counsel announced that he would appeal, and gained a week's stay for the preparation of his future campaign. The defendant was granted a short meeting with his wife and brothers and then was taken back to his cell in the Tombs.

Not satisfied with the defeat of the \$300,000 bond election in Denton last week, the citizens have petitioned for another election to vote on the issuance of another \$300,000 issue. The election will be held July 15th.

In order to accommodate the heavy traffic that is being handled over the Santa Fe line between Plainview and Canyon, the officials of that road have ordered that the 36-pound rail be replaced with a 72-pound rail. The work will commence immediately and be rushed to an early completion.

A number of cattlemen of Tom Green county are interested in tick eradication and are striving to get an election called to vote on an appropriation for this work.

Word was received at Temple recently that Tripoli, oil purchase stone has been discovered in large quantities in that locality. Samples of the stone have been submitted to a prominent New York chemist and a report on the value of the product is expected immediately.

Scores of men, women and children were plunged into the Hudson when a gangplank leading to the Scandinavian-American line steamer Frederick VIII. gave way just before the vessel sailed from Hoboken. Many were rescued, but three are missing. Seven were badly injured. Estimates as to the number thrown into the water ran as high as 50. Only quick work by the steamship's crew and by dock laborers with pike poles and ropes and ladders prevented a larger loss of life.

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Shamrock, Mo.—"I feel it my duty to tell the public the condition of my health before using your medicine. I had falling, inflammation and congestion, female weakness, pains in both sides, backaches and bearing down pains, was short of memory, nervous, impatient, passed sleepless nights, and had neither strength nor energy. There was always a fear and dread in my mind. I had cold, nervous, weak spells, hot flashes over my body. I had a place in my right side that was so sore that I could hardly bear the weight of my clothes. I tried medicines and doctors, but they did me little good, and I never expected to get out again. I got Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Blood Purifier, and I certainly would have been in grave or in an asylum if your medicines had not saved me. But now I can work all day, sleep well at night, eat anything I want, have no hot flashes or weak, nervous spells. All pains, aches, fears and dreads are gone, my house, children and husband are no longer neglected, as I am almost entirely free of the bad symptoms I had before taking your remedies, and all is pleasure and happiness in my home."—Mrs. JOSIE HAM, R. F. D. 1, Box 22, Shamrock, Missouri.

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We are authorized to announce B. F. Brown a candidate for re-election to the office of County Judge of Sterling County, subject to the action of the democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce Pat Kellis a candidate for the office of County Judge, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

FOR SHERIFF & TAX COLLECTOR

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FOR DISTRICT AND COUNTY CLERK.

We are authorized to announce D. C. Durham a candidate for re-election to the office of District and County Clerk, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

FOR TREASURER

We are authorized to announce R. B. Cummins a candidate for re-election to the office of County Treasurer of Sterling county subject to the action of the July Democratic primaries.

TAX ASSESSOR

We are authorized to announce W. E. Allen a candidate for re-election to the office of Tax Assessor, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

COMMISSIONER

We are authorized to announce A. V. Patterson a candidate for re-election to the offices of Commissioner and Justice of The Peace of Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce E. F. Atkinson as a candidate for the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 2, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary.

We are authorized to announce C. J. Copeland a candidate for re-election to the office of county commissioner of precinct No. 3, Sterling county, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries in July.

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We are authorized to announce J. S. Johnston a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 4, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

HALF-RIGHTEOUSNESS

Someone, a few years ago, raised the doleful refrain, "O Where is My Wandering Boy Tonight?" The public took up and sang this inquiry concerning the old lady's delinquent "button" until it has lost sight of the girl whose bones are being picked by the social buzzard.

It is alleged that San Angelo is lawfully seized and peaceably possessed of a "red light" district which she is anxious to trade off for a consideration of space and attenuated air, for the officers of that city, in answer to the refrain above quoted, have said: "Madam, your boy may be found at the 'red light.'" "O, save my poor boy," pleads the fond mamma, and then a lot good ministers of San Angelo take up the cry: "Save the boys—save the sweet, innocent, precious things." "Down with the red light!" "Drive the inmates out—make them move on!" (to the next town.) So the "Red

Piano Contest Closes Wednesday

The Piano Contest at B. F. Roberts', after a spirited, but good natured effort on the part of the candidates and their many friends, closed Wednesday, with the following results: Miss Marguerite Cole, first prize, piano; Miss Linnie May Garrett, second, sewing machine; Miss Mary Nelson, third, a watch; Miss Ethel Bade, fourth, silver mounted toilet set.

Here is how the vote stood at the close of the contest:

Contestant No.	No. Votes
No. 3	12,440,465
" 6	11,765,895
" 11	9,458,860
" 24	10,077,295
" 25	6,638,650
" 27	6,672,245
" 29	18,765,305
" 30	17,817,955
" 33	6,728,408

J. S. Johnston

J. S. Johnston announced some time ago as a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 4. Mr. Johnston's record is too well known to need comment here. During his service as County Commissioner, much improvement has been made for the county. His shrewd business instincts and long experience as a builder has been of much value to the court in this behalf. As an honest, steady and level-headed business man he stands before his people at the polls.

A. V. Patterson

In these columns, sometime back appeared the announcement of Judge A. V. Patterson as a candidate for re-election to the offices of Commissioner and Justice of the Peace. Judge Patterson acts in the capacity of both Commissioner and Justice of the Peace are now matters of record. As a public officer, the people are bound to concede that he has always acted honestly and conscientiously, and has always stood for what he thought was right and to the best interests of the county. With these attributes, we commend him to the voters of Precinct No. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Roberts left this morning for Belton, to attend the commencement exercises of Baylor College, from which institution their daughter, Miss Bennie Belle, takes a degree. Miss Roberts is a member of the faculty of our public schools for the coming year, and we are to be congratulated in procuring her services.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

The rain last week very much interfered with the commencement program of the high school but last Saturday night the clouds went away, and a large crowd met the faculty and student body at the auditorium of the school building and witnessed one of the finest programs that was ever executed in this town. Music was rendered by the members of the advanced class in the music department.

The essays that were read by the graduating class were all high class papers, and some of them were gems. When the reading was finished, a platoon of little tots, loaded with armfuls of flowers, showered the class until it looked as if they were going to be covered with flowers.

Superintendent Roberts then advanced and made a most interesting address, which was highly instructive as well as entertaining. He then presented diplomas to Mr. Wayne Phillips; Misses Emma Head, Bessie Potts, Mary Nelson and Serena Black. All went home feeling that they had witnessed the ending of the most successful term of our public schools.

The baccalaureate sermon was delivered at the Methodist church, last Sunday morning, by Rev. Shan Hull. This good man, in his earnest, forceful manner, told the class many important things that will be a guide for them in the future.

E. F. Atkinson

E. F. Atkinson has announced as a candidate for the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 2. Mr. Atkinson has served in this capacity before, to the credit of himself and the entire satisfaction of the county. He is one of our best business men, and Precinct No. 2 will be well and ably represented in Frank Atkinson, if elected.

To The Voters of Sterling County:

In last week's issue of this paper appeared my announcement as a candidate for the office of County Judge of your county. Perhaps many of you have mentally asked the questions, "why is he seeking the office?" "Who induced him to make the race?" "What may be expected of him if elected to that office?"

Every normal man has an ambition to rise to the high positions among his fellow men. The office of County Judge is a high place among you. It is a step toward things higher. The knowledge I would gain from the study of that phase of the law pertaining to the office, and the experience in performing the duties of the office would be of great value to me in after life. The duties of the office are such that I would have ample time for study, thereby becoming more proficient in my chosen profession. And then there's a salary—not a big salary, but one that is sufficient to provide for my modest needs. With these advantages to be gained, is it but natural that I, or any other man, should aspire to that office?

I am not going to saddle the blame for being a candidate upon my friends (if I am elected, you may justly blame them for that.) I believe I am competent to make you a fairly good County Judge; and, therefore, of my own free will and accord, ask to be elected to that office.

As presiding judge of your County Court, I would preserve the dignity that rightly belongs to it, and strictly administer the law as I understand it. Among other things, our Constitution provides that a County Judge shall be a man "well informed in the law of the state." I believe I can meet this requirement, as well as the others.

As presiding officer of your Commissioners' Court, I would attempt to direct its business with the dispatch and dignity that is so becoming to every court, from the highest to the lowest. And should I ever be called upon to cast the deciding vote upon any question, it shall be cast for your best interests as I see them.

I find some people who are always a little skeptical about electing a new County Judge, or Commissioner, for fear that their taxable valuations will be tampered with, or the tax rates raised. Your valuations and tax rates must be high enough to defray the economical expenses of your county and its institutions. When this is done, the contemplation of the law has been met.

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Lovers of music who are not musicians can render the Starck Player-piano any favorite melody with just as good expression as the composer himself. The Starck Player-piano meets the demand for a reliable, high grade player-piano at a reasonable price.

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Payment will be arranged to suit you. The first month's payment is not due until you have tried the piano 30 days and found it satisfactory. Then you can pay each month on amounts so small you will not miss the money.

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We have a large stock of second hand and slightly used pianos of all standard makes. Here are a few sample bargains.

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These rugs lie perfectly flat and smooth, are finished with deep hem at both ends. Colors are bright and perfect in appearance, and are extra good values at the special price of \$10.00.

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LOST CHILD

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Munn, who live on their ranch, on the north edge of the Divide, had the scare of their lives one evening last week, when a little after sunset their little boy, who is four or five years old, was missing. Some of the other children had seen the little fellow attempting to follow an elder brother across the pasture, and search was made at the point where he was last seen, but he was not found.

At dark, the neighbors were notified, lanterns lighted and the search began in earnest. At last his little tracks were found leading southwest, and great care was exercised not to lose them. Imagine the fear that agitated the hearts of the searchers when they saw from the tracks that the little wanderer had entered a lake of water, deep enough to drown him, and several hundred yards wide; but imagine their joy when on the opposite side of the lake they found tracks that plainly told them that he had safely emerged from the water.

Slowly, but surely those tracks were followed by the light of the lantern to the ranch house of Mrs. M. J. Davis, a point about three miles from where the search was commenced. The house was temporarily unoccupied, and Mr. Munn concluded to search the premises. On entering one of the rooms, he found his little boy fast asleep on the floor. This was about 1:30 in the morning, and when the child awoke in his father's arms, it is said that he was very much frightened and tried to escape.

It must have been a terrible experience for the father and mother when they remembered the deep, wild canons just to the north of them, where all sorts of varmints roam at night, and the lonely Divide with its wide lakes and deadly rattlesnakes. It was an experience that they will not soon forget.

Special Meetings

The special meetings, being conducted at the new Central Christian church, are growing in interest. A new Sunday school will be organized Sunday at ten o'clock. Communion and preaching at eleven o'clock at the church. The Sunday night service will be held at the tabernacle, as will all the services of next week. After Sunday night

TEXAS FACTS

- TEXAS HAS—
- More cotton land than any country on the face of the earth.
  - The largest State Agricultural Fair in the world.
  - Largest cotton seaport in the world.
  - Largest inland port cotton market in the world.
  - Largest farmers' organization in the world.
  - The first state-wide advertising bureau ever established in the world.
  - The largest cattle feeding plant in the world.
  - Longest reinforced concrete viaduct in the world.
  - The largest cotton seed oil mills in the world.
  - The world's leading crude oil exporting port.
  - The longest pipe line in the United States.
  - The longest interurban system in the Southwest.
  - The largest United States army post.
  - Longest telephone line in the United States.
  - Largest Bermuda onion gardens in the world.
- TEXAS RANKS SECOND IN—
- Number of newspapers published.
  - Rice production and manufacture.
  - Production of quicksilver.
  - Asphalt production.
  - And has the second longest road line of any state in the Union.

Wanted—An Idea  
Who can think of some simple thing to patent? Send your idea, free, to J. W. WELLS & CO., Patent Attorneys, Washington, D. C. For their list of prize offers and list of two hundred inventions wanted.



FAILS TO SECURE RECOGNITION

Lady's Own Friends Assert Could Not Recognize Her When Brought Face to Face.

Arthritis, Va.—Mrs. D. J. Bowen, of this town, makes the following statement: "For 20 years I suffered with womanly troubles, and although I tried different treatments, I did not get any relief."

I was unable to look after any of my work, and my friends thought I could not get well.

Finally, I began to take Cardul, the woman's tonic, and I hadn't taken one-third of the first bottle, before I could notice its good effects.

Now I can do all my work, feel like I'm not more than 16 years old, but am really 49. My own friends say I look so well, they don't recognize me when we meet in the road.

My daughter is using Cardul, and she says it is a fine medicine. I also have a number of lady friends taking it, since they found out how it helped me.

Whenever I feel a little fatigued after a day's extra hard work, I just take a dose of Cardul and am all right.

I can't say too much for Cardul. Thousands of women who now suffer from womanly troubles, could be relieved and benefited, by following Mrs. Bowen's example.

Are you of this number? If so, try Cardul today. It cannot harm you, and is almost sure to do you good.

At the nearest drug store.—Adv.

Sure He Wouldn't.

"Dear, dear! Did that grocery man wrap up that bread in a newspaper?" "Yes, but remember if he knew what to put into a newspaper he wouldn't be working at the grocery business."

Hicks' CAPUDINE

CURES HEADACHES AND COLDS—Easy To Take—Quick Relief—Adv.

Fortunate is the man who is never afraid of being taken at his own honest, actual estimate of himself.

Dr. Pierce's Peppes, small sugar-coated, easy to take, regulate and invigorate stomach, liver and bowels and cure constipation. Adv.

Soap is one of the few things that should be handled without gloves.

Get it to the bottom of the affected part. Adv.

If we have a mean disposition there's no cure for what ails us.

For thrush use Hanford's Balsam. Adv.

A Speculative One.

Teacher—Tommy, what is net in come? Thomas—Fisherman's luck, teacher.—Buffalo Express.

Quick Sightseeing.

Fifty days for a trip around the world is declared by J. H. Mears, the globe-trotter, to be sufficient for a quick sightseer. This would give the tripper two days for sightseeing in London, two in Paris, two in Berlin, two in St. Petersburg and six in Japan. "And this," says Mr. Mears, "shows what I think of Japan."

How It Went.

Two prospectors met in the desert. "What are you doing out here, Hank?" asked one of them. "Prospecting," said the other. "Why, I thought you had cleaned up a couple of hundred thousand and quit."

"That's right," said the other laconically. "Well, what became of the money?" "Oh, I took it down to San Francisco and they kinda introduced me out of it."

The World's Library.

It is computed that the total number of printed books in the world is no less than 11,638,810, and that about 8,714,000 of these had been published subsequently to the year 1800. From 1500 to 1935 the number of books produced annually averaged only 1,250. It was not until 1790 that the annual average passed 10,000, and it was not until 1887 that it reached 100,000. From 1900 to 1908, however, the annual output averaged 174,375—exactly 140 times the average output between 1500 and 1835.

DID THE WORK Grew Strong on Right Food.

You can't grow strong by merely exercising. You must have food—the kind you can digest and assimilate. Unless the food you eat is digested it adds to the burden the digestive organs have naturally to carry. This often means a nervous breakdown.

"About a year ago," writes a Mass. lady, "I had quite a serious nervous breakdown caused, as I believed, by overwork and worry. I also suffered untold misery from dyspepsia.

"First I gave up my position, then I tried to find a remedy for my troubles, something that would make me well and strong, something to rest my tired stomach and build up my worn-out nerves and brain.

"I tried one kind of medicine after another, but nothing seemed to help me. "Finally a friend suggested change of food and recommended Grape-Nuts. With little or no faith in it, I tried a package. That was eight months ago and I have never been without it since.

"Grape-Nuts did the work. It helped me grow strong and well. Grape-Nuts put new life into me, built up my whole system and made another woman of me!"

Name given by Postum Co. Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a Reason."

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



SMILES AFTER HUNGER IS SATISFIED

Then what? Is there a feeling of heaviness, of bloating, Heartburn, Nausea? Something remains undigested, ferments and disturbs the entire system. Such cases can be materially benefited by use of

HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS

YOU SHOULD KEEP A BOTTLE HANDY FOR EMERGENCY

Flooding and Cramping!

STELLA-VITAE STOPPED IT!

This has a world of meaning to every woman who suffers as Mrs. J. S. Blair, of Enterprise, Okla., suffered and there are many thousands such.

Mrs. Blair tells the story of her suffering and cure much better than we can tell it. We quote her own words:

"I had been flooding, cramping and vomiting for five months and taking medicine from as good a doctor as the country affords, but he did me no good. I got tired of doctor's medicine and went to the drug store for a woman's medicine and the druggist sent me STELLA-VITAE.

"One bottle stopped everything and I felt like a different woman. I have used six bottles already and will continue to use and praise STELLA-VITAE whenever I need a woman's medicine."

What STELLA-VITAE did for Mrs. Blair it will do for you. We guarantee the first bottle to benefit you. Your money back if it don't. You cannot afford to not try it—when you have all to gain and not a penny to lose.

Go to your dealer today and begin trying STELLA-VITAE, trying to become well. We lose the price if you are not benefited. In many years of guaranteeing STELLA-VITAE less than one bottle out of every thousand has failed to benefit.

Your chances of being benefited are a thousand to one!

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Of Two Dangers.

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A Fooler.

Keep Hanford's Balsam in your stable. Adv.

We all have relatives who would be more satisfactory as strangers.

Putnam Fadeless Dyes color in cold water. Adv.

Most men who consider themselves big guns are only smooth bores.

Worms expelled promptly from the human system with Dr. Frey's Vermifuge "Dead Shot." Adv.

Some orators make their best point when they come to a stop.

Made since 1846—Hanford's Balsam. Adv.

Better a hair in the scalp than two in the brush.

It's far easier for many a man to declare his opinion than to prove that he really has one.

Division of Labor.

"We all think our own job the hardest," observed the humorist on his vacation.

"Yew bet," agreed the farmer. "I hev to talk like this, and yew hev to spell it."—Puck.

NOT AN ABSOLUTE BLANK

Eye Retains Impression of Last-Seen Spectacle During the Duration of a Wink.

When a person winks his eyes he momentarily covers the entire eyeballs, and everything therefore should turn absolutely black and be in total darkness for the instant. As a matter of fact, he certainly is in total darkness, but he is unconscious of the same. The reason he is unconscious is that the eye is incapable of removing a certain view from itself until an eighth of a second has elapsed. So the view seen just before the ball goes in to eclipse continues to be seen for an eighth of a second. But as the eye is not covered by the lid as long as this, a new view arrives to supplant the old view before the old one has vanished. Thus the darkness is not noticed, although there is no doubt that it exists.

This same peculiarity of the eye enables moving pictures to have their being. It also is the reason why a lighted torch whirled rapidly around shows a path instead of a sequence of torches. Also why a rapidly rotating wheel does not show its spokes. If a snapshot be taken of such a wheel it does show the spokes, however, and proves the above fact of persistence. Or of the wheel be viewed by a lightning flash it shows them.

Extraordinary Forced March.

A wonderful feat of pedestrianism has been performed by 62 men of the London Rifle brigade, who completed a forced march from London to Brighton—52 1/2 miles—in the record time of 14 hours 23 minutes, the previous best march having been 50 miles in fifteen and a half hours, made by the French Foreign Legion. The men's ages averaged twenty-two years. Not a single one dropped out during the whole distance, although they were in full marching order, carrying overcoat, mess tin, satepan, frying-pan and plate, pickax, shovel, and trench tools, haversack, water-bottle and ration for the night, rifle, etc., a total weight of 46 pounds.

Great Shooting.

Smith and Jones were walking along the boulevard one afternoon when Brown was incidentally mentioned. "Speaking of Brown," thoughtfully remarked Jones, "I understand he is something of a shot."

"He is a wonder," was the prompt rejoinder of Smith. "We were out in a field practicing the other day when he hit the bull's-eye the first shot."

"Fine for Brown!" commenting returned Jones. "Ticked him almost to death, I suppose?"

"Don't you believe it!" answered Smith. "He had to pay for the bull."

Found No Bottom.

When John Findlay, the actor, was revisiting the scenes of his parents' childhood and youth, Kerry county, Ireland, he was shown the famous Devil's Punch Bowl. "That nobody liver sounded the bottom of it," said the old man. "Only one man liver attempted to penetrate its depths. He took off his clothes at the edge, and then dove down into the Devil's Punch Bowl. He never found the bottom. The next day we received a telegram from Canada which said, 'Ship over me clothes.'"

Robbers Work a Clever Scheme.

A few days ago a suburban friend received by post two tickets for a popular play. "You will never guess who sends you these," ran the anonymous note accompanying them, "but go and have a good time."

They obeyed, enjoyed themselves immensely, and returned home to find their house ransacked.—London Chronicle.

Of Two Dangers.

Mollie—And you would kiss a lady's hand? Chollie—Oh, yes.

"But I should think there would be more chance of microbes on the hand than on the mouth?" "Possibly."

"Then of two evils I should think you would choose the lesser."

Stick to Your Intentions.

Don't put off getting Hanford's Balsam of Myrrh until something happens. Get it now and be prepared for accidents. You will find frequent use for it in your home and in your stable for cuts, burns, bruises and any sore, any lameness. Adv.

An Apt Interne.

Nurse—Heavens, doctor, patient No. 22 has swallowed his thermometer. Young Doctor—His temperature rises above 104, give him an emetic.

A Fooler.

He—Is your uncle good at golf? She—Mercy, no! He's very profane.—Boston Evening Transcript.

Every woman thinks she can generate a look that will floor any man.

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WHY ARMY DIDN'T FREEZE

History Class of School Boys Gives a Dramatic Version of Valley Forge.

The history class of the sixth grade had just finished its study of the Revolutionary war. The teacher arranged a Friday afternoon program soon after. All numbers on the program were to bear on the war, so as to fix its importance in the minds of the pupils.

The boys of the class were assigned to dramatize some part of General Washington's life during the war. They selected "Washington at Valley Forge" as the subject. The afternoon of the program came and the boys' number was called.

They trooped on to the stage in a heterogeneous collection of clothing evidently meant to suggest the "ragged regiment" of the colonial troops. All seated themselves in a circle. One boy, made up as General Washington, arose.

"Soldiers," he said, "it looks like it's going to be a fierce winter. We can either freeze to death or go out and get some wood. Which shall we do?" "Let's get some wood," was the answer.

"All right, then," the general replied, "follow me."

The entire cast left the stage, not to return.

DISFIGURED WITH PIMPLES

R. F. D. No. 2, Box 46, Matthews, Ga.—"For three years or more I was troubled with pimples and blackheads. At first my face would itch and burn and then the pimples would break out. They looked almost as if I had measles, causing great disfigurement. They would make my face very red and sore. Then they festered and came to a head and large boils would come on my chin and nose.

"I also had dandruff which caused my scalp to itch and burn. It itched and burned so that I had to scratch it until it was irritated. The dandruff scaled off and showed plainly in my hair. It also caused my hair to break off and become very thin. I used several remedies which did not cure and gave but little relief. After I received a free sample of Cuticura Soap and Ointment I began using them according to directions. I secured two cakes of Cuticura Soap and two boxes of Cuticura Ointment, which cured me perfectly." (Signed) Miss Willie M. Walker, July 21, 1912.

Cuticura Soap and Ointment sold throughout the world. Sample of each free with 32-p. Skin Book. Address postcard "Cuticura, Dept. L, Boston."—Adv.

Oil Destroys Insects.

Insects generally breathe through special pores in various parts of their body, and if these pores are closed by oil they are suffocated. Anyone may test this by dropping sweet oil on the back of a wasp; it very soon dies. For this reason oil has been found one of the best things used for the destruction of insects. Flies, mosquitoes, roaches and other vermin can be driven from a house by the liberal use of coal oil.

Important to Mothers

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Fletchur.

In Use For Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

A Terrible Blow.

"What's the matter with your husband? He seems to have met with a severe loss. Get caught wrong in the market?" "No; I merely gave away the straw hat he was saving for next summer."

Just Slang.

Chollie—Do you believe there are microbes in kisses? Mollie—You can search me!

ARE YOU CONSTIPATED?

Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills have proved their worth for 75 years. Test them yourself now. Send for sample to 373 Pearl St., New York. Adv.

Too Late Now.

"When you were married, did your wife's father give her away?" "No. I only wish he had."

—Take CAPUDINE—

FOR HEADACHES AND GRIP. It's Liquid—Prompt and Pleasant—Adv.

A man is never too busy to listen when the lady on the dollar talks.

Use Roman Eye Balsam for scalding sensation in eyes and inflammation of eye of eyelids. Adv.

A druggist may be a social failure and yet a good mixer.

For wire cuts use Hanford's Balsam. Adv.

The man who loses is never accused of cheating.

Clothes are expensive

—rubbing wears them out quickly—stop—

—use RUB-N-MORE CARBONATHA SOAP. "Carbon kills germs. Prevents sickness. "Naphtha cleans instantly. Saves clothes—saves money—saves you."

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