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A Letter From Mr. Cain.

July 14.—Editor Messenger: Edgar Allen Poe was once the recipient of a scathing rebuke administered by a woman who applied to him every epithet she knew, ending up by calling him a louse. The pacific Edgar greatly replied: "Women will talk of the things that run through their heads." It is also true that men may talk and write of the things that run through their heads. As I have no special task before me this morning I shall scribble down a few of the thoughts that are chasing each other through my brain.

It is now church time Sunday morning, but with you it is hardly bed-time Saturday night. More than twelve hours will elapse before you start to Sunday school. I say it is church time because the bells have been ringing for some time and I have seen many people under black hoods wending their way towards the time-honored old mission where mass is held. The people of these islands are Roman catholics and like all other people of that faith, they manifest a most obstinate adherence to their creed. The catholic church was planted here by the Spanish friars more than three centuries ago. When the first English settlement was made in America, catholicism was already taking deep root in this quarter of the world. Every town has a gigantic stone mission or church bearing the marks of extreme old age. As the enraptured lover of the antique and the historic looks with amazement upon these splendid old monuments, he is forced to admire the enthusiasm and perseverance that made their existence possible. The ever pressing question is: "Whence the material and where the machinery that laid these massive stones so long ago?"

A large part of the sexton's time is taken up in tolling and chiming the great bells in the steeple. I believe this thing alone helps to make devout catholics. The frequent ringing of the bells, with the authority they represent, becomes the dominant fact in the life of a people who have little to engage their thoughts. Then there is more or less pomp and glitter about the ceremonies which appeal powerfully to a primitive people. When we consider all these things it is not strange that protestantism has about the same hold here as that catholicism has in Houston County.

One of the greatest objections I have to this country is the lack

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of church facilities of a kind that I can understand and enjoy. I have never seen fit to make of myself a conspicuous church member, nor strain over insignificant doctrinal points, nor run after certain fantastic stories that are sometimes told from the pulpit; but there is no one more convinced of the efficacy of the church than I am. When I was at home I seldom ever failed to be at church on Sunday morning, a few years ago when I was at the great world's fair I turned away from that splendid exhibit on Sunday morning to attend church, while crossing the ocean

I went each Sunday morning to the ship's parlor and heard religious services in the midst of the mighty deep. Now I would give no small amount to hear the songs and sermons that may be heard at home any Sunday.

Most persons would die from loneliness if they had to stay out here among Filipinos and Filipinas more than nine thousand miles from home, where you may easily know every white person within forty miles of you. However, we suffer very little on account of loneliness. Our work occupies about one fourth of our time, recreation and sleep about

one half; the remainder is devoted to reading. It is an inestimable blessing to be able to unlock the treasures of lore and talk with Irving, Shakespeare, Confucius and many others in a midst of a bamboo wilderness. This privilege would be doubly dear if shared with my old Grapeland students. They have delicate literary tastes and a high degree of appreciation for classic literature.

In spite of the isolation one must endure here, there are many unique and attractive features about this country. The strange customs, fancies and

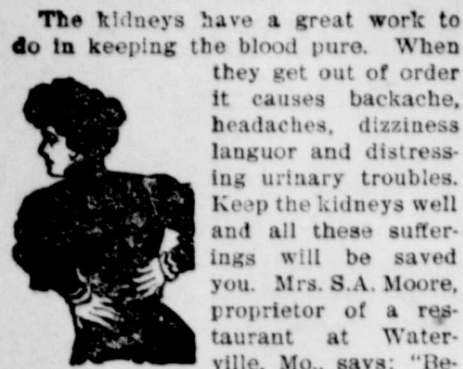
foibles of the people are a perpetual source of amusement to me. I sometimes fear that future generations will call me Laughing Philosopher as they called a man in order times because he laughed himself to death at the follies of mankind. I'm glad I can laugh. It is truly said: "Laugh and the world laughs with you, snore and you sleep alone."

But why should anybody get blue and commit suicide over here as some have done? If you can escape small pox, dysentery, bubonic plague, cholera, the bolo (big knife) of the head hunter and only about a score of other things you are all right. Vaccination is supposed to head off small pox, the board of health is holding bubonic plague in check, the constabulary looks after the head-hunter, and fire deals a death blow to cholera. It should be a great consolation to some people to know their future tramping ground will be minus one evil, unless they get up a special fire-proof variety of cholera which is unknown to science. Amoebic dysentery is the meanest thing over here. It is caused by millions of bacteria or minute "bugs" in the water. It causes great suffering and many deaths. The greatest harmless nuisance here is an over production of dogs. They have never been enumerated and never will be; but the smallest possible estimate is an average of seventeen dogs to the acre from one end of the islands to the other. They are all that worthless kind that is fit for nothing on earth but to bark when there is nothing to bark at. If a little danger shows up they at once hunt tall timber.

I presume Japanese war is by this time a state subject in the states. From this point of view it seems that the United States has made every possible concession in the interest of peace. Many claim that she has been even too indulgent. It made a fool of the little almond-eyed Jap when he was admitted into the international family a few years ago; then since the victory of the Japanese over the Russians the exasperating little Mongolians have been unbearable. They are constantly wanting an apology from some nation, and generally it is the United States. They are trying to pick a war out of nothing, and with that hypocritical innocence that characterizes the whole orient, they pretend to be trying to avoid war. Peace would suit us better.

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TIRED BACKS.



The kidneys have a great work to do in keeping the blood pure. When they get out of order it causes backache, headaches, dizziness, languor and distressing urinary troubles. Keep the kidneys well and all these sufferings will be saved you. Mrs. S.A. Moore, proprietor of a restaurant at Water-ville, Mo., says: "Be-fore using Doan's Kidney Pills I suffered everything from kidney troubles for a year and a half. I had pain in the back and head, and almost continuous in the loins and felt weary all the time. A few doses of Doan's Kid-ney Pills brought great relief, and I kept on taking them until in a short time I was cured. I think Doan's Kid-ney Pills are wonderful."

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The Tell Tale Voice.

"If you want to tell whether or not the man you are talking to is telling the truth don't look him in the eyes," said a Denver bank teller to some friends. "It is the voice, when you don't look at the eyes, that tells you whether the other fellow is lying. We use the system frequently in the bank. A man will come in to tell us some business tale. We look at his feet or his hands or his knees, but never in his eyes. If he's telling the truth his voice will be firm and straightforward, and the absence of your gaze in his eyes will not affect it. But if he's lying he'll be confused by your ac-tion, and his voice will tremble; he'll hem and haw, and clear his throat. You may rest assured then that he's stringing you."

Concerning His Business.

A Boston lawyer, who brought his wit from his native Dublin, while cross-examining the plaintiff in a divorce trial, brought forth the follow-ing: "You wish to divorce this woman because she drinks?" "Yes, sir." "Do you drink yourself?" "That's my business!"—angrily. Whereupon the unmoved lawyer asked: "Have you any other business?"—Everybody's.

All in Cold Storage.

An Oregon attorney, representing a client whose title to a certain cold storage plant was under fire, closed an able argument before the Oregon supreme court recently with the fol-lowing bit of pathos: "Your honor, there is more resting upon your deci-sion than this cold storage plant; a human life is at stake. My client's life's efforts are in this cold storage; his life's blood is in this cold storage; his body and soul are wrapped up in this cold storage."—Law Notes.

Evidently Needed Burial.

"The late Gen. Thomas H. Ruger," said a Stamford man, "was, like many army officers, an authority on good cooking, but he detested rank, high cheese. At a dinner he said that a very rank cheese was once left at his headquarters to be called for, and af-ter it had remained unclaimed two days he posted this notice: "If the cheese sent here addressed to Private Jones is not called for in two days it will be shot."

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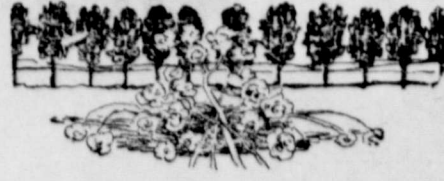
"America has become a land of nervous emotionalists, largely owing to our sins against the dietetic health laws of nature.

"Only outdoor exercise in a cold climate would enable vigorous individ-uals of our species to digest the viands forced upon alimentary organs enfee-bled by sedentary occupations," wrote Dr. Felix Oswald.

Brain workers must have different food than laborers, because brain work uses up parts of the brain and nerve centers, while physical labor uses up other parts of the body.

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HORTICULTURE

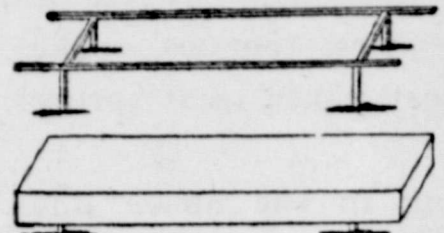


NEWLY SET PLANTS.

Convenient Frame for Their Protec-tion From Sun.

Newly transplanted plants always demand more or less protection from the blighting effects of too much sun and wind. It is best achieved by making a shelter such as is shown in the cut.

Two ten-foot poles and two three-foot pieces of any convenient thick-ness for the crosspieces, with four 14-inch weatherstrips for the legs, con-stitute the frame. In the middle of it two hooks should be inserted on each side, and upon these the cover-ing fastened, which can thus be ad-justed very quickly. The covering may



Frames to Protect Small Plants.

consist of burlaps or any kind of rough sacking.

Being so simple and economical to make, it is advisable to have enough frames to protect the number of ten-der plants that are set out in a garden at one time, says Farm and Home. They possess other advantages than sheltering the young things from the direct rays of the sun. They allow slow evaporation, and so keep newly watered ground moist for hours, whereas if exposed to the sun and wind it would soon become dry and caked. On windy days it is necessary to let the sacking down on the wind-ward side of the shelter. In case of frost the protection that they afford is of inestimable value.

LONDON PURPLE.

Composition of This Insecticide and How It is Made.

London purple is prepared by boil-ing purple residue from the dye in-dustry, containing free arsenious acid, with slaked lime. In this way cal-cium arsenite and calcium arsenate are formed, and these are the poison-ous compounds of this insecticide. As the dye residue has accumulated some dirt during the process of manu-facture, a sandy substance will always be present in the London purple. It will thus be seen that London purple consists of calcium arsenite, calcium arsenate, a dye residue and small amounts of sand and moisture. In case not enough lime is added to the dye residue or the boiling is not con-tinued long enough, varying quantities of the arsenious acid will be left in the free condition, and thus in a form which will scorch the foliage to which it may be applied.

According to Haywood, about one-third of London purple is made up of the dye residue, sand and moisture, and that it contains from 31 to 51 per cent. of total arsenic, figured as arseni-ous oxide; whereas Paris green con-tains the equivalent of about 56 per cent. of the arsenious oxide. The value of these two insecticides will thus be in proportion to these figures. How-ever, one other point must be consid-ered in valuing this substance, that is, its effect on foliage. According to Haywood, a very much larger amount of the arsenic of London purple is soluble in water than with Paris green. It seems probable that a part of this is made up of calcium arsenite and arsenate, which have gone into solu-tion, but at the same time it is safe to say that Paris green is the safer insecticide. The addition of lime to the water mixture of the London purple is even more essential than with Paris green.—Ontario Bulletin.

POINTS FOR FRUIT GROWERS.

The time put into the work of beau-tifying the country home is profitably spent.

Every shade tree properly placed on the farmstead adds to the value of the farm, and it adds to the beauty of the farm home.

If the horticulturist can find a way of keeping blight from pear trees, as they now appear likely to do, the markets will be filled with pears of high quality.

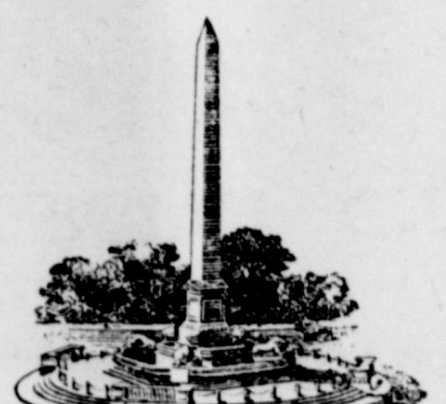
Water sprouts on old trees should not always be removed. Often the tree needs some of them to help elaborate new material for wood building.

The soil of the orchard needs management just as surely as does the soil of the field in which vege-tables are growing. It needs to be kept supplied with the elements of plant food.

M'KINLEY MONUMENT

To Be Dedicated in Buffalo Sept. 5. Former Residents Invited.

The beautiful white marble shaft erected by the state of New York in Niagara Square, Buffalo, N. Y., to the memory of President McKinley, is to be formally dedicated Thursday, Sept. 5, and the event will be the central feature of Buffalo's Old Home Week, Sept. 1 to 7. Former residents of Buf-falo and the public at large are cor-dially invited to attend the dedication.



The McKinley monument was planned and executed under the direction of a commission of prominent men, at a cost of \$150,000. Gov. Charles E. Hughes, with his military staff, will take part in the ceremonies and President Roosevelt and former President Grover Cleveland have been invited to attend and speak. Military parades will be a feature of the occasion.

SPAIN FAR BEHIND NATIONS.

Illiteracy Prevails There to a Most Amazing Extent.

Of the 20,000,000 people inhabiting Spain, only about 35 per cent. can read and write; another two and one-half per cent. of the population can read without being able to write, but the remaining 62½ per cent. are absolute illiterates. In the south of Spain it is impossible to get a serv-ant who can read and write, and many of the postmen are unable to tell to whom the letters they carry are addressed. They bring a bundle of letters to a house and the owner looks through them and takes those which are (or which he thinks are) addressed to him. The Spanish postmen are not paid by the state; the recipient of the letters have to remunerate them according to the amount of their correspondence, and each letter costs the addressee at least one cent. It is a joke among the easy-going Spaniards that he who treats the postmen best receives the most letters—whether they are in-tended for him or not.

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Always in the Way.

Recently a country doctor in the north of Ireland, a bachelor, who was locally noted for his brusqueness and irascibility, was driving along a nar-row lane, or "boreen," when his pas-sage was effectually barred by an old woman, who was returning from the bog leading an ass whose panniers were filled with peats. The woman led the ass to the side of the lane as quickly as she could, but not quickly enough to please the short-tempered doctor. "Faugh!" he exclaimed, with a snort of disgust. "Women and asses are always in the way." "I'm glad ye have the manners to put yourself last," said the old woman, calmly. The doctor drove on without another word.

A Little Debt for Husband.

A four-year-old tot invited three older playmates into an ice cream sa-loon, where she magnificently ordered four plates of cream. When the de-lectable food had been eaten she calmly proceeded to walk out of the place without paying for it. The proprietor stopped her. Looking up into his face in the most innocent manner in the world, she lisped:

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Has to Be Cited.
"Possibly there is something on Earth that is a surer and quicker cure for cuts, burns, aches, pains and bruises than Hunt's Lightning Oil. If so, I would like to be cited. For twenty years I have been unable to find any-thing better myself." H. H. WARD, Rayville, La.

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WARM DAY DAINITIES

EXCELLENT FOR SUMMER AFTER-NOON TEAS.

Departure from the Old-Fashioned Meat and Bread Sandwich—Beverages to Take the Place of Iced Tea.

Everyone has tired of the old-fashioned meat and bread sandwiches and something new that will please the palate on hot and sultry afternoons will surely be welcomed. A very economical way of using up fish, and one of the most popular of the new sandwiches is made as follows:

Take the yolks of six hard-boiled eggs and rub them to a paste, and mix with the same quantity of cold fish that has chilled in the ice box. Spread this mixture on crisp lettuce leaves, add a dash of mayonnaise dressing and spread between thin slices of white bread.

Another sandwich that can be made in a few moments' notice is by chopping two large crisp cucumbers very fine, and add to this a little onion juice, just enough to give it a flavor, and a little bit of cayenne pepper. Mix this with a little mayonnaise dressing and spread on thin slices of white bread.

Instead of the peanut butter that comes prepared in cans and has stood in the shops for months, try this: Take a quart of peanuts, shell and blanch them, and then put them through the coffee mill or very fine chopping machine. Salt this to suit your taste, and add to it enough port wine, sherry, or any home-made wine to make it a soft paste. Spread on buttered white bread.

By now, you may have become tired of the ice tea, and it is too warm for chocolate, and nothing is more refreshing than the following punch served to a friend on a hot afternoon: Put a heaping tablespoonful of good tea in a pitcher, pour over it a quart of boiling water and let it stand for a few moments—covered. Strain this into a bowl or large pitcher, add one pound of sugar, juice of six lemons and two oranges, and a quart of apollinaris. Be liberal with your ice, and it will also add to the flavor to put in a few strawberries or raspberries, and a cucumber peel. This recipe will make ample punch for a dozen people.

Fruit Punches.—Take a pint of fresh raspberries and a quart of currants, wash and then bruise them. Pour over these two quarts of water and a half-pound of sugar (preferably brown). Let this come to a boil very slowly, then remove and strain through a jelly bag. This should be allowed to cool, then set on the ice. It should be served in individual glasses with a large piece of ice.

Another fruit punch is made by first boiling one pint of sugar with one quart of water and the juice of two lemons. Into this grate the rind of three oranges. Let it boil several minutes, then set it aside to cool. Into your punch bowl or extremely large pitcher put plenty of ice, and slice three oranges very thin, cutting the pieces in half. Take six oranges and squeeze only the juice into the pitcher or bowl, and a pineapple cut in very thin, small pieces. Over this pour the syrup that has cooled, and then add any berries you may have.

Lamb and Green Peas Salad.

What to Eat gives us a picture and recipe of lamb and green peas salad that looks and sounds very attractive and not difficult.

Materials.—One pint green peas (cooked), half a cup of boiling water, one pint cooking lamb cut in cubes, three tablespoons of sugar, half a cup of celery cut in cubes, five tablespoons of vinegar, one bunch (two dozen sprigs) mint, a quarter of a teaspoon of red pepper, half teaspoon of salt, one-half cup strong stock, two tablespoons of granulated gelatine, mayonnaise, lettuce leaves.

Cress Sandwiches.

Wash watercress and dry it, rejecting the tougher stems and all withered leaves. Dip each spray in a French dressing made by mixing a tablespoonful of vinegar with four tablespoonfuls of olive oil, a teaspoonful of salt and a salt spoonful of white pepper. Stir until the mixture is thick and smooth before putting in the cress. Have ready white bread buttered and cut thin, and lay the cress between two slices of bread.

Eggless Cake.

Two cups brown sugar, one-half cup butter, two cups sour milk, two teaspoons soda, two cups chopped raisins, one-half teaspoon cloves, one teaspoon cinnamon, flour to make quite stiff. A nice addition to this cheap cake is some chopped hickory nut meats.

Popcorn with Soup.

Instead of serving crackers with soup use popcorn. It gives the soup a delicate flavor and does not get pasty like crackers. This looks attractive, which makes it more appetizing.

"It Knocks the Itch."

It may not cure all your ills, but it does cure one of the worst. It cures any form of itch ever known—no matter what it is called, where the sensation is "itch," it knocks it. Eczema, Ringworm and all the rest are relieved at once and cured by one box. It's guaranteed, and its name is Hunt's Cure.

Of Course.

"What makes you so absent minded?"
"Well, I stopped to think one day—"
"Yes?"
"And my thoughts ran on and on—"
"Well?"
"And I haven't caught up with 'em yet."—Cleveland Leader.

District Densely Populated.

The District of Columbia has the greatest population a square mile of any section of this country. The figures are slightly more than 3,839. In Alaska there is only one person to ten square miles. Rhode Island is second to Washington, with 407 persons a square mile.

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 *Wm. C. Little*
In Use For Over 30 Years.
The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Try it and See.

Funny, isn't it, but it makes all the difference in the world whether you call a girl a vision or a sight.

Makes Pain Go Away.

Are you one of the ones who pay in toll For your right of way through this life?

If so you will find Hunt's Lightning Oil A friend which will aid in the strife. To those who earn their own way by their own labor, accidents occur with painful frequency. Burns, bruises, cuts and sprains are not strangers to the man who wears corns on his hands. A better remedy for these troubles does not exist than Hunt's Lightning Oil.

Took Exception.

"Remember, brothers!" shouted the orator of the strenuous life, "I haven't any use for mollycoddies."
The very old gentleman who was sitting in the last row removed his pipe and retorted:
"Wal, by heck, mister, even if you haven't any use for Molly Coddies you needn't stand thar and talk behind her back, seein' that she is not present to defend herself."

The biggest trap-shooting event of the year, known as the Grand American Handicap, held at Chicago in June last, resulted in an overwhelming victory for Winchester Shells. With these the Professional Championship was won by W. R. Crosby, of O'Fallon, Ill., and the Amateur Championship by Hugh M. Clark, of Urbana, Ill.

She Understood.

"What makes you think that Timmins is ideally married?"
"Because one day when he invited me to dinner and we were late she merely asked whether the home team won."

To Farmers Everywhere

Why Work Yourselves to Death Trying to Make a Living.

Go to the Southwest Texas Where the Land is Fertile and Grows Enormously Profitable Crops With Little Labor.

Read This Carefully.

Enid, Oklahoma, April 13, 1907.
Dr. C. F. Simmons, San Antonio, Texas:
My Dear Sir—I was down on your Atascosa County ranch, and spent four days in looking it over. It is a great tract of land; the finest large body of land I saw ever on. In the four days I spent on it I am sure I did not see forty acres that could not be cultivated.
The soil is dark and chocolate sandy loam, and some black, waxy with a little sand, but no blew sand. I took soil from different pastures, and found the land all underlaid with a good clay foundation.
In my opinion, this land, with proper cultivation, will produce everything that can be grown from Maine to California. I never saw a more fertile body of land anywhere.
Such land as this, if located in Oklahoma, would sell for \$50 an acre. The entire tract is within the artesian belt. The water from these wells that I saw and drank, was good for all purposes.
I carried one of your "New Home Sweet Home" books with me and compared the views shown by you in it with what I saw, and found everything just as represented. I have read your description of this property, and you have not overdrawn it in any way. No one can realize what a splendid opportunity this is to get a good home for a very little money in the finest climate and on the richest land in the world, until he sees it. I will be very glad to answer any one who wants to know what I know about your land. With best wishes, I remain,
Yours very truly, J. S. LIGHTFOOT.

Dr. C. F. Simmons has divided his ranch and is selling from 10 to 640 acres and 2 town lots for \$210.00 payable \$10.00 a month without interest. Write today for booklet and set of views of the ranch and name of nearest agent.

DR. C. F. SIMMONS,

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Queer Idea of Enjoyment.

Dr. Juliet Severance writes in the Vegetarian Magazine:

"I am often reminded of a clinic case brought before the class when I was in medical college in 1858. The man had gout and rheumatism, both the small and large joints being immovable, and his suffering was severe. Dr. R. T. Trall, professor of theory and practice, was explaining to us the importance of a very strict and abstemious diet. The poor fellow tried vainly to turn his head, and grunted out: 'I can't go that; I want to enjoy life while I do live.'"

Not "Just as Good"—It's the Best.

One box of Hunt's Cure is unfailingly, unqualifiedly, and absolutely guaranteed to cure any form of Skin Disease. It is particularly active in promptly relieving and permanently curing all forms of itching known. Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm and all similar troubles are relieved by one

Making a Good Start.

Doctor—Madam, your husband must have absolute rest.
Madam—Well, doctor, he won't listen to me—
Doctor—A very good beginning, madam—a very good beginning.—Stray Stories.

FITS, St. Vitus Dance and all Nervous Diseases permanently cured by Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for Free \$2.00 trial bottle and treatise. Dr. R. H. Kline, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.

If he has a large family to support, a man can't afford to have any other extravagant habits.

Use ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE



"In a Pinch, Use Allen's Foot-Ease."

Does Not Always Pay.
First Tramp—After all, it pays to be polite, pardner.
Second Tramp—Not always. The other day I was actin' deaf and dumb when a man gave me sixpence. I says: "Thank you sir," and he had me arrested.—Tit-Bits.

A powder to be shaken into the shoes. Your feet feel swollen, nervous, hot and get tired easily. If you have aching, smarting feet, try Allen's Foot-Ease. It rests the feet and makes new or tight shoes easy; always use it to Break in New Shoes. It cures swollen, hot, sweating feet, blisters, ingrowing nails and callous spots. Relieves corns and bunions of all pain and gives Rest and Comfort. It cures while you walk. We have over thirty thousand testimonials. Try it to-day. Sold by all Druggists everywhere 25 cents. Don't accept any substitute for Allen's Foot-Ease. Trial package FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y. European Branch Office, Peterborough, England.

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MRS. A. M. HAGERMANN

from the same physical disturbances, and the nature of their duties, in many cases, quickly drift them into the horrors of all kinds of female complaints, organic troubles, ulceration, falling and displacements, or perhaps irregularity or suppression causing backache, nervousness, irritability, and sleeplessness.

Women everywhere should remember that the medicine that holds the record for the largest number of actual cures of female ills is

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

made from simple native roots and herbs. For more than thirty years it has been helping women to be strong, regulating the functions perfectly and overcoming pain. It has also proved itself invaluable in preparing for child birth and the Change of Life.

Mrs. A. M. Hagermann, of Bay Shore, L. I., writes:—Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—"I suffered from a displacement, excessive and painful functions so that I had to lie down or sit still most of the time. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has made me a well woman so that I am able to attend to my duties. I wish every suffering woman would try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and see what relief it will give them."

Mrs. Pinkham's Standing Invitation to Women

Women suffering from any form of female illness are invited to write Mrs. Pinkham at Lynn, Mass. for advice. She is the Mrs. Pinkham who has been advising sick women free of charge for more than twenty years, and before that she assisted her mother-in-law Lydia E. Pinkham in advising. Therefore she is especially well qualified to guide sick women back to health.

OLD SORES FED AND KEPT OPEN BY IMPURITIES IN THE BLOOD

Whenever a sore refuses to heal it is because the blood is not pure and healthy, as it should be, but is infected with poisonous germs or some old blood taint which has corrupted and polluted the circulation. Those most usually afflicted with old sores are persons who have reached or passed middle life. The vitality of the blood and strength of the system have naturally begun to decline, and the poisonous germs which have accumulated because of a sluggish and inactive condition of the system, or some hereditary taint which has hitherto been held in check, now force an outlet on the face, arms, legs or other part of the body. The place grows red and angry, festers and eats into the surrounding tissue until it becomes a chronic and stubborn ulcer, fed and kept open by the impurities with which the blood is saturated. Nothing is more trying and disagreeable than a stubborn, non-healing sore. The very fact that it resists ordinary remedies and treatments is good reason for suspicion; the same germ-producing cancerous ulcers is back of every old sore, and especially is this true if the trouble is an inherited one. Washes, salves, nor indeed anything else, applied directly to the sore, can

I was afflicted with a sore on my face of four years' standing. It was a small pimple at first but it gradually grew larger and worse in every way until I became alarmed about it and consulted several physicians. They all treated me but the sore continued to grow worse. I saw S. S. S. advertised and commenced its use and after taking it a while I was completely cured. My blood is now pure and healthy from the effect of S. S. S., and there has not been any sign of the sore since S. S. S. cured it.

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West Union, Ohio.

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Then the sore begins to heal, new flesh is formed, all pain and inflammation leaves, the place scabs over, and when S. S. S. has purified the blood the sore is permanently cured. S. S. S. is for sale at all first class drug stores. Write for our special book on sores and ulcers and any other medical advice you desire. We make no charge for the book or advice.

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Some doctors have said so and many individuals have said, that this dainty, antiseptic powder, shaken daily into the shoes is Cooling to the entire System. Scores of nerves center in the soles of the feet and Allen's Foot-Ease soothes and quiets these nerves. Use every means to keep cool and avoid Heat Prostration. Try this simple, popular remedy yourself and see if it is not instantly Cooling and Refreshing. Sold by all Druggists, etc.

You Look Prematurely Old

Because of those ugly, grizzly, gray hairs. Use "LA CREOLE" HAIR RESTORER. PRICE, \$1.00, retail.

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We take this opportunity to state to the patrons of the public school that we have ordered more books than we had on the lists, so if there is a shortage of books it will be the fault of those not furnishing lists. We would be glad to have you come and get your books before school opens so that if we have to re-order we will have more time and thus delay the pupils as little as possible in getting books. We are handling school books for your accommodation and would appreciate your patronage if you need any

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We carry a full line of paper, pens, ink, pencils, erasers, pencil sharpeners, slates, etc. Our line of tablets cannot be excelled for assortment, style, quality or price.

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Georgia's Example.

The prohibitionists won a signal victory in Georgia the other day, when the legislature of that state passed a bill making of the fire state "dry." All over the South the prohibition sentiment is gaining strength, and this in the face of the fact that a very large number of people, even among those found in the prohibition ranks, are not opposed to the sale of liquor per se. Some of them, even among those who support local option or prohibition measures, regard such laws as summary and to a certain extent curtailments of personal liberty—but they vote for their enactment on the ground of expediency.

The liquor sellers themselves have done more than all the White Ribbon crusaders and temperance organizations in the land to advance the prohibition cause. They have wrought their own downfall, in many instances by seeking to control governmental affairs in the interest of their own business, by allowing halls to be run on their premises, and by providing wine rooms in their places, by allowing their business houses to become loading places for disorderly individuals and by seeking to evade so far as possible the enforcement of the legal restrictions relative to closing, selling in prohibited districts and so on. It is but fair to say that some few liquor sellers have sought to comply with the laws and to make their places fairly orderly, but unfortunately their number is so small in comparison to those who have sought to over-ride the laws that public sentiment has been actively aroused against open saloons as a class.

While it is admitted, even by fair-minded prohibitionists, that prohibition often falls to prohibit, when it comes to deciding between two evils—the sneaking of the boot-legger and the fraud grant disregard of laws and open attempts to control political affairs, a good many people will choose the former.

If the liquor dealers do not institute some very radical reforms in their own ranks then they may very reasonably expect other Southern states in a very few years to step over into the prohibition ranks.—Hollands Magazine.

Lee Holland spent part of this week at Oakwoods visiting relatives and friends.

Harman Gray has accepted a position with J. S. Cook, the telephone man, as lineman. He is in Crockett this week doing line work.

A north Texas farmer claims that he has driven the boll weevil out of his cotton fields by dragging a dead pole cat through the fields, attached to a singletree. We don't blame the weevils.—Hallettsville Herald.

The Courier congratulates the members of the Texas legislature upon the fact that one out of six of the voters of Texas were willing to pay them \$1,000 a year. It shows that this small minority either does not care how the taxpayers' money is spent, did not realize the injustice of recent oppressive laws or observed to the letter the Bible injunction to return good for evil.—Sanger Courier.

It might show that one-sixth of the voters of the state contemplate running for that office.—Longview Daily Item.

A preacher came at a newspaper man in this way: "You editors do not tell the truth. If you did you could not live; your newspapers would be a failure." The editor replied: "You are right, and the minister who will at all times and under all circumstances tell the whole truth about his members, alive or dead, will not occupy his pulpit more than one Sunday, and then he will find it necessary to leave town in a hurry. The press and the pulpit go hand in hand with whitewash brushes and pleasant words, magnifying little virtues into big ones. The pulpit, the pen and the grave stone are the great saint-making triumvirate." And the great minister went away looking very thoughtful while the editor turned to his work and told of the unsurpassing beauty of the bride while in fact she was as homely as a mud fence.—Jacksonville Reformer.

The newspaper man ase not worrying over the anti-pass law, seemingly much to the disappointment of those pot house politicians who sought, in his support, to get even with the Texas press for advocating a law that would prohibit lawmakers and lawenforcers from receiving favors at the hands of the railroads. Newspapers are getting cash for their railroad advertisements now, and when Dec. 31 rolls around the year's work will not be represented in a batch of unused mileage books chucked away in some drawer. And the newspapers and railroads will continue to maintain the same attitude toward each other. If necessary the papers will jump on the railroad people for wrong doing any time, and if they think the railroads are being wrongfully treated they will defend them, just as heretofore.—Nacogdoches Sentinel.

Those who have stomach troubles, no matter how slight, should give every possible help to the digestive organs, so that the food may be digested with the least effort. This may be done by taking something that contains natural digestive properties—something like Kodol for Indigestion and Dyspepsia. Kodol is a preparation of vegetable acids and contains the very same juices found in a healthy stomach. It digests what you eat. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Have You Chills?

It cured your Pa and also your Ma of chills in the long ago and it will cure you now. It has been tested by time and its merit has been proven. We guarantee one bottle to cure any one case of Chills. If it fails your money is cheerfully refunded—and its name is Cheatham's Chill Tonic.

Geo. Cahoun was in Fort Worth several days this week on business.

John Riba, a prominent dealer in Vining, Ia., says: "I have been selling DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills for about a year and they give better satisfaction than any pill I ever sold. There are a dozen people here who have used them and they give perfect satisfaction in every case I have used them myself with fine results." Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Don't think just because your coat or pants looks old that you can't wear it, for you can have them made to look like new for a small amount at the tailor shop. Odell Paris.

Beyond Excession.

G. W. Farlowe, East Florence, Ala., writes: "For nearly seven years I was afflicted with a form of skin disease which caused an almost unbearable itching. I could neither work, rest or sleep in peace. Nothing gave me permanent relief until I tried Hunt's Cure. One application relieved me; one box cured me, and though a year has passed I have stayed cured. I am grateful beyond expression."

Hunt's Cure is a guaranteed remedy for all itching diseases of the skin. Price 50c.

See us for doors and windows big stock now on hand. Geo. E. Darsey.

"We never repent of eating too little," was one of the ten rules of life of Thomas Jefferson, president of the United States, and the rule applies to every one without exception during this hot weather, because it is hard for food, even in small quantities to be digested when the blood is at high temperature. At this season we should eat sparingly and properly. We should also help the stomach as much as possible by the use of a little Kodol For Indigestion and Dyspepsia, which will rest the stomach by digesting the food itself. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

D, W, Harmon

.....Boys.....

Cotton Seed and Hogs

Be Sure to See me and Get my Prices Before You Sell

Citation By Publication

THE STATE OF TEXAS To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston county, greeting: You are hereby commanded to summon J. W. Williams by making publication of this citation in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the third judicial district: but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial district, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said third judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Houston County, to be holden at the court house thereof, in Crockett, on the first Monday in October, A. D. 1907, the same being the 7th day of October, 1907, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 29th day of August, A. D. 1907, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 4968, wherein Mrs. Cora Williams is plaintiff and J. W. Williams is defendant, said petition alleging that plaintiff and defendant were lawfully married in McClellan County, Texas, on or about the 28th day of February, A. D. 1894 and lived together as husband and wife until the first day of August, 1904, when defendant, without any cause or provocation, voluntarily, and with the intention of permanently abandoning plaintiff, abandoned the bed and board of plaintiff, since which time they have not lived together as husband and wife. Plaintiff alleging further that defendant was cruel, harsh, unkind and tyrannical to plaintiff, and otherwise cruelly treated plaintiff; that such cruel treatment was without any cause or provocation whatever.

Plaintiff alleging that defendant was, for three years prior to their separation, an habitual drunkard; that defendant, though amply able so to do, failed and refused to support this plaintiff and their minor children. Plaintiff alleges further, that no reconciliation has now can take place between them, and that by reason of the matters and things herein before complained of, the defendant has rendered their further living together as husband and wife insupportable.

Plaintiff prays for judgement dissolving said marriage relations. Herin fail not, but have before said court on the first day of the next term thereof this writ with your return thereon showing how you return executed the same.

Witness J. B. Stanton, Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, in the town of Crockett, this the 29th day of August, A. D., 1907.

J. B. Stanton,
Clerk of the District Court of Houston County.

Ladies are especially invited to call at Howard's and see the prettiest line of jewelry ever shown in Grapeland. Anything you want for presents, birthday presents etc.

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He has them CHEAP for CASH. Also every day shirts I have Groceries of all kinds, piece goods and PATENT MEDICINES.

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Are you going to buy a new wagon. If so don't fail to see us as we have just received a full car of wagons in all sizes from 21-4 to 2-3-4 and we will sell you a wagon at old prices. Geo. E. Darsey.

Bank Talks

The man who runs his business loosely places himself in the path of bankruptcy. The same principle applies to the banking business.

But strict rules are worthless unless the bank adheres to them. We maintain rigid rules in the conduct of our business; this is not only for our own good but also for the benefit of our customers.

To stand by a set of rules enables us to treat every patron of the bank the same, whether his business amounts to much or little. A fair and impartial treatment to all is well worth your careful consideration.

Rigid rules protect our customers. It is possible for us to conduct a safe, conservative banking business, where every element of chance is eliminated.

We ask only a fair price for service and accommodation, and aim to give every depositor the best treatment and protection for funds.

Do you want a No. 1 service? We can give you such service. Even though you may not be ready to open an account with us, we will be glad to have you call and talk over the situation with us.

The Farmers & Merchants State Bank,
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HOUSTON COUNTY DEPOSITORY

LOCAL NEWS.

Go to Howards when in town!

Cut prices on all lawns and summer dress goods at Darsey's.

Howard wants your trade. Call.

Plenty of Baker perfect barb wire and hog fencing at Darsey's.

Hides! Hides! Cash paid by Clewis.

Cut prices on all oxfords and low cut shoes at Darsey's.

Mrs. Farrar of Dallas, is here visiting her brother, Mr. W. D. Taylor.

You will find plenty of wire and hog fencing at Geo. E. Darsey's.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Anthony and Mrs. George Calhoun spent a few days in Galveston this week.

Jack Spence went to Crockett Monday to qualify before County clerk Albright as a ginner, under the new law passed by the last legislature.

Teachers Examination.

An examination for teachers will be held at the court house in Crockett on the 6th and 7th, or the first Friday and Saturday in September.

J. F. Mangum,
Co. Supt.

The ball game Saturday between Oak Grove and Daly's was one of the rottenest affairs that has been pulled off on the local diamond. It should have been a one sided game with Daly's on the top side, for their line up was composed of three Sluggers, three substitute Sluggers and three Daly's boys. The score was 21 to 19 in their favor. Oak Grove has defeated Daly's four straights, and they do not concede this victory to them, but gave it to the Sluggers. Sory did the twirling act for Daly's and allowed any number of two and three base hits and one home run. He received rotten support from his pals. The game was a swat feast from start to finish. Batteries, for Daly's Sory and Selkirk; for Oak Grove, Finch, Herod, and Howard.

Cut prices on all summer clothing at Darsey's.

E. R. Smith representing the Houston Chronicle, was in the city Monday.

Just received a car of flour, meal, bran and chops at Darsey's.

Clewis wants all the hides and bees wax in the country. Cash paid.

Entertainment.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Christian church will entertain the children of all ages Thursday afternoon, Aug. 29, from 4 to 6 o'clock, in the grove in front of the Christian church. Ten cents admission at the door. They will also serve cream and cake to everybody in the evening from 7 to 11 o'clock at the same place. Everybody cordially invited.

Ida Coleman Lively,
Sec'y.

W. S. Tyer and Jasper Simpson were callers at the Messenger office Saturday, and remembered us in a substantial way.

Mrs. Chas. Cromwell returned to her home in Elkhart Monday night after a few days visit to relatives near town.

Mrs. Jeina Fitchett returned Tuesday from Brushy Creek, where she had been visiting her parents, and went out to her home at Percilla.

Jesse McClelland has resigned his position with the Palestine Printing Co. and gone to Franklin, where he has a position with the Central Texan.

The school catalogues have been printed and distributed. Prof. Perkins and Miss Miller are expected to arrive Friday, and the faculty will be organized for the opening of school Monday morning.

Cleaning and Pressing

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Can make your old clothes as good as new. Counterpanes cleaned and pressed. All work is guaranteed

Basket Leaves Every Wednesday

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Satisfaction Guaranteed Every Way; Your Money Back if Not Satisfied.

He'll sell you a tailor-made suit as cheap as you can buy a custom made suit. I order anything you want **Pants, Coat, Vest or a Full Suit**

Be sure and see my line of **SAMPLES** when in town.

Remember this: **GIVE ME YOUR NEXT ORDER.**

Respectfully,

John L. Guice.

News Items From Reynard

Reynard, Aug. 26.—Our people are beginning to get at it and the tale is most told in regard to the cotton crop. W. F. West landed the first bale in Crockett and could have got the first bale to your town but he did not wish to be greedy. He is a rustler and knows how to handle a river farm. He has gathered seven bales to date.

Last Monday a crowd from Daly and a few of us mudded some small ponds on the creek and got a fine lot of small fish. G. B. Kent was lingering in the mud and though he had an eel, but behold, it was a big moccasin. It was hard to tell which was scared the worst, George or the snake. A small cat fish got up Pledger Chiles' pants leg and finned him considerably.

Misses Jessie and Gertrude Meriwether came in Monday from Austin where they had been attending the summer schools and better equipping themselves as teachers. They will remain at home a few weeks and then go to their respective positions. Their many friends are glad to have them here if only for a few days.

J. L. Chiles attended services at Hays Spring Sunday and reports a pleasant time.

Our ball boys are crowing over walloping Oak Grove Saturday and say they can do it again.

Quite a crowd enjoyed cake and cream at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Chiles Friday evening.

T. S. Kent was in the Island City last week on business.

Misses Mattie and Myrtle Gossett of Crockett are visiting Miss Leoti Kent.

Health is good for the time of year. Zack.

Wallace Goodnight Dead.

Oriole, Aug. 26.—It is with sad feelings that I announce the death of Mr. Wallace Goodnight, which occurred at his home some days since. He was attended by Dr. Elliott of Augusta. He leaves a wife and one child to mourn his loss. He was laid to rest in the Lockout graveyard.

Mrs. Susan Jane Grounds of Houston is visiting friends and relatives in this community. Miss Paralee Grounds has just returned from Houston where she has been visiting relatives.

Cotton is opening fast and some are picking.

It is still very dry and we are needing rain.

There is an interesting meeting in progress at the Grounds school house conducted by Rev. Lowery of Pennington and Rev. Stewart of Lovelady.

Mrs. Shuder and daughter, Kate, of near Crockett are attending the meeting. A. K.

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Marshal Hollingsworth was in town a few days this week visiting relatives and friends.

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Oak Grove News.

Aug. 23.—The health of this community is good at present and we are enjoying a good rain which fell Wednesday night and Thursday.

The protracted meeting closed Wednesday night. We had some good preaching. Rev. Houston of Elkhart preached Sunday morning and night. Then Bro. Cameron came in and continued the meeting. We hope good seed were sown that will bear fruit in years to come. The Baptist meeting lasted until Wednesday night of last week.

Miss Roxy Brimberry was in the community this week looking after the school. We have had a hard time getting our school matters in shape and I hope it will be a success.

The union is still doing business at the same old stand.

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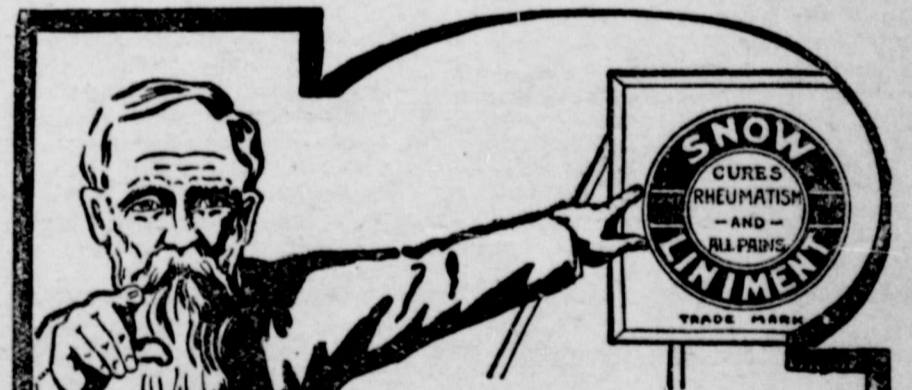
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Love may be a novel antidote for the divorce evil, but it ought to be tried.

There ought to be some good way to get rid of the anonymous letter writer.

"A bashful lover is much to be pitied," says a Kansas exchange. More than the girl?

United States sub-treasuries are becoming noted chiefly for losing money in a way that no one can discover.

There are men who will agree with the Cairo minister that kissing is a source of great danger. Often it leads to marriage.

Now they are having a severe drought in Jamaica. About the only thing the Jamaicans have to be thankful for is the loss of Swettenham.

A Texas judge rules that a table fork is not a deadly weapon. We believe that in Texas the fork is regarded as merely a useless ornament, anyhow.

We are glad that Mark Twain is coming back to a country where it will not be necessary for him to make negligee journeys to a bathroom across the street.

Always have "From Mother" inscribed in your watch. Soft-hearted burglars returned a timepiece they had stolen because those words were carved in the case.

In their dealings with Mark Twain the British were foxy. They were so good to him that he will be restrained from mentioning the funny things he observed while abroad.

An English censor of American customs says that we do not sit down gracefully. Probably we contracted the habit when we had to sit down very hard on England a couple of times.

Cock partridges are caught on French shootings by means of a trap that closes on the entrance of a bird, the lure being a mirror in which it sees its own reflection, which it is anxious to attack.

American children have been indicted on four counts by the National Educational association. That may be all they are guilty of, but the average man could frame up ten or a dozen counts against the boy next door.

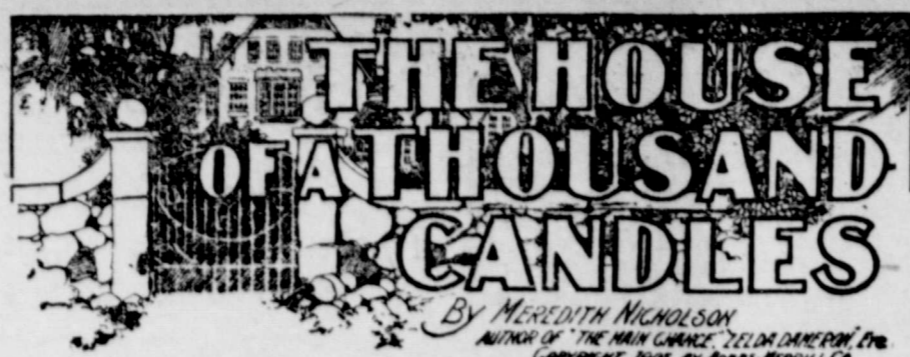
The Canadian census bureau has figures to show that within six years Canada's increase in population has been 1,133,585. Many of these new citizens have come from the United States and form a desirable element of the population, wherefore Canada is glad.

King Edward is reported to be leading a more strenuous life than either President Roosevelt or Emperor William. But this report bears all the earmarks entitling it to be classed among the nature fakes. No man could possibly lead such a strenuous life as this report indicates and have it inaudible to the naked eye.

The earl of Easton, a British colonel, says that the only way to abolish war is to abolish uniforms, on the theory that, "Man ardently desires a uniform; woman ardently admires it." Possibly the end could be attained by making military uniforms unattractive, and those of pacific organizations more gorgeous.

Just as The Hague conference assembled it was announced that France and Great Britain had entered into agreement with Spain to maintain the status quo in the Mediterranean. This means that France shall be unmolested in Algiers, that England shall have its way in Egypt, and that the situation in Morocco shall remain unchanged. The arrangement, says Youth's Companion, is a practical proof of the peaceful disposition of the powers concerned, and an expression in deed of the spirit behind the peace conference.

Torpedoes are commonly supposed to be a means of destroying vessels. An incident in Algerian waters goes to show that they can be used to save ships. Fire broke out in a British steamer, which was in a fair way to be destroyed until some one thought of towing her out into the roadstead, where she was torpedoed and sunk in shallow water. The flames were promptly extinguished, and as the vessel can easily be raised it was money in the pockets of the owners to have her blown up instead of burned up.



CHAPTER XXI.—Continued.

"Good! but this is just wall here—earth with a layer of bricks and a thin coat of cement. A nice job it must have been to do the work,—and it cost the price of a tiger hunt," I grumbled. "Take heart, lad, and listen," and Larry began pounding the wall with a hammer, exactly under the north gatepost. We had sounded everything in and about the house until the process bored me.

"Hurry up and get through with it," I jerked impatiently, holding the lantern at the level of his head. It was sharply cold under the posts and I was anxious to prove the worthlessness of his idea and be done.

Thump! thump! "There's a place here that sounds a trifle off the key. You try it."

I snatched the hammer and repeated his soundings. Thump! thump! There was a space about four feet square in the wall that certainly gave forth a hollow sound.

"Stand back!" exclaimed Larry eagerly. "Here goes with the ax." He struck into the wall sharply and the cement chipped off in rough pieces, disclosing bricks beneath. Larry paused when he had uncovered a foot of the inner layer, and examined the surface.

"They're loose—these bricks are loose, and there's something beside earth behind them!"

"The bricks were set up without mortar, and I plucked them out and rapped with my knuckles on a wooden surface.

Even Larry grew excited as we flung the bricks out into the tunnel.

"Ah, lad," he said, "the old gentleman had a way with him—he had a way with him!" A brick dropped on his foot and he howled in pain.

"Bless the old gentleman's heart! He made it as easy for us as he could. Now, for the Glenarm millions,—red money all piled up for the ease of counting it,—a thousand pounds in every pile."

"Don't be a fool, Larry," I coughed at him, for the brick dust and the smoke of Larry's pipe made breathing difficult.

"That's all the loose bricks,—bring the lantern closer,"—and we peered through the aperture upon a wooden door, in which strips of iron were deep-set. It was fastened with a padlock and Larry reached down for the ax.

"Wait!" I called, drawing closer with the lantern. "What's this?" The wood of the door was fresh and white, but burned deep on the surface, in this order, were the words:

The Door of Bewilderment

"There are dead men inside, I dare say! Here, my lad, it's not for me to turn loose the family skeletons,"—and Larry stood aside while I swung the ax and brought it down with a crash on the padlock. It was of no flimsy stuff and the remaining bricks cramped me, but half a dozen blows broke it off.

"The house of a thousand ghosts," chanted Larry, as I pushed the door open, crawled through and dropped down inside.

Whatever the place was it had a floor and I set my feet firmly upon it and turned to take the lantern.

"Hold a bit!" he exclaimed. "Some one's coming,"—and bending toward the opening I heard the sound of steps down the corridor. In a moment Bates ran up, calling my name with more spirit than I imagined possible in him. "What is it?" I demanded through the opening.

"It's Mr. Pickering. The sheriff has come with him, sir."

As he spoke his glance fell upon the broken wall and open door. The light of Larry's lantern struck full upon him. Amazement, and, I thought, a certain satisfaction, were marked upon his countenance.

"Run along, Jack,—I'll be up a little later," said Larry. "If the fellow has come in daylight with the sheriff, he isn't dangerous. It's his friends that shoot in the dark that give us the trouble."

I crawled out and stood upright. Bates, staring at the opening, seemed reluctant to leave the spot.

"You seem to have found it, sir," he said,—I thought a little chokingly. His interest in the matter nettled me; it was none of his affair, for one thing; and my first business was to go above for an interview with the executor,—a matter of immediate importance, as should have been clear to any one.

"Of course we have found it!" I ejaculated, brushing the dust from my clothes.

"Is Mr. Stoddard in the library?"

"Oh, yes, sir; I left him entertaining the gentlemen."

"Their visit is certainly most inopportune," said Larry. "Give them my compliments and tell them I'll be up as soon as I've articulated the bones of my friend's ancestors."

Bates strode on ahead of me with his lantern, and I left Larry crawling through the new-found door as I hurried toward the house. I knew him well enough to be sure he would not leave the spot until we had found what lay behind the Door of Bewilderment.

"You didn't tell the callers where you expected to find me, did you?" I asked Bates, as he brushed me off in the kitchen.

"No, sir." Mr. Stoddard received the



gentlemen. He rang the bell for me and when I went into the library he was saying, "Mr. Glenarm is at his studies. Bates,"—he says—"kindly tell Mr. Glenarm that I'm sorry to interrupt him, but won't he please come down?" I thought it rather neat, sir, considering his clerical office. I knew you were below somewhere, sir; the trap door was open and I found you easily enough."

Bates' eyes were brighter than I had ever seen them. A certain buoyant note gave an entirely new tone to his voice. He walked ahead of me to the library door, threw it open and stood aside.

"Ah, here you are, Glenarm," said Stoddard. Pickering and a stranger stood near the fireplace in their overcoats.

Pickering advanced and offered his hand, but I turned away from him without taking it. His companion, a burly countryman, stood staring, a paper in his hand.

"The sheriff," Pickering explained, "and our business is rather personal—"

He glanced at Stoddard, who looked at me.

"Mr. Stoddard will do me the kindness to remain," I said and took my stand beside the chaplain.

"Oh!" Pickering ejaculated scornfully. "I didn't understand that your relations with the neighboring clergy were so intimate. Your taste is improving, Glenarm."

"Mr. Glenarm is a friend of mine," remarked Stoddard quietly. "A very particular friend," he added.

"I congratulate you—both." I laughed. Pickering was surveying the room as he spoke,—and Stoddard suddenly stepped toward him, merely, I think, to draw up a chair for the sheriff; but Pickering, not hearing Stoddard's step on the soft rug until the clergyman was close beside him, started perceptibly and reddened.

It was certainly ludicrous, and when Stoddard faced me again he was biting his lip.

"Pardon me!" he murmured. "Now gentlemen, will you kindly state your business? My own affairs press me."

Pickering was studying the cartridge boxes on the library table. The sheriff too, was viewing these effects with interest not, I think, unmixed with awe.

"Glenarm, I don't like to invoke the law to eject you from this property, but I am left with no alternative. I can't stay out here indefinitely, and I want to know what's in it for me."

"That is a fair question," I replied. "If it were merely a matter of following the terms of the will I should not hesitate or be here now. But it isn't the will, or my grandfather, that keeps me, it's the determination to give you all the annoyance possible,—to make it hard and mighty hard for you to get hold of this house until I have found why you are so much interested in it."

"You always had a grand way in money matters. As I told you before you came out here, it's a poor stake. The assets consist wholly of this land and this house, whose quality you have had an excellent opportunity to test. You have doubtless heard that the country people believe there is money concealed here,—but I dare say you have exhausted the possibilities. This is not the first time a rich man has died, leaving precious little behind him."

"You seem very anxious to get possession of a property that you call a poor stake," I said. "A few acres of land, a half-finished house and an uncertain claim upon a school teacher?" "I had no idea you would understand

say to him," said Stoddard. He stepped nearer to me, as though to emphasize the fact that he belonged to my side of the controversy, and the sheriff read an order of the Wabana county circuit court directing me, immediately, to deliver the house and grounds into the keeping of the executor of the will of the estate of John Marshall Glenarm.

The sheriff rather enjoyed holding the center of the stage, and I listened quietly to the unfamiliar phraseology. Before he had quite finished I heard a step in the hall and Larry appeared at the door, pipe in mouth. Pickering turned toward him frowning, but Larry paid not the slightest attention to the executor, but leaned against the door with his usual tranquil unconcern.

"I advise you not to trifle with the law, Glenarm," said Pickering, as the sheriff folded his paper. "You have absolutely no right whatever to be here. And these other gentlemen—your guests, I suppose—are equally trespassers under the law."

He stared at Larry, who crossed his legs for greater ease in adjusting his lean frame to the door.

"Well, Mr. Pickering, what is the next step?" asked the sheriff.

"Mr. Pickering," said Larry, straightening up and taking his pipe from his mouth, "I'm Mr. Glenarm's counsel. If you will do me the kindness to ask the sheriff to retire for a moment I should like to say a few words to you that you might prefer to keep between ourselves."

I had usually found it wise to take any cue Larry threw me, and I said: "Pickering, this is Mr. Donovan, who has every authority to act for me in the matter."

Pickering looked impatiently from one to the other of us.

"You seem to have the guns, the ammunition and the numbers on your side," he observed dryly. "The sheriff may wait within call," said Larry, and at a word from Pickering the man left the room.

"Now, Mr. Pickering,"—Larry spoke slowly,—as my friend has explained the case to me, the assets of his grandfather's estate are all accounted for,—the land hereabouts, this house, ten thousand dollars in securities and a somewhat vague claim against a lady known as Sister Theresa, who conducts St. Agatha's school. Is that correct?"

"I don't ask you to take my word for it, sir," rejoined Pickering hotly. "I have filed an inventory of the estate, so far as found, with the proper authorities."

"Certainly." But I merely wish to be sure of my facts for the purpose of this interview, to save me the trouble of going to the records. And, moreover, I am somewhat unfamiliar with your procedure in this country. I am a member, sir, of the Irish bar. Pardon me, but I repeat my question."

"I have made oath—that, I trust, is sufficient even for a member of the Irish bar."

"Quite," said Larry, nodding his head gravely.

He was not, to be sure, a presentable member of any bar, for a smudge detracted considerably from the appearance of one side of his face, his clothes were rumpled and covered with brick dust, and his hands were black. But I had rarely seen him so calm. He recrossed his legs, peered into the bowl of his pipe for a moment, then asked, as quietly as though he were soliciting an opinion of the weather.

"Will you tell me, Mr. Pickering, whether you yourself are a debtor of John Marshall Glenarm's estate?"

(TO BE CONTINUED.)



TROUBLE AHEAD FOR JACK

His Well Meant Advice Evidently Caused All the Trouble.

Recently a lady was seen hurriedly approaching the gate at the Grand Central Depot, in New York. She had a traveling bag in one hand, a hat box and a bunch of flowers in the other and an umbrella and a box of lunch tucked under her arm. There was not a moment to spare, but the gatekeeper stopped her mad rush.

"Let me have your ticket, please," he commanded.

"I can't," she said, turning first red

and then white, "but I have one. Please let me pass. I've got to catch that train."

"You will have to show your ticket, madam," repeated the gateman sternly. Tears glistened in the lady's eyes.

"I tell you I can't, it's—it's— Well, I planned in my— Oh, I put it where I wouldn't lose it, and I can't get it till I have a chance to— Oh, do please let me through!" She was allowed to pass, and was heard to say as she made a dash for the train:

"The next time Jack worries me into putting things where I can't lose them I guess I'll know it."

HER LITERARY LIKES

They had just met; conversation was somewhat fitful. Finally he decided to guide it into literary channels, where he was more at home, and, turning to his companion, asked, "Are you fond of literature?"

"Passionately," she replied. "I love books dearly."

"Then you must admire Sir Walter Scott," he exclaimed with sudden animation. "Is not his 'Lady of the Lake' exquisite in its flowing grace and poetic imagery? Is it not—" "It is perfectly lovely," she assented, clasping her hands in ecstasy. "I suppose I have read it a dozen times."

"And Scott's 'Marmion,'" he continued, "with its rugged simplicity and Scottish characters and his graphic, forceful pictures of feudal times and customs?" "I just dote on them," she replied.

"And Scott's 'Emulsion,'" he continued, a faint suspicion beginning to dawn upon him.

"I think," she interrupted rashly, "that it is the best thing he ever wrote."—Montreal Herald.

At the age of 20, the average man loses six days yearly by illness; at 65 he will lose 26 days.

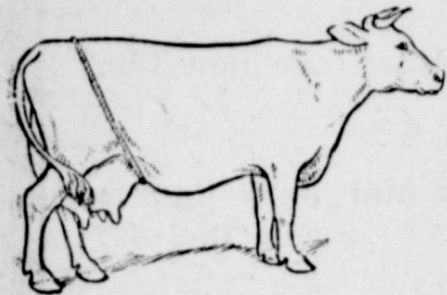
THE DAIRY



KEEPING A COW FROM KICKING.

How Rope Can Be Adjusted to This End.

In the sketch herewith you will notice a rope which is to be passed over the hip, down in front of the udder, drawn tolerably tight and tied. I have found this to be an excellent method of keeping cows from kick-



The Rope in Place.

ing, and it in no way cuts off the milk supply.

The only objection to such a plan, says *Breeders' Gazette*, would be that injury might happen to the mammary veins running forward from the udder. These veins remove the blood that comes from the arteries to the udder and have nothing whatever to do with the supply of blood from which milk is elaborated.

GOOD AND POOR COWS.

They Can Be Discovered Only by Methods of Testing.

The establishing of test associations will enable the dairymen to eliminate the unprofitable cows from their herds and help them to get better cows and make half the number do the same or even better work than the whole number of our average cows are doing at the present time.

The milk scale and Babcock test must of necessity come into use. Every farmer should have a milk scale hanging in the barn where it will be handy to weigh each cow's milk, and, by the side of this, a milk sheet with names or numbers of cows, enabling him to keep a daily record of each cow in his herd. There is not more than one in 20 farmers that knows the amount of milk and butter fat each cow in the herd is producing per year. However, now is a good time for every dairyman to begin a more economical production of milk. It costs but very little more to keep a cow that will produce 400 pounds of fat per year than one producing 100 pounds.

The most extravagant thing a dairyman can do is to head his herd with a scrub sire; this is a step back and a continual slide as long as he continues such methods. There is no advancement or grading up without a pure bred, prepotent sire. Improvement comes only through the superior qualities of the male used. Experience in my work shows that cows kept at a good profit to their owner are not allowed out of barn in winter more than one-half to one hour per day in fine weather, and are kept in warm, well-lighted and well ventilated stables. They are watered in stable cold days and fed food of a succulent nature, such as ensilage or mangles, with all the alfalfa or clover hay they will consume without waste, and a balanced grain ration of not less than one pound to every three pounds of milk given.

H. C. SEARLES.

DAIRY NOTES.

A good milk house pays for its cost every season.

Three cows without salt produced 55 pounds less milk in a week in an experiment station test.

Only clean tin milk utensils should be used. Patched or rusty tinware should not be tolerated.

When you buy a separator get one that runs easy, washes easy and skims clean and you'll have the best. Whitewash looks and is mighty nice on the inside of the cow barn and a little salt will make it stick better.

Eastern cowmen practice soiling in summer. They figure green corn or alfalfa fed this way is worth \$20 to \$25 per acre.

Many a dairyman blames his cows when he ought not to do so. It often quiets his conscience, though, and the cows don't care.

Snakebite Cure.

A Callaway county, Mo., farmer says he found his cow suffering from a snakebite on the neck, and cured it by applying a poultice of soft soap and gunpowder. He tells of a boy who was also cured of a bite from a copperhead snake by this method. It is claimed to be as good as whisky for snakebite.

THE FALL COW.

She Will Make Winter Dairying Profitable.

If every farmer who follows the practice of having the cows drop their calves in the spring could thoroughly understand the comparative advantage of winter dairying he would be pretty apt to change his plans. The average cow produces little more than 150 pounds of butter in a year. It is safe to say that this same cow can be made to produce 200 pounds of butter per year through winter dairying entirely.

The cow that drops her calf about May 1 has only about two months of good pasturage ahead before the hot weather comes and the flies begin to pester her. Those two months she will do exceedingly well but they are the two months of the year when dairy products are at the lowest prices. During the season of dry pasture and flies her milk flow will diminish to such an extent that it is impossible to make her give a good flow during even the early winter months.

The cow that drops her calf about November 1 or December 1 has been dry during the time of shortest pastures and during the busiest season of the year on the farm. She has a long period of usefulness ahead of her before fly time the following season. She will be doing her very best while prices for dairy products are highest and while the time of her owner is not so expensive. By the time grass comes she will have reached a period in her lactation when a decrease in the milk flow is to be expected, but will give a good flow as soon as she gets on grass anyway. She will be ready to take her rest when the season is most unfavorable for milk production.

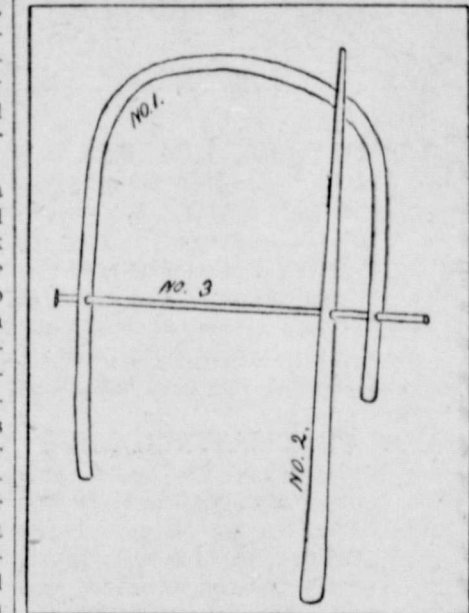
In addition to these facts there is another very potent reason why the cows should freshen in the fall. The young calf will not require very much grain feed the first six months and is old enough to thrive in the pasture the following season and to fight its own battle during fly season. The result is a yearling calf at a very small cost.

It is true that it will cost perhaps five or six dollars more per year to feed the winter dairy cow, but if it does the increase in receipts will be more than double that amount.

YOKING A FENCE JUMPER.

Device Which Will Check the Worst Case Known.

Get a good piece of green timber and make a bow, No. 1. Of some



The Yoke.

very tough wood make a slat, No. 2, long enough to prevent cow from getting over fence, and through it. Through each end of bow run a pin, No. 3.

Scoring the Buttermaker.

The officials of the dairy division of the department of agriculture are planning a score card that will not only score butter and cheese but that will score the buttermakers and cheesemakers also. This is a good plan, and the card would do much good if it could be honestly used. Some of the managers of factories would be surprised at the low scoring their manufacturer would receive. It would certainly be a good thing for the dairy schools; for it would show the dairy students ranking high up, as a rule. This would be an object lesson to the boards that control the creameries and cheese factories.

Room for Improvement.

The "average" dairyman is a very poor dairyman in the true sense of the word, yet a comparison of the methods in use to-day with those of even ten years ago is quite complimentary to this same "average" dairyman. There's abundant room for improvement yet, however.

The inspection of nurseries and orchards should be carried on vigorously if results are to be obtained. Up to the present time the measures for such inspections have been inadequate in most of the states.

Washington Gossip

Interesting Bits of News Picked Up Here and There at the National Capital

WASHINGTON.—To his hired help Uncle Sam is generous to a degree, going down into his wallet to the extent of something like \$3,000,000 annually to give them a 30-days' outing at the seashore or in the mountains.

This sum is for the army of employees in Washington alone and does not include the thousands of others who are on duty and on the payrolls throughout his vast domain and in foreign countries. Liberal lawmakers decided that ten months each year was long enough for employees to work, and that 30 days for annual leave. At first this law was for the officials and clerks only, and did not include printers, pressman and navy yard workmen. Eventually these were given 15 days annual leave, and finally, through hard and persistent efforts, the full 30 days. No sick leave, however, has ever been granted them, and, strange as it may appear, they seem to be the healthiest class of government workers. The government printing office, the bureau of engraving and printing, and the navy yard are not classed as "hospitals for invalids," as the treasury and other departments are termed. Not getting

pay for being sick, those not entitled to such leave manage to remain in extraordinarily good health and perform their duties with great regularity.

So badly abused has been the sick leave privilege that at the last session of congress what appeared to be a determined effort was made to repeal the law, but the matter was permitted to go over, giving the Keep commission and other reformers an opportunity to make further investigation and secure facts and figures. If one is to judge by the policy of retrenchment and reform so strenuously carried out by the present administration, it is entirely safe to assert that sick leave will not be one of the pickups now enjoyed by government workers after the next session of congress.

There are in Washington about 31,000 employees of Uncle Sam. The salary and wages paid will aver \$1,200 each, male and female. This gives to each individual employe \$100 leave money, and is ready on call for officials and clerks any time during the calendar year, but employees of the class stated are not entitled to leave until the beginning of the fiscal year—July 1.

WILSON BARS WOMEN AS PRIVATE SECRETARIES

HEREAFTER women clerks of the department of agriculture will not be permitted to act as private secretaries or confidential clerks for male chiefs of divisions or bureaus.

Secretary Wilson has no prejudice against them, but he deems it due to them that not one of them be required to perform services that will bring her into such relations with her chief as to enable evil-minded persons to do any gossiping. He considers it better for the good name of the women employes in the departmental service to make a rule that men chiefs of division shall have men as private secretaries or confidential clerks.

The fact that the secretary had prescribed such a rule for his own guidance has become known recently through his refusal to permit a woman stenographer to be detailed as clerk

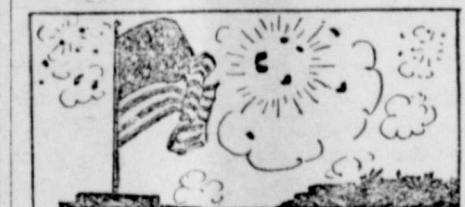


to a chief of bureau. He is perfectly willing to have the stenographers take dictation from the chiefs of bureaus, but he will not allow them to be detailed to fill positions the duties of which might require them to remain after the working hours or to go to the homes of the chiefs to finish work outside of office hours.

Two years ago, when there was a scandal in the department, the woman who performed the duties of private secretary for a bureau chief for several years, was brought into a notoriety altogether displeasing to the secretary.

A majority of the men chiefs do not want women in such positions, but occasionally one comes along who is so well pleased with the work done by a particular clerk that he asks to have her promoted and made private secretary. Requests of that kind are being refused.

BANNER THAT INSPIRED SONG IS NOW ON VIEW



THE flag that floated over Fort Mifflin during the bombardment by the British on the night of September 13, 1814, and which inspired Francis Scott Key when he saw it still floating over the ramparts at sunrise the next morning to write the "Star-Spangled Banner," is now upon exhibition in the hall of history at the Smithsonian institution.

The flag, which is about 28x30 feet, has been loaned to the institution by Mr. Eben Appleton of New York, for two years upon the personal solicitation of Dr. Charles D. Walcott, secretary of the institution. As the flag lies draped in the glass case, only one of the large stars is visible. It is backed by canvas stated to have been

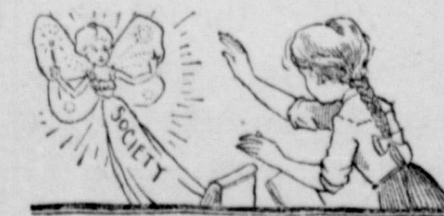
placed there by the late Admiral Preble, formerly stationed at the Boston navy yard. As little of the flag can be seen in its present resting place, it is the purpose of the officials of the institution to drape it upon one of the walls of the hall of history, where it can be plainly viewed by the visitors to the building.

According to J. B. Taylor, of the United States coast and geodetic survey, Col. Armstrong, who commanded Fort Mifflin during the bombardment by the British fleet, took the flag after the rain of shot and shell had ceased and had it conveyed to his headquarters. He later gave it to his mother, who was a sister of Mr. Taylor's great-great-grandfather.

ETHEL ROOSEVELT WILL HAVE GAY COMING OUT

WHEN Miss Ethel Roosevelt makes her formal bow to society at the White House next winter Washington will see the first of a series of entertainments such as have not been held since the days of Nellie Grant. True, the social career of Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, as Alice Roosevelt, was marked by many notable affairs in Washington, but with the exception of a few small dinners which were given for her shortly before she was married there was only one large entertainment at the White House which was strictly for Alice, and that was her coming out ball.

Whether the continuous shower of attentions from her friends and society generally precluded Miss Alice from having many affairs of her own was never made clear



Miss Ethel's first season as a society girl will be notable. According to the present plans, which are being discussed, a brilliant ball will be given for Miss Ethel next January. She will leave the National Cathedral school after the Christmas holidays.

Miss Ethel is very anxious to make her debut while her father is president. The debut ball will be given in the east room and will be planned on an even more elaborate scale than the one which the President and Mrs. Roosevelt gave for Miss Alice. It will bring together the most exclusive young people in New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Washington, and will mark the opening of the gayest season the White House has known since President Roosevelt assumed the reins of office.

NO GAIN AND SOME LOSS.

Neighbor's Comment in Which There Seems a Strain of Sarcasm.

"Yes," the leader of the amateur brass band was saying, "it's curious to see what an effect learning to play a horn has on some persons. I used to be a pretty good bass singer, but I can't sing worth a cent now."

"Does learning to play a horn spoil the voice?" asked his next-door neighbor.

"It did mine."

"How do you account for it?"

"I don't know how to account for it. Strains the vocal chords, perhaps. All I know is that I blew my voice out through the mouthpiece of my cornet."

"Did you have a good voice?"

"Everybody said so."

"Then it's a great pity you ever learned to play a horn," rejoined his neighbor, shaking his head sadly. "I—er—think I should have enjoyed hearing you sing."—Youth's Companion.

THE NEW YORK LIFE'S PROGRAM.

Economy, Publicity and the Paramount Interest of Policyholders.

President Kingsley, of the New York Life Insurance Company, says, in an address to the policyholders, that his plan of administration involves these points:

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The Advantage of Reading.

"Beg pardon, sir," said the weary hobo as he stood at the farmhouse door, "but might I sleep in your barn to-night? I haven't had a roof over my head for ten days."

"I congratulate you," said the kindly farmer. "That is a splendid thing. I have just read in one of my ten-cent magazines that it is not too much to say that to the delicate, highly-strung, easily-knocked-up individual the advantages of sleeping in the open air are enormous. Pallid cheeks take on a ruddy hue, colds are unknown, nerves are forgotten, and irritability becomes a phase of the past. A small plot and a little perseverance are the only necessities and the result is assured. You are very welcome to the use of my potato patch, and my sky is at your disposal."—Judge.

Long Time to Sweep.

Everything, even a magnificent church, must be regarded from the point of view of the beholder. A London paper says that two country girls, who acted as if they might be enjoying a holiday from domestic service, were observed walking down the aisles of St. Paul's Cathedral. Under the great dome one of them stood and gazed around her with an air of such wonder that a spectator might well suppose that she was awestruck by her solemn surroundings. But when she spoke, the idea was dissipated. "Oh, Sarah," she exclaimed, "wouldn't this place take a long time to sweep?"

SOAKED IN COFFEE

Until Too Stiff to Bend Over.

"When I drank coffee I often had sick headaches, nervousness and biliousness much of the time, but when I went to visit a friend I got in the habit of drinking Postum.

"I gave up coffee entirely and the result has been that I have been entirely relieved of all my stomach and nervous trouble.

"My mother was just the same way. We all drink Postum now, and without coffee in the house for 2 years, we are all well.

"A neighbor of mine, a great coffee drinker, was troubled with pains in her side for years and was an invalid. She was not able to do her work and could not even mend clothes or do anything at all where she would have to bend forward. If she tried to do a little hard work she would get such pains that she would have to lie down for the rest of the day.

"At last I persuaded her to stop drinking coffee and try Postum Food Coffee and she did so and has used Postum ever since; the result has been that she can now do her work, can sit for a whole day and mend and can sew on the machine and she never feels the least bit of pain in her side, in fact, she has got well and it shows coffee was the cause of the whole trouble.

"I could also tell you about several other neighbors who have been cured by quitting coffee and using Postum in its place." "There's a Reason." Look in pkg. for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

MR. CAIN'S LETTER.

but if we can't have peace coupled with dignity and honor, let us have war. I have never had any ambition to be a soldier and carry victory on the point of my bayonet nor pour out my own red blood on the field of glory, but I would enlist under the black flag and help fight the cockney little old Japs rather than see Anglo Saxon supremacy trampled upon or my country's honor sullied.

Already my letter is too lengthy I must quit. In conclusion I shall say, taking it all in all, this is a delightful camping ground. Many things are less romantic than pitching one's tent away out here on the frontiers of nowhere. What a glorious place this would be for a bridal tour! If any of you fellows succeed in landing your desired prize and wish to make a big trip, just come this way. We shall give you first class bamboo accommodations and make you welcome for a fortnight. A. W. Cain.

"Where There's A Will There's A Way".

Cowardice sits and whines, "I can't". Courage forces success. C. A. Ward entered our college last year with only \$33 to take a bookkeeping and business course. He paid this on tuition and material, did janitor work to pay the rest, worked on Saturdays and at odd times to pay his board. The day he graduated, he had paid secured his tuition, all expenses, had \$20 cash and a \$50 a month position secured by the college waiting for him.

Such courage and determination as this always win respect, admiration, aid and success. Another young man entered with \$5 with less than \$10. He paid his way, board and tuition, by janitor work, milking, cutting wood, etc. Business men admired his pluck and aided him. He completed, did the official reporting of his district four years, and is to-day the respected head of a growing college.

Another young man quit work in a saw mill, in debt, borrowed the money to come to our school for a combined course of bookkeeping and shorthand, brought his wife with him and did light housekeeping. The day he finished his course we placed him in a good position at \$65 per month. He has advanced until he is now getting more than \$100. What would weakness, fear, have done for these young men? What did stamina and will power do? Emerson says, "Do what you are afraid to do." We may, strike out boldly. There are no obstacles that brave hearts can not surmount. Toil is the open sesame to wealth, and the brightest crown is won in the dust of the arena.

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Fall Gardens.

Nothing pays better nor adds more to the family larder than a good garden. Many of the common vegetables may be raised in the fall and do almost as well as when grown in the spring, and especially is this true when the seasons are favorable. Of course everybody plants a turnip patch, big enough for the cows and other animals, and there is nothing better, but few people realize how well a general garden planted in the fall of the year will do, and how much it will save in the grocery bill from the stores. A fall garden planted after the first rain, and good seasons have fallen in some sections, will pay a hundred per cent on the amount of work and money expended.

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Don't Be Wise.

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