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## A DIARY OF A CONTENTED WEST TEXAS RANCHMAN, WRITTEN ON HORSEBACK IN THE SPRING OF 1926.

The following is a report of my experience with Goat Coats. We have about 2,500 Goat Coats which have been used on this ranch under my supervision since I have been with this Company as Foreman. Most of these coats have been used five or six times. Some of them have been repaired. Patching is a simple job that we have done by unskilled hands at little cost. During all this time there have not been more than 15 or 20 coats discarded as damaged beyond repair. When patched they are as good as new. The material seems to retain its strength remarkably well. Only time alone can disclose the life of a coat; and time has thus far shown it is to be even longer than your first estimate of five seasons.

I have never had any trouble with coats coming off if I put them on with the proper fit. We have to use new Mexicans every time we start shearing, but I always show them how easy it is to glance at a goat and then put on a coat that will fit. They only make about 5 per cent mistakes in fitting goats. Before the goats are permitted to leave the pens these are corrected by adjustment or re fitting.

The following diary was kept by me during the Spring of 1926, and reports completely, the original notes of my observations:

- March 10th: Started shearing nannies and coating them on the floor.
- March 11th: Finished shearing and coating 800 nannies. Two men did all of the coating and were not rushed. Eight knife crew shearing.
- March 12th: Sheared, dipped and coated 847 muttons and kids. Heavy frost in the morning.
- March 13th: Cold wind blowing.
- March 14th: Cold rain out of the N.E. Goats grazing out in open flats.
- March 15th: Forenoon, still raining. Went to look at nannies. Expected to find them in sheltered places. Here they are out on open points. Am simply astonished to find the goats so contented and not even shivering. Am just thinking what a striking revolution the Goat Coat is bringing about. We now find complete safety in rain drenched pastures, with no effort; whereas, in the past, we worked and worried ourselves sick, trying to luck nature with an open shed and an empty stomach.
- March 15th: Afternoon. Inspected muttons and kids. Still wet and cold. They are doing fine. Not suffering from cold. Have inspected at least 1000 goats today and found only one coat out of place and it was entirely too large.
- March 16th: Still raining steadily. Rode out to observe goats. Found them grazing. Coated 28 freshly shorn muttons at the sheds and drove them a mile to pasture through the rain.
- March 17th: Looked at goats. Weather cold and wet, but not raining. Goats warm. Not shivering.
- March 21st: Hard rain this morning, making 3 1/2 inches in all since goats were shorn.
- March 24th: Inspected dry goats. Not a coat out of place. Had one inch rain today making 4 1/2 inches total.
- March 29th: Night. Had a "bluster" little rain, very cold neither very cold. Hard freeze.
- March 30th: Rounded up nannies and got EVERY ONE THAT HAD BEEN TURNED LOOSE on March 10th. Found one coat around neck. Cause, too large. Cut 744 bred nannies out for kidding loose. Turned 850 out in a one section pasture and 394 in another one section pasture. They were given no attention whatever from then on. Result: Marked 94 per cent kid crop. Sheared 89 per cent kid crop in the fall. All the loss was in one flock due to mishandling of 39 kids when shearing. No tight udders. No orphan kids seen. Almost all of these goats had been kidded by hand in previous years.

Robert C. Corder.

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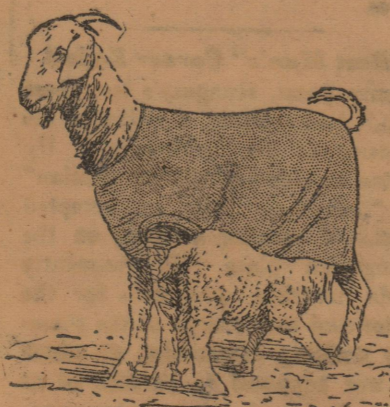
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### KEEPING WELL PREVENTING HEART DISEASE

DR. FREDERICK B. GREEN  
Editor of "HEALTH"

THE increasing death rate from heart disease and the increasing knowledge of its causes have naturally stimulated discussion as to how this group of diseases can be prevented. In a recent article in the Atlantic Medical Journal, Dr. Alexander Lambert of New York asks, "How is heart disease preventable?"

First and foremost, he says, by continuing with wider applications through our various departments of health, all measures for the control of communicable diseases, especially children's diseases; such as scarlet fever, diphtheria, measles, mumps and whooping cough. The belief is growing steadily among men of wide experience, that a large share of the cases of heart disease among adults is due to the diseases of early childhood which, by the irritating poisons which they produce, have caused an inflamed and irritated condition which later on produce scars and distortions on the valves, and so leave the heart in a damaged and weakened state.

The prevention of children's diseases requires hospitals in every community in which patients suffering from contagious diseases can be cared for and especially be prevented from infecting others. It also means educating physicians and laymen in the earlier and more general use of diphtheria antitoxin and scarlet fever serum.

Rheumatism is a frequent cause of heart disease. It is mainly caused by decayed and abscessed teeth and diseased and abscessed tonsils. The poisons from these abscesses and infections are a frequent cause of, first, rheumatism and, second, heart disease.

Most cases of real inflammatory rheumatism occur before thirty. So most of the causes of rheumatism are present in early life and are due to neglected teeth and tonsils. The only way that rheumatism and the heart troubles caused by it can be prevented is by constant care of the teeth and watchful supervision of the tonsils all through childhood and early life. This does not mean that every dead tooth should be extracted or that every enlarged or suspicious tonsil should be removed although there are many physicians and dentists who are strongly in favor of removing every suspicious structure in the mouth. But it does mean that wherever there is danger, the tooth or the tonsil should be removed.

It is not the size of a tonsil that indicates its real danger. Some tonsils are large but harmless, others are small but dangerous on account of the abscess and its contents.

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### Football Called Most Chivalrous of Sports

A fine tribute is paid to football by Walter Eckersall, at one time one of its best players, in his reminiscences in Liberty. "The college game," he writes, "is something that stands out unique in these days of prosaic, hard-headed materialism. All of the romance of the tilt-yard survives on the gridiron. No knight was ever more ready to risk his life in the cause he espoused than is the true college player to suffer for his Alma Mater.

"The college game," says the man who was called by Walter Camp the greatest quarterback of the game, "is one in which selfishness can play no part. The individual must always be willing to sacrifice himself to the good of the team. I could cite innumerable examples of how men who were considered stars have contented themselves with playing stalking-horse for the opposing teams in order that their teammates might make gains and the scores. If this doesn't bring out the best there is in a man, I don't know what does.

"Football will survive as long as the spirit that makes it worth while survives. This spirit will exist as long as there is still chivalry on earth."

### Good Excuse

The late Eugene V. Debs had a tolerant heart, and he said one day to a Terre Haute reporter:

"Wrongdoers never think they're doing wrong. Bootleggers and profiteers and food adulterators all have good excuses for their nefarious occupation—at least they think they're good excuses.

"Late on a November afternoon I came across a beggar woman I knew of old. She was begging in a bitter wind on a street corner, and three little children in calico rags shivered at her side.

"You, Mary!" I said. "You—begging! And those three little ones! They aren't yours, you know."

"Well, dammit!" said the beggar woman irritably, "I wouldn't have to beg if they was really mine, for then I wouldn't be forkin' out a five spot a day to hire them."

### Rib of Umbrella Said to Locate Treasure

Excitement reigns in the town of Douai, France, owing to a belief that treasure hidden there by English Benedictine monks during the revolution is about to be unearthed.

Three large boxes containing ornaments in precious metals and other valuables were hidden under the Benedictine college. Two were discovered in 1862, but the third is still missing.

Recently the "Friends of Douai," a group of local people interested in the history of the town, called in two diviners—one a local man—to help in finding the treasure. The local man found his divining rod influenced by radiations of gold and silver at a certain spot.

His companion, the Abbe Bouly, vicar of Hardelet, with a simple apparatus made of the whalebone ribs of an umbrella, also carried out investigations. His apparatus was visibly agitated at one place, but this was found to be due to the gold reserve in the local branch of the Bank of France.

Continuing his investigations, he confirmed the discovery of the local man, estimating that the treasure was buried at three to eight yards deep.

It is claimed by several people that the vicar's apparatus can also locate skeletons, and even indicate their sex.

### Greek Chariot Races Earliest Speed Trials

The earliest recorded organized trials of speed with horses were the chariot races at the Greek national festivals, of which the most notable were the Olympic games held every fourth year. Greek sculpture frequently represents the horse as used for riding, apparently without a saddle in most cases; but not as so employed for sport, except as an incident to the chariot racing. On the other hand, the horses in the Roman contests were to a very great extent ridden. All the formality of entering and of differentiation of classes and of starting were minutely laid down and followed, even to the color of the riders' uniforms. In the earlier times these Roman races were held on the open plain. There has always been a tradition in England that on Salisbury plain, just outside Stonehenge, the remains of a Roman race course exist, and the oldest race which still takes place in England is run over a flat meadow just outside the walls of the Roman city of Chester.

### Why He Never Married

Perhaps the most famous living bachelor is Earl Balfour, who, having turned seventy-eight, seems unlikely now to become a Benedict. Lord Kitchener, too, was a bachelor, and so was General Gordon, who, when asked why he never married, said: "I have never yet met a woman who, at a moment's notice, and for my sake, would accompany me wherever the demand of duty might lead, to the ends of the earth, perhaps."

### Transported Fish Thrives

The little gammarus is thriving in at least one Oregon lake, and the officials who direct the planting of trout in Oregon's streams are elated. The gammarus is a freshwater shrimp. On it trout which ordinarily would quit growing at seven or eight inches will grow to twice or thrice that size. The gammarus was imported from Nevada two years ago and propagated at a state hatchery.

### Buildings Don't Sway

Cass Gilbert, the architect who designed the Woolworth building, says that it does not sway at all. The popular notion that tall buildings sway several inches when the wind blows is unfounded. There probably is a slight "give" or resilience in any tall building, but the movement could not be measured in inches nor in the ordinary fractions of inches.—Pathfinder Magazine.

### Fad for Live Neckpieces

Live animals are in demand in London following a fad started recently by a woman who wears a live lemur as a neckpiece. The animal has been trained to drape itself about the woman's neck and lie perfectly quiet. It sleeps most of the time. An animal dealer said that there had been a pronounced demand by women for lemur since the new fad started.

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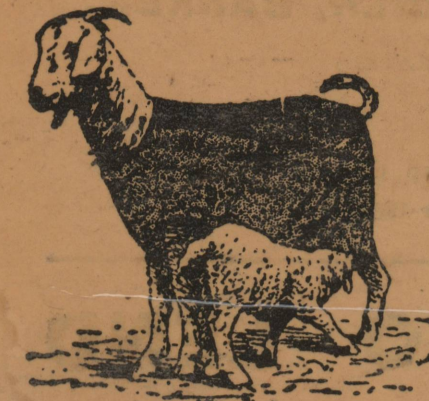


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**THE STORY OF THE GOAT COAT.**



**THE THEORY.**

Sufficient heat is produced in the body of an animal through the mastication, digestion and assimilation of food to maintain the body temperature under ordinary conditions, providing the skin is kept dry. Evaporation from a wet skin is the cause of heat losses. The loss of heat by radiation is greater in young animals, for the body surface is larger in proportion to the weight. When the skin is kept dry, the cause is removed and losses prevented. However, a coat must not only be a waterproof, but it must also prevent the radiation of heat from the body. Coats held tight with straps fail to give the necessary results.

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**KEEPING WELL**

**HICCUP**

DR. FREDERICK R. GREEN  
Editor of "HEALTH"

Hiccups, like many other common ailments, are caused by many things and are a symptom in many diseases. Everybody has them at times and, in the great majority of cases, they are harmless and temporary. In some cases, however, they are persistent and exhausting. A hiccup is a muscular spasm. The muscle in this case is the diaphragm, a muscular partition which stretches from the ribs and the backbone to the front of the chest wall, forming a thick, heavy wall dividing the chest above from the abdomen below. When this muscle contracts suddenly, usually just as the lungs are being filled with air, the glottis, in the throat, closes as the diaphragm contracts, causing the peculiar jerk so familiar to us all.

The milder forms cannot be better treated than by following the advice that Eryximachus gave Aristophanes in Plato's day. The Greek philosophers had gathered for a discussion. When Aristophanes' turn came to talk, he had the hiccups and couldn't speak. Eryximachus, who was a physician, advised him to hold his breath, to gargle some water, or if neither of these remedies were of any use, to tickle his nose with a feather until he sneezed. The breath holding and the water drinking were of no use, but the tickling did the business. Aristophanes then indulged in a long and poetic rhapsody, to the effect that the tickling had appealed to the harmony of his body. But Plato, always a hard-headed old philosopher, said Aristophanes had the hiccups because he had eaten too much.

That was thousands of years ago, but Plato said all there was to say on the subject of hiccups. But hiccups may appear in some serious conditions. An abscess of the liver, a new growth in the abdomen or the chest, enlarged glands at the root of the lungs, may, any of them, cause long-continued and persistent hiccups. It is frequently present in the last stages of uremic poisoning, in typhoid fever, in hemorrhage of the brain. During the severe epidemic of influenza in 1917-18, some cases were accompanied with severe hiccups and were known as "hiccuping flu." It is also found in "sleeping sickness" and in some forms of hysteria.

Simple methods are all right for simple cases, but in severe cases more vigorous methods must be tried. Blotting or plasters over the back of the neck, cold applications or strapping the lower ribs with adhesive tape or, in cases demanding extreme measures, ether, chloroform or morphine may be used.

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**Shellac of Commerce**

Shellac is a modified form of lac, which is a resinous substance formed by an insect as a coating on the twigs and young branches of various trees in India and neighboring countries. The term "lac" is the same as the Indian numeral meaning "a hundred thousand," and is indicative of the myriads of insects which make their appearance with every successive generation. Lac incrusting the twigs as gathered is called "stick lac"; the resin crushed to small fragments and washed in hot water to free it from woody particles and coloring matter is known as "seed lac" or "grain lac," and this when melted, strained through thick canvas and spread out into thin leaves is known as "shellac."

**Builds Her Own House**

Mrs. Katie Gottwig, of Spokane, Wash., near her seventieth birthday, has just completed the second house which she has built with her own hands. The first was built when she was a girl of twenty-three. The dwelling is a four-room structure. Mrs. Gottwig laid brick and did much of the carpenter and cement work herself. She hired help for parts of the operations, but "showed them how to do it," she said.

**Lightning Stuns Fish**

Fish in the pools of the station of the United States bureau of fisheries at Craig Brook, Maine, were almost completely paralyzed recently during a thunder storm. Fifteen of the fish were found after the storm lying at the bottom of the pools in the hatcheries. They were able to move only their heads. Several days later they were still alive but in the same helpless condition.

**Eagle's Fatal Error**

A dead American eagle, measuring six feet from tip to tip, was found by Milton Williams while hunting at Laingsburg, Mich. On examination the bird was found to be filled with poisonous quills, and the supposition is that the eagle had attacked the animal as prey and received injuries in the assault that proved fatal.

**Women Shun Farm Work**

At the old Welsh hiring fair at Llanybyther, Wales, farmers had great difficulty in finding young women to hire for help with farm work. Wireless sets have been placed in isolated Welsh farms in the hope of attracting women workers who find country life monotonous.

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**Fine Engineering Feat**

An engineering feat was accomplished by highway engineers near Los Angeles, when a 6,000-ton bridge at Montebello, on one of the main interurban traffic arteries, was moved aside to make way for new structures without interfering with travel. The bridge was jacked up, rails were placed beneath it, and it was gradually shoved aside as hundreds of automobiles an hour passed over it.

**Verger's Long Career**

William Skinner, head verger of St. Paul's cathedral, London, who has been on the job 50 years showing sightseers about, estimates he has answered more than 500,000 questions, one-fifth of which were asked by Americans. Mr. Skinner is better known to visitors than to Londoners, as comparatively few in the city ever visit the cathedral for sightseeing purposes.

**Uruguayans Prefer Autos**

When an English group recently proposed to the national administrative council of Uruguay that it connect Buenos Aires and Montevideo with a railway, and an American group offered a plan for an automobile highway between the same cities, the highway plan was considered the more feasible and of greater economic value to the country.

**Fine Distinction?**

At sorority meeting, Thelma Mahrtsen was telling the girls that she found an spider in the bath tub and didn't want to kill it because it brought bad luck. "What did you do with it then?" asked Alice Dahl. "Oh, I just drowned it," Thelma replied.

**New Motor Car Headlight**

A new type of nondazzle motor-car headlight has been developed in Germany with a depressible beam. It depends on the use of a double filament in the lamp, and a foot switch is used for changing from one beam to the other.—Science Service Bulletin.

**Forest Grows on Site of Once Thriving Town**

Three miles south of Atchison, Kan., is the site of a dead city, whose streets were once filled with the clamor of busy traffic and echoed to the tread of thousands of oxen and mules in the days of the great transcontinental stage and freighter trade of the Oregon, Santa Fe and Salt Lake region. The town was known as Sumner and it was the first home of John J. Ingalls, who moved there when twenty-four years old.

Founded by Free State emigrants from Massachusetts, Sumner was in an ideal position to enjoy the benefits of the transcontinental trade. Great freight trains of ox and mule wagons were fitted out. For years the town flourished and it had at one time more than 2,500 inhabitants.

Some of the citizens of the town afterward became notable. Ingalls lived nine-year-old Minnie Hauck, the daughter of a washerwoman, and who was afterward a prima donna. There lived Elijah Lovejoy, the "Yankee preacher," John E. Remsburg, famous lecturer and freethinker, and Albert D. Richardson, author and journalist.

Atchison—pro-slave Atchison—was Sumner's bitter rival. As in many another case, the fight was settled by the coming of the railroad. Atchison got the road. Sumner died. Today the woods again, unweeded by ax or saw, assert their domination over the site.

**Tells of Resisting Caruso's Golden Voice**

How Caruso proposed to her by singing to her, is told by Billie Burke in an interview by Sidney Sutherland in Liberty. "It was while playing in Mrs. Dot that Caruso proposed to me," Miss Burke, now the wife of Flo Ziegfeld, producer of the famous follies, explains. "The show was in Boston. Caruso was appearing in concert there, and he used to come to my rooms at the old Touraine, fall on his knees, and beg me to be his wife. I can never forget his lovely soft brown eyes, his impassioned gestures, his broken English.

"With his golden voice, then at the height of its charm," Miss Burke goes on, "he would almost drive me insane with the unsurpassed song to the beloved Mimi. When he finished he would cock his great head to one side, to see if the strains of that incomparable throat had caused me to, to see my mind. Then he would rise to his feet, toss his hands aloft, and run out of the room."

**New Volcanoes Found in Aleutian Peninsula**

Three more volcanoes have been added to the map of American territory, and two of the craters rank with the giants among the fire-mountains of the world. The newly mapped volcanoes lie in the Aleutian peninsula, the long tongue that juts out from the mainland of Alaska, between the Behring sea and the Pacific ocean. The strip of land, which contains more active and extinct volcanoes than all the rest of America, has as yet been very little explored.

One of the mountains is 6,000 feet high, with a crater five miles across. It shows signs of having been active in recent times, and a record dated 1802 states that a distant and then unvisited peak, which apparently is the same mountain, was seen smoking.

If it should stage a really major eruption it would probably be a terrific one, for the whole vast bowl is filled with a mass of ice and snow, through which a black secondary-cone projects at one place. This frozen sea inside the crater feeds at least nine large glaciers that creep down the sides of the mountain.

**CUPID, L.L.D.**



She—And who is the teacher you consider the only successful one in co-educational institutions? He—Cupid, L.L.D.—Doctor of Loves.

**"Best Man's" Career Ended**

Imre Dezi, Hungary's last "best man," died recently, a victim of his devotion to his "profession." Up to the last decade the "profession" of "best man" was an accepted means of earning a living on the Hungarian plain. He frequently made matches, proposed for the suitor and took charge of the three-day wedding ceremonies, at which he was supposed to partake of as much food and drink as his capacity permitted. Dezi did this so conscientiously that he brought on an untimely death.

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Come and bring your family to church.

The Methodist church doors are wide open for you and your family, and you are heartily welcome to all of our services.

Preaching at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Sunday school at 9:45 a.m.

Intermediate League at 3 p.m.

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Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30.

A hearty welcome

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Come to church next Sunday

at the Baptist Pastors home at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Regular preach services morning and evening.

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All are earnestly asked to come to all these services.

The young people are cordially invited to attend the Senior Union.

J. A. Stephen, Pastor.

### Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank all those who so kindly assisted us during the last illness and death of our dear mother, and for the kind expression of sympathy and the beautiful floral offering.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lowrey and family.

When you have tooth ache, see Sanitary Dentist, phone 152

Backaches and headaches can often be traced to defective arches. Many an arch has been broken down because of shoes in poor condition. It's easier to rebuild shoes than arches. Safer, surer and more comfortable, too.  
Orion Brown

The Woman's Missionary Society will have an apron sale on March 5th, at the Methodist church.

Your teeth examined free. Sanitary Dentist. Over Ware's Bakery. Phone 152.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Windrow of Brady, were the guests of Mrs. Windrow's sister, Mrs. G. E. Hamilton a few days this week.

Gilmore Hardware Co. have enlarged their present headquarters by the addition of the store formerly occupied by the Tailor Shop. A full line of plumbing supplies and a small stock of furniture will be carried. This gives the store space now to display their goods and makes the store a credit to the town as a complete stock of hardware is shown.

We have it if its house dresses, aprons, or children's dresses. Come to the Missionary Ladies' apron sale at the Methodist Church March 5th.

Sam R. Hull, president of the Sonora Motor Co., returned from Dallas this week where he had accompanied Lewis Rouche, who is entering a weeks study in the Ford Model Garage in Dallas. This Garage is owned by the Ford Motor Co., and in it every thing is taught concerning the repair and upkeep of a Ford car by the use of modern machinery. Lewis has been with the Sonora Motor Co., for a long number of years, and we are sure that he, as well as the customers of the Sonora Motor Co., will profit much by his course of study there.

## HOW MANY MILES

Will Your Ford Car Run on One Gallon of Gasoline?

We believe that every Ford owner will be interested in this mileage contest.

First, to determine just how far the New Improved Ford will run on one gallon of gasoline.

Second, some Ford owner will win \$12.50 without any expense.

Saturday, March 5th, we are going to put on a Ford Gasoline Mileage Contest? Offering \$25. in merchandise and service to the winner of this contest.

We want a number of our customers, owning the late Improved Ford Cars to enter this contest.

The prize in the preliminary contest, will be as follows: \$12.50 in merchandise or repair work, to the person making the best mileage on one gallon of gasoline in a closed Ford car, and the same amount to the person making the best mileage in a Ford open car.

On Tuesday, March 8th, there will be held the Grand Final Contest, at the Wood Motor Co., of San Angelo, Texas, composed of the twelve winners in the preliminary contest.

At the Final Contest \$300.00 in cash prizes are to be given as follows:

\$100.00 in gold to the winner in a Closed Ford Car.

\$100.00 in gold to the winner in an open Ford Car.

\$50.00 in gold to the winner of the second prize in a closed Ford Car.

\$50.00 in gold to the winner of the second prize in an Open Ford Car.

Naturally, we want one of our customers to win this contest. It is absolutely free, and we want all of our customers, with the New Improved Ford to enter.

## SONORA MOTOR CO.

Follow the Arrow and you follow the style. Our dress shirts are Arrows.  
J. W. Trainer,  
The Friendly Store.

Patronize your home dentist' phone 152.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Hollmig visited friends and relatives in Del Rio Sunday.

### TEST FOR POTASH.

Machinery arrived on the Joe Ross ranch this week for a core test for potash, which test is to be actually started immediately. Dr. David Flood of Chicago, one of the most eminent geologists of the country, has been here at times for the past several months and located this test. Several ranchmen in the Ross neighborhood have entered into a drilling contract for potash and other minerals with Dr. Flood's Co.

### Mr. and Mrs. Robert Steane

arrived home Friday from a three weeks visit to their old home in Monterey, Alabama.

### Cecil Elliott and family

of Rusk county have moved to Sonora. Mr. Elliott, who is a brother of Judge Elliott here, is intending going into business here later on.

### County Judge Alvis Johnson,

Attorney L. W. Elliott and Thos. A. Bond have gone to Austin in behalf of the Amendment pertaining to the Corwell Railroad Bond plan and to transact other business of interest to Sutton county.

### See our fine of mens

and boys furnishings from tip to toe.  
J. W. Trainer,  
The Friendly Store.

### Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pierce and

Mrs. Barton made a business visit to Del Rio this week.

### Miss Dixie Miers was the guest

of Mrs. Willie B. Whitehead on the ranch Sunday.

## Stites Returns Full of Pep.

C. E. Stites of the Walker-Stites Motor Co., local Chevrolet Dealer, returned from Dallas Tuesday of last week, where he attended the largest and most successful sales meeting and banquet ever to be held by Chevrolet dealers in Texas.

The business session held at the Pantages Theatre was featured by a sales talk by R. H. Grant General Sales Manager of the Chevrolet Motor Company, in which he outlined the plans for the coming year. Other high officials of the organization also attended and gave interesting lectures.

The banquet held in the Junior Ball Room at the Adolphus was a spectacle never to be forgotten. The banquet room was elaborately decorated with large designs of Peacocks, gorgeously illuminated with all the colors of the rainbow, to emphasize the introduction of the Most Beautiful Chevrolet in Chevrolet History. The banquet was opened in true Cabaret fashion by the entrance of two dancers and chorus girls through the doors of the New Sport Cabriolet.

Mr. Stites does not remember how many courses were served but he says that the Queen of Sheba would hide in shame behind a "Four Roses" label in comparison to the "Vanities" presented to the Chevrolet dealers. He presumably returned sober, however he left his suit case in Menard.

By the way Mr. Stites wishes to attend the rejuvenation of the Fountain of Youth again next year.

### Sonora Man Made Deputy Collector.

The commissioners court appointed J. Ed. Grimland of Sonora, Texas, as deputy tax collector for this term to assist Sheriff R. W. Weatherby in that capacity. Mr. Grimland is one who can truly be termed an old timer, having spent the past 16 years as a citizen of Sutton county. He is a man of ripe experience concerning work such as he has been employed to do here, for fourteen years, he served the people of Sutton county, in a satisfactory way, as their County treasurer, and for the past year he has worked in the same capacity, that he will work here, he is also experienced in preparing the tax rolls or other work which he may be called upon to do in connection with his work.

Mr. Grimland spent a number of years in the mercantile business, and also has a wide reputation as a finger print expert, as proof of this, he holds a certificate of efficiency, he is a graduate of the Bertillon system of identification and holds a diploma from the university of applied science of Chicago, as a finger print expert. Besides devoting his life to his chosen field, he has also found time to raise and educate a family of five boys and two girls. Two of his sons are now living in Los Angeles, Calif., and another one in Taupico, Oia Mexico, who holds a certificate as a certified accountant from the University of Texas, the other two sons are living in Sutton county and are interested in land cattle and the mercantile business. The eldest daughter married B. W. Hutcherson, the present sheriff and tax collector of Sutton county, the other daughter after devoting six years of her time while single, to a position in the treasury department, married Hunter Sneed and is making her home in Washington D. C. Mr. Grimland is proud of his family, and their achievements and like any other parent rejoices to know that they are all comfortably situated. He says he will bring his wife to Big Lake, in a few days and since the children have all grown up and moved to themselves that he and Mrs. Grimland are coming to Big Lake to spend the remainder of their lives provided, of course that circumstances permit.—Big Lake News.

### Dr. and Mrs. J. A. McDonald

are the proud parents of a new girl, who arrived at their home Sunday morning. The young lady weighed eight and a half pounds.—Del Rio Herald.

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For the week Feb. 28 to March 5.  
Monday & Tuesday, Paramount Feature, For Heavens Sake, with Harold Lloyd. Universal comedy, Olga Boatman. Tuesday Pathe News, No. 11, extra. Admission 25 and 50.

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You will find in the new running-in-oil STAR the many features you have always wanted in a windmill—one oiling a year—your choice of Linker Tapered Roller Bearings or "NO-OIL-EM" Bearings—two gears, two pitmans and two pitman—direct center lift to pump rod—crosshead, guides and pitman bearings flooded with oil—a scientifically designed wheel with angle steel arms and braces and ball-bearing turn table.

The fans of this new Star are curved to give great efficiency in an 8 to 10 mile an hour wind. Plunger pump in crank case floods crosshead, guides and pitman bearings with oil, and tight cover keeps out dirt, rain or snow.

One filling of crank case with oil each year will save many trips up the tower. May be fitted on any tower.

The new STAR is the last word in Windmill construction. Come in and let us show you this mill. You will want to know about it whether you are needing a new mill right now, and we want you to know what a really fine windmill we have in this new Star.

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West Texas Lumber Co.,  
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We Guarantee Every Can of  
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E. F. Vander Stucken-Trainer Company,  
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Tom Fleming of Pinon, N.M., has been visiting his sister, Mrs. W. F. Luckie here, for several days. He said that one of our old time friends, Dave Gentry is a near neighbor of his and that he is doing well. While here Mr. Fleming purchased four Angora buck kids from B. M. Halbert & Son. The best one "Valentine Gage" he paid \$200. For this kid had no ketchup and no whiskers, mohair from nose to toes, two thirds of tail was no hair, if his tail had been all mohair, it would have taken a \$1000 to have bought him.

At a called meeting of the executive board of the Parent Teacher Association, it was decided to place an order for trees and shrubs to be placed around the Home Economic Cottage on the school grounds according to the plans of the landscape gardener. The cost will be about \$75.00 and will make this one of the "beauty spots" of Sonora.

Born on Thursday February 11th, to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Buckle, a girl.



**Wedding "Fans" Nuisance**

There are so many women in London with nothing to do most of the day that they have become a nuisance at fashionable weddings, say the police. St. George's, Hanover-square, the favorite church for American weddings, was so overrun with these "wedding fans" at the marriage of Miss Joan Southey and the master of Falkland, that ushers and the police guards were pushed about and the church was stormed when the bride appeared. Authorities will take measures for the avoidance of such scenes in the future.

**Alabaster Lamps**

By Margaret Turnbull

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**CHAPTER X**

Having gone slowly and carefully through the shopping lists to satisfy herself that there remained only toothpaste and lavender water for their traveling bags, Mary entered a drug store. While she waited for change she was suddenly conscious of being closely scrutinized.

Mary did not turn her head, and only when she went from the cashier's desk did she try to locate her persistent admirer.

When she did, she stood first white, then red. There went Claude Dabbs, better dressed, or differently dressed, than Mary had ever seen him.

Claude, who had seen her on the avenue and followed her, now stood looking at her earnestly as she waited for her recognition. When it came—for not for ten thousand angry mothers would Mary ignore her own father—he moved quickly to her side and held out his hand for the packages.

"If you're going back to your hotel I'd like to walk with you."

Mary, her heart beating quickly, put the little bundles in his hand.

"Yes, I've finished my shopping," she said, simply.

"Will you walk, or ride?"

"Ride, I think," replied Mary.

Claude Dabbs stopped a passing taxi and helped his daughter in. She gave the hotel and street address to the driver, and as she did so, Claude said: "I'm at the Langdon."

Mary had looked at him, a little frightened, when he got into the cab. What was he going to say to her first? Of all the impossible situations in the wide world, this was the most impossible! If she asked him why he was there, if she asked the simplest question, think what she would precipitate! She leaned back in the cab and left it to Claude Dabbs.

Claude Dabbs looked at her, saw that she was leaving it to him, and though he had planned this meeting a hundred times, did not know which beginning to make. He could think of nothing but how blind he had been.

"Good God! Why didn't I see it the first time?" he thought to himself. "She's so like my mother."

He turned to the girl, and said: "Mary, will your mother be in when we get to your hotel?"

"I think so."

"Then do you think you could come to my hotel, and talk to me for a few minutes. I've got a sitting room. We could be quite private."

Now Mary knew she was in for it, but she loved the nice, simple way in which he was taking it. Absolutely direct. What was Mother running away from?

"If I don't stay too long," she answered. "Mother will be anxious if I am not back in half an hour."

"Then we'll do it," he spoke to the driver.

They said nothing more, except to remark on the weather.

At the desk, when he received his key, Mary noticed that, as she stood a little apart, Dabbs was evidently telling the clerk she was his daughter. She knew at once that this was his careful thought for her, and did not mind in the least the manner of his doing it. Indeed, it was a good manner.

As they went up in the elevator, Claude had a sudden dread that Ned might come back and find them, and he did not want that. Plenty of time for Ned, when he, Claude, found out where they stood. He opened the door of the sitting room and ushered Mary in. She had time to think, swiftly and confusedly, that this was doing it rather well for a country grocer. He seemed unable to speak. She felt a like disability lie upon her own tongue. She sat down and waited.

Claude crossed to the door and closed it. Mary instinctively felt the struggle and difficulty going on in his mind. He did not yet know how much she knew or did not know. She felt sorry for him, and quite involuntarily tried to help.

"Father—"

C. M. Dabbs shot out a strong arm. Mary was lifted out of the chair and held firmly. She heard a voice above her hat, imploring:

"Say that again, my girl, and say it slow."

"What?" asked the startled Mary, rather faintly. There was not much space to speak in.

"What you called me then. Oh, my God, girl, do you know that it's true?"

Mary drew back and looked at him.

"Heavens!" she gasped. "Did I say it out loud? I was afraid I would."

"Say it!" commanded C. M., and shook her a little.

"Don't you frighten me."

She was engulfed in C. M.'s embrace. He held her closely and she found it not in the least alarming or uncomfortable.

He was murmuring to himself: "My little girl! My Mary!" Then he held her off, as she had him, and looked at her. Mary looked into a pair of blue eyes marvelously like her own. There was a softness of tears behind them, but none fell.

"Don't be frightened. Your father doesn't mean to be rough. Only—"



"Say That Again, My Girl, and Say It Slow."

My God! All the years I've wanted you. I'll never forgive Polly for that."

Mary raised her head warningly. "Not a word against Mother!"

C. M.'s grasp upon her tightened again. "Not a word. Only she should have told me, long ago."

"Yes, I think so, too, Dad," Mary agreed, "but I can't make her see it."

C. M. looked down at her sternly. "How long have you known?"

"Since last night. I haven't been able to think about anything else, but Mother won't talk about it, and she meant me not to tell. I didn't tell, did I?"

"Not strictly speaking," C. M. assured her. "You just said 'Father, girl to yourself, and I heard you.'"

"Dear, dear," and Mary tried to sound distressed and repentant, "what will become of me when Mother knows?"

C. M.'s arm tightened about her, as though for protection. Mary leaned on it.

"The thing that's got to be understood between us at once, is that my mother is the sweetest, best-looking, most wonderful mother a girl ever had. Father, what were you thinking about to let her get away from you?"

Claude frowned. He led Mary back to her chair and sat down beside her. "See here," he said, looking at his daughter in alarm, "I don't know how much Polly has told you."

"Everything."

"Everything?" C. M. started from his chair, changed his mind and sat down heavily. "Then that saves me something. We're not going to discuss it."

Mary nodded. "Let's take everything for granted, and go right on from now. That will be the best thing."

"How can we?"

"We must," Mary announced with decision. "There's got to be certain reticences."

"Oh, Lord!" groaned Claude. "You don't think I want to talk over these 'certain reticences' with you?" He breathed heavily. "No, it's Polly." He looked at Mary as though they had been in league for years. "How can we get round her?"

Mary shook her head.

"Claude looked at her moodily. "I know Polly." He looked down at the carpet, busy with his problem.

Mary came to him quietly, perched herself on his knee, and put her arm about his neck. "He did want petting so badly. 'Mother will simply have to take notice of my father.'"

C. M. promptly kissed her. It was a nice kiss, on the cheek, and C. M. wasn't clumsy about it either. Mary's appreciation of him rose. He had a certain deftness, this big man. He wasn't clumsy nor was he vulgar. Mother might have—but Claude interrupted her train of thought.

"One thing I can't forgive is keeping you from me. I can hardly keep from squeezing the life out of you, Mary. I'm so glad to have you within reach, and know you're my girl. But the little Mary! By Jimmy! How sweet you must have been with your hair down your back, or maybe tied with a big bow of ribbon, and little strapped slippers on your cute little feet. Polly cheated me out of that. Why, look, you're a great big girl, and I'm a strange man to you, and you may be engaged to some hulking fellow, for all I know, and no room in your life for a father?"

Despite the fact that he tried to treat it lightly, Mary felt the poignant regret in his tone, and her heart ached for her father. What could she do to make him know that he had not only a place in her life but her heart.

"I'm not engaged," she assured him, as she put up her hands to her smart little hat and jerked it off, and slipped from his knee. "Maybe no one will ever ask me." Claude made a little

gesture of scornful unbelief, but Mary stopped him. "Stare hard at that picture and don't look around until I tell you."

Dabbs obeyed her, wondering a little, and Mary slipped the hairpins from her head.

"Now!"

C. M. felt something soft and silky touching his hand. He looked at Mary. Her hair down her back as a child would wear it, she was standing beside him, smiling fearlessly. The years seemed to have slipped away from her.

"There, poor old Dad. Pretend I'm little Mary."

Dabbs laid his big hand caressingly on the silky head, but shook his own. "You're a dear, Mary, but put it up, my girl. It isn't the same thing. Not by what I'd be content enough if I could have you running in and out of my house now, but the Polly. I'll have to take you back to her, and then what?"

Mary could not answer him. She went to the mirror over the little writing desk and began piling up her hair. "Shall I tell her I've seen you?" she asked.

Dabbs watched her, fascinated. It was wonderful to think that slender lovely thing was his daughter. "Would that be a good thing, do you think?"

Mary thought for a moment, then shook her head. As she slowly put a snail's pace up, she had made up her mind to tell about Mother. It was the best thing to be absolutely frank. She couldn't juggle things the way Mother did: "You'd better know about Mother," she announced. "We're sailing for Venice tomorrow."

"Tomorrow? Venice?"

Mary nodded as she drove home the last two pins and reached for her hat. "Mother's running away. We're running away from you, and my instinct tells me Mother will run far."

Dabbs sat down on the arm of the chair, thinking.

"And if I tell her I've seen you—why, she'll move again, and it won't be Venice, and I won't be able to tell you where we are going."

"You're not to tell her," Dabbs said, decidedly. "and it will be Venice. Do you know your hotel?"

"The Royal Danell."

"Well, say nothing. I'll meet you there."

"You'll meet us! Oh, Father! Can you leave the grocery store?"

Dabbs nodded, smiling. "Easy I can, when it's you."

Mary settled her hat with a slightly saucy tilt. "Then you'll tell Mother there. My! It's romantic!" Dearly would she love to see the meeting.

C. M. crossed the room, took her by the dimpled chin and tilted her face so that he could look into the eyes that she tried to hide with her long lashes.

"It isn't romantic," he said. "And much as I would please you to manage the affair, young lady, you can't, Polly Johnson and I will manage that part of it by ourselves."

"Oh Father, how could you?"

"I'm not so slow as I look, daughter, and I know Polly. She was never to be driven, or coaxed either. Polly will have to settle it herself, and that's the only safe way."

Mary gave his arm a squeeze. "Oh, C. M. Dabbs, you're a wonder. If the angels had asked me, I couldn't have picked any father I'd like better."

Claude looked at her gravely. "I'm rough, in some ways, girl, but if you like me I haven't wasted my life."

"I only wish I was a boy, Father. How we would develop your grocery business together, and make money so that Mother would admire us!"

Dabbs frowned. "I don't want you a boy. The angels suited me, too, when they picked you." He held Mary's hand tightly in his. "Mary, is Polly like that still? Does she care as much about money, I mean?"

Mary studied her father as she answered: "She does and she doesn't. Mother isn't easy to explain. She likes the things money brings with it—and she hasn't much left."

Dabbs started. "How's that?"

Mary explained as much as she knew, and Dabbs frowned as she mentioned the borrowing from Loren Rangeley.

"Mary, shall we give her money?" Mary shook her head. "Not now. It wouldn't be quite safe. Mother would use it to run further away from us."

Dabbs looked pleased at the "us" but he frowned a moment afterward, and when Mary touched his arm gently, looked down at her warily.

"I'm trying to figure out, daughter, whether you're right about the money. I guess you are, though. As you say, Polly'd only use it to get further away from me, and that would keep us apart. Besides, it mustn't be money that brings Polly to me. It must be—you. You can see that."

"Of course, I can Mother's point of view, too," Mary admitted, wishing to be absolutely fair to the absent, which is always so difficult a task when sympathies are mostly with those present. "But I somehow feel on your side, Dad, and when the pinch comes, I'll warn you and we'll act together. Then we will see what Mother does. She's—well, surprising! You can never tell about Mother."

She moved toward the door. Mother would be waiting, and that was beginning to trouble her. "Oh, hurry after us to Venice, Father. We've got so much to say to each other, and there's no time left for us today. And," she paused to make this emphatic, "you must not come further than the elevator with me. If Mother saw me with you, she wouldn't say a word, but it would not be Venice."

"Just as you say, dear, and I suppose it's safer, but I hate it." Claude moved to the door with her, and as

she reached it he said, hesitatingly: "Mary, do you need any money? I've plenty."

"Generous old dear," Mary thought, but what she said was: "Oh, I'm quite all right, as long as Mother's holds the purse strings, how long can you stand the pace Mother's setting?"

Claude started to speak and stopped himself. "Oh, I can hold out for some time," he told her cheerfully, "and there's always the grocery business."

Mary patted his arm. "Of course, and if it wasn't for Mother, I'd go back with you now like a shot and keep books or sell things behind the counter. Wouldn't it be fun?"

Mother who keeps me from doing it. Probably more mental anguish has been caused by pimples on the face than by any other cause. And, sad to say, pimples or acne, as dermatologists call it, is more common from fourteen to eighteen than at any other time in life. It reaches its peak at eighteen, gradually fades away in the twenties and usually disappears by thirty. But by that time the girl is married and the boy has business worries, so that a mildly complexion is not the acute tragedy it is at eighteen.

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There are in the skin several different kinds of glands. The oil glands or sebaceous glands, as they are called, keep the skin soft and supple, by secreting oil, which is discharged on the skin through tiny oil ducts. Naturally, persons with a thick, oily skin or those who eat large quantities of fat-producing food produce the largest quantities of oil.

As long as these little oil ducts are kept open the oil flows out on the skin. This keeps the skin oily, as many a schoolgirl knows when she powders her nose to remove the shiny appearance. But if the oil is thick, and so tends to choke up the oil ducts, or if soot, dirt or powder union to form a thick paste with the oil, then the ducts become stopped up and "blackheads" form. The oil forming behind these plugs cause the skin to swell and turn red and little pimples to form. Taking medicine internally is of no use. What is needed is external treatment which will open up the clogged ducts.

The best treatment is the good old-fashioned one of soap and water—soap to dissolve the oil in the plugs closing the ducts, water to wash away the oily dirt and to cleanse the skin. But the skin of the face is not made of hard wood. You can't scrub it like a board. The skin must be cleansed! not irritated.

Regular frequent washing of the face with a soft big wash cloth and a pure, mild soap and pure soft water, followed by floods of cold water to stimulate the skin, is the best treatment. A pure skin cream may help in dry, harsh skins, but generally persons with acne have too much oil in their skins already. Wash your face clean every night with plenty of warm water and your skin will soon take care of itself.

**KEEPING WELL**

**ACNE**

DR. FREDERICK R. GREEN  
Editor of "HEALTH"

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**Science Beginning to Open Book of Nature**

"The grasshopper is in many ways more marvelous than a man and more wonderful than an elephant," said Dr. William S. Vinal, of the New York State college of forestry, Syracuse university. "The grasshopper has six legs and never gets them tangled. Some animals with only two legs often trip and fall. If the human being could jump with ability in proportion to that of the grasshopper he could easily clear the Flatiron building and would wreck himself upon landing. The grasshopper is noisy in his old age instead of in his youth, and, surprising as it may seem, this noise is made possible by his hind legs."

"Grasshoppers being hatched from eggs in the spring never see their parents and what they are is due to their own efforts. They can never be favored by influential ancestors. They are 'self-made.' Another instinctive thing about his insect is that grasshopper music is always rendered by male orchestrans and always heard by lady audiences."

"When nature guiding comes into its own and the public begins to understand the wonders that are now passing before their eyes, I do not doubt whether the popularity of the elephant will be greater than that of the trees, the grasses, the rocks, the waters, the insects and the small wild animals that we see every day but do not know."

**Youth Today Taught While Being Amused**

The mother of today would do well to go in and visit the schools in the lower grades near a holiday. Then she will understand why her children love to go to school when she never did. Then she will appreciate why her children have an affection for their teacher which she never had. Then she will realize why the school looms up so big and important in the lives of her offspring. Take Halloween, for instance.

The teachers in the first few grades did not let it go by without some observance. They encouraged the bringing of pumpkins and yellow paper caps to school. They brought big yellow pumpkins themselves that they had carved out in their so-called leisure time out of school. The day before Halloween most of the lower grades had a party, when they sang, played games and enjoyed candy. Indeed, every device was used to bring about happiness and instruction through the child's interest in Halloween. Of course, the children never dreamed they were being instructed; they just thought they were being entertained. So is it a wonder that the schoolboy and schoolgirl of today no longer "creep like snails unwillingly to school?"—Springfield Union.

**Railroads' Grades**

Any railroad grade of 2 per cent or over is very uneconomical. Grade revision has progressed in this country until there are few grades of 2 per cent or over. The Denver and Rio Grande has 12 miles of 2.4 per cent grade west-bound from Helper, Utah to Kyune, Utah, and a 2 per cent grade from Soldiers Summit, Utah, to Tucker, Utah, a distance of about 15 miles. The Pilatus railway, Switzerland (Rack railway), called "the Railway that Stands on End," has a 19 per cent to 48 per cent grade.

**War's Effect on Art**

Change wrought by the war found evidence in the work of the late Robert Bevan, an exhibition of whose artistic production was recently held in London. Bevan studied in Paris, and his earlier pictures dealt chiefly with light and atmosphere. After the war, his output developed simplicity of style, with accurate presentation of animal life and town and country scenes, even the now almost extinct London cab horse exciting his keen sense of humorous artistry.

**Female Slave's Long Life**

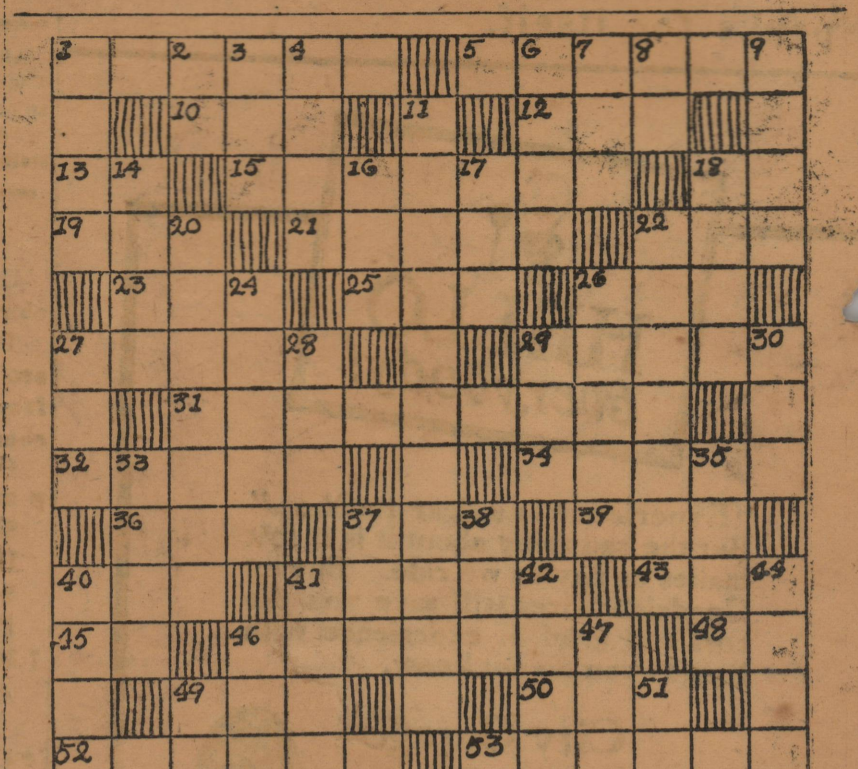
There died in Louisiana not long ago an old negro woman who was a grown woman when she was "imported" from her native Africa. Most of the slaves who were set free after the Civil war had been born in the United States, but she was one of the original stock actually captured and brought from her native land in 1825.

**To Take Seal "Census"**

Ten thousand male seals of the Pribilof islands are to be stungled this year to aid in counting the new arrivals next year. These include the seal population that is one year old, who next season will be identified by the length of the hair. The census is taken to determine the number that may be killed according to the legal percentage.

**CROSS WORD PUZZLE**

**HOW TO SOLVE A CROSS-WORD PUZZLE**  
When the correct letters are placed in the white spaces this puzzle will spell words both vertically and horizontally. The first letter in each word is indicated by a number, which refers to the definition listed below the puzzle. Thus No. 1 under the column headed "horizontal" defines a word which will fill the white spaces up to the first black square to the right, and a number under "vertical" defines a word which will fill the white squares to the next black one below. No letters go in the black spaces. All words used are dictionary words, except proper names. Abbreviations, slang, initials, technical terms and obsolete forms are indicated in the definitions.



- Horizontal.**
- 1—What a whip lash does
  - 2—To desire something higher
  - 10—Preposition
  - 12—To devour
  - 13—Verb
  - 15—Recovering from intoxication
  - 18—To exist
  - 19—Cooking utensil
  - 21—Respect
  - 22—2,000 pounds
  - 23—To equip with weapons
  - 25—Consumed
  - 26—A loud utterance
  - 27—To move slowly
  - 28—An article that should be used after each meal
  - 31—A metal used extensively in cooking-utensils
  - 32—Used by an orchestra leader
  - 34—Moderately warm
  - 36—An indolent tumor
  - 37—One of our supports
  - 39—Guided
  - 40—Low-bred person
  - 41—Seizes with the teeth
  - 42—A small point
  - 45—Meaning less
  - 46—Superior
  - 48—Look!
  - 49—Baked pastry
  - 50—Is in one place
- Vertical.**
- 1—Often happens on the ice
  - 2—Whether (concl.)
  - 3—Abbreviation for numbers
  - 4—A famous third baseman of the Giants
  - 6—A prophet
  - 8—Neuter pronoun
  - 11—Tending to seek the center
  - 14—To rise high
  - 16—Large serpent
  - 17—Female deer
  - 18—What the girls like
  - 20—Cared for
  - 22—The way he won the game of cards
  - 24—The fruit of certain cucurbitaceous plants
  - 26—Causing grief or misery
  - 27—Covered part of a locomotive
  - 28—To use a word in a double sense
  - 29—A part of anything
  - 30—Utensil for holding coal
  - 33—Absent
  - 35—Worshipped by heathens
  - 37—Entrus
  - 38—To procure
  - 40—Enemies of mice
  - 41—Raised
  - 42—An aquatic mammal
  - 44—Whistle
  - 46—A liquor
  - 49—He pays the bills
  - 51—To bring about
  - 52—To bring about
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**NEW FROST LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE.**

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**Smokeless Coal Tested**

Smokeless fuel for locomotives is being tried out by the Southern railway of New Zealand, and so far has been a success. Slack coal from New Zealand mines was sent to Belgium and made into briquettes, which have been found to give sufficient heat and at the same time to cause practically no smoke even in tunnels. If tests continue to be satisfactory, a briquette plant will be erected in New Zealand.

**Plants That Wage War**

Some of the plants, vegetables and trees nature placed in the world will not live in peace when near each other, they are at war and destroy each other ruthlessly, says the Ohio State Journal. Scientists have learned the roots of the walnut and butternut trees are poisonous to the roots of many plants, while tomatoes will destroy each other if planted close and their roots touch each other.

**Proud of His Record**

Jimmy Warnack, eight-year-old son of the church editor of the Times, came home with his school report card, which he proudly handed to his parents for examination.

"Look what good grades I got, daddy!" he exclaimed. "I even got two on thirft. Ain't that fine? What is thirft, dad?"—Los Angeles Times.

**Radio Needs Much Wire**

Wire used in one of the largest broadcasting stations in the United States, if connected in a single piece, would more than encircle the globe at the equator. The wire varies in size from less than a hair in certain magnets and resistance to half an inch in the antenna.

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**Photographer Quick to Get Morgan Snapshot**

In these days when photographs of notables and near-notables may be seen in every newspaper, it is hard to realize that at one time people actually shunned the camera. But this was really so, according to Joseph S. Jordan in an article in Liberty, in which he describes some of the difficulties to which newspaper photographers are put to obtain pictures.

The late J. Pierpont Morgan would never stand for a pose or a snapshot," Jordan writes. "The photographers were well aware of his distaste in this regard, and of his temper as well, so they were all waiting for a chance to take him."

"One morning," the writer continues, "when Mr. Morgan was sailing for Europe, a photographer had the temerity to level a camera at him on the pier. The money magnate saw him, and charged with a roar and an uplifted cane. The camera man turned pale and tail and bolted up the dock, the financier in close pursuit. Mr. Morgan didn't catch his quarry; but another photographer, nimble-witted and quick on the click, caught the banker.

"Then there were two camera men running up the pier, and Mr. Morgan had to catch his boat. The photographer got a bonus from his paper for that picture; but photographers after that gave Mr. Morgan a wide berth."

**Logically Right, but Practically in Error**

William Lyon Phelps, professor of English literature at Yale, said in a New Haven address:

"Affected authors, 'precious' authors, can always prove that their queer phrases are right, but they are wrong nevertheless.

"An author of this type went into a hardware shop and said: "A shear, please."

"You don't mean a hair-cut, do you?" said the puzzled hardware dealer.

"No, I mean a shear." And the author made the motion of shearing with the first and second fingers of his hand.

"A pair of shears is the correct term," said the dealer, as he took down several boxes.

"No, friend; shear is the correct term."

"But the dealer laughed and said:

"Now, sir, look here. Aren't there two blades here, and don't two make a pair? A pair of shears! See?"

"You've got two legs," said the author. "Does that make you a pair of men?"

"The author, as usual, was logically right, but, really, he was wrong."