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Notice For Publication.

Department of the Interior,
Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico,
November 12, 1904.
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He names the following witnesses to prove continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Elizabeth M. Rogers, of Artesia, N. M., Robert H. Gora, of Artesia, N. M., Enos S. Wigdala, of Artesia, N. M., and Liam C. Marable, of Artesia, N. M.
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She names the following witnesses to prove continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Stephen W. Gilbert, of Artesia, N. M., Robert H. Gora, of Artesia, N. M., Enos S. Wigdala, of Artesia, N. M., and Liam C. Marable, of Artesia, N. M.
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He names the following witnesses to prove continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: James Newell, of Dayton, N. M., Eugene Lattion, of Dayton, N. M., John Fournier, of Dayton, N. M., and Frank Lattion, of Dayton, N. M.
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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: James Newell, of Dayton, N. M., Eugene Lattion, of Dayton, N. M., John Fournier, of Dayton, N. M., and Frank Lattion, of Dayton, N. M.
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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: George F. Cleveland, of Artesia, N. M., William Hale, of Artesia, N. M., Sidney Hale, of Artesia, N. M., Charles D. Cleveland, of Artesia, N. M., and Howard Leland, Register.

Notice For Publication.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
LAND OFFICE AT ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO,
December 3, 1904.
Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register or Receiver at Roswell, New Mexico, on January 19, 1905, viz: Ethelbert A. Clayton, upon Homestead application No. 2901, for the NE 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 21 and NE 1/4 Sec. 22, T. 17 S., R. 26 E.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: George F. Cleveland, of Artesia, N. M., Gayle Talbot, of Artesia, N. M., James F. Rhodes, of Artesia, N. M., John R. Hodges, of Artesia, N. M., and Howard Leland, Register.

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Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico,
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Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register or Receiver at Roswell, New Mexico, on January 15, 1905, viz: John L. Stovall, upon Homestead application No. 2141, for the North West Quarter of Section 8, T. 19 S., R. 26 E.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Jason Benbow, of McMillan, N. M., Jonah Wallace, of McMillan, N. M., George McDonald, of McMillan, N. M., and Joe Baker, of McMillan, N. M.
Howard Leland, Register.

Contest Notice.

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office, Roswell, N. M.,
November 2, 1904.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Ory A. Thompson, contestant, against homestead entry No. 3650, made January 28, 1903, for E 1/4 NW 1/4, NE 1/4 SW 1/4 and NW 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 2, Township 18 S., Range 25 E., by Alexander Bruce Contestee, in which it is alleged that said Alexander Bruce has wholly abandoned said tract and changed his residence therefrom for more than six months since making said entry and next prior to the date of said affidavit, that said tract is not settled upon and cultivated by said party as required by law, and that said alleged absence from the said land was not due to his employment in the Army, Navy or Marine Corps of the United States, in time of war; said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on January 6, 1905, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Roswell, New Mexico. The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed November 30, 1904, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

Howard Leland, Register.

Contest Notice.

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office, Roswell, N. M.,
November 2, 1904.

A sufficient affidavit having been filed in this office by Joseph L. Davis contestant, against homestead entry No. 2221, made December 23, 1901, for S 1/2 of SE 1/4, Section 19, and N 1/2 of NE 1/4 of Section 30, Township 17 S., Range 23 E., by James T. Meek, Contestee, in which it is alleged that said James T. Meek has wholly abandoned said homestead and changed his residence therefrom for more than six months since making said entry and next prior to date of said affidavit, and that said alleged absence from the said land was not due to his employment in the Army, Navy or Marine Corps of the United States, in time of war; said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 3 o'clock p. m. on January 13, 1905 before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Roswell, New Mexico. The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed November 29, 1904, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

Howard Leland, Register.

David L. Geyer, Receiver.

Notice For Publication.

Department of the Interior,
Land Office at Roswell, New Mexico,
December 3, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register or Receiver at Roswell, New Mexico, on January 20, 1905, viz: Hayden L. Vaneerwork, upon Homestead application No. 3633, for the W 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 1 and W 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 12, T. 19 S., R. 26 E.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: William E. Thompson, of McMillan, N. M., John A. Fuller, of McMillan, N. M., Fred Vanderwork, of McMillan, N. M., Benjamin Vanderwork, of McMillan, N. M., and Howard Leland, Register.

Howard Leland, Register.

Contest Notice.

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office, Roswell, N. M.,
Nov. 4, 1904.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Sterling P. Rogets, contestant, against desert-land entry No. 1544, made June 2, 1904, for the West Half of Section 9, T. 16 S. Range 25 E., by John L. Green, Contestee, in which it is alleged that said John A. Green filed said entry for the sole purpose of speculation, and not in good faith for the purposes as set out in his entry papers, as by law required; said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on January 14, 1905 before the Register

and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Roswell, New Mexico.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed Dec. 6, 1904, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

Howard Leland, Register,
David L. Geyer, Receiver.

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December 3, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register or Receiver at Roswell, New Mexico, on January 16, 1905, viz: Ezra C. Higgins, upon Homestead application No. 4025, for the S 1/4 NW 1/4, NW 1/4 SE 1/4 and SW 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec. 27, T. 18 S., R. 26 E.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John T. Gillett, of Dayton, N. M., Thomas J. Grubb, of Dayton, N. M., Joseph G. Welsh, of Artesia, N. M., George U. McCrary, of Artesia, N. M.

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Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of her intention to make final proof in support of her claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register or Receiver at Roswell, New Mexico, on January 16, 1905, viz: J. B. Gill, upon Homestead application No. 4025, for the S 1/4 NW 1/4, NW 1/4 SE 1/4 and SW 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec. 27, T. 18 S., R. 26 E.

Howard Leland, Register.

Notice For Publication.

(Desert Land, Final Proof.)
Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office Roswell, N. M.,
December 3, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that Adele O. Smith of Artesia, Eddy county, New Mexico, has filed notice of intention to make proof on her desert land claim No. 984 for the S 1/4 NW 1/4, NE 1/4, N 1/2 SE 1/4 and N 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 29, T. 17 S., R. 26 E., before the Register or Receiver at Roswell, New Mexico on Tuesday, the 17th day of January, 1905. She names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land: George P. Cleveland of Artesia, N. M., John Richey of Artesia, N. M., John R. Blair of Artesia, N. M., Louis T. Sholars of Artesia, N. M.

Howard Leland, Register.

Notice For Publication.

(Desert Land, Final Proof.)
Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office, Roswell, N. M.,
December 3, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that James B. Barnes of Artesia, Eddy County, New Mexico, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No. 1077, for the NW 1/4 of Sec. 24, T. 18 S., R. 25 E. before the Register or Receiver at Roswell, New Mexico on Wednesday, the 18th day of January, 1905.

Howard Leland, Register.

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He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land: John P. Corn of Dayton, N. M., Joseph G. Harris of Dayton, N. M., Robert B. Barnes of Artesia, N. M., Silas C. Barnes of Artesia, N. M.

Howard Leland, Register.

ORCHARD PLANTERS

Are respectfully requested to figure with Love's Nurseries Agency before placing their orders for trees for either commercial or family orchards. We will get you the best trees of the best varieties; budded or grafted, as best suits the different varieties. Our eleven years experience in this valley may be of service to you. Stark Bros. 5 payment orchard plan is the greatest commercial orchard offer ever known to any, who wish to only pay one-fifth on arrival of trees, and the balance in four years, with only 6 per cent interest.

Remember, we also get you California grape vines, best adapted to this valley. Constant-blooming roses on their own roots. Ornamentals of all kinds and government forest-tree seedlings and evergreens. Office with the Cleveland Land Agency. Call on or address, R. M. Love, Salesman, Artesia, N. M.

Big Red Apples.

I have lots of big red apples for sale at the Day ranch six miles south of Artesia on the Penasco. Come now and get something choice.

J. Walter Day.

FORTY PER CENT PROFIT.

J. H. McIntyre Has Sold Over \$2,000 Worth of Apples From Sixteen Acres.

Many wonderful stories have been told of the remarkable profits in apples and other fruits in the Pecos Valley, and putting it mildly there have been many yarns spun by overly enthusiastic real estate dealers and citizens. Here is one that smacks of the "yarny" tales that have been told from time to time, and The Record has investigated the case and is ready to make affidavit to the facts.

The story is that J. H. McIntyre who came here last year from Wichita Falls, Texas, has realized about forty per cents profit on an investment of \$5,000 in twenty acres of land. Early last summer he purchased the old Henry Miller place, 3 1/2 miles south east of the city and paid \$5,000 for it. The place contained twenty acres of which sixteen acres was in bearing apples orchard. There were four acres not in orchard, a small house and a good artesian well. This year he has sold over two thousand dollars' worth of apples, from the sixteen acres, and has raised vegetables for the market and for private use on the four acres.

J. B. Gill of the Roswell Produce and Seed Company this morning showed The Record representative his books, and they showed that Mr. McIntyre was credited with \$1,801.09 for apples and nearly this amount in cash had been paid. Mr. Gill stated that early the season he had purchased \$100 worth of apples which did not show on the books. This makes \$1,901.09 that this company bought from the sixteen acres. Outside of this Mr. McIntyre sold about \$200 worth of apples to other parties. The culls and wind-falls were given for the expense of gathering and the spraying so that he was not at one cent's expense for this service.

If any one knows of any true story that can equal or beat this one let The Record have it. The Record is in for boosting the country, but there are enough true and wonderful stories without indulging in fiction. The old Henry place has quite a history. In 1901 the place was owned by Jas. Miller, and he sold it at that time for \$3,000. The purchaser sold it again for the price paid and later it was sold for \$4,000. Then again the place was sold and bought \$4500 and Mr. McIntyre paid \$5,000 and there is not any likelihood of him disposing of it at anything like this figure.—Roswell Record.

Advertised Letter List.

The following letters remain uncalled for in the Artesia postoffice for the month ending, Dec. 1, 1904.

Dennis Hoover.
Jimmie Vickers.
Ernest A. Holt.
Miss Ora Evans.
Marrell Danyman.
Ivy Ambers.
Mrs. Clarence Moore.
Jessie McDowell.
Ira McLendon.
J. B. Reed.

MEXICAN MAIL.

Sr Bitos Rios.
Sr. Bruno Almandarez.
Sr. Don Ramon Pesalta (2)
Marselino Oceana.

These letters will be sent to the Dead Letter office December 31, 1904 if not called for. In calling for the above please say "advertised." All advertised letters due one cent.

Daisy F. Ross, P. M.

In view of making a change in business we offer all piece goods at cost for cash. Walling & Sons.

MUST ATTEND SCHOOL.

The Compulsory School Attendance Law Will Be Strictly Enforced.

The Grand Jury of Chaves County at the present session of court instructed the county superintendent to rigidly enforce the compulsory school attendance law. The act requires all children between 7 and 14 years of age to attend school during the year at least for the period of three months. For violation of this law there is a severe penalty for the parent or guardian in charge of the children.

In accordance with this instruction County Superintendent J. McL. Gardiner has notified the several schools boards of the county to begin prosecution at once against those parents and guardians who may refuse to comply with the law.

The pathway to the southwest is strewn with the bones of victims of good intentions, unaccompanied by good judgment and good sense. This problem is one of the most important that New Mexico has to solve. It is a matter that every newspaper in the territory should agitate. It is a crime against humanity that thousands should perish who might have been saved had they come to a high, dry climate in time. The article quoted yesterday which showed 90 per cent of cures in the early stages of tuberculosis at Phoenix should be impressive. Only 10 per cents are even helped in the later stages. Probably 10 per cent are made worse by the journey and exposure while in an enfeebled condition. It is of the utmost importance that the doctors of the slow-to-learn communities of the east, the humane societies, the charitable institutions and, in fact, all the people, should learn that there is practically a sure cure here if the victims of the white plague are sent in time but that it is monstrous to send people within a few weeks of the tomb to arid regions of the west.—Las Vegas Optic.

Artesia Cornet Band.

A number of gentlemen met at the office of Clayton & Beckham Thursday night for the purpose of organizing a brass band, and all the necessary work toward the organization was perfected. Fortunately there are a number of former band members in town, and they have signified a desire to assist in the music making. Mr. E. E. McNatt, manager of the Pecos Valley Drug Company, has been selected as leader. He is a splendid cornetist, and will be assisted by Messrs. Hoffman, Logan, Adams, Flournoy Baker and Woodworth, all old hands at the business. A few more players will be added until a full complement is secured. Several of the members own their own instruments, and the citizens of the town will be asked to assist in procuring others. This every one should gladly do. The town needs a band, and with so much talent at hand, we can get the benefit of some first-class music in a very short while.

Open Season For Game.

Deer with horns—with gun only—November and December, each year. Limit, one deer.

Elk, antelope and mountain sheep, killing absolutely prohibited.

Wild turkey and mountain grouse—with gun only—October, November and December Chapter 26, laws of 1891.

Quail—with gun only—October, November, December, January 26, laws of 1901.

Pheasants (every species) killing absolutely prohibited.

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ORY SUPPORTED BY FRESH, CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE.

ent Instance Proves That a man's Happiness Is Largely Dependent on the State of Her Blood.

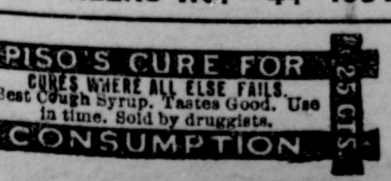
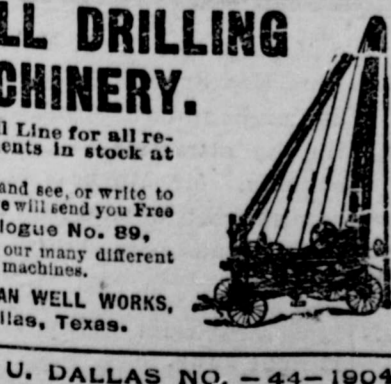
in the blood is disordered every of the body is affected unfavorably and fails to discharge its functions properly. In the case of every nature has made special provision for a periodical purification of the blood, and so long as this occurs health and spirits unfailingly receive the beneficial results. So slight as a cold or a nervous shock produce a suppression of this function, and until it is restored is doomed to misery. The remedy has proved most prompt and effective in all disorders peculiar to the female sex is that which brought great relief to Miss Mattie, of No. 807 Indiana street, Lawrence, Kansas, concerning which she writes as follows:

the winter of 1902, from some unknown cause, there was a cessation of my periods peculiar to my sex for a period of four months. I became very nervous and could not get up stairs without help. I had nausea and pain in my head, and constant headache. I was under the care of a physician for three months, but he did not succeed in curing me. Then a lady friend told me of the merits of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills which she had used in her family and she induced me to try them. As in May when I first began to use them, and in June I had fully recovered my health, and have since remained perfectly well.

all cases of delayed development of girls; in anemia or weakness of impoverished blood and show itself in pallor, lack of ambition, tendency and nervousness; also in great constitutional disturbances during the period known as the change of life. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills invaluable for women, whose health is always closely dependent on the state of the blood. They are sold by druggists. A booklet of valuable information relating to the care of a woman's health at all important periods and entitled "Plain Talks to Women" will be sent free in a sealed envelope to any one who chooses to write for it to the Dr. Williams' Medical Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

When a doubt lingers in the house over your heart it understands that it soon be invited to remain indefinitely.

Make Practice of Insurance. A wager, are able in London on the new heir to the throne.



Example for American Mayors.

In Newcastle, England, the mayor enjoys the privilege of once a year being allowed to select and kiss any young woman who takes his fancy among the Coal City's inhabitants. The kiss is rather costly, however, for it is the custom to present the young person kissed with a sovereign (\$5), while a further gift is made her by the lady mayoress, no doubt to disprove jealousy. The sheriff, not to be outdone, also bestows a kiss upon a fair bystander at the same rate of expenditure. The occasion is known as Barge day, when the mayor and corporation proceed in a procession of four gaily decorated streamers and two old state barges to claim the soil.

A Lawyer Adjourned Court.

On one occasion Wayne MacVeagh succeeded in adjourning the Supreme Court before the usual hour. Mr. MacVeagh never remained in Washington over night if he could help it, and on this occasion he greatly desired to take the 4 o'clock train for Philadelphia. Although talking to the court, he kept his eye on the clock and at 3:45, giving himself just time enough to reach the station, he ceased his argument and said: "May it please your honors, I move that the court do now adjourn. I want to catch the 4 o'clock train for home." The cool audacity of the request seemed to paralyze the justices, but the chief justice made the customary order without a protest and Mr. MacVeagh got his train.

Where Camphor Comes From.

Three-fourths of all camphor used in the world comes from Formosa, and its producers are the head hunting Hakka tribes of the mountain region of the island. A head hunter will lie in wait for days for his victim, and having shot his victim at point blank range brings the head to his tribesmen, who receive him and it with approbation and respect. Scottish clans never carried on more relentless and savage warfare among themselves than do these camphor makers. Their industry is safeguarded from the Japanese, who now own the island, for they know that to give it up means a loss of their independence. There is enormous profit in camphor, and the wonder is that enterprising Americans have not reaped some of it.

It is proper to speak of the weather in polite society, if the weather is not too bad, and you speak guardedly.—Puck.

That and This.

"Twelve years ago I bought my first bottle of Hunt's Lightning Oil. For Cuts, Burns, Sprains and Aches it was the best remedy I had found to that time. After the lapse of one dozen years I can truly say, it is the best remedy I have found to this time."

John P. Thompson, Red Rock, O. T.

Some men are just naturally good husbands; they can't help it. They would if they could.

More Flexible and Lasting, won't shake out or blow out; by using Defiance Starch you obtain better results than possible with any other brand and one-third more for same money.

There is a time and a place for everything. That's why we spend most of our time looking for the place.

WORLD'S FAIR. For low rates to the World's Fair via the Texas and Pacific Railway ask any ticket agent, or write E. P. Turner, General Passenger Agent, Dallas.

Those who don't have to take care of a baby should be awfully good to those who do.

Insist on Getting It. Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch because they have a stock in hand of 12 oz. brands, which they know cannot be sold to a customer who has once used the 16 oz. pkg. Defiance Starch for same money.

You can tell the time of day by the sun, and you can tell the time of night, also by the son.

BETTER THAN SPANKING. Spanking does not cure children of bad habits. If it did there would be few children that would do it. There is a constitutional cause for this. Mrs. M. Summers, Box 516, Notre Dame, Ind., will send her home treatment to any mother. She asks no money. Write her today if your children trouble you in this way. Don't blame the child. The chances are it can't help it.

Most of our political economy nowadays seems to end in official extravagance.

Torpedoes in the War.

The present range of the Whitehead torpedo would appear to handicap considerably that weapon in what appears to be the distance at which future naval actions may be fought. In the present war in the East, opposing battleships and belted cruisers have never had much less than 5000 yards between them in their general engagements. This is nearly double the effective range of the Whitehead torpedoes carried in ships of the British fleet, and 2000 yards outside the new Austrian-Whitehead, which is said to be safe for an accurate run of 3000 yards. No torpedo appears to have been fired from any of the battleships or cruisers engaged in the naval battle off Port Arthur, when the Czarevitch, the Pobeda and the Retvisan appear to have received all their damage from the gun fire of their opponents.

A Good and a Bad Wind.

Almost beyond belief is the story which comes from England of a trick the wind played not long ago on the spire of a Presbyterian church. It blew the steeple above the belfry 25 degrees out of plumb, so that the spire pointed in a northwesterly direction, and it was feared that it would fall. When the next morning men were engaged in straightening it the wind veered around and blew it back to its original position. Of course, it was necessary for the men to straighten it and its supports, but the wind's freak made their work much easier.

Write MURINE EYE REMEDY Co., Chicago, if your eyes are sore or inflamed, and get oculist's advice and free sample MURINE. It cures all eye-ills.

The bachelor, of course, has given marriage some thought, but, as a rule, he hasn't got any knobs on his head from deep thinking.

No chromos or cheap premiums, but a better quality and one-third more of Defiance Starch for the same price of other starches.

Let us work the time that is appointed us, and after that we shall rest in peace.—Cromwell.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, always cures wind colic. 10c bottle.

A man of energy begins to-day, if he has no good reason for waiting till tomorrow.—H. Maule.

Dickey's Old Reliable Eye-water cures sore or weak eye. Don't hurt. Feels good.

To go down stream is easy, but there is a Niagara at the far end.—Dr. Alex. MacLaren.

FITS permanently cured. No dizziness or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FREE TRIAL BOTTLE and treatise. Dr. R. H. Kline, Ltd., 741 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Prosperity is not just scale; adversity is the only balance to weigh friends.—Plutarch.

"Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy is excellent for the liver. Cured me after eight years of suffering." S. Pepron, Albany, N. Y. World famous. 5c.

Carry the radiance of your soul in your face; let the world have the benefit of it.—Fox.

I do not believe Elso's Cure for Consumption has an equal for coughs and colds.—JOHN F. BOYER, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 15, 1900.

Blessed is he who has found his work; let him ask no other blessedness.—Carlyle.

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm. WALTERS, KINX & MARYIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

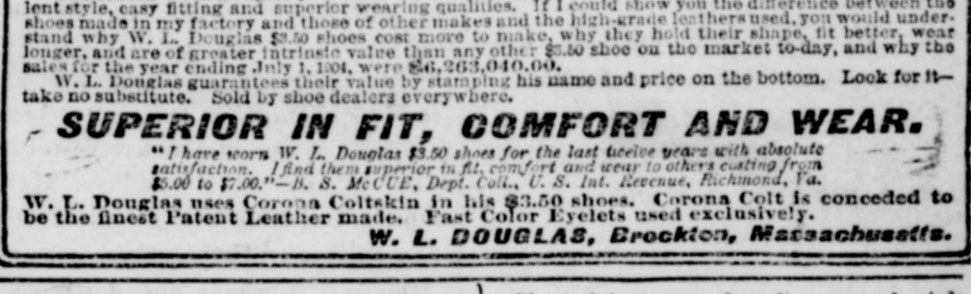
The wear and tear of rust is even faster than the wear and tear of work.—Smiles.

Superior quality and extra quantity must win. This is why Defiance Starch is taking the place of all others.

A man's good fortune usually comes to him by means of a slow-sailing ship—but trouble takes an ocean greyhound.

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Work on the construction of the toll line between this city and Artesia is progressing nicely, under the supervision of J. R. Gibson. The holes for the poles have been dug and the poles will be set and the wires strung as soon as they arrive, which will be some time during the coming week.—Argus.

"The Eagle" is the name of a newspaper to be established at Hagerman by Mr. L. D. Roeder. Our neighbor up the creek is to be congratulated. A good newspaper will be of great benefit to that flourishing part of the valley.

THE SMALL DEPOSITOR.

We think as much of him as of the large one, and his account is kept with the same care. Some people imagine that business of small proportions is not acceptable to, and not appreciated by a bank, and that no one will be specially benefited by doing business through a bank. This is a serious mistake. Many of the most successful business men of this country have, while young, opened small bank accounts and were thereby informed, at all times, what they were making and saving. Young man, you can not afford to do business any other way, and if you choose to do your business through us you will be welcome whether your deposits be large or small.

The First National Bank of Artesia.

A fine son was born to Mrs. J. E. Christopher Thursday night at the home of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Gage.

THE BIGGEST EVER.

Nothing in the Valley Equals the Carson Well Brought in Yesterday.

Artesia has bragged some in the past about her big artesian wells. Roswell, Hagerman, Dexter and a few other outlying precincts have at various times essayed to put up something that could approach our gushers, but to no avail. One of our big wells would more than double anything yet found elsewhere in the valley. Because they could do that we thought our wells were the biggest that could be found in the world. But we were mistaken. The record has been broken and we did not have to go away from home to do it.

Last week White & Swearingen began drilling for W. M. Carson, three miles southeast of town, between the Turknett and Runyan ranches. Within seven days they had gone down 800 feet. They quit drilling with a five-foot flow Thursday night and the flow had increased by the next morning until it stands at seven feet and a half above the six-inch casing.

The well is a wonder, even in the Artesia county, and many people have visited it.

This was the quickest time ever made on a well in the valley and the drillers and Mr. Carson are to be congratulated.

Among the Drillers.

The G. W. Dent machine west of town, is yet idle, awaiting the arrival of machinery.

Patrick Brothers are pushing the bit down as fast as steam can do it on the Gore—Higday well three miles southwest.

The Heath machine has moved over and is drilling a townsite well at Dayton. It got down to the water rock in the Wilder—Higgins well and will puncture it with a drop machine.

As we go to press, Danner & Son are down to the water rock in the Talbot well north of town, with a two-foot flow. The completion of the well is expected all the time.

Sperry & Chapman are finding nothing but rock, rock, rock in the McCormick well four miles north and are consequently making haste slowly.

Billy Swearingen and his able crew will take Christmas after bringing in the record-breaker yesterday. Well they deserve a holiday. Here's hoping that they will get their stockings full—and then some.

Daniell Brothers got down about 600 feet with their well, four miles due west and then got tired of it. The drill has been moved. A good first flow was secured and it is hoped the gentlemen will see their way clear to finish the well at no distant day.

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Full line of Heaters—Prices from \$5.00 to \$14.00. Coal and wood grates. Come in and see our line.

HOFFMAN HARDWARE COMPANY

Death of Dr. Clary.

A message was received last Saturday announcing the death of Dr. M. E. Clary at his former home in West Point, Texas, where he had arrived from Artesia a few days previous. The message caused the utmost grief among Dr. Clary's many friends here. He came to Artesia some months ago, for the benefit of his health, having cancer of the stomach. He proved himself a progressive gentleman and was not slow to appreciate the business opportunities of the Artesia country. He invested in ranch lands and town lots and made money on everything he touched and at the time of his death owned some good rental property on Main street.

Water Notice.

A limited number of Water Rights are offered for sale until Jan. 1, 1905, at \$60 each, at which time the price will be advanced to \$100 each. All parties not owning water rights, but using water from the Company's hydrants will be charged at the regular rental prices after January 1st. Artesia Water Power & Light Co. John R. Hodges, Secy.

The "Old District Skule" rendered by home talent at the school house last Friday night was liberally patronized, the proceeds amounting to \$57.00. Some of the juvenile characters as portrayed by grown folks were indeed comical and the audience seemed to keenly appreciate the ridiculousness of it all. The "Skule" was arranged by the ladies of the Methodist church, who were kindly assisted by a dozen or more belonging to other churches. Each participant in the farce forgot his dignity for the nonce and went back to childhood's happy hours. Each deserves special mention but the Advocate is unable to give it at this time.

Fine Land for Sale.

480 acres of fine valley land, three miles southeast of Artesia, all patented. No Alkali or overflowed land. W. M. Carson.

New Well Machine.

A fine rotary well drilling machine was received Thursday by Messrs. Gessler and Davidson and they will soon have wells upon their land south of town. It is from the American Well Works, Aurora, Ill.

A flow has been secured in the Shavers & Walters well, one mile northwest of McMillian townsite.

Fruit Trees

First class trees at lowest prices. We make a specialty of commercial orchards of varieties that have made the MOST MONEY for the Pecos Valley Orchardist.

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ARTESIA,

NEW MEXICO

I Have Lost My Specks.

Gold-rimmed in leather case. Will pay reward. S. W. Turknett.

If you want hauling done or fences built, see Martin Gamblin.

When you want coal, lumber or anything else hauled call on the Artesia Transfer Company. Phone No. 6.

Mr. O. J. Adams is having a residence erected on Quay avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Mobbs from Hot Springs Arkansas, arrived here Saturday night and will spend a week here. They are enjoying the attractions of the country. Mr. Mobbs recently purchased several tracts of land near town and was the successful lessee of section sixteen, adjoining the town and will improve it highly. He has an artesian well put down and it is right away.

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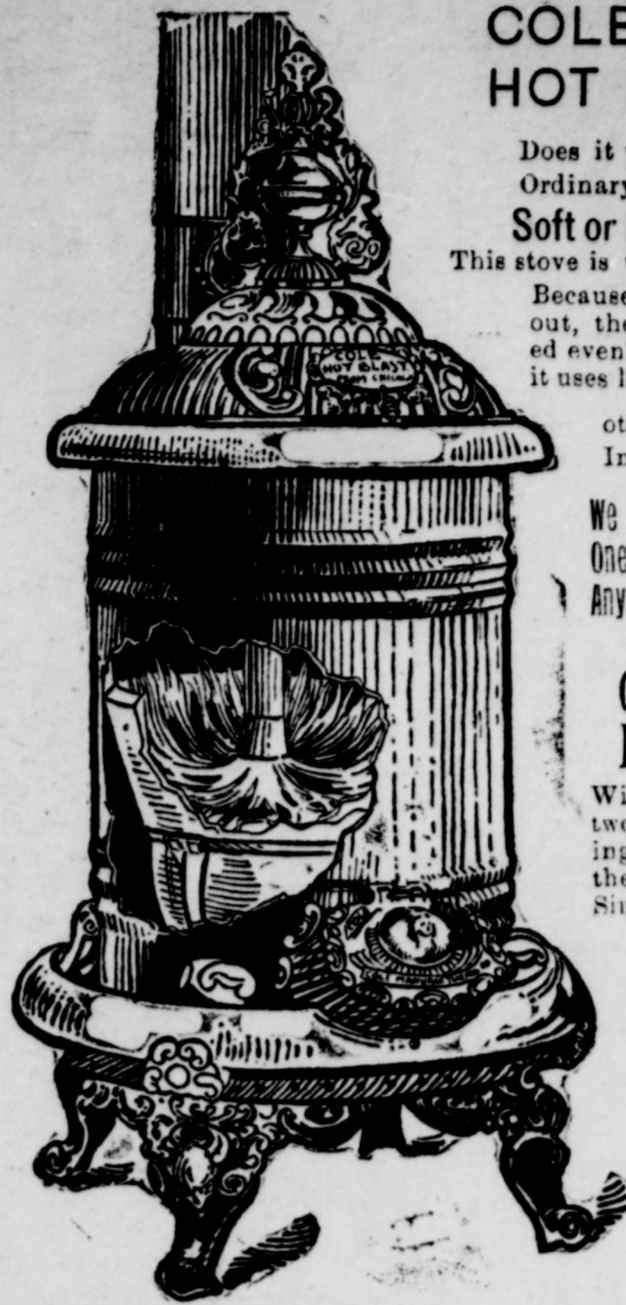
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Call and inspect Our Elegant Line Of Christmas Goods

We exercised special care in selecting a stock adapted
to the requirements of Artesia and we leave it to your
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Bill Cases, Traveling Cases, Infants Sets, Photograph Albums,
Music Rolls, Writing Cases, Guitars, Violins, Pictures,
Fancy Box Papers, Bric-a-brac, Burnt Leather
Souvenirs, Perfumes, Dolls, Games,

Books of all kinds, Fancy Box Candy, Ladies' Hand Bags and a big
lot of Fireworks. Although

Our Stock is Large, Our
Prices are Small.

We take especial care in packing presents for shipment. We advise
early buying, as the last days are always a crowd, a jam, a push.
Come and see our stock. You are welcome whether you buy or not.

PEGOS VALLEY DRUG COMPANY

Beckham, Jr., went up to
this morning.

Wall paper in transit for
New York Store.

Price of flour at Walling's
Price and Dennis Roberson
messengers for Roswell this

order of ladies' fine hats
New York Store.

Three-weeks-old baby of Mr.
Homer Bethel died of
Pneumonia Thursday.

Gramham flour at Walling's.

A business house to rent. Apply
to this office.

Alderman Clarence Ullery, of Roswell
is in the city to day.

Paper napkins, 45 cents for 1000 at
the New York Store.

Placer Mining location notices for
sale at the Advocate office.

Tackett & Edwards will open up an
up-to-date Photograph Gallery, also
a Pantatorium in the Baskin build-
ing as soon as it is completed.

The jury in the case of Dr. A. L.
Norfleet vs. Jerry and C. B. McClasky
on trial at Roswell, rendered judg-
ment in the sum of \$650 in favor of
the plaintiff. The amount sued for
was \$2500. An appeal will be taken
by the defendants.

Nice line of outing at the New
York Store.

John S. Major returned Wednes-
day from his trip to the World's Fair.

Miss Essie Talbot returned this
week from a three month's visit to
Big Springs Texas.

J. R. Blair has several customers
for cheap relinquishments or assign-
ments. Must be in the proven arte-
sian belt. See him if you want to
sell quick.

Men's wool socks at the New York
Store.

Mr. H. C. Owens returned last
night from a visit to his former home
in Denton county, Texas. He comes
back home better pleased with the
Pecos Valley than ever before, in fact
says he would not live anywhere
else at all.

Mr. John Howard has gone back to
his former home in Denton county,
Texas, to sell a farm. He's expect-
ed to returned tonight and will let
the contract for an artesian well on
his land north of town. Mr. How-
ard likes the idea of farming where a
man can control the seasons.

FOR SALE—A good tent 12x14, floor-
ed and boxed up. See H. W. Ham-
ilton at the New York Store.

Dr. R. N. Crews, of Williamsburg,
Mo., spent several days last week as
the guest of his brother-in-law, S. W.
Gilbert on Glegarry Ranch. This
was the gentleman's first visit to the
Artesia country and he was so well
pleased that he bought 320 acres of
land southwest of town before re-
turning.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Phillips have
moved into the new Gilbert cottage
on Richardson avenue.

Woodmen of The World.

Attention: Tuesday night, Dec. 3
is annual election of officers. All
members are requested to be present.
A good speaker will be in attendance
subject "Woodcraft as it is."

Angel-Doan.

Mr. Henry Angel, of this place,
was married in Roswell Thursday to
Mrs. Maggie Doan. The bridal couple
came to Artesia on the afternoon
train and will make this place their
future home.

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GAYLE TALBOT, PUBLISHER.

ARTESIA, N. M.

Russia is now counting her chickens that were lost in the Tibetan coup.

A man who will put iron in a cork life preserver would soap the horn at a camp meeting.

Third Secretary Gurney now perceives that his idea of his own importance was an overestimate.

Philadelphia's fad is the cocktail on wheels. The cocktail on skates would accord better with eternal fitness.

Another Mullah is reported to be loose in Somaliland. But don't be deceived. Insist on having the original Mad.

Up in Vermont the rattlesnakes are milking the cows. Either that or the Chefoo liar has established a branch office there.

The St. Petersburg Novosti declares that international law is a polite myth. Um-m-m, well, let's be glad it's polite, anyhow.

It's a cinch that the corset manufacturers will put on a straight front when it comes to a question of their staying qualities.

The death of Lafcadio Hearn is a distinct loss to literature. His talent was exceptional—perhaps it is not too much to say unique.

It is some indication of New York's enormous thirst that she contemplates the expenditure of \$90,000,000 for a new water supply.

John L. Sullivan has again signed the pledge. John L. could save a great deal of valuable time by using a rubber stamp in his business.

A contemporary philosopher observes that you can't make your way in this world by kicking. Perhaps he never saw a football game.

Look out for bioscope pictures of Vesuvius in action pretty soon now. No doubt dozens of men in this country are already busy on them.

The Hague conference might take note of the fact that 95,000 accidents, fatal and otherwise, occurred on railroads in this country last year.

Signs of the times; When she is carrying the package they are married. When he is carrying one she is thinking about getting a divorce.

Poverty, according to J. G. Phelps Stokes of college settlement experience in New York, will one day cease to exist. So also in that day will riches.

It is a more hopeful and not more hazardous enterprise for the duke of Orleans to try to reach the north pole than to attempt to set up the throne of his fathers.

Evidently the Cleveland judge who holds that a man with a nagging wife has a right to get drunk is of that school of philosophers who believe that what is right.

President Elliot of Harvard says the true gentleman will be deferential to age, beauty and all worthy things. He probably classes the homely girls as one of the worthy things.

Marconi has been held up by a policeman for violating the speed law in running his automobile, and was unable to pull any wires to save himself from going to the station.

The man who writes to a New York paper declaring that housework is all the exercise that women need to make them beautiful, strong and healthy, simply signs his letter "Crank."

There is a race horse that has been given the name of Togo. As soon as the Togo 5-cent cigar appears the admiral may retire, knowing that he has reached the limit of earthly glory.

A heretofore esteemed contemporary makes a great display of the announcement that Chancey Dewey has cracked a new joke. Nothing could be baser or crueller than this.

France is about to have another crisis. Nobody seems to know what it is going to be, but it is bound to come. The people have stood the present calm about as long as possible.

It is a sad fact that thousands of substantial American citizens are less interested in the announcement that Mr. Jeffries is going off the stage than in the news that Mr. Jeffries is going on.

A VOICE FROM THE PULPIT.

Rev. Jacob D. Van Doren, of 57 Sixth street, Fond Du Lac, Wis., Presbyterian clergyman, says: "I had attacks of kidney disorders which kept me in the house for days at a time, unable to do anything. What I suffered can hardly be told. Complications set in, the particulars of which I will be pleased to give in a personal interview to any one who requires information. This I can conscientiously say: Doan's Kidney Pills caused a general improvement in my health. They brought great relief by lessening the pain and correcting the action of the kidney secretions."

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers. Price, 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Auk's Egg Brings £200.

A great auk's egg was sold in London recently for 200 guineas. It is regarded as one of the best marked of the sixty or seventy specimens in existence. The history of the egg is interesting. In 1842 it sold for £2. Ten years later the price was increased to £64, for which sum it was purchased by Lord Garvage. Then it disappeared, and was reported to have been broken by a careless servant.—London Times.

A New Tanbark.

The bark of the Australian black wattle tree has long been in use for tanning purposes. It does not give the leather as fine a bloom as the bark of the American oaks or the acorn cups of the malonia oak, but it tans more quickly and is in good demand for the common grades of leather. Formerly the supply of this tanbark came from the forests of Australia, but within the last five or six years the plantations of Natal have begun to supply a large proportion of the bark, and it is said that wattle growing is the most profitable plant industry in the country.

Plans for the Cable.

When the first Atlantic cable was about to be laid to obviate the supposed difficulty it was gravely proposed to festoon the cable across at a given minimum depth between buoys and floats, or even parachutes, at which ships should call, hook on and send messages to the shore. Others proposed to apply gummed cotton to the cable, set it afloat and leave the gum to dissolve and "let the cable down quietly."

Six Doctors Failed.

South Bend, Ind., Oct. 24 (Special)—After suffering from Kidney Disease for three years; after taking treatment from six different doctors without getting relief, Mr. J. O. Laudeman of this place found not only relief but a speedy and complete cure in Dodd's Kidney Pills. Speaking of his cure Mr. Laudeman says:

"Yes, I suffered from Kidney Trouble for three years and tried six doctors to no good. Then I took just two boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills and they not only cured my kidneys, but gave me better health in general. Of course I recommended Dodd's Kidney Pills to others and I know a number now who are using them with good results."

Mr. Laudeman's case is not an exception. Thousands give similar experiences. For there never yet was a case of Kidney Trouble from Backache to Bright's Disease that Dodd's Kidney Pills could not cure. They are the only remedy that ever cured Bright's disease.

The Earth's Population.

The population of the earth at the beginning of the present century amounted to 1,503,300,000 souls, distributed over an area of 55,626,691 square miles, or about 26 persons to the square mile. The divergencies are, however, very wide in this respect, varying from 104 to the square mile in Europe to two persons to the same amount of territory in Australia and Polynesia. As to the totals of the populations, Asia, the home of the yellow races, is far in the lead, with 819,556,000. Europe is next, with 392,261,000. Even Africa is ahead of North America, the dark continent being accredited with 140,700,000, while North America is given 105,714,000. South America has 38,482,000; Australia and Polynesia, 6,483,000, and the polar lands, 91,000. As to the density, after Europe, as shown above, with its 104 persons to the square mile, comes Asia, with 46.6, North America with 13, Africa 13, South America 5 and Australia and Polynesia 2.

Joke on An Archbishop.

Archbishop Thompson was greatly surprised when he was given the archdiocese of York. He had been suffering acutely from toothache and upon medical advice had resorted to narcotics. After a particularly bad night he set off for his doctor, though his wife had besought him not to submit to further narcotics, as after them he was "not himself" for some hours. On the way he met the postman, who handed him a letter announcing his preferment from Gloucester to York. He rushed back and burst excitedly into the house, the toothache all forgotten. "Zoe! Zoe!" he called to Mrs. Thompson, "what do you think has happened? I am archbishop of York!" "There, what did I tell you?" rejoined his wife. "You've been taking that horrid narcotic again and are quite out of your head."

Money Saved at Funeral.

Senator Camack, of Tennessee, tells of a thrifty negro who presented himself at the ticket office of a Memphis railway station and inquired what would be the charge of transporting a corpse "to Birmingham and return." Receiving the desired information, he next inquired what would be the cost of a round-trip ticket for himself. The tariff schedule was quoted and the ticket agent then said: "I'd like to know what you want of a round-trip rate on a corpse." The negro had no disposition to be mysterious and said: "Well, boss, it's dis yere way. My wife Melinda, she's daid. She had a whole raft o' folks over in Alabama and if I invite dem to de funeral day's sure to camp on me fer a month. So I'm goin' to take de body over to Birmingham so dey'll know she's daid and den I'll bring it back hyah fer de funeral."

Not Disappointed This Time.

"I have been often disappointed in the use of some widely advertised remedy, claiming to cure this or that trouble. Nevertheless, on the strength of one of the testimonial letters published, I decided to try a box of Hunt's Cure. My trouble was eczema of the lower limbs, from which I long suffered. One box cured me. I have had a pleasant, peaceful summer, thanks to Hunt's Cure."

Mrs. Alice Fortune, Shell Knob, Mo.

Valuable Art Collection.

Charles L. Fendleton of Providence has given to the Rhode Island School of Design the art collection which he has gathered through a great many years of collecting. His collection comprises eighteen century English and Colonial furniture, pictures, antique Chinese porcelains, Chinese china of the eighteenth century, early eighteenth century English pottery, antique rugs and sixteenth century textiles.

Origin of Spats.

Where did spats come from? Highland soldiers wore them first. Because of the bravery of highlanders at Lucknow and elsewhere in India during Indian mutiny the people of England looked about for some way to show their admiration. Scrutiny of the highland dress disclosed that spats were the most suitable for adoption, so they were adopted and have been commonly worn ever since.—The Clothier.

of the River Tyne. Their journey over, the mayor stands upon the boundary stone, and it is here that the kissing is indulged in.

Up to a certain period men complain because they have to work; after that period they pray that they may always be able to.

Three things come not back again; the sped arrow, the spoken word and the lost opportunity.

Every housekeeper should know that if they will buy Defiance Cold Water Starch for laundry use they will save not only time, because it never sticks to the iron, but because each package contains 16 oz.—one full pound—while all other Cold Water Starches are put up in ½-pound packages, and the price is the same, 10 cents. Then again because Defiance Starch is free from all injurious chemicals. If your grocer tries to sell you a 12-oz. package it is because he has a stock on hand which he wishes to dispose of before he puts in Defiance. He knows that Defiance Starch has printed on every package in large letters and figures "16 ozs." Demand Defiance and save much time and money and the annoyance of the iron sticking. Defiance never sticks.

You've seen a Chinese woman waddle along painfully on crippled feet haven't you? Just so does the egotist proceed on the way to heaven.

BEGGS' BLOOD PURIFIER
CURES catarrh of the stomach.



Miss Agnes Miller, of Chicago, speaks to young women about dangers of the Menstrual Period—how to avoid pain and suffering and remove the cause by using Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"To YOUNG WOMEN:—I suffered for six years with dysmenorrhea (painful periods), so much so that I dreaded every month. I knew it meant three or four days of intense pain. The doctor said this was due to an inflamed condition of the uterine appendages, caused by repeated and neglected colds."

"If young girls only realized how dangerous it is to take cold at this critical time, much suffering would be spared them. Thank you for Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, that was the medicine which helped me any. Within three weeks after I started to take it, I noticed a marked improvement in my general health, and the time of my next monthly period the pain had diminished considerably. I kept up the treatment, and was cured a month later. I am another person since. I am in perfect health, my eyes are brighter. I have added 12 pounds to my weight, my color is good, and I feel light and happy."—MISS AGNES MILLER, 25 Potomac Ave., Chicago, Ill.

The monthly sickness reflects the condition of a woman's health. Anything unusual at that time should have prompt and proper attention. Fifty thousand letters from women prove that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound regulates menstruation and makes those periods painless.

READ WHAT MISS LINDBECK SAYS:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has greatly benefited me. I will tell you how I suffered. My trouble was painful menstruation. I felt each month went by that I was getting worse. I had severe bearing-down pains in my back and abdomen."

"A friend advised me to try Mrs. Pinkham's medicine. I did so and am now free from all pain during my periods."—JESSIE C. LINDBECK, 1201 6th Street, Rockford, Ill.

FREE ADVICE TO WOMEN.

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—Washington Star.

HER Husband's Advice

BY VEE LA WEE

At the beginning Sylvia had come to her husband one evening slipped on his top coat: "I don't see why you won't ever see Bert. Do you know, we are a great deal in common; we are much alike."

"As a woman, Sylvia, you're a popular man. Mr. Browne, picking up the cat. "As a man, you'd be a tame cat. For myself, I don't like cats." Fortunately, Mr. Browne was kept very busy at his office these days, and so Bertram, with his fine, distinguished airs, his poetical tastes, immaculate grooming, was able to make his innings. From the early days that they were affianced, it was a great step to prove to Sylvia that the laws of God and man were entering things at times and upon other provocation could be set aside. "Great love, like yours and mine," he announced to her one day, "is born in the vastness and loneliness of the universe, and makes human conventions utterly pointless."

Mrs. Browne was very unhappy and miserable in spite of this uplifting announcement. One morning at breakfast, as she was dangling a cherry by a stalk just above her pretty lips and making little snaps at it, her eyes somehow lingered admiringly upon her husband's chin. It was such a manly chin, and, after all, she was such an undecided, dependent sort of little body, she sighed to herself. Yes, she would ask his advice about the momentous question that was knocking at her door for a decision.

"Jack," she began, gulping down her cherry, "I want your advice about something. A girl I know is in trouble, and I—I don't know exactly what to tell her to do. You don't mind my mentioning her name, Jack?" "Much rather you didn't," said he, "I laid down the paper he was reading with the disappointed air of a man who had left the stock market unread and began sipping his coffee."

How blunt and uncouth he was! But then, for the matter of that, even the old, dear, sweetheart days, hadn't he always been that? What could have been more blunt than the way he had told her first that she was the prettiest girl he'd ever seen? Sylvia tried to compare the remark unflatteringly with Bert's way of telling



She was so unhappy.

her that "her eyes were pools of purple, her mouth a scarlet thread."

"Well, Sylvia, what about your friend?" Her husband's voice fetched her back to the matter in hand. She hesitated, pushed her muffins aside, drew a deep breath and plunged:

"Why, Jack, she's married, you see, and she's utterly miserable. Her husband and she have scarcely a taste in common. She's really going to leave him, I think; but she's asked my advice."

"He's a beast, I suppose?" commented Mr. Browne, meditatively balancing a fork on his finger. "Knocks

her up against the furniture—no? He drinks, then?"

"No—on, no!" Sylvia's tone gave the impression that any of these things would have been insignificant trifles. "But they're thoroughly ungenial. He loves his business and his cigars and newspapers, and she loves poetry and romance and—and the finer things of life." She gave a vague, comprehensive little gesture with her left hand.

"Under such conditions, marriage is such a mockery," she went on, hurriedly. (The argument was one of Bert's, and had made an impression



"Do you love me?"

on her.) "Besides, you see, there's another man who loves her in the way she wishes to be loved, and so they're going to find happiness together and snap their fingers at the world's conventions."

Sylvia had risen from the table, and now flung herself with an air of dainty, defiant bravado on a couch in the corner. Mr. Browne began stroking that firm chin of his in a way that signified nothing to his wife, but even the clerks in his office knew it to be a sign of deep perplexity.

"And that's what you want my advice about?" he said slowly, at last. "Well, dear, tell your friend that it is women—nice, clean women—who talk about 'snapping their fingers at the world's conventions.' Men don't take much stock in it. They know too well what it means." He paused, then went on measuredly:

"To be sure, Sylvia, if your friend's husband were a beast, or brutal to her, or didn't support her, she might get a divorce in conventional order. For myself, I'm not in for divorces; though that's a matter of taste, maybe. But if she leaves him and runs off with another man—why, do you realize what that would mean to a nice woman?"

"What would it mean?" Sylvia began nervously to punch holes in the sofa cushion with her scarfpin.

"That for the future her friends must be among a set of people who really are what she is merely called; that the man for whom she sacrificed everything couldn't sacrifice enough for her to point out to her that duty was stronger than love. Love isn't everything, dear—"

There was a certain big, caressing tone in his voice which unconsciously made Sylvia hark back to the old honeymoon days before she had discovered that marriage with him was "a mockery." She took out her handkerchief, a ridiculous bit of lawn and lace, and touched her eyes furtively.

"That's from the world's viewpoint," he continued. "Then, there's the husband. I judge from what you say he isn't wholly a rum lot. Perhaps—even if he hasn't very fine, poetic tastes—perhaps he also realizes that he bores the woman he loves. Maybe he does love her in spite of his blunt,

ordinary brusqueness. Maybe he thinks all day at the office how, if it's or that deal goes through, it'll mean more dainty luxuries for her. Maybe he hurries home after business hours so that he can put on his dinner clothes, knowing that pleases her fastidious tastes and makes him a bit more congenial to her. Perhaps, even if he does pick up his newspapers, and doesn't read poetry to her, it's a kind of paradise merely to have her in the room with him. Some men are made like that, you know."

There was another furtive mop with the ridiculous little handkerchief. Why did her husband's voice, when it was tender, always have that mastery over her?

"And some evening," pursued that masterful voice, "when he has hurried home, perhaps he finds pinned to one of his ties a note saying it's all been a mistake; that at last she's found a man 'congenial' to her and has run off with him. And while the cook, all unsuspecting, is about to serve the dinner for two, he stands there cold and stunned—turned out of paradise! The worst of it is," Jack added, beginning to pace slowly up and down the room, "the worst of it is, he'll never get rid of the reproach that if he hadn't married her, and led her to make this mistake, she might always have been as white and pure as a swan." Silence.

"So you advise me to—to tell her that—?" there was a queer little catch in Sylvia's voice; she could get no further.

"Yes, dear," came her husband's voice, tenderly. "Tell her that perhaps she made a mistake in thinking it's all a mistake. A fellow's not as big as a woman's first ideals of him are; but he's usually bigger and better than she thinks when she's disillusioned."

Sylvia had buried her face in the sofa cushion and was sobbing outright now. Her husband crossed the room and, sitting beside her, began to soothe the little curls and tendrils of her hair.

"Sweetheart," he said, choking a bit, "tell her to love and be patient with her husband, as you love and are patient with me. You do love me?" wistfully.

"Don't I, though!" cried Sylvia, joyfully, throwing her arms about his neck and smothering him with neglected kisses. "And you certainly know how to give advice, Jack!"—Vee La Wee, in New York Press.

"NEW" POTATOES A FRAUD.

Westerner Said to Make Much Money by Shrewd Trick.

"The wooden nutmeg of Connecticut was the first imitation food," said a grocer, "and then came the mean Bostonian who dried snow and sold it for salt. This year we have an imitation new potato."

"A Westerner put the imitation new potato on the market, and they say he has made about 80 per cent profit out of it. I am speaking seriously now, mind. Of course it was in a joking way that I alluded to the nutmeg and the salt."

"The Westerner, to accomplish his deception, plants on toward the end of the summer a crop of late potatoes of a kind that keep well. These ripen and are dug up just before the first frost. They are sorted, and all the bad ones are thrown out. Then the rest are buried in a field."

"The crop lies buried, preserved from all harm under the soil, till early spring. About two months before the first genuine potatoes have appeared it is dug up."

"A great bath of a solution of lye is prepared and in this bath the potatoes are dipped. When they emerge from their plunge their skins are pink and curly, and their flesh is hard and firm. In a word, they are to all appearances new potatoes, and they would deceive anyone."

"There are many imitation foods," the grocer ended. "We have imitation butter, imitation syrup, imitation jellies and jams, imitation coffee, imitation honey and imitation maple sugar. Not one of these frauds, though is as hard to detect as the imitation new potato."

Large Rhode Island Hay Crop.

The one salvation of Rhode Island farmers this year is the hay crop, which has been almost phenomenal, the records of the State Board of Agriculture showing a very great increase in the size of the crop over preceding years. The after-feed has not come up as well as might be expected on account of the cold weather, but it is on the big hay crop that the farmer must get his money this year; and very few grangers will be able to show a balance on the right side of the ledger with the advantage of increased hay money, as the potatoes and fruit in many sections of the state will be a dead loss.—Providence Journal.

Greatest Living Botanist.

Sir Joseph Dalton Hooker, the greatest living botanist, has just passed his eighty-seventh birthday. He was the lifelong friend of Huxley. Some of his most interesting work has been the result of his studies in Utah, Colorado, California and the Rockies.

Note—The following article has been widely published and is one of the most remarkable illustrations of the value of careful marshaling and analysis of facts in presenting a subject to the public.

LEVELERS.

The Mission of Whisky, Tobacco and Coffee.

The Creator made all things, we believe.

If so, He must have made these. We know what He made food and water for, and air and sunshine, but why Whisky, Tobacco and Coffee?

They are here sure enough and each performing its work.

There must be some great plan behind it all; the thoughtful man seeks to understand something of that plan and thereby to judge these articles for their true worth.

Let us not say "bad" or "good" without taking testimony.

There are times and conditions when it certainly seems to the casual observer that these stimulant narcotics are real blessings.

Right there is the ambush that conceals a "killing" enemy.

One can slip into the habit of either whisky, tobacco or coffee easy enough, but to "untangle" is often a fearful struggle.

It seems plain that there are circumstances when the narcotic effect of these poisons is for the moment beneficial, but the fearful argument against them is that seldom ever does one find a steady user of either whisky, coffee or tobacco free from disease of some kind.

Certainly powerful elements in their effect on the human race.

It is a matter of daily history, testified to by literally millions of people, that Whisky, Tobacco and Coffee are smiling, promising, beguiling friends on the start, but always false as hell itself in the end. Once they get firm hold enough to show their strength, they insist upon governing and drive the victim steadily toward ill health in some form; if permitted to continue to rule, they will not let up until physical and mental ruin sets in.

A man under that spell (and "under the spell" is correct) of any one of these drugs frequently assures himself and his friends, "Why, I can leave off any time I want to. I did quit for a week just to show I could." It is a sure mark of the slave when one gets to that stage. He wiggled through a week, fighting every day to break the spell, was finally whipped, and began his lavery all over again.

The slave (Coffee slave as well as Tobacco and Whisky) daily reviews his condition, sees perfectly plain the steady encroachments of disease, how the nerves get weaker day by day and demand the drug that seems to smile and offer relief for a few minutes and then leave the diseased condition plainer to view than ever and growing worse. Many times the Coffee slave realizes that he is between two fires. He feels bad if he leaves off and a little worse if he drinks and allows the effect to wear off.

So it goes on from day to day. Every night the struggling victim promises himself that he will break the habit, and next day when he feels a little bad (as he is quite sure to), breaks not the habit, but his own resolve. It is nearly always a tough fight, with disaster ahead sure if the habit wins.

There have been hundreds of thousands of people driven to their graves through disease brought on by coffee drinking alone, and it is quite certain that more human misery is caused by coffee and tobacco than by whisky, for the two first are more widely used, and more hidden and insidious in the effect on nerves, heart and other vital organs, and are thus unsuspected until much of the dangerous work is done.

Now, Reader, what is your opinion as to the real use the Creator has for these things. Take a look at the question from this point of view.

There is a law of Nature and of Nature's God that things slowly evolve from lower planes to higher, a sturdy, steady and dignified advance toward more perfect things in both the Physical and Spiritual world. The ponderous tread of evolutionary development is fixed by the Infinite and will not be quickened out of natural law by any of man's methods.

Therefore we see many illustrations showing how nature checks too rapid advance. Illinois raises phenomenal crops of corn for two or three years. If she continued to do so every year her farmers would advance in wealth far beyond those of other sections or countries. So Nature interposes a bar every three or four years and brings on a "bad year."

Here we see the leveling influence at work.

A man is prosperous in his business for a number of years and grows rich. Then Nature sets the "leveling influence" at work on him. Some of his investments lose, he becomes luxurious and lazy. Perhaps it is whisky, tobacco, coffee, women, gambling or some other form. The intent and purpose is to level him—keep him from evolving too far ahead of the masses.

A nation becomes prosperous and great like ancient Rome. If no leveling influence set in she would domi-

nate the world perhaps for all time. But Dame Nature sets her army of "levelers" at work—luxury, overeating and drinking, licentiousness, waste and extravagance, indulgences of all kinds—then comes the wreck. Sure, Sure, Sure.

The law of the unit is the law of the mass. Man goes through the same process. Weakness (in childhood), gradual growth of strength, energy, thrift, probity, prosperity, wealth, comfort, ease, relaxation, self-indulgence, luxury, idleness, waste, debauchery, disease, and the wreck follows. The "levelers" are in the bushes along the pathway of every successful man and woman, and they bag the majority.

Only now and then can a man stand out against these "levelers" and hold his fortune, fame and health to the end.

So the Creator has use for Whisky, Tobacco and Coffee to level down the successful ones and those who show signs of being successful, and keep them back in the race, so that the great "field" (the masses) may not be left too far behind.

And yet we must admit that same all-wise Creator has placed it in the power of man to stand upright, clothed in the armor of a clean-cut steady mind, and say unto himself, "I decline to exchange my birthright for a mess of pottage."

"I will not deaden my senses, weaken my grip on affairs and keep myself cheap, common and behind in fortune and fame by drugging with whisky, tobacco or coffee. Life is too short. It is hard enough to win the good things without any sort of handicap, so a man is certainly a 'fool trader' when he trades strength, health, money and the good things that come with power for the half-asleep condition of the 'druggers' with the certainty of sickness and disease ahead."

It is a matter each individual must decide for himself. He can be a leader and semi-god if he will, or he can go along through life a drugged clown, a cheap "beaver of wood or carrier of water."

Certainly it is that while the Great Father of us all does not seem to "mind" if some of his children are foolish and stupid, he seems to select others (perhaps those he intends for some special work) and allows them to be threshed and castigated most fearfully by these "levelers."

If a man tries flirting with these levelers a while, and gets a few slaps as a hint, he had better take the hint, or a good solid blow will follow.

When a man tries to live upright, clean, thrifty, sober and undrugged, manifesting as near as he knows what the Creator intends he should, happiness, health and peace seem to come to him. Does it pay?

This article was written to set people thinking, to rouse the "God within," for every highly-organized man and woman has times when they feel a something calling from within for them to press to the front and "be about the Father's business." Don't mistake it; the spark of the Infinite is there, and it pays in every way—health, happiness, peace and even worldly prosperity—to break off the habits and strip clean for the work cut out for us.

It has been the business of the writer to provide a practical and easy way for people to break away from the coffee habit and be assured of a return to health and all of the good things that brings, provided the abuse has not gone too far, and even then the cases where the body has been rebuilt on a basis of strength and health run into the thousands.

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Freddie Sizes Up His Ma.

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"Yes," Freddy answered, "and I know what ma is, too."

"What is she, Freddy?"

"Well, from the way ma goes on all the time she must be a nagnostic."

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Chas. P. Ross, a health seeker from Canton, Ill., died in Dr. Baker's office Friday. He had been in Artesia about two weeks.

One of Artesias land agents was expatiating on the resources of this wonderful country to a crowd on the other street when someone asked him what he thought of prairie dogs as an article of diet. "I don't know much about prairie dogs," he replied, "but I've eaten East Texas cotton-tailed rabbits until I would run every time a dog came in sight."

"It takes money to make the mare go, but I would have more money if I had not looked so much after the mare, remarked a young man about town as he gave back a penny in change.

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Last week, the Advocate announced the fact that work had begun on two more handsome brick business houses on Main street. That was one week ago and many things can happen in seven days in Artesia. Ere the ink on the paper was four days old, two more contracts had been let and material placed upon the ground for commodious bricks in the center of the town's business sections. The first one to start up is a brick annex to the Hardwick building, now occupied by Joyce Pruit & Co. It is to be 40x75 feet and have its frontage on second street. The other is to be put up on the south side of Main street adjoining Wallings store on the west. Brick was placed on the ground Thursday. It is to be 25x50.

The starting of these buildings show again the confidence felt by our business men in the future of Artesia. Its very large irrigable territory, surrounding the town will support a city the like of which is not now in the Pecos valley and we are but preparing for the future.

Death of Mrs. Bryant.

Mrs. Jessie Gage Bryant died of tuberculosis at her home in Roswell Thursday evening and her body was brought to Artesia for burial last night. She was the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Gage of this place, and besides her parents, leaves a number of brothers and sisters to mourn her death. Jessie Gage was born in Eastland County, Texas, April 4th, 1882, was married to W. A. Bryant at Paris, Texas, January 1st, 1901, and died December 9th, 1904. Mrs. Bryant was a lovable character with a host of friends. The bereaved relatives have the sympathy of the entire community.

Cemetery Site Secured.

Messrs. Cleveland, Logan and Richey, appointed some time ago as a committee to secure land for a cemetery for Artesia, inform the Advocate that they have secured forty acres of the southeast corner of school section sixteen through the kindness of Mr. F. J. Mobbs. The location is one mile southeast of town. Mrs. Bryant will be buried there this afternoon.

Scavenger Service.

Allen & Lewis have this week perfected their arrangements for operating a complete scavenger system in Artesia. They have gone about it in a thorough business like manner and are prepared to give the best of service. This is one of the public necessities that means much to the health of the community. If you want work done phone No. 7.

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The Womans Literary Club met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Atkeson. Mrs. Gore was leader for the afternoon the subject being the reign of the Norman kings. Interesting papers were read by Mrs. Gore, on William the Conqueror by Mrs. Atkeson and the Crusades by Mrs. Kemp. Mrs. Martin read pleasing sketches from Scott's Lady of the Lake and Mrs. Phillips read the story of the White Ship.

The club will meet Wednesday December 21, at the home of Mrs. Benson.

There was four-inch snow fall in the valley Saturday night and Sunday and mud has been one of the unpleasant attractions of this arid country. However it means, plenty of water for the cattle and sheep men out on the range and we should not complain.

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