

THE DAILY COMMERCIAL NEWSPAPER FOR MODERN FARMERS AND STOCKMEN AND AN ADVERTISING MEDIUM THAT REACHES THE BUYERS

PRICES TREND WEAKER

DULLNESS CONTINUES TO ENVELOPE STEER MARKET—BAD AT ALL POINTS. LIGHT KINDS ARE FAVORED. Cows Open Up Firm But General Trade Slow at Steady Prices—Veals Strong—Stockers and Feeders Lower.

The market for fat cattle continues in a rut, with the prospects for immediate improvement of a substantial character rather slim, unless there is sharp curtailment in available supplies of marketable cattle.

With around 2,000 cattle on sale here today the showing of beef steers was fair, early count indicating about thirty-five loads of this class of stock.

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HOGS A SHADE OFF

AFTER SLOW OPENING TRADE SETTLES DOWN TO A WEAK TO 5c LOWER AFFAIR. TOP SAME AS WEDNESDAY.

The movement of hogs to market continues on the increase. Today's local receipts were around 10,200 head as compared with 9,646 a week ago and 9,180 a year ago.

The market for pigs was active, bidding fully 5c under yesterday. Sellers were unwilling to let go and the early trade was marked by considerable haggling between the two factions.

Prices for hogs averaging 140 lbs. and up ranged from \$7.15 to \$7.35 with the bulk selling at \$7.25 to \$7.35, a week ago at \$7.10 to \$7.25.

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LIVE STOCK RECEIPTS

Today's Receipts. Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, Pigs, etc.

Receipts from Jan. 1 to Date. The following table shows the local receipts from January 1, 1913, and receipts for the corresponding time in 1912.

Receipts by Cars. The following shows the number of cars of stock handled by the railroads centering at the local yards today.

Representative Hog Sales. Na. Ave. Price No. Ave. Price. 76... 233... 7.35...

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LAMB PRICES DECLINE

BUYERS EFFECT A BREAK OF 10c @ 15c—SHEEP HOLD FIRM. ACTIVE TONE TO TRADE.

Briefly summarized, it was a 10c to 15c lower market for lambs and a steady deal in sheep. Weakness at outside points, both yesterday and today, had a depressing effect on the lamb trade here.

The following quotations are current here today: Choice lambs, \$8.55 to \$8.85; fair to good, \$8.25 to \$8.55.

PACKERS' SHEEP PURCHASES. Swift & Co., 1,391; Hammond Packing Co., 429; Morris & Co., 318.

CONCENTRATED STOCK FOODS. Quotations on Cottonteed, Linseed and Alfalfa Products.

WHOLESALE BEEF PRICES. Following are today's wholesale prices for beef cuts as given out by Swift & Company.

POST STAMPS SELL FAST. Bureau of Printing and Engraving Pressed to Meet Demand for Stickers.

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GOVERNOR TO TALK

NEBRASKA EXECUTIVE WILL SPEAK ON FARM LIFE AT INDUSTRIAL CONGRESS. TO BE HELD HERE IN MARCH.

St. Joseph has secured twenty-five experts also as speakers—Women will discuss and explain problems of farm life.

Nebraska farmers will naturally be interested in the farming activities that are to be discussed at the Interstate Agricultural and Industrial Congress at St. Joseph, Mo., March 6, 7 and 8.

Governor J. H. Moorehead has been invited to act as vice-president for Nebraska and to speak on some phase of farm life at this much discussed extensive farmers' institute.

More than twenty-five experts have been secured as speakers. Four of these will come from the Federal Department of Agriculture at Washington, D. C.

W. C. Brown, of New York City, president of the New York Central railway lines, the greatest railway system in the world, and himself an extensive farmer and stock raiser at Page county, Iowa, will be one of the principal speakers.

Excelsior Cattle Fattener has proven a great success. The cheapest and best feed that can be fed with corn. Increases the gain, shortens time of feeding.

W. T. and R. J. Carroll forwarded five cars of cattle from Cushing, Oklahoma, to the local market and were sold on today's market.

CHANCE FOR THE FARMER. Good Opportunity to Buy Horses and Mules for Spring Work Here Tomorrow.

ITEMS IN BRIEF

HOLOTT COUNTY, MISSOURI, was well represented in the local stock dealings today by A. Kinkie, A. Brown, T. Armentrout, W. K. Boswell, W. A. S. Derr and S. H. Flemer, each contributing a car of hogs to the day's receipts.

John Gallagher also sent in a car from Holt county. Gallagher's shipment consisted of mixed stock. H. Dickman sent in a car of hogs and one shipment of cattle that he disposed of on Wednesday's market.

Bert Scollon and Leonard Yaple had consignments to the local yards from Page county, Iowa. Mr. Scollon had in a mixed car of stock while Mr. Yaple disposed of a car of hogs and also one mixed car of stock.

Champion Molasses Feed shortens feeding period, increases gain, reduces cost per pound of gain, equals good with ensilage—Adv.

Champion Molasses Feed, cattle like it, cattle feeders like it, because it is a money maker. Try a few cars. Champion Feed Co., Tarkio, Mo.—Adv.

Champion Feed saves corn—Adv. A shipment of sheep was received here today from Furnas county, Nebraska, forwarded to this market by G. W. Walmsley.

Try the stock yards lunch at Transit House Cafe, Best meal in the city for the money—Adv.

Geo. Wacker swelled cattle receipts today by having on sale one car that he sent in from Hiltzschek county, Nebraska, for today's trading.

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FROM PRESIDENT-ELECT.

Five Year Old St. Joseph Boy Receives Letter From Woodrow Wilson.

A five-year-old St. Joseph boy is the proud possessor of a letter from Woodrow Wilson, president-elect of Yankeedoodland.

Though young in years, having just passed his fifth milestone, Lear Lucas, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Lucas, 1820 South Twenty-fourth street, voted for Woodrow Wilson at the election.

Mr. Lucas, being an "original Woodrow Wilson man," thought this was good enough to tell, so he wrote the president-elect about it.

Mr. Wilson's secretary replied to the fond letter, but the next president himself wrote young Lucas, and this is what he said:

"Dear Little Friend: I cannot tell you what gratification it gives me that you should think of me. Your action has given me a great deal of genuine pleasure, and I hope that as the years go on you will continue to feel that I am the sort of man you would like to support and keep as your friend. Yours very truly, WOODROW WILSON."

ST. LOUIS PACKER AT YARDS. President of Independent Packing Co. a Visitor Today.

Gus Bischoff, president of the Independent Packing company of St. Louis, was a business visitor at the local yards today. The Independent company has bought quite a few hogs on this market during the past few months and Mr. Bischoff was the guest of the local representative of his firm.

Mr. Bischoff commented on the good quality of the hogs reaching this market. Weights are running high at St. Louis at present, he says.

POULTRY MEN IN SESSION. Fanciers From Many Localities Attending Show at Leavenworth, Kan.

Leavenworth, Kan., Jan. 23.—The annual Leavenworth poultry and pigeon show has opened here with an entry of 250 fowls and 800 pigeons. Poultry and pigeon fanciers from many localities are in attendance, and those in a position to know say the show is one of the best held anywhere in the west this year.

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The Sultan of Turkey, it is assumed, has the same opinion of war that General Sherman once expressed.

Colorado is beginning to cash in her annual crop of fed sheep and lambs. The crop promises to be liberal, and the returns to feeders generous.

And the chief aim of some of these state legislative members in introducing certain bills, is to get their names used in the headlines of the newspapers.

The difference in selling price between ordinary short-fed and choice heaves is not much of an incentive for feeders to produce the latter kinds just at present.

If you need a little sand for your crew Missouri can supply you. The "Show-Me" state produced 2,995,913 tons of sand and gravel last year, valued at \$1,342,874.

A woman out in Wyoming the other day killed a wolf that was making a raid on a flock of sheep. She used an ax to slay the beast. Some men will use this incident as an excuse for letting the housewife do her own wood chopping.

There is to be no inaugural ball when Woodrow Wilson assumes the reins of national government. But announcement of this started divers and sundry society women and dress-makers of Washington-on-the-Potomac to bawling.

TIME TO KILL THE PEACHES.

A little more sunshine and mild weather and the penny-a-line crop killer will be busy telling of a peach famine this year. His line of dope on the winter situation is growing a little state and he is liable to switch to peaches on the least provocation.

VEAL INTO LUXURY CLASS.

Veal is getting into the luxury class. Good calves are selling on the local market at 10@10 1/2c per pound. Many farmers are keeping their calves to feed later and the scarcity in supply is causing almost unprecedentedly high prices for prime vealers on the market.

STILL A FEW HOGS IN IOWA.

An Iowa shipping firm realized \$4,209.24 for twenty loads of hogs, cashed on the St. Joseph market in two days this week. And there wasn't an animal in the lot that would even suggest the presence of cholera in the Hawkeye state. No, cholera hasn't killed off all the hogs in Iowa as one might be led to infer by reading a certain live stock paper published in the Windy City on the shores of Lake Michigan.

SAVING WASTE PRODUCTS.

The big manufacturers of the country derive a great deal of revenue from their so-called by-products. The large packers claim that their principal profits are derived from the utilization of material that in early days was a mere waste.

The American people, as a whole, are noted for their wastefulness. Look around us and we see waste on every side of us. Conservation of resources has become a big issue, politically and otherwise, of late years. Has the conservation germ got hold of you in such a way that you can look about and see where you can effect a saving by turning that which is now going to waste to a good, profitable use in the management of your farm, business or household?

Along this line it is announced that the Navy Department has gone into the scrap metal business, illustrating the truth that much lies in small things. Formerly a great deal of scrap



Keeping Out of Fishermen's Way.

Daddy's Bedtime Story — When the Grampus Meets the Devilfish

AFTER the holidays Jack and Evelyn found it very hard to settle down to going to school. "I get tired of the same old school all the time," Jack grumbled. "Lessons are always the same." "Oh, Jack, you know it isn't nice to talk like that! If you don't go to school and learn your lessons you'll grow up and be a grampus."

Evelyn had heard her auntie use a big word, ignorantism, which means something like dunce. Grampus was as near as Evelyn could come to saying ignorantism. "If Jack grows up to be a grampus he'll have to go to the mermaids' school," laughed daddy. "The grampus is a fish with little fins and a tail that allows it to go wiggle wobble, fast or slow, as it wishes, through the waters of the ocean."

"The grampus has to hustle to keep out of the way of the fishermen, for they like to catch the fish for the oil which they can get out of its body and sell. Then, too, some folks like grampus steaks." "The grampus is quite a big fish. It is a cousin of the whale and a near relation to the porpoise. "Flocks of the fish go swimming about together, and these are called schools of fish."

"Just what the grampus learns at its school I can very easily guess. An old grampus must be the schoolmaster. Very likely he gives the young fishes lessons in plain and fancy swimming and racing. Then he likely teaches them how to keep out of the way of the devilfish. "The grampus eats young devilfish and does lots of good in ridding the sea of this cruel monster."

"When the devilfish sees a school of grampuses frolicking its way, no doubt it hurries down to the darkest corner of the ocean till the fish pass by. "The devilfish is sometimes called cuttlefish. The bone that the canary has in its cage and at which it pecks with such energy when it wishes to sharpen its bill is a cuttlefish bone. "The Chinese say the cuttlefish is good to eat, but the grampuses are about the only others who seem to think so."

"The cuttlefish is very hard to fight, for when it is angry it squirts a dark fluid out of its body, and this colors the water black. It can hide in this ink cloud so that the enemy cannot know just where to reach it. The grampus is smart enough to catch the fish in spite of this, and so I think I would hardly call a stupid little boy a grampus."

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A TRUE GOLDFISH TRAGEDY

How Thirty-Six of Them Are Green Paint and Died.

New York, Jan. 23.—Three dozen Japanese goldfish with a perverted taste for green paint have died in the last few days at the Hotel Waldorf from overindulgence in the strange delicacy. The mystery of the dead goldfish was finally solved by a Jap Sherlock, and ranks as the season's most remarkable true-dish story.

The dining room of the Waldorf was the scene of the fishy tragedy. Manager McMaun decided that an aquarium would add a picturesque touch. So he commissioned Sanzo Nishijima to construct a typical bit of Japanese landscape in miniature—a real island with a sugarloaf volcano, little rustic bridges leading to the mainland of rocks and moss, and stunted, dwarfed fir trees, some of them eighteen years old and yet only a few inches high; little Japanese mannikins—and woman-kittens, too—peopled the landscape, and, lastly, a small lake and canals for the goldfish.

Sanzo Nishijima finished the aquarium according to specifications, then added water to the goldfish to the number of twelve. The container was a large tin pan, painted green inside and out. For a whole day the goldfish played tag around the volcano, then with one accord turned up their fins to the fir trees. A second dozen was placed in the aquarium and lasted no longer. A third went the way of the first.

A hurry call was sent out for the Jap to come and solve the mystery. On emptying the water and examining the sides of the aquarium he found evidences that the goldfish had nibbled at the green paint.

TO BOOST FARM LANDS.

Banking and Railroad Influences Are at Work.

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 23.—Vigorous efforts are being made to create 1400 acre farms in Iowa. Both banking and railroad influences are at present directed to the stimulation of more scientific farming.

One of the plans is the encouragement of agricultural organizations that will stand a share of the expense of employing experts in each county that will give practical and scientific instruction with a view of getting better results from the soil. The Great Western is one of the roads willing to put up a share of an expense of maintaining experts if a guarantee can be secured that the organizations will stick together for three years. It is believed that the result by the end of that time will be so gratifying that farmers will not care to discontinue the plan.

In one of the adjacent states where the plan is already in force the clover began to run out in some of the northern counties. One of the first things done by the expert was to go into other states and buy better clover seed, which was furnished to the farmers at cost. Directions regarding soil treatment were also furnished with the result that the clover crops responded abundantly. Advice is given concerning buying farm machinery and implements.

PROBING RAILWAY PASS USE

Commerce Commission Investigating Illegal Recourses of Roads.

Washington, Jan. 23.—Improper and illegal use of railway passes is being investigated by the interstate commerce commission. The inquiry has proceeded far enough to show, however, that the commission, in the language of the commission, "the carriers have very generally obeyed the letter of the law but it is indicated by information that has been furnished to the commission that the issuance of passes for state travel has operated to defeat the purpose of the act to regulate commerce; that passes for state travel have been issued to certain individuals and to others; and that the moving consideration of such passes has been routing of shipments of property."

The first hearing on the subject will be held before Commissioner Higgins at Denver today. It is intended to hold hearings in all parts of the country, but the commission says "Colorado is selected for the first hearing because it appears to have been a field for the issuance of free state transportation for the purpose of influencing the movement of interstate traffic, this being due, perhaps, to the fact that it has no state law forbidding the issuance of passes."

"GREENS" FARM A SUCCESS

Largest Spinach Ranch in U. S. Located Near Austin, Texas.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 23.—What is said to be the largest spinach farm in the country is situated in the valley of the Colorado river, three miles below Austin. It is owned and operated by Del Walker and associates. It embraces 600 acres. The crop is now being harvested, and up to this time more than 10,000 barrels of the "greens" have been gathered and shipped to northern markets. The profit is estimated at 10,000 barrels to be gathered and it will be along toward the latter part of next month before the whole crop is marketed. The spinach sells for \$2 to \$5 per barrel. The profit of the crop will aggregate from \$69,000 to \$109,000. The fact that the crop occupies the land during the winter season, when few other kinds of products can be grown in this latitude, made the proposition unusually attractive and it was resolved to go into it on a large scale. The planting of the seeds was a small undertaking. Many Mexicans were employed in putting the seed in the ground, but after that had been accomplished all that remained to be done was to irrigate the plants and harvest and pack them when they attained commercial size.

ORANGES GROW IN MISSOURI

King City Woman Has Two-Year Old Tree That Ripens Thirty-Five.

King City, Mo., Jan. 23.—Miss Laura Holliday of this place is probably the first person in this part of the country who has been growing oranges. Miss Holliday has one orange tree about two years old, which is three feet in height, and has now ripened thirty-five oranges. The oranges are well developed and of uniform size; about the size of a large hen egg. The flavor is good and slightly different to that of the oranges on the market.

BLUE APPLES IN MISSOURI.

A. C. Wilmarth of Mountain Grove Raises Peculiar Crop.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 23.—A. C. Wilmarth, one of the largest apple raisers and cement manufacturers in southern Missouri, was in Chicago as a delegate to the Cement Exposition, brought with him a crate of blue apples, which he raised on his farm near Mountain Grove, Mo. Mr. Wilmarth's apples attracted much attention. While the apples are quite small, they undoubtedly are blue in color. The peculiar color of the apples is accounted for by the use of cement in filling a hollow in the tree on which they grew.

A "ROAST PIG CLUB."

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 23.—John T. Byrne of Byrnesville, in Jefferson county, is organizing a "Roast Pig Club" among the members. The only requirement is that each Senator or Representative who joins shall furnish a pig or the "trimmings" for banquets, which are to be held weekly. Charles G. Revelle has been selected toastmaster, and the next Beer Inspector, T. Speed Mosby, as official forager to furnish the "wet goods."

IN WOMAN'S REALM

ATTENTION.

Lady readers of the Stock Yards Daily Journal should appreciate the efforts of the Townsend & Wyatt Dry Goods Company in their efforts to promptly fill all mail or parcel post orders. The ladies in the country can shop as well by mail or telephone as though they were here shopping in person, as both firms are well known, thoroughly reliable and merit your confidence. Carefully watch their announcements in the Stock Yards Daily Journal and demonstrate to yourself that it will be convenient and profitable to use the parcel post by giving them an order.

ODDS AND ENDS.

Rag rugs made of cotton wash well. These are inexpensive and are often just the thing for the kitchen, as well as other parts of the house.

To remove scorch marks from fire-proof dishes, cook in a strong borax water until the ugly brown marks upon them can be rubbed off with a cloth.

To keep leather from cracking add a drop or two of neat-foot oil to the shoe dressing you use upon it. This oil is also fine to use on damp boots or shoes.

A strong solution of vinegar and water is efficacious in restoring the color of black lace that has grown rusty. Rinse in coffee, then iron while damp with a piece of flannel held over it.

Cheesecloth, hemmed, makes excellent pantry cloths for glassware and fine china. It is practical (after being washed) also for traveling purposes, since it is cheap enough to be thrown away after one service.

Potatoes in their jackets are more nutritious than when peeled, because right under the skin is all the rich potato which is so beneficial to the body. If peeled it must be very thin, and they should be steamed, not boiled.

When buying souvenirs in a city you are visiting why not pass by the cheap stuff commonly offered to strangers and get a book? If you can find a good one identical with the city so much the better. Write in the book your name, the place where you buy it and date and thus form a "souvenir library."

To prevent frying fish from becoming greasy and sodden, have the fat in which it is to be fried almost boiling hot before putting the fish in the pan. A blue smoke will be rising from the fat when it is in the proper condition.

Alum water is good to use for rinsing curtains and muslin hangings, children's dresses and pinafores. In order to render them noninflammable, two ounces of alum should be dissolved in one gallon of water and be used in the rinsing process.

It is always annoying when using candles at dinner to have them drip, making the candlestick look unattractive, besides spoiling the embroidered cloth beneath. If the candles are put in the keob (close to the ice) for about 20 minutes before lighting they will give no trouble.

Make a pillow cover of any pretty dark material and fasten one end by means of buttons and buttonholes. Then make a small elderdown comforter which will just fit inside the pillow cover when it is folded four times. Button the comforter in the case and when traveling it will serve for a pillow or an extra cover, as the need is.

Do not throw away candle ends which are no longer fit for burning, but collect them all and put in a jar. Stand it on the side of the stove till melted, then mix a little paraffin oil until it becomes the thickness of cream. Applied to oiled cloth, etc., it makes an excellent polish, being bright, but no dangerous and slippery for children.

TEXAS RANCH BRINGS \$95,000

Harris County Property, Consisting of 1,500 Acres, Is Sold.

Houston, Tex., Jan. 23.—An important deal in Harris county acreage has just been consummated through the instrumentality of E. R. Johnson. The transfer includes what is known as the Jullif place on the Columbia branch of the International and Great Northern, 23 miles west of Houston. The tract contains 1,500 acres and adjoins the Arcola sugar plantation.

The Hot Springs Express

Leaves St. Joseph, Mo., 2:45 P. M. Kansas City, Mo., 6:30 P. M.

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Red Bluff, Cal., Jan. 23.—Plowing their way around the world is the unique way of touring this sphere adopted by Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Smith.

Advertisement for Hirsch Bros Dry Goods Co. featuring 'A Great White Goods Bargain for Out-of-Town Customers' with prices like 12 1/2c, 15c, 20c and 25c. Includes list of goods like 27-inch Dot Swiss, 27-inch Check Lawns, etc.

Advertisement for American Fence featuring 'AMERICAN FENCE STEEL POSTS AND GATES'. Includes text: 'Over half the farmers of America are recommending American Fence. Let the judgment of this majority be your guide.' and 'More For Your Money'.

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HE LEFT HER OUT

Spinsters' Island Is Bought by Dreadful Man Who Maroons One Girl.

By HAROLD CARTER.

"Dear Julia:— "I am only able to send you a few lines this time because the weekly steamer is at the little dock here and is just getting ready to return to Portland. I arrived here yesterday to join the other girls, and what do you think? Nobody was here but myself. So I am actually marooned upon this tiny island, where we had such a merry party last year. A letter from Agatha has just followed me here and I learn that the island has been bought by a man, and the club will have to find another camping ground. The creature wrote to all the rest of the club individually but left me out. Apparently I am too insignificant a member to be noticed. The man is Richard Barrett, about whom I wrote you last year. He was very rude to me when I told him that our club did not allow men on the island, and he has apparently taken his revenge by buying it over our heads. However, I am alone and anticipate a happy week's sketching. I have a lot of provisions waiting on the dock as I write.

"Ever yours, "Millicent." "Dearest Julia:—" "Dreadful things have been happening here since I last wrote to you. That Richard Barrett came over from the coast in his motor boat the day after the steamer left. He seemed anxious to be affable, but I soon put him in his place. Thereupon he told me that he had bought the island and that I was trespassing upon his property. I only looked at him scornfully, and he shriveled up. Presently he so far recovered himself as to tell me that he had not written to me about it because he wanted me to be his guest here. I gave him a piece



"I Ate the Supplies." "Affectionately, "Millicent."

"My dear Julia:—" "I don't know if you will ever get this letter, for the most terrible thing has occurred. Richard Barrett came back yesterday and told me that the boat was not going to run any more this season, now that the island is private property. He offered to supply me with provisions as long as I wanted to stay. I told him that I would leave at once if he would kindly place his motor boat at my disposal. Then he said that he would not unless—O, Julia, I hesitate to tell you what he said, but I must set it down to relieve myself. He said that his love had and always loved me, and that was why he had let me come to the island alone after warning away Agatha and all the other members of the Spinsters' club. I boxed his ears. But the situation is very serious. What shall I do? I fear that I shall have to yield to his horrible suggestion or I shall never get away. How I hate men! " Lovingly, "Millicent."

"P. S. The wretch is back again and has just asked me if I will accept his conditions. Then he suddenly changed and fell down on his knees. He was so object that I almost pitied him. He is not a bad-looking young man, and of quite a good family. You know the Harretts of Livingston, L. I? He is one them, and I understand he knows Aunt Mary quite well. You know Aunt Mary never approved of my joining the club and tried to get me to meet Mr. Barrett last spring.

"P. P. S. Do you suppose Aunt Mary can have anything to do with my horrible predicament?—M." "Darling Julia:—" "What am I to do? My last supply of food is gone and I shall have to accept his proposition or starve. I am going to tell him that I shall accept, and that I shall have a warrant issued for his arrest as soon as I reach Portland. He is not a bit abject now but defiant and insolent. He said I could have a warrant issued on the island and that he would give me an

opportunity. I wonder what he meant. "Yours in anguish, "Millicent." "P. S. I found some supplies outside my cabin this morning. I left them there. But I see that I am in the monster's power.—M."

"Dear Julia:—" "Yesterday afternoon Mr. Barrett came back with a justice of the peace who inquired whether I wanted to take out a warrant. I said I did, and the justice said he would take Mr. Barrett back as a prisoner in his own motor boat, but that I would have to stay here because the boat was private property. Then they both went away, and although Mr. Clay—the justice—looked so stern, I believe he is a friend of Mr. Barrett. I ate the supplies. "Affectionately, "Millicent."

"P. S. I suppose I had better tell you what happened last night. I resolved to appeal to Mr. Barrett's better instincts and went to his cabin. He was sitting outside, looking deeply dejected. When he saw me he fell on his knees again and caught hold of my hands and begged me to forgive him. He said he was crazily in love with me and wasn't responsible. Then he asked me if there would ever be any hope for him. I told him that our club was vowed to celibacy, but that I would withdraw the warrant, and he answered that Mr. Clay would be back from the mainland in an hour or two, ready to take him back a prisoner, and he was glad I was forgiving. Then we both heard Mr. Clay's boat come chugging across the water, and when it landed I saw that there was a woman in it. Mr. Clay came up to us and said that he had brought back his wife to see the island. Julia, who do you suppose she is? Agatha! It seems that they were in love with each other all last summer, and she kept it from us because she was afraid of being expelled from the club. And she told me that I had hopelessly compromised myself by staying on the island with Mr. Barrett and that the only way out of the dilemma would be to marry him. Isn't it dreadful! Lovingly, "Millicent."

"P. S. Mr. Clay performed the ceremony by moonlight. When we got back to Long Island you must come and meet Richard at once.—M." (Copyright, 1912, by W. G. Chapman.)

LIST OF LITERARY SHRINES

Those of America by no Means New, When One Calls to Mind the Famous Names.

The editor and his caller, each returning from a different part of the world, were on the subject of literary shrines.

"What would be generally regarded as the ten literary shrines of America?" queried the former. Well—they began to enumerate them and to jot the names down on a piece of paper, idly—well, there are the Hawthorne and Emerson houses in Concord, the Lowell and Longfellow houses in Cambridge, Poe's cottage in Fordham, Cooper's palace, Otsego Hall at Cooperstown, Bryant's modest residence east of the Berkshires at Cummington, the Ticknor house in Boston—this, principally by reason of its noted visitors, and chief among them Thackeray-Whittman's home in Camden, Irving's at Sunny-side, and—but that makes ten already, without counting Drake's grave in the little burying ground at Hunt's Point, N. Y., which, judging by the letters that appeared with such frequency in the metropolitan papers for decades concerning the memorial erected above it had fallen, would seem to be one of the most important of all.

Well, that's eleven, anyway, and probably two or three more ought to be added, either in place of some of those already accepted provisionally, or to swell the total to an irreducible minimum of, say, fifteen. We note that there is not one from the south on the list, and we are looking to our southern friends to make good this omission in letters that will flood the editorial desk by each mail every day for a week or so after the publication of this number. Surely the south must have at least one shrine—a purely literary shrine, that is, and not merely a composite, that is, and political shrine like Monticello, to which we defer in advance. And the west, too—but there the shrines, while ripening rapidly (we suspect that there will be an active Irish shrine some day at Indianapolis, for example) are a little green as yet to be picked for our present purposes.—From the Bockman.

Women for Peace. One of the fruits of sex equality will be the decline of war—international strife, industrial strife and sex strife, declares the Twentieth Century Magazine. Women may not know how to play fair, at first, but they will be more apt pupils than the men. In masculine contests the rules are often more important than the game. What is fair in war? Murder, but not torture. What is fair in industrial war? Starvation, but not murder. Dynamiting is not fair, but blacklisting is, evicting is, monopolizing food is, maintaining tuberculosis tenements is. These rules won't pass, boys, when the girls learn to play the game. The tyrannical employer will have to go, syndicalism and sabotage (the logical answers to arbitrary capitalism) will have to go. We already have the children's bureau with a real statesman, Julia Lathrop, at the head. We are getting the beginning of engendering. When the instinct of motherhood is allowed free play we shall become constructive, synthetic, peaceful.

SAVES TIME ON TELEPHON.

New Idea That Seems at a Glance Should Be of Extreme Usefulness.

What looks like a good suggestion is a device which consists of a sound magnifying trumpet of flattened form similar to certain types of motor horns, behind which is a platform adapted to support the telephone receiver. Upon receiving or making a call upon the phone and being asked to "hold the line," the user, instead of "holding on" with the telephone receiver pressed to his ear, an arrangement which restricts his movements and prevents him from giving his attention to any other matter, merely drops the receiver onto the platform of the "time-saver," where it automatically slides into position with the earpiece against the small end of the spiral trumpet. The user is then free to go on with his work until the voice from the trumpet shows him that the person at the other end is speaking. Conversation can then either be carried on using the loud-speaking trumpet, with the advantage of leaving the user's hands both free for the purpose of turning up references, taking down a message from dictation, etc., or the receiver may be lifted off the instrument and used in the ordinary way. The loud speaking telephone's "voice" is very similar to that of a gramophone, and it is thus possible for the user of one of these instruments to move some little way from the telephone and yet hear when the person at the other end of the line is speaking.

SOLVES THE HATPIN TROUBLE

Gullotine Introduced in the City of London Cuts Pins in Right Length.

It is believed that the hatpin difficulty has been solved by a little machine that is about to be introduced in the London shops, writes a correspondent of the New York Times. The machines, which are 10 1/2 inches in length, cut off the superfluous portions of the pins. In future hatpins will be, as it were, cut to measure.

Whenever a woman buys a new hat she will be supplied with hatpins to fit, made while she waits. Woman has long been blamed as callous and careless because, on the top of an omnibus or in the stalls of a theater at a matinee she suddenly swings round, just missing the man at the back with her set of millinery bayonets. But she could not help it. Hatpins were made only in two or three sizes, six inches or nine inches, as the case might be, and it invariably happened that the particular mounting at the head which took her fancy was only available in a largely protruding length.

Now this is to be altered. The shopper buys her hat and the saleswoman, with the aid of her gullotine, clips the hatpin to the exact size. With just a twirl a new point is turned in the place of the one beheaded; another twirl and the pin is polished ready for use, protruding only the fraction of an inch.

Mattresses for Plate Glass.

The mattresses wherewith we sleep are by no means the only ones. There is, for instance, the mattress that is placed in wagons for the conveyance of plate glass in safety.

These wagon mattresses are made of curled hair. They are of a thickness scarcely greater than that of the coverlet that is known as a "comfortable." The exigencies of plate-glass transportation require that these mattresses be constructed with exceeding care, inasmuch as a slight lump anywhere in the mattress might prove sufficient to cause the breakage of the glass that rests upon it. In the event of two plates of glass resting upon that lump at the same time still greater danger to the glass is courted.

These plate-glass mattresses cost, according to size, from \$60 to \$75. The mere remaking of such a mattress may cost from \$20 to \$25.—Harper's Weekly.

Bird Tribunals.

Ravens, starlings, and crows are believed to hold courts of justice to mete out punishment to offenders. Sometimes they assemble in great numbers, as if they would give great dignity to the occasion. The trial sometimes apparently endures for many days. Some birds sit at the conclave with lowered heads, some merely cock their heads on the branches and look grave, while others are most garrulous and fill the air with their complaints.

Naturalists studying these strange proceedings have seen an apparently selected number of birds fall upon one or more of their number—at the close of the "trial"—and put them to death, after which they dispersed in orderly fashion and went back quietly to their nests.—Harper's Weekly.

Blood Temperature of Athletes.

There have been made at the London College hospital some curious observations on the blood temperature of athletes. The normal blood temperature of man is about 98.1 degrees Fahrenheit. A young man, after a run of 200 yards, showed a temperature of 100.75 degrees; another a temperature of 100.94 degrees; a third a temperature of 102.2 degrees after a run of half a mile. A mile run produced an internal temperature of 102.8 degrees with one athlete and 103.5 degrees with another. After a three-mile run one young man had a temperature of 105 degrees, but this runner's normal blood temperature was 101 degrees, although he was in perfect health.—Harper's Weekly.

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HOG CHOLERA REPORTED. Outbreak of Disease in South Part of Douglas County, Kansas.

Leavenworth, Kan., Jan. 23.—Hog cholera is prevalent in the southern part of this county, and in the northern part of Douglas county, according to reports received by P. H. Ross, the county farm adviser. A number of herds have been afflicted with the disease and some of the animals have died as the result, it is said.

PROPOSES AN AUTO HIKE Indiana Colonel Would Take Troops to Coast and Back.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 23.—Colonel E. F. Glenn, Twenty-third Infantry, stationed at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, has completed elaborate plans to take his regiment on an "automobile hike" to the Pacific coast and back, and while the war department entertains favorable views on the general subject, this particular project probably will not go through as it would require the acquisition of a large number of trucks.

NO PLACE FOR COWBOY

TEXAS COWPUNCHER RETURNS FROM ARGENTINA DISGUSTED WITH THE COUNTRY.

WILL STICK TO THE STATES Heat, Mosquitos and Other Insects Make Life in South America Miserable—No Place for Man Without Money.

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 23.—Texas is still the home of the cowboy. South America is a land of promise to the cow puncher is a delusion and a snare, the people unfriendly, the climate disappointing, and conditions there in general not conducive to the prosperity of America without capital.

Elmo Holcombe, formerly a "boss" at the Swenson ranch in Jones county, is authority for this statement. Holcombe, one of a party of seven "cow punchers" who left August for "Tex" Rickard's 6,000,000-acre ranch in Argentine Republic, had returned to Fort Worth, and is effectually cured of any desire to follow his calling in the Southern republic.

"Texas is good enough for me," he declares. "Cattle raising in Argentine Republic is a big joke. We camped for six weeks in the jungle three miles from Rickard's land without so much as swinging a rope or handling a branding iron. Rickard hasn't bought a single head of stock other than a few mules when I left a few weeks ago, and had taken no steps toward improving any part of his 6,000,000 acres. He had two or three cattle deals under consideration during the time I was there. When the last one fell through at Buenos Ayres I decided I had about all I wanted, so I took the next steamer north.

"All this talk about opportunities for cowboys to make big money in Argentine Republic is without any foundation. The pay is no better than here. The food is no good and the mosquitoes and ticks and the hot weather make life miserable. "The South American cow punchers are so punk they're funny. A tender-foot could ride better than most of them. They can hit a bull's eye with a knife at 30 feet every time. That's about the best I can say for them. My advice to cowboys is to 'stay away from south America.' "I had lots of interesting experiences on my trip, but I don't care to take it over again."

Holcombe left Fort Worth August 27. Accompanying him were Capt. Frank Johnson of Weatherford, the leader of the party; Glenn Cunningham and James Fraser of Henrietta, Lawrence Clary from the Swenson brothers' ranch, and Frank Waddell and Dick Harris of Midland. The party was formed by Johnson, who acted as Rickard's representative.

They went to New York City by way of Chicago, and there boarded the first steamer that left for South America. Their first port of call was Liverpool. The steamer remained there for several days and the cowmen paid a brief visit to London. "We wore our big hats and our boots and we were a sure enough curiosity to Englishmen," says Holcombe. "People would watch us for a block away and turn around and stare when we had passed them. There were lots of things to amuse us, too."

NO USE TAKING MEDICINES

Is What Many Good Doctors Had Told—Henry Vogelsang.

Operation Was Only Hope Offered Until He Went to the United Doctors' Office.

Henry Vogelsang, who is an old and well known transfer man of Fremont, Nebraska, had suffered from a severe kidney and bladder disease, which was fast undermining his health. So serious was his condition that he spent most of his time and money with the doctors, always to be told the same story, that an operation was his only hope, and the operation was a "sure" thing.

At last Mr. Vogelsang heard of the great work of healing diseases that is being done by the United Doctors, who have the St. Joseph Institute located on the second floor of 729 Felix street.

He immediately went to them as a court of last resort and took their treatment. He was so pleased with the work done by the United Doctors that he wrote the following letter for publication:

"I had been afflicted with a kidney and bladder trouble for several years. So greatly did I suffer that for weeks at a time I could scarcely get any rest at night and my health was entirely broken down. I consulted many physicians here and elsewhere, but they said they not only could not cure me, but that there was no use in my taking medicine of any kind, as nothing but an operation would do any good.

"I heard of so much good work the United Doctors were doing in this and other communities that I concluded to try them. I went under treatment three weeks ago and am glad to say that I have experienced more relief in this short time than from years of other treatments. In fact, I am feeling better right now than I have felt for three years, and I feel that I have at last found a treatment that is going to cure me. "HENRY VOGELANG." Fremont, Neb.

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curiosities than friends. They examined our guns and saddles and other equipment and apparently thought their own outfits were a whole lot better. "We made the most of our opportunity to return the compliment and made several trips to neighboring ranches. "The Argentine cowpuncher is a human freak. His saddle is about the size of a postage stamp. He piles a lot of skins on top and keeps the whole works with two cinches. The saddle hasn't any horn, and when he wants to rope a steer he knots his rope into a big ring fastened to the cinch, just back of his right leg. He rides barefoot, with stirrups just large enough to stick in three toes. He's the poorest exciter for a horseman that ever happened. There's no broncho buster there, and not one man out of a hundred will tackle a horse or a mule if he shows a little temper."

The Argentine cowboys excel the Americans in roping, however, according to Holcombe. In the congested area of a town a common fly can harbor from 500,000 to 500,000,000 bacteria, while in the suburbs it carries only upward of 20,000.

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