

CATTLE MARKET QUIET

FEW BEEF STEERS INCLUDED IN WEEK-END RUN SELL STEADY.

BEEVES STEADY FOR WEEK

Yearlings and Plain Light Steers Closing Weak to 15c Lower—Little Change in Butcher Classes.

The usual small week-end run of cattle was received today. Early estimates called for 100, but four out of five cars billed for receipt were on through consignment and actual supplies on sale were limited to a few odds and ends of butcher classes.

The bull market that featured last week's general trade in fat cattle and beef steers under depression this week but prices have held up in good shape.

While the demand for beef steers this week has lacked some of the keenness and snap of late last week there has been an outlet right along for all offerings with prices showing very little change from the high level of closing days last week.

Best heaves sold here this week at \$7.75 and 7.90, with full sixty percent of the week's steer crop selling at \$7.00 and up. Only good medium and common light steers had a price below \$6.50.

Local receipts for the week total 10,000 head, an increase of 2,000 over last week and a gain of 2,100 over the same period a year ago.

The following prices on steers are quotable on the St. Joseph market: Choice to prime, \$7.00 to \$7.25; good to choice, \$6.75 to \$7.00; fair to good short-fed, \$6.50 to \$6.75; medium to fair short-fed, \$6.25 to \$6.50; common to medium, \$5.65 to \$6.35.

COWS, HULKS AND MIXED. Today's market offerings were practically all consigned to trade in this department. No quotable change was noticeable in the rank and file of the few sales booked as compared with yesterday.

There has been no pronounced fluctuations in the butcher cattle market this week. The prices on the rank and file of the offerings show little change as compared with a week ago.

HOG TRADE RULES WEAK

DESPITE LIGHT RUN SELLERS WERE FORCED TO MAKE CONCESSIONS TODAY.

PRICES MOSTLY 5c LOWER

Than Friday's Close or 10c Under Best Level of That Day—Top \$7.80; Bulk \$7.60 @7.75.

The hog market today was a distinct disappointment to the selling interests for, although receipts were light all around the circuit, the movement was on the draggy order and demand was more or less indifferent.

Prices ranged from \$7.40 to \$7.80, with the bulk selling at \$7.60 to \$7.75. The bulk yesterday sold at \$7.65 to \$7.80, a week ago at \$7.40 to \$7.55, a month ago at \$7.30 to \$7.45, a year ago at \$6.35 to \$6.45, two years ago at \$10.50 to \$10.65, three years ago at \$8.70 to \$8.90, and four years ago at \$5.80 to \$5.90.

For the week local receipts of hogs aggregate 47,800 head, as compared with 35,428 last week, 32,415 a month ago, 35,428 a year ago, 20,206 two years ago, 27,250 three years ago and 34,552 for the corresponding week four years ago.

At the five markets the week's movement amounted to 225,000 head, as compared with 213,900 last week, 372,900 a month ago, 370,900 a year ago, 211,800 two years ago, 319,700 three years ago, and 293,700 four years ago.

Representative Hog Sales. No. Av. Shk. Price No. Av. Shk. Price. 61... 282... 7.80 67... 219... 7.65 62... 314... 7.75 38... 221... 7.65 63... 259... 7.75 74... 285... 7.65 64... 169... 7.70 75... 223... 7.65 65... 223... 7.70 76... 208... 7.65 66... 240... 7.70 63... 204... 7.65 67... 201... 7.65 68... 198... 7.60 68... 231... 7.75 88... 208... 7.65 69... 234... 7.65 70... 269... 7.60 71... 225... 7.65 66... 227... 7.60 72... 222... 7.65 60... 187... 7.55 73... 201... 7.65 59... 184... 7.50 74... 207... 7.65 80... 188... 7.55 75... 227... 7.65 62... 237... 7.50 76... 268... 7.65 68... 198... 7.60 63... 218... 7.65 66... 165... 7.40

Pigs—110 Pounds and Under. 18... 103... 5.75 1... 100... 5.50 19... 100... 5.75 1... 110... 5.00 4... 77... 5.50

Odds, Ends and Wagon Hogs. 2... 300... 7.75 2... 475... 7.00 5... 270... 7.75 2... 504... 7.00 19... 206... 7.75

Yesterday's Late Sales. No. Av. Shk. Price No. Av. Shk. Price. 61... 312... 8.75 47... 226... 7.85 62... 280... 8.75 80... 203... 7.65 63... 284... 7.75 84... 212... 7.65 64... 306... 8.75 74... 224... 7.65 65... 270... 7.75 80... 208... 7.65 66... 216... 8.75 84... 201... 7.60 77... 285... 7.70 80... 186... 7.55 10... 244... 7.70 22... 161... 7.50 66... 243... 7.70

CATTLE THEFTS FEW NOW

Rustling Has Practically Been Stamped Out in Texas.

Fort Worth, Tex., March 30.—Statistics compiled by the Texas Cattle Raisers' association show that there were practically no cattle thefts during the last few years and the kansans had used to terrify the ranchmen have become extinct.

The range inspectors were experts trained on the ranches and they knew at sight the 6,000 brands recorded at the association's headquarters as well as a majority of the brands of the ranchmen who were not members of the organization.

In the early days, cattle stealing was a favorite pastime of a class of people in the Lone Star state and the cattle raising districts and with the passage of time the law has been better and after a few years of organized effort on the part of the cattlemen, (and several public hangings) cattle rustling became a thing of the past.

TO PRESS THE RATE CASES. U. S. Supreme Court Urged to Devote Next Week to Cases.

Washington, March 30.—An effort will be made Monday to induce the supreme court of the United States to give all of next week to hearing arguments in the state rate cases.

PORK PACKING. Special reports to the Cincinnati Price Current show the number of hogs packed since Nov. 1 at under-mentioned places compared with last year.

WEATHER FORECAST. Fair, with showers tonight and Sunday; colder in east portion tonight; colder in north portion Sunday after-noon.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS. The following Chicago board of trade quotations are furnished by T. P. Gordon, 1095-1098 New Corby-Pursey Building, St. Joseph, Mo.:

Table with columns: Options, Open, High, Low, Close, Close Yesterday. Rows include WHEAT, CORN, OATS, RIBS, LARD.

SHEEP TRADE NOMINAL

NOTHING IN THE WAY OF FRESH SUPPLIES RECEIVED—MARKET WAS BARREN.

PRICES HIGHER FOR WEEK

Advance of 15@25c Quoted on Both Lambs and Sheep—Top Lambs at \$7.65—Prime Kinds Worth \$7.55.

Sheep house traders were afforded a diversion from the usual abnormal week-end run of live mutton today, when pens were practically barren of fresh supplies.

The sharp upturn in values last week proved a strong magnet in drawing supplies from out of feeders' hands, with the result that on the first two days of the week supplies reached abnormal proportions.

Local quotations corrected to date by local dealers. The following quotations are furnished daily by the St. Joseph Hay Receivers and Shippers association for the benefit of Stock Yards Daily Journal readers:

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

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

TO GET BETTER EGGS. Ohio Experiment Station Urges Poultry Raisers to Be More Careful.

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TO TAKE MOTION PICTURES

Pathe Weekly to Show Views of Booster Carnival.

Fred Cosman, manager of the Majestic theater, and chairman of a committee appointed by the Boosters' club to arrange with a moving picture company to get films of the Boosters' annual spring festival April 19 and 20, has announced that a company had virtually assured him that it would be represented here on those dates.

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REPRESSING A CATTLE BOOM.

Breeder's Gazette: There is a pronounced disposition in banking circles not to encourage speculation in stock cattle at present values.

Repression of the gambling mania is opportune. The cattle business is now a profitable basis and can best be maintained that way by legitimate methods.

What happened to the sheep trade in consequence of the boom methods sanctioned by western bankers is but recently inscribed history.

A LONG HARD WINTER.

We have had in Nebraska just what everybody earnestly hoped we would not have following a season of short hay and forage crops—a long, hard winter, comments the Nebraska Farmer.

KITCHEN COMFORTS. The kitchen is often the last room in the house to plan for or equip, when it should be the first consideration.

BOYS' STATE CORN CONTEST.

The Missouri Corn Growers' Association, co-operating with the Missouri College of Agriculture and the State Board of Agriculture, has perfected plans for organizing a statewide corn growing contest among Missouri farm boys during the season of 1912.

PORK DISHES.

Pork is not an aristocratic meat, although it is the basis of an enormous industry. Ham and bacon are not without honor, but there are few cooks who do not mention the cooking of fresh pork, and rarely the preparation of salt pork, which is mainly used as appetizing as any meat, and makes a most acceptable salad combined with celery.

As Others See Us.

Playwrights seldom are impressive personally, according to Channing Pollock in his book, "The Footlights—Fore and Aft."



Daddy's Bedtime Story

ADDY said it would soon be time for the Easter rabbit to be around, and so he would tell the children a story about him.

The children learned to leave little nests of straw or leaves on the ground or hang little baskets where the rabbit could find them.

IN WOMAN'S REALM

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Blonde Fleece Ministers

San Francisco, Cal.—The police of the central station and ministers of half a dozen local churches are earnestly seeking the present whereabouts of a "Mrs. Davidson," who is described as a beautiful matron of the blonde type.

Opium Habit Among Japanese.

When the Japanese came to control of Formosa they found the opium habit widely prevalent, especially with that portion of the population that were of Chinese origin.

Making the Best of Things.

There are several injudicious ways of making the best of things. One of them is illustrated by the humble young curate, pictured long ago in Punch, who protested when the bishop, his host, expressed doubts of an egg the curate was eating.

Game Didn't Work.

To illustrate how well the late "Ted" Marks was known in theatrical circles beyond the metropolis, a drummer for a New York house told this story: "A lot of boys were sitting around in the lobby of a Kansas City hotel one evening, when one young fellow volunteered to take any one who would go along to the theater."

Wait With \$3,200.

A peasant who was passed by a motor car near Lyons saw the car stop for a moment a few hundred yards further on. When he reached the place where it had stopped he found a twelve-month-old baby boy lying in the middle of the road.

HAD NO USE FOR DOCTORS

Veteran Sailor Distinctly an Apeptide of the Doctrine of Simple and Strenuous Life.

If there were two things which the late Sir Henry Keppel, the veteran admiral and personal friend of King Edward, detested more than anything else, they were doctors and nursing.

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WHEN BROTHER FRED CAME

By Claudine Sisson

Seated before a bright grate fire in the library, with a good cigar in his mouth and his feet in another chair, Tommy Glens was content. Without was a winter blizzard, with snow piling up to the tops of the fences and a gale chasing itself down the country highway; within the house was no other human being. The mother had gone away the day before on a short visit, and the cook had been given two days' holiday. Tommy had felt himself able to wrestle with skill and coffee pot, and had been left to do it.



Tommy Glens gravitated between the city and his mother's manor house. He was supposed to be studying for the bar, but he wasn't working out his brains. He had been at it a year, and yet he doubted if he could fill out the blank spaces in a bill of sale. Tommy, being twenty-four years old, was supposed to have his eye out for matrimony, but he hadn't. Tommy wasn't looking for trouble in and direction. He just wanted to be let alone and take comfort.

The girl had made headway until exhausted, and the point reached happened to be in front of the Glens house. Three or four calls for help, and then Miss Nellie was a huddle in the snow. She only dimly realized it when she was carried into the house and the warm library and placed in the big rocking chair, and to this day she is not sure that Tommy Glens danced around her and exclaimed: "What shall I do—damn it, what shall I do! It's a girl, and if I don't do something she'll die!"

MUSICAL TREAT FOR MINISTER
Reverend Gentleman Was in Something of a Hurry, But Couldn't Be Allowed to Miss This.
"So glad to see you," said Mrs. Dillard to Rev. A. Alexander Chopin-Fugue on the occasion of his first call at the Dillard home. "I am so glad that we have a minister who is especially fond of music, as I hear that you are, I have heard that you never miss a symphony concert when you are in Boston, and that you are a fine performer on the piano yourself. We have a great deal in common if you love music. All of my children are very fond of music, and I am so glad that they are home that they can play for you. This is our little Robert. He has never had but one term of lessons, but he can play almost anything he takes a notion to. Robert, sit down to the piano and play the 'Jolly Boy Waltz.' He can play it with hardly a mistake, so I want him to play it for you, and—"

HELPER CU. GREAT NOVELIST
Schoolgirl Friend of His Daughter Supplied Names for Thackeray's Great Story.
A delightful Thackeray anecdote (which, so far as one remembers, is new) has turned up at the dinner of the Colquhoun club. The guests included Philip Newman, who recounted that his wife when a girl happened to go to the same school as the novelist's daughters and afterwards kept up an intimacy with the family.
One day, when she was out for a walk with Miss Thackeray, the latter mentioned that her father had started a new story but was at a loss to decide upon the hero's name. The future Mrs. Newman, with her fiance in her thoughts, suggested that his name, "Phillip," might serve the purpose.
At that moment who should come up unobserved behind the two girls but Thackeray himself. Making his presence known by laying a hand on a shoulder of each of the young people, he asked why they were so deep in conversation. Thereupon Miss Thackeray, turning around, revealed the subject under discussion and told him her friend's suggestion as to the hero's name.
"Admirable," was Thackeray's verdict. "And now, my dear," he went on, "what is your own name?" "Charlotte," "Well, that's a very nice name too," was the response, and Thackeray wore a look of satisfaction.
The result was the tale called "The Adventures of Phillip," in which the principal woman character figures as "Charlotte."—Pall Mall Gazette.

MR. COMPTON IN GREAT LUC
Story That Conveys Moral to Man Called Upon to Give Advice to His Wife.
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Mr. Compton hesitated, and then plunged.
"Now that blue," he began, "isn't it—?"
"Yes, dear, it is," said Mrs. Compton, and she tossed the blue gown on a chair. "It's too dark altogether."
"Then there's the black," and her husband frowned thoughtfully. "Of course—?"
"Yes, of course,"—and Mrs. Compton tossed the black gown after the blue one—"It's handsome enough and light enough, with that gold neck, but it's beginning to show wear."
Mr. Compton breathed heavily. The real test was at hand. A fawn-colored gown and a gray one were left.
"Will, I don't pretend to be a judge of these things," he said, playing for time. "I only know what I like. That gray dress seems to me just a little—er—more—s—?"
"There! I knew I could depend on you!" And Mrs. Compton joyfully fung aside the gray gown. "It is more severe, and the style's a bit trying. I shall wear the fawn-colored one, and be so glad to know you chose it for me."
"Whew!" said Mr. Compton, as he fled downstairs. "Suppose I'd been a little quicker and got out that 'suitable.' It's a lesson to a man to be deliberate when he's giving advice to his wife."—Youth's Companion.

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FRANTIC SEARCH FOR WOOD
Superstitious Customer in Modern Barber Shop Had Hard Time to Find the Object Desired.

"Well, how's the neuralgia?" queried the barber, sympathetically, as he polished the razor over Thompson's lathered face in a tonsorial emporium. "Haven't had any since last"—and then the barber was dumfounded to see his customer rap hard on the arm of the chair. He was further astonished when Thompson sat up, jumped to the floor and ran to the marble wash bowl, where another customer was in process of being shampooed. Thompson reached under the stool on which the customer was sitting, and rapped it. Then, with a look of dismay he turned wildly and made a sprint to the cigar counter at the far end of the room. There he rapped his knuckles on the wooden frame, while barbers and customers, in various stages of barbering and hair cutting, stopped and stared.

"It's all right," he grinned from behind his coat of lather. "Had to touch wood, you know, after making that statement about not having had neuralgia. I sure don't want it again."
"You surely don't have much wood in these places," he observed as the barber somewhat gingerly began the shaving operation anew. "This chair is made of enamel, glass, nickel and leather, that stool seat is made of some kind of leatherette composition, and I do believe the only thing in your shop made of wood is that cigar counter frame."
Then Thompson's barber and the other barbers went on shaving.

VALUABLE FIND OF MANUSCRIPT.
A very interesting and remarkable discovery of illuminated manuscripts and early printed books, ranging as far back as 1480, has just been made in the library at Oxtou Hall, says the Nottingham (Eng.) Guardian.

It came about in this way: The vicar of the parish, Rev. W. Laycock, obtained permission to go through the books in the library at his leisure. While so doing his curiosity was aroused by a locked and forgotten cupboard therein, which he proceeded to investigate. Its contents proved to be between forty and fifty volumes, which confirmed the impression conveyed by the antiquity of their appearance that they belonged to the very earliest stage of the art of printing, which was introduced into this country in 1477.
The majority of them are folio volumes, and with one exception they are all in their original bindings. The covers are carefully planed boards of solid oak, and the books are bound with stout leather laces, the backing and lining being fragments of illuminated manuscripts of a much earlier date, cut up as waste with a ruthless indifference.

PARCHMENT FROM HUMAN SKIN.
It was a tradition of the horror-stricken Scriptures of "Old Gaul" that the Abbe Rivas, attracted by the extreme tenacity and smoothness of the leaves of a Bible of the thirteenth century, became convinced that the satiny skin of a beautiful woman had furnished the parchment maker with raw material for his unrivaled product. In another instance, one Gayer de Saussie, a famous bibliophile of the College of the Sorbonne, at Paris, declared that some one had dressed and finished human skin to make the parchment used for certain Decretals. —National Magazine.

THE PESSIMIST.
"Let us suppose that a man was on the lucky side of 35, that he had a beautiful wife, who loved him; that they had a healthy, perfect child; that he had a good job, and that they possessed a comfortable home. What more could any man want than that?"
"Och, if he had all those blessings I'll bet the cook would be threatening to quit or there would be something the matter with the furnace. There's no use expecting that anybody will ever find conditions perfect in this world."

Laughed Out His Name.
It is hard to be laughed out of one's surname. That is what happened to an inoffensive gentleman, Charles Sainsbury Pickwick, Esq., who after the publication of Dickens' famous novel felt constrained to advertise in the Times informing the world that owing to its having been brought into ridicule and made a byword for the novelist he intended to abandon his name forever. This was the more hard in his case because he proudly traced his name to a knightly origin—from "Piquet-vite"—"spur fast."

Why Coat Lapels Have Nicks.
The following is said to be the story of the origin of the nick in the lapel of men's coats: When Napoleon first felt the sway of ambition he tried to implicate General Moreau in a conspiracy. Moreau had been Napoleon's superior, and was exceedingly popular, but in the circumstances, with the Man of Destiny in power, it was not safe to express publicly sympathy with Moreau. His admirers and supporters quietly agreed to nick their lapels to show their fellowship, the outlines of the coat, after the nick was made, forming the letter M.

Usefulness of Glass.
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Pavements made of glass are to be found in Lyons, France. The French are enthusiastic over them. They claim for the glass pavements advantages over those made of asphalt, stone or wood.
In Germany water pipes are made of glass. This is quite an old custom. A more recent use of glass by the Germans is the making of telegraph poles. It has been an immense success.

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### TOUCHED HUGO'S KIND HEART

Great Frenchman Aided Beggar With Verse of Much More Worth Than Money.  
A Frenchman, writing recently upon "The Manducants of Paris," recalls a pretty anecdote of Victor Hugo and a blind beggar. The beggar was an old soldier, very feeble and quite sightless, who was led every day by his little granddaughter to a certain street corner, where he waited patiently for such scanty alms as the hurrying public might drop into a small box that hung from his neck.  
One day a group of gentlemen halted near him, chatting, and he heard the name by which they called the one who lingered longest. Reaching forward as he, too, was about to go, he caught him by the coat.  
"What do you want, my good man?" asked the gentleman. "I have already given you two sous."  
"Yes, monsieur, and I have thanked you," replied the veteran. "It is something else that I want."  
"What is it?"  
"Verses."  
"You shall have them," said the gentleman; and he kept his word. The next day the blind soldier bore on his breast a placard with a stanza to which was appended the name of Victor Hugo; and the arms in the box were quintupled. The lines may be thus translated:

Like Belshazzar and like Homer blind,  
Led by a young child on his pathway dim,  
The hand that aids his need, pitying and kind,  
He will not see, but God will see for him.  
—Youth's Companion.

### NOT ON SECURE FOUNDATION

Engineer Explains Why Some Buildings Shake When Particularly Heavy Wagon Goes By.  
"What makes a building shake as if it had the ague every time a truck with a twenty-ton girder rumbles by?" an engineer was asked.  
"Only the buildings whose foundations do not go down to bed rock shake," he replied. "The occupants of the building that rests on rock never know when a heavy load passes it. The man in the building whose foundations go down just a few feet below the cellar floor, and stop in the subsoil, often imagines he is in the center of an earthquake."  
"When the wagon bearing the beam goes traveling along it bumps over the inequalities of the street with tremendous force, and this imparts vibrations to the soil, which in turn transfer the vibrations to the old-style foundations, which sway and shake and tremble. The foundations whose piers rest on bed rock are not affected. A twenty-ton beam, as it slips from one paving stone to another, imparts a force to the ground that may be likened to a constant bombardment, but because the wave of motion proceeds in constantly widening circles, and hence in constantly diminishing force distributed all over the foundation, no harm results. If the force were all driven at one point the effect would be like that of a projectile from a battleship."

### Clever Birds.

Record has recently been made of a canary bird that displays almost human intelligence. The bird in question acts as guard over a sleeping child, singing shrilly at any sign of danger. The bird is allowed the freedom of the house and never shows any desire to escape into the free air. At night it will perch itself on the baby's cradle and seem to be its liking for the child that if anyone approaches to disturb its slumber, it shows spirited signs of its displeasure.  
A man in London prizes a parrot for its intelligence. The bird is as valuable about the man's house as any patent burglar alarm he could buy. The parrot is always on guard. If anyone approaches the house, the bird sets up such a commotion that if the person is bent on evil, he is immediately frightened away.

### Rush Hour in Indianapolis.

The "Sardine Special" on the Irvington street car line last night carried 141 passengers, or rather the conductor on the special collected 141 fares. There were some that he did not get because the special was at the belt before the conductor could be hoisted through the various departments of the car.  
There were thirty-five on the rear platform, figured on a cubic capacity basis. There was no other way to estimate it, as legs, bodies and heads were wedged to such a degree that it was practically impossible to tell to whom each belonged. The seating capacity of the car is forty-one, so that an even 100 passengers that were standing paid fares.—Indianapolis News.

### Frenchman's Strange Mania.

The latest monomaniac to make his appearance in Paris, is a man who is obsessed with the idea of snipping every fur he meets. He lies in wait for women who are wearing costly furs, and stealthily cuts them and makes off. When a woman left a metropolitan train at the Place de la Concorde, she found that half of a costly blue fox-fur she wore had been cut off. She went to the nearest police station and made a complaint, and learned that numerous women had already been there on the same errand.

### MUCH LIKE A CONSTELLATION

Fighting Prisoner Had Only Asked to Be Shown One Star, But He Saw Several.

He had been celebrating, not wisely, but too well, and getting obstreperous and noisy and looking for a fight he was tackled by a policeman who in plain clothes was on his way home. The drunken one showed fight and was indignant that an apparently private citizen should try to arrest him.  
"Show me your star!" he demanded.  
"Don't believe you're a cop at all. Won't go with you till I see your star," and he aimed a mauldin blow at the policeman.  
There was a scuffle and a fight, short-lived but strenuous, and the drunken man was landed in the police station, where he stayed all night. In the morning it was a disheveled and torn wreck that appeared before the magistrate and who listened to the policeman relate the trouble he had in getting him to the station house.  
"He wanted to fight me all the way to the station, your honor. He kept pulling back and trying to trip me and yelling, 'Show me your star! I don't go unless you show me your star.'"  
"And," asked the magistrate gently, "did you show him your star?"  
"Your honor," interrupted the prisoner, "he clouted me on the head and I saw the star—I saw several of them, enough to go around the entire force."

### WORSE THAN JOB'S TROUBLES

Surely Mark Twain, in Flight of Imagination, Had Described Worst Combination of Ills.

John McLaughlin, who has started a new magazine known as "Catholic Youth," has had trouble enough to discourage a less cheerful person, since he abandoned daily newspaper work. McLaughlin started to work on his first issue three weeks ago, and everything went along swimmingly until a week ago when he woke up in the middle of the night with severe pains in his hip.  
"Rheumatism, and you'll be lucky if you're out in a month," said the doctor next morning.  
All last week McLaughlin lay in bed while the "big magazine," as he calls it, awaited his coming. Yesterday McLaughlin appeared at his office and "dug into" his accumulated work with savage energy.  
"I had only one consolation," he said at the Press club, yesterday. "One of the magazines has a story of Mark Twain this month. It seems a friend of Twain was suffering from a toothache and an earache at the same time."  
"Can you imagine a worse combination than that, earache and toothache?" asked the friend.  
"I can," said Twain. "There are rheumatism and St. Vitus' dance!"—Milwaukee Free Press.

### Working in the Dark.

Secretary MacVeagh, at a dinner in Washington, was urging the need of scientific financial laws.  
"But let us make these laws scientifically," he said. "We must let in the light. We must work in the light. If we work in the dark, you know, we will go wrong—like young Cornelius Husk."  
"Cornelius Husk was called one winter morning before dawn, and told to go and harness the mule to the dear-born."  
The lad was too lazy to light a lantern, and in the dark he didn't notice that one of the cows was in the stable with the mule.  
"As he tried to harness the cow his father, impatient at the long delay, shouted from the house:  
"Corney! Corney! what ye doin'?"  
"I can't get the collar over the mule's head," the boy replied. "His ears are frozen."

### Great Plague of London.

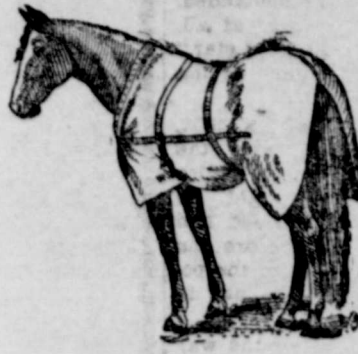
Medical authorities agree that the epidemic which prevailed in London in 1665 was what we now call bubonic plague. It is well known that this "Black Death" was prevalent in various parts of the world in ancient times. The outbreaks were peculiarly violent then by reason of the conditions of poverty and the almost total absence of sanitation. It was the ancient medical writers who gave it the name of the plague.  
The mortality in London in 1665 was appalling. Thousands were swept away by the dread malady, and there was a great exodus from the stricken city. Some of the medical authorities thought it had been brought into London in bales of merchandise coming from Holland, which originally came from the Levant; others contended that it was brought in by Dutch prisoners of war.

### Boy Has Right to Be Proud.

The proudest boy in France today is Raymond Marniesse, who is sixteen years old. He is at present a patient in the Pasteur Institute in Paris, and has received a silver medal with his name on it and a letter from the minister of public instruction. One Sunday afternoon a mad dog raced through the streets of Cahors. It had bitten several other dogs, a horse, and two children. Marniesse, who was passing, threw himself headlong on the dog, and tried to strangle it. People shouted to him that he would be bitten; and he was bitten terribly. His father begged him to come away from the dog, but "Better one than half a dozen more children be bitten!" shouted the boy, and he stuck to the dog till a man managed to slip a noose over its head and draw it tight.

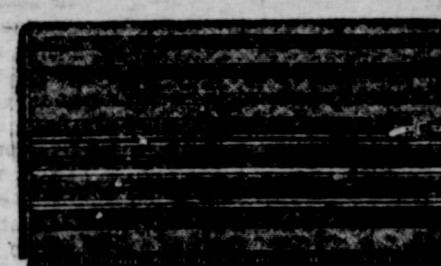
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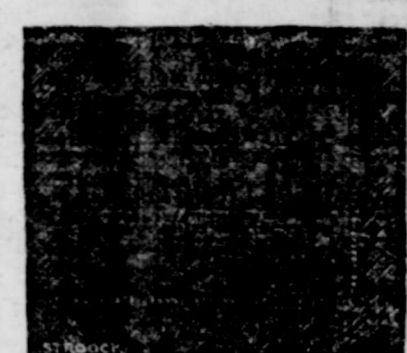


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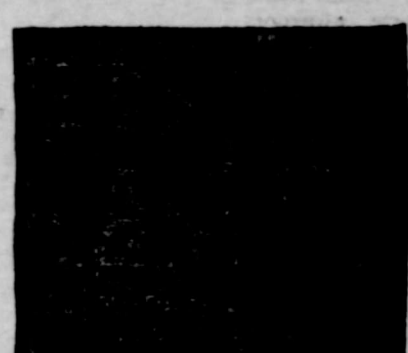
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But instead, he had unexpectedly replied: "Strange? Not at all, my dear. They are unusually well matched—as well matched as Ezra Pinney's oxen," and so Mrs. Kirby had been forced to an immediate defense of her position.  
"Why, William Martin Kirby!" she exclaimed, laying down her sewing and leaning forward in her chair.  
"How can you think so! He is so big and handsome and indolent, and she hasn't a lazy bone in her thin little body."  
"That's just what I said, Marcia Edgerton Kirby," returned her husband, "but in your zeal for an argument you entirely overlooked my simile."  
"In that remote and 'dark ages' period of my life before I knew you they offered a prize at the county fair for the best-matched pair of oxen."  
"There were some beauties brought in, so that everybody laughed when Ezra Pinney came driving along a great, handsome, slow-moving ox hitched up beside a wiry, scrawny little beast that took two steps to the big fellow's one."  
"Lottin' on first prize, ain't ye, Ezry?" called out one of the men ironically. "That's a finely matched pair o' oxen!"  
"So they be!" agreed Ezry, complacently. "So they be! The best matched pair o' oxen in Wood county. One's willin' to do all the work an' t'other's willin' he should!"—Youth's Companion.

### UNDER THE GRAND OLD FLAG

Woodsmen, Accompanying Tenderfoot, by Rio Means Actuated by Sentiment Alone.

Frank O'Malley, who hucksters words to magazines, admitted the other day that last fall he made his first trip into the woods. Mr. O'Malley told about the pleasure he took in outfitting for the trip—that pleasure being added to by the assumption of friendly relations with the manager of a downtown sporting goods store. "I had known him by sight for a long time," said Mr. O'Malley, "for I have a little office immediately above the store he manages. But I had never gotten acquainted with him. He seemed an unapproachable and stand-offish sort of man. Then I made a week-end trip to Atlantic City, and forgot to turn of the tap in my stationary washstand in my little office on the floor immedi-

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British Officer Beats the Pick of Enlisted Soldiers—One Man Shot During Riot.

London.—An extraordinary military riot is reported to have occurred at Longmoor Camp, where there is a mounted infantry school connected with the Aldershot Division. The Scotsmen among the troopers became incensed at the curtailment of a holiday. It is stated that they smashed up the huts in the camp and bombarded the officers' quarters with bricks. The assembly was sounded by the bugler on guard, and all the officers and noncommissioned officers turned out to quell the disturbance, but the mutineers formed a square and kept off their superiors.  
Some of the noncommissioned officers were injured by blows from belts and sticks. Eventually an officer, who is a noted boxer, challenged one of the men to fight. The men immediately formed a ring and one of them stood up to the officer, but was soon badly defeated. Upon this the men sullenly returned to their wrecked huts. One of the men was shot and seriously wounded during the affray.

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