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THE WEEK IN CATTLE

CLOSING VALUES ARE HIGHER THAN WEEK AGO ALL AROUND.

TOP STEERS FOR WEEK, \$3.75

Best Heavy Steers Are Closing 15@25c Higher—Plain and Medium Grades 10@15c Higher—Choice Light Weights 25@35c Higher.

Around 200 cattle were billed for arrival at this point today. However, four cars that arrived were billed direct to a local packer, and trade was barren and nominal today.

HOG PRICES WEAKEN

DEMAND BRISK AND READY CLEARANCE MADE OF SMALL SUPPLY.

PRICES STEADY TO 5c LOWER

Best Hogs Sold at \$7.82 1/2. With the Bulk of Sales Listed in a Spread of \$7.65 at 7.75.

The final day of the week brought out a fairly liberal supply of hogs, both at this point and at other markets through the middle west.

HOPE FOR GOOD CROPS.

Government Expert Says Arkansas Bottoms Will Yield Big Returns.

Hot Springs, Ark., May 18.—That the residents in the eastern part of Arkansas, who suffered from the flood are not as discouraged regarding their future as are residents outside the zone of the deluge, and that with a liberal use of commercial fertilizer and early seed, the crops for the present year, while late, will be most bountiful, was the optimistic statement by C. W. Watson, who has charge of the government agricultural work.

LIVE STOCK RECEIPTS

Today's Receipts, Head

Table with columns: Cattle, Hogs, Sheep. Receipts from various sources like Chicago, Kansas City, etc.

TRADE IS CLOSING LOWER

Some Increase in Supplies This Week—Shorn and Woolled Lambs Closing 15@25c Lower—Sheep 25@35c Off.

Receipts from various sources like Chicago, Kansas City, etc. The following table shows the local receipts from January 1, 1912, and local receipts for the corresponding time in 1911.

SHEEP MARKET NIL

NOTHING IN THE WAY OF FRESH SUPPLIES RECEIVED AT THIS POINT TODAY.

ITEMS IN BRIEF.

Wm. Hess, of Osborn, Mo., was on today's market with a two-car shipment of cover hogs. G. H. Swiney, a prominent farmer and live stock shipper of Pickering, Mo., increased today's receipts with a car of hogs.

KAFFIR CORN AND MILO

RESPONSIBLE FOR AGRICULTURAL ASCENDANCY IN THE GREAT SOUTHWEST.

ARE GREAT FODDER CROPS

Adapted Especially for Oklahoma, Kansas, Texas, Eastern Colorado and Eastern New Mexico. H. M. Cottrell, agricultural commissioner of the Rock Island lines, says: "Kafir corn is the feed grain to raise in Oklahoma, Kansas, and Nebraska in districts where the annual rainfall is from 24 to 30 inches. Its cousin, milo, is the feed grain to raise in sections of Oklahoma, Kansas, Texas, Eastern Colorado and Eastern New Mexico where the annual rainfall is below 24 inches and not less than 12 inches."

Good to choice feeding steers are quotable at \$4.50@8.90; medium to good grades at \$3.75@6.40; good to fancy stock steers at \$5.50@6.90; common to fair stock steers at \$3.00@5.25; stock cows, \$3.50@4.25; stock calves, \$4.50@5.50.

My agents report that most of the live stock has been saved and that the negroes are going back into the fields as fast as the water recedes. In Missouri, the water is receding from the Basin the water is going out fast and land there is already being cultivated.

Prices ranged from \$7.50@7.52 1/2, with the bulk selling at \$7.65@7.75. The bulk yesterday sold at \$7.60@7.65, a week ago at \$7.70@7.80, a month ago at \$7.60@7.80, a year ago at \$5.35@6.90, two years ago at \$3.40@4.90, and three years ago at \$1.37 1/2@1.57 1/2.

Good to choice shorn lambs are quotable at \$8.25@8.60; fair to good shorn lambs, \$7.50@8.00; best shorn ewes, \$5.25@5.65; fair to good ewes, \$4.50@5.00; best shorn wethers, \$5.75@6.00; yearlings of all weights, \$5.00@5.50.

YESTERDAY'S LATE SALES.

Dressed Beef and Shipping Steers. Choice to prime steers, \$8.00@8.75; good to choice, \$7.50@8.00; fair to good steers, \$7.00@7.50; common to fair, \$6.50@7.00; stock to fancy yearlings, \$5.75@6.10.

HOGS AT TOP.

Plattsburg, Mo., Feeder on Today's Market With Load of Good Hogs. The best load of hogs on today's market was a consignment of 52 hogs fed and shipped by L. M. Atchison, a prominent farmer and live stock feeder of Plattsburg, Mo.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

The following Chicago board of trade quotations are furnished by T. P. Gordon, 1905-1908 New Corby-Forsace Building, St. Joseph, Mo.

DEATH FROM AN INCUBATOR

Seven Lives Lost From an Explosion of One in South Dakota. Presho, S. D., May 18.—Investigation of the death of Peter Peterson, his wife and five children, the latter all under 9 years of age, who were burned to death in a fire which destroyed their home near Lead, in Lawrence county, showed that the cause was an accident. All had apparently died in bed except Mrs. Peterson and one child. The mother had made her way to the kitchen where an incubator was kept.

TOPPED THE MARKET.

Kansas Farmer and Feeder Here Yesterday With Load of Good Hogs. Among the well-pleased Kansas hogs on yesterday's market was that of Aaron Bokel, a prominent farmer and feeder of Whiting, who came in with a one-car consignment of thin rind hogs of his own feeding.

WALL STEVENS BACK.

Congential Sheep Buyer Returns From Ft. Worth Business Trip. Among the prodigious sons that returned to the fold yesterday was Walter Stevens, assistant sheep buyer for Swift & Co. who returned after months absence. "Walt" has been taking care of the Swift interests in the sheep division at Ft. Worth, Texas, during the absence of the regular buyer stationed there. "Ft. Worth is a pretty nice place to live," said Mr. Stevens, "but I always like to get back to St. Joseph among my friends."

OTHER LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

CHICAGO. CHICAGO Union Stock Yards, Ill., May 18.—The Live Stock World reports: Cattle—Receipts, 3000. Market steady. Hogs—Receipts, 12,000. Market 5c lower. Top \$7.95, bulk \$7.75@7.90. Sheep—Receipts, 1500. Market steady.

WORK ON BIG DAM.

Medina Valley Irrigation Co. Spending Around \$6,000,000. San Antonio, Tex., May 17.—Such rapid work has been made by the Medina Valley Irrigation Company, which is constructing an irrigation plant at a cost of more than \$6,000,000 about thirty miles west of San Antonio, that within the next four months, or before the first of next October, the diversion dam will be completed and water will be flowing through the canals. The big main dam will be completed by the end of the year, by which time it will stand as a bulwark to prevent the wasteful escape of flood waters, and standing like a mighty giant at the lower end of a reservoir covering 178 square miles, it will hold back releasing as needed, water sufficient to irrigate about 300,000 acres of land. The rapid work of construction is indicated by the report of Chief Engineer C. H. Kearney for the month of April showing 35,514 cubic yards of material added to the dam during that month.

TWO BOYS SUFFOCATED.

While Playing Fall in Feedbox Head First and Die. Cincinnati, May 18.—The country-wide search for Robert and Urban Nicholls, brothers, 6 and 4 years old, who mysteriously disappeared April 29, came to an end when their bodies were found in a stable near their home here yesterday. The bodies were found of which their father was in charge. It is believed the boys were playing around the stable, fell into the feed box head first, and, sinking in the perishable bodies were found by their father while doing his usual duties around the place.

STOCKS AND FEEDERS.

No change of consequence was noted in trade in this division. Supplies were too tight to establish a market and provided a basis in making price comparisons. Conditions governing trade in this department throughout the current week have all been favorable for active and higher markets at all times. Supplies were light during the foremost part of the week, but owing to a slack country demand trade progressed without any material price fluctuations. However, a continuance of

WEATHER FORECAST.

For Missouri: Generally fair tonight and Sunday; cooler in north-west portion tonight. Kansas: Generally fair tonight and Sunday; not much change in temperature. Nebraska: Generally fair tonight and Sunday; warmer in southeast portion tonight. Iowa: Fair tonight and Sunday; cooler tonight. Missouri raised \$1,000,000 worth of cotton in 1910.

ONLY HALF COTTON CROP

H. G. Cherry Says Outlook Is Discouraging in the South. This year's cotton crop will not be more than 50 per cent of the usual growth in the United States, according to H. G. Cherry, president and general manager of the Stockyards Cotton Crushers' association. He was elected first vice-president of the organization and chairman of the arbitration board and the publicity bureau.

CONCENTRATED STOCK FOODS.

Quotations on Cottonseed, Linseed and Alfalfa Products. Ko-Pre-Ko-Kake—Carlots per ton, \$23; ton lots, \$28. Cottonseed meal—Carlots, per ton, \$25.50; ton lots, \$32.50. Alfalfa meal—Per ton, choice, \$27.50@28.50; No. 1, \$26@27; No. 2, \$24@25.50; standard, \$21@22.50. Alfalfa hay—Carlots, per ton, \$19.50; ton lots, \$23.50. Alfalfa—Fancy, \$24; choice, \$22.50@23.50; No. 1, \$20@21; No. 2, \$17@18; No. 3, \$14@17.

WHOLESALE BEEF PRICES.

Following are today's wholesale prices for beef cuts as given out by Swift & Company. Dressed Beef. No. 1, No. 2, No. 3. Ribs ..... 17 c 13 c 10 1/2 c. Loin ..... 13 c 14 c 12 c. Briskets ..... 11 1/2 c 10 c 8 c. Chucks ..... 9 c 8 c 7 c. Plates ..... 8 c 7 c 6 c.

AN ECHO FROM THE PAST

Annual Spring Roundup of Cattle Has Been Announced. Sioux Falls, S. D., May 18.—Like an echo from the past comes the announcement that the white cattlemen who, under an arrangement with the Indian department, were rounding up their animals on the surplus lands of the Pine Ridge reservation, in Bennett county, have completed arrangements for the annual spring roundup of their cattle. Before the great ranges to be missed by Missouri river and the Black Hills were occupied by homesteaders these roundups, which took place in the spring and fall of each year, were the big events in that region.

NO JONATHAN APPLES.

Iowa Trees Will Not Bear Like They Did Last Year. Council Bluffs, Ia., May 17.—Iowa orchards which produced a tremendous yield of Jonathan apples last year will produce none this year. The trees have not blossomed. There will, however, be present indications of a big yield of Winemans and Grimes' Golden apples, neither of which variety yielded much last year. Experienced orchardists say it is not uncommon and the Jonathan apple trees are resting.



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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

For Congress. Having at all times tried to give the people of the Fourth District my best service, I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-nomination...

For Circuit Judge. I hereby announce my candidacy for the nomination, on the Democratic ticket, for the office of Judge of Division No. 2 of the Circuit Court of Buchanan County, Missouri...

IOWA BROKE THE RECORD.

According to statistics compiled by the secretary of the Nebraska Board of Agriculture, the Iowa State Fair broke the record for all state fairs in 1911 in the aggregate receipts from ticket sales.

SEVERE WINTER CAUSED SCABBY SHEEP.

Exchange: Sheep scab is said to be very bad in the Arkansas valley in Colorado. It is thought to have been induced by the hard winter, when sheep cuddle up to keep warm.

SAVING TO FEEDERS.

Kansas City Telegram: For at least two years feeders of the country may rest assured that present rates on stocker and feeder cattle and sheep will not be changed by railroads.

GOOD CROPS FOR DRY FARMS

Southwest Adapted to Milo Maize, Kafr, Sorghum, Peanuts and Millet. Oklahoma City, Okla., May 17.—In the South, nothing answers better than milo maize, kafr corn, sorghum, peanuts and millet.

Daddy's Bedtime Story

Five Bears In a City Back Yard Looking at the Neighbors.

BEARS in the back yard? Jack and Evelyn were not sure whether they would like that. Teddy bears are all right, but a real live bear with a real live bear bug and a too great fondness for little boys and girls might not be so nice.

ACUTE BEEF SHORTAGE.

Too many people are scratching the surface of their opportunities. It is a good deal more important that our people learn the needed lesson of better farming and wise conservation of soil already under cultivation.

FIT THE SOIL TO THE CROP

Modern Farmers First Find Out What is in His Land. There is no use in trying to achieve success with a soil not fitted to the crop.

PROBES SEED CORN FRAUD

Iowa State Inspection Finds Cases of Law Violation. Sioux City, Ia., May 18.—An alleged seed corn fraud has been unearthed by C. H. Hinchey, of Des Moines, Iowa, state food inspector.

HOME POTATOES ARE BEST

Government Bulletin Warns Growers That Imported Seed is Dangerous. Although home-grown seed potatoes are selling at high prices, foreign-grown potatoes should not be substituted for them.

WATER FOR GROWING CORN

Yield Reduced in Soil Too Wet—Fertility Affects Amount Required. Lincoln, Neb., May 17.—The Nebraska experiment station has just issued Bulletin No. 123, on "Studies in Water Requirements of Corn."

\$500,000 TRACT FOR \$1

OTHER TITLES IN HEART OF OKLAHOMA'S BUSINESS SECTION ENDANGERED.

ASK TO RESTORE LAND

Proceeds of Sale Said to Have Been Used As Bribes to Bring Railroads.

Oklahoma City, Ok., May 18.—A. W. Garrett, until recently a member of the Oklahoma City school board, Kirby Fitzpatrick and J. Frank Laux, the two latter expert examiners of realty titles, have uncovered a situation that may place to the credit of the public schools of this city a tract of land worth not less than \$500,000.

MUSIC AT MILKING TIME.

Wisconsin Man Urges Waltz Tunes to Soothe Cows and Increase Flow.

London, May 17.—It has been said that sometimes milk will be lured into the net by the soft piping of the fisherman when all other baits have failed.

THE BREAKFAST BACON.

No Need to Serve It Always in the Same Old Way.

New York, May 18.—There is a proper and an improper way to cook bacon. One unfortunately sees too much of the latter.

EXCHANGE DIRECTORY.

- Following is a list of the commission firms and stock cattle dealers engaged in business at the St. Joseph stock yards. Commission Firms: Butler, James H., rooms 337-338.

STERLING BEER advertisement with text: 'If you want to be sure that you are getting pure, wholesome beer—with a delightfully clean and snappy flavor—ask for Sterling.' Includes St. Joseph Brewing Co. logo.

THE NEW AIRDOME advertisement: 'The Biggest Show on Earth for the Money. 2,000 SEATS AT 10c. JUST BACK OF HIRSCH BROS. STORE. Fernandez May Duo Novelty Musical Act.'

WANTED advertisement: 'Wanted man to learn the barber trade. Here is an offer that includes tools with tuition. A method that saves years of apprenticeship.'

Kresol Dip No. 1 advertisement: 'Kresol Dip No. 1 CURES SCAB. ADIP THAT DOES THE WORK WITHOUT INJURY. TO THE ANIMAL OR FLEECE NO BURNING OF THE FIBRES; NO STAINING; NO POISONING; NO SICKENING.'

SAM KAHN THE STETSON HAT STORE advertisement: '615 FELIX STREET ST. JOSEPH, MISSOURI. Oliver Visible Typewriter for sale cheap. Perfect condition and does splendid writing.'



# The Fifth Stenographer

By Edmund Moberly

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Mr. Benjamin Holbrook, of the firm of B. Holbrook & Company, jobbers, had been absent from his business for three weeks, and therefore entered his office resolved to get back into harness as speedily as possible. After wading through a mass of accumulated correspondence, he rang for his confidential stenographer. She failed to appear. A second and a third ring were equally barren of results. Mr. Holbrook grew indignant. With a savage jab, he touched another button on his desk, and in a moment Watson, his chief clerk, stood at his elbow.

"Watson," he demanded, "why doesn't Miss Gayley respond to her call?"

"Miss Gayley was married while you were away."

"An office romance?"

"Yes," responded Watson with a smile. "Smithers, one of the bookkeepers, is the other guilty party."

"Well, he got a sensible wife, confound him. Give him a ten per cent raise. At the same time he robbed me of a good stenographer just when she had become efficient and valuable. It strikes me these cases are becoming pretty frequent in this office, aren't they, Watson?"

"This is the fourth in three years."

"Exactly," agreed Mr. Holbrook. "Four in three years, of which your own case was the first. Matrimony is a noble institution, Watson, but it cannot be allowed to play hob with this business the way it has been doing. I propose now to get a stenographer who will regard this office as something more than a stepping-stone to marriage. Miss Gayley's successor must be at least thirty-five years old. You will advertise at once for a lady

confess to himself that she did not look it. "Have you had any experience in this capacity?" he asked. "None, whatever," she answered. "But I have a good education and have fitted myself carefully for such a position, and I feel I can meet all the requirements set forth in your somewhat unusual advertisement."

"It was a little out of the ordinary, wasn't it?"

"Yes."

"But there was a reason for it. During the last three years I have lost no less than four stenographers through matrimony. It was a desire to secure some one who would view business as other than a stepping-stone to marriage that prompted that ad."

"I can safely say that there is no prospect of my making such use of it," replied Miss Holmes.

A trial showed that she was well equipped for the position. Mr. Holbrook reflected, also, that he had never recognized so many good qualities in an applicant before. He therefore engaged her, and in a few weeks found reason to congratulate himself; for she developed an efficiency even above that of her very efficient predecessors. In a few months he began to regard her as indispensable, and found himself regretting that she was near him in office hours only.

And then it came. He was dictating to her one day, he on the one side of the big, flat office table, and she on the other, facing him. While grasping for some solution to a knotty business problem, he allowed his mind to wander. The plainly furnished office faded from his vision. The table became a dining table, covered with snowy linen upon which silver gleamed and crystal sparkled—such a dining table as one sees in a home; but Miss Holmes faded from the picture not at all. In his reverie he saw her sitting opposite him at the dining table—and then Benjamin Holbrook, bachelor, aged forty, came back to earth with a rush. He was in love. He was certain of it, despite the novelty of the sensation.

Mr. Holbrook was accustomed to direct methods.

"Miss Holmes, can you still safely say that there is no prospect of your making business a stepping stone to marriage?" he asked suddenly.

Miss Holmes was also in a reverie. She came out of it in confusion.

"I—I think so," she managed to gasp.

"Then there is a doubt?"

"Yes; there is a doubt," she admitted.

"I ask you to give me the benefit of it."

"Oh, I am not thinking of resigning," she protested.

"I am not asking you to give the business the benefit of the doubt, Miss Holmes; I am asking you to give it to me. I desire you to resign. Can't you see what I am getting at? I love you. I want you to be my wife."

"Wouldn't that be playing hob with the business?" she asked after a pause, smiling through her blushes.

Mr. Holbrook rose from his chair and started toward her. She fled to the door in a panic and paused with her hand on the knob.

"The business is insured to such experiences by this time," he laughed, still going toward her. "You must remember that my own romance has a quartet of precedents right here in the office. However, it shall be the last; for my next confidential stenographer shall be a man."

Miss Holmes covered her face with her hands as he reached for her.

"If that is the case, B—Benjamin," she murmured, "you might begin to look around for the man."

## FIRST CLEAN THE SYSTEM

Thing to Do in the Instant That the Presence of Tuberculosis is Suspected.

The fever of consumption is not primarily due to the presence of the tubercle bacilli in the system. Indeed, unless there are other conditions which cause the bodily temperature to rise it is inclined to be sub-normal.

One of the interesting revelations of modern medicine is the fact that these germs may exist a long time in the human body without there being any rise of temperature whatever. This is plainest seen in a tubercular abscess, but it is also seen in the many cases in which for long periods there is no fever. What does cause the fever in the earlier stages is a disordered state of the alimentary canal. The stomach and bowels become deranged and full of toxins which, being absorbed, poison the system and cause the temperature to rise. For years it has been the practice of the writer to reduce any temperature to normal, especially during the first stages of the disease, simply by washing out the stomach and effecting a complete cleansing of the intestinal tract. Later on the fever is due to the absorption of broken-down lung tissue and to ptomaines, and so is quite another story.

When, therefore, tuberculosis is suspected the temperature should be taken and if fever is present the person should invariably go to his physician and have his digestive tract thoroughly cleansed, when by proper diet and outdoor life he will be able almost certainly to overcome the presence of the tuberculous germs.

**Celestial Swats.**

Mrs. Willis—I suppose that in heaven we will be disappointed in not finding certain people there.

Mrs. Gillis—Yes. But we'll be more disappointed at finding certain other people there.—Puck.

He Allowed His Mind to Wander.

confessing to that many summers. If you cannot find her, I'll have to get a man—but I prefer the woman, if she exists."

Benjamin Holbrook had never been married. At the age when other men take unto themselves wives, he had been too busy smoothing the path of the newly established firm of B. Holbrook & Co. over the thorny ways which infant industries must travel. Matrimony, he had reasoned, must wait upon success. Success he had finally achieved, and now it waited upon matrimony. If questioned, he would not have been able to say whether he had eluded matrimony or matrimony had eluded him, but now, at the age of forty, he was forced to confess to his friends that while it was still possible in his case, it did not seem very probable.

Being a bachelor, he had never been able to fathom the mental processes which led a girl to abandon a comfortable salary in his office for the purpose of sharing the salary of a male worker in the same office, and in much less degree had been able to understand the line of reasoning which led the aforesaid male worker to persuade her to do so.

In employing office help, the head of the firm was able to discern merit at a glance. All his male subordinates had good qualities. The four women who had resigned in brief succession in the office were all well endowed in this respect—so well endowed, indeed, that four of the male subordinates had discerned their merit even better than the boss, with the result that for the fifth time in three years that gentleman, with all a bachelor's dislike for change in the existing order of things, faced the disagreeable prospect of becoming accustomed to a new stenographer. It was this fact, coupled with the knowledge that there were yet several unmarried men in the office, all with good qualities, that led him to issue his edict concerning the age of the next woman who should grace his establishment.

Watson's advertisement brought but one applicant to Mr. Holbrook—a handsome, somewhat sad-faced woman, whose gown of black well became the slender plumpness of her figure.

"I am Miss Holmes," she stated simply. "I have come in answer to your advertisement for a stenographer."

"Thirty-five years of age, or older?" asked Mr. Holbrook.

"I am able to meet that condition," was the calm reply.

The head of the firm was forced to

## TOUCHED THEIR SOFT HEART

In the Circumstances, Expressed Hope of Irish Youths Seemed Somewhat Humorous.

Supreme Court Justice Coahan of New York, who is proud of his Irish blood, also believes that for keen wit and humor no race in the world equals the Irish. The justice spent the greater part of last summer on the "old sod" and when he came home he had acquired a great fund of funny anecdotes illustrative of the often unconscious humor of the natives he met.

He tells a story of two husky lads who were tenants of the same landowner and who were constantly embroiled either with the man himself or one of his agents. At last things came to such a pass that the two decided to waylay their landlord. They chose a favorable spot along the road over which they knew the landlord must travel that afternoon and crouched in the ditch waiting. To beguile the time each told the other a part of the punishment he had devised for the landlord.

Said one, "O'll tap him on the head wid me blackthorn and whin he falls O'll stop on his face an—"

The other interrupted: "O'l mase an' cut off his ears, split his nose an' if he makes a fuss O'll slit his weaz-an'."

They kept up the bloodthirsty conversation for some time and at last one noticed the day was almost done and that it was far past the time when the landlord might have been expected to pass. He interrupted his sanguinary threats to call the attention of his companion to the flight of time and the non-appearance of the man they expected, exclaiming:

"Och, the poor felley, O'l hope nothin's happened him!"

## SET THE PACE IN RECEPTIONS

Splendid Affair Given by United States Ambassador Guild Dazzled St. Petersburg Society.

The German and Russian newspapers bristle with reports concerning an official reception by the American ambassador at St. Petersburg, Curtis Guild, in the splendid palace he occupies, which was formerly the residence of Count Orloff Denison. Not even Ambassador Lelshman, glittering at the kaiser's court, could have been more imposing. The ambassador had at his side a functionary from the imperial court, who presented the guests. The ambassador's wife was beautifully gowned.

The guests were announced by a servant from the imperial ministry, who wore a black suit of eighteenth century style, with a lace jabot.

Mrs. Guild was greatly fatigued, for she had to stand three hours with outstretched hand in order that it might be kissed by all the men, according to the Russian fashion.

In the great dining hall on the floor above, hung with pictures of the Orloffs of the last three centuries, was a surprise for the guests. Instead of the usual tables with servants serving champagne, there were models in ice of a Russian farm house and an American cottage, lit with incandescent lights, from which flowed fountains of champagne. The American cottage fountain bubbled with dry wine, while the Russian emitted a fruity variety.

## Real Eugene Aram.

A sale of relics of Eugene Aram reminds us that Lord Lytton's Aram was a very different personage from him who was hanged at York, who, judging from the published account of the trial, was merely a felon of the baser sort. He associated with low companions, married a low wife and practiced swindling with a miserable creature whom in his younger days he was associated with in stealing flower-pots—for they were both gardeners—and finally murdered his wife to secure a few pounds, the proceeds of a swindle.

Aram possessed a vigorous intellect, had mastered the learned languages, had read every classic that came in his way, and says a distinguished writer, when the learned felon came to make his defense all Britain was astonished by a piece of pleading which, if given to the public among the defenses and under the name of Thomas Lord Erskine, so celebrated for this species of composition, would certainly not be deemed unworthy of the collection of its author.

## Work For Kings.

The sphere of foreign affairs is one in which a British monarch, for all his complete subordination to constitutional forms, still exercises real power. Unlike the late king, who was his own traveling ambassador, and whose personality made him welcome in the capitals of Europe, George V. chooses to work through his ministers, but there is every reason to believe that the monarch's views will carry weight with the cabinet. Situated as he is above party, the king may readily work for international friendship and peace without being accused of betraying the country's interests.

## Biggest Thing in the World.

"Fighting Bob" Evans, said a naval veteran of Washington, "had, like most fighters, a tender heart."

"Fighting Bob" had a specially tender heart toward children. I once heard him say, as he held his little grandchild's hand:

"A child is the biggest thing in the world. A ragged, emaciated, hungry child is to me bigger than a battleship!"

## NEVER ALLOWED TO "INFORM"

Point of Military Etiquette That is Impressed on Youngsters in the Service.

"No matter how much a second lieutenant in the army may know, he must never presume to inform" his superior officers," remarked a captain in one of the organizations of the National Guard of the District of Columbia recently.

"I found that out long ago. Col. O. B. Mitcham, in command of this artillery division, sent me a request for information along certain lines, and I dug out the material and wrote out a letter in reply which I thought was strictly military. I took it down to 'Sergt.' Drew at militia headquarters. Drew has been a post quartermaster sergeant in the Islands, and has had more experience in the formality of military correspondence than any one I know of."

"Sergt. Mike looked at it one second and nearly fainted. 'Great Scott,' he gasped, 'you'd be shot at sunrise if you sent that along.'"

"I had written, 'Sir, I have the honor to inform you, and so forth.'"

"It looked good and military to me, but Sergt. Mike Drew, when he had recovered from the shock, went on my shoulder and said:

"My boy, don't you know in the army nobody is ever allowed to inform a superior officer? You may have all the information in the world, but don't presume to inform anybody but that's even one inch over you. It will get you in bad. Just change that letter so it will read, I have the honor to report."

## MINCE PIE FINDS CHAMPION

Barring of Delectable Dessert From Female Seminars Held to Be Libel on Pastry.

Mince pie has endured from generation to generation and is not cast down. It has suffered long from the attacks of critics for whom it is strong meat, but it still is kind to those who love it and whom it loves. It gives and needs strength. We note without despondence the attempt in various New England colleges for girls to give this delectable dish a new bad name and hang it.

"It is ruinous to the complexion," says one preceptress. And another prates of technicalities of digestion. But at good old Wellesley they have mince pie three times a year "for the girls who cannot go home for the holidays," and there you have the whole case for the libeled pastry in a sentence. Mince pie is the home pie. It spells Thanksgiving and Christmas and a happy New Year and back-to-the-farm and good-for-the-olde-folks and all sorts of things that keep together the families in which the nation is great.

Complexions! Why, the country was full of them before any food critic drew the hot air of life. And it will be full of them still when the last foe of mince pie falls under the crust that mother makes. As for the girls' colleges—well, if the higher education is raising a parcel of daughters that cannot stand mince pie, it surely is not bringing up a band of sisters entitled to the ballot.—New York World.

## Too Deep.

Joseph E. Widener was showing a group of visitors his father's incomparable picture gallery at Lynwood Hall, the Widener residence of white marble near Philadelphia.

The talk turned to forged Raphaels, and Mr. Widener said:

"There is an American who bought a Raphael in Rome some years ago. The Italian law prohibits the exportation of masterpieces, and the American had the happy idea of getting the Raphael painted over. This was accordingly done. The rare old painting reached New York in the guise of a modern snow scene."

"Then a restorer, under the watchful owner's eye, set to work on it. With a sponge dipped in turpentine he proceeded to rub the snow scene off. He sponged it off readily, but he sponged a bit of the Raphael off, too—and behold, underneath the Raphael a portrait of Marconi was revealed."

## No More Fox Hunts for Him.

Arthur B. Suit, sheriff of Prince Georges county, Md., says he never again will indulge in a fox chase. He always was fond of the sport, but on the occasion of his last chase he had such an unpleasant and exciting experience that he concluded to go after smaller game in the future.

"We had been out but a short while," he related to friends, "before we were on a trail, but it took us some time to dig the fox from his hole. A skunk was the fox's companion and both came out together."

Both animals were killed and taken to Forestville.

"With our party was a dare-devil sort of a fellow," the sheriff said, "and he rode his horse through the village store, the skunk hanging to the animal's side."

"The store was quickly deserted," he added, "and I resolved to participate in no more such hunts."

## In the Interests of Art.

"How ugly those railway coaches are!" exclaimed the critical young woman. "Couldn't you adopt some suitable color scheme?"

"Well," replied the railway official; "so long as we are compelled to operate on Jim Crow lines, maybe it would be neat and appropriate to paint them black and white."

## PRESCRIPTION DID THE WORK

Doctor's Advice That at First Seemed Hard-Hearted Effected a Permanent Cure.

Dr. Stephen Smith, who was 89 years old on February 19, is one of New York's distinguished surgeons, and a founder of the first nurses' training school established in this country. He is also the originator of what he calls the "peanut cure" for tuberculosis. He used it with success long before fresh-air sanitariums and sleeping bags had come into vogue.

"I happened to invent the cure in this way," he said. "A rosy-cheeked, wholesome Irish girl brought her sister to my office and asked me what I could do for her. The sister was plain, sickly, and weak, and obviously had bad lungs."

"What do you do for a living?" I asked the girl with the red cheeks.

"Tend a corner peanut stand," she said.

"And what does your sister do?"

"Oh, she's too sickly to be outdoors; we don't let her work."

"Well," I said, "you buy your sister a peanut stand and keep her outdoors. That's the only thing I can recommend."

"The two girls looked horrified and departed. I did not think anything more about the case until two years later, when two big healthy rosy-cheeked girls came to my office. I recognized one as the peanut stand keeper; the other I couldn't place. But she soon introduced herself as my old patient, the sickly sister of my rosy-cheeked visitor.

"And what have you been doing to yourself?" I asked.

"Keeping a peanut stand," she said.

## HAS A NEWSPAPER OF 1773

St. Paul Man Owner of Publication in Which George Washington Was an Advertiser.

A newspaper dated Friday, August 20, 1773, has come into the possession of Edward Gervin, says the St. Paul Pioneer Press. It is a copy of the first issue of the Maryland Journal and Baltimore Advertiser. It has not yet been submitted to an archaeologist to determine its authenticity, but it looks the part with its queer old fashioned type and its decayed yellow paper which has to be handled with care lest it crumble.

Mr. Gervin lives at the Marlowe apartments. An elderly woman formerly lived there with her son. The woman died and the son moved to other parts leaving a lot of old magazines piled in a corner of the apartment. These the janitor turned over to Mr. Gervin and in the pages of an old copy of the Youth's Companion he found the ancient newspaper.

The paper contains an interesting advertisement signed by one George Washington, a real estate operator living at Mount Vernon, who had twenty thousand acres of fine land, the patents to which he was anxious to dispose of.

One subscriber announces that a reward will be paid for a "runaway negro. Prince, a tall, slim fellow, has several backs on his forehead, was taken up at Susquehanna Ferry but made his escape and is often seen around the neighborhood. Whoever secures him in jail so that the owner may get him again shall have five pounds reward."

## Good Reason.

Daniel Kennedy, New York's famous auctioneer, was talking about a collection of French snuffboxes that he had sold too low.

"You ask why the owner sold them so low?" said Mr. Kennedy. "Well, he sold them low because he had to. Poverty compelled him."

"It is like the story of the little boys with the green ribbon in their coats. The school teacher interrogated these little boys to see what their knowledge of Irish history amounted to."

"Patrick," she began, "why are you wearing a green ribbon today?"

"Because it's the anniversary of the great and good St. Patrick, ma'am."

"Very well. And you, Michael, why are you wearing a green ribbon?"

"Because St. Patrick is Ireland's patron saint, ma'am, and green is Ireland's color."

"Good! And now, Solomon Eckharstein, tell us why you in your turn are wearing a green ribbon."

"Because, ma'am, Pat and Mike and Denny said they'd put me snoot if I didn't."

## New Science.

"What do theseimps do?" asks the new arrival of Satan.

"They go to the world and tempt people."

"Do they always induce the people to yield to the temptation?"

"Oh, no. Not once in 100 times. But that is as much as I expect."

"My dear sir, your place is run on a most old-fashioned system, indeed! Here, look over this volume. Efficiency in Business. It shows you how to get 100 per cent. results."

## Well-Chosen Words.

The Rev. R. J. Campbell, at a farewell luncheon in New York, said of a famous bishop who had married a tremendously rich widow:

"I suppose he proposed to her in appropriate and well-chosen terms. I suppose he said:

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### ORPHAN SENT HOME

#### Girl Member of Royal Family Returns to Denmark.

Long Search for Child Left Alone in U. S. by Death of Parents Is Concluded—Regus Uncle Who Asked Ransom Traced by Sleuths.

New York.—To be returned to loving and devoted relatives, members of the royal family of Denmark, at Copenhagen, after a search for her whereabouts that has cost hundreds of dollars and has covered three countries and a period of nearly six years, is the good fortune of Hella Jorgensen. While on the passenger list of the Hannover as "Miss," the young lady is but 12 years of age, and in the last seven years she has experienced hardships that seldom befall the lot of children, and still rarer children of the royal blood.

The restoration of Hella to her people in Denmark is interesting to a degree, and is only made possible through the excellent work in the child's behalf carried on by Probation Officer W. G. Leeman of Dallas and members of the Presbyterian mission board of that city. Mr. Leeman brought the girl to Galveston one Saturday, delivered her to Vice-Consul Hans Guldman, representative at this port of the government of Denmark, and then saw her safely aboard the Hannover in charge of Mrs. Buschfeld.

In 1900 August Jorgensen was appointed by the government of Denmark as royal Danish consul to Rome, Italy, and, accompanied by his wife, Adolphe H. Jorgensen, took up his post immediately. While they were in Rome the child, Hella Charlotte, was born. In 1904 the father and mother, accompanied by the child, went to Mexico City, Mexico, presumably on official business. A few months later, in the year 1905, Mr. Jorgensen died very suddenly. Mrs. Jorgensen died a few days later. Hella, left an orphan, was taken into the family of Mr. and Mrs. Munch Lessen, fellow countrymen.

So far as could be ascertained, Mr. and Mrs. Lessen knew nothing of the family connection, except that the Jorgensens were of Royal blood. Shortly after they had taken the child a man appeared upon the scene who claimed to be a brother of Mr. Jorgensen and uncle of the child. He demanded that Hella be given into his custody, to return to her people at Copenhagen, and they could do nothing but comply.

It would appear, from the information possessed by those since interested in the case, that the man claiming to be the girl's uncle was an impostor. He is said to have demanded a certain amount of money from the Jorgensen family in Denmark for the return of the child. Later the amount was increased. Detectives were put on the case and the chase, covering more than five years and carried on in Mexico, Italy and the United States, was never successfully ended by the officers.

She will be met at Bremen by her mother's sister, and the years of her life that have been filled with suffering will henceforth be transformed to happy ones.

### COUPLE DIE 36 HOURS APART

Pathos in the Last Hours of Mr. and Mrs. Smith of Pennsylvania, Who Were Long Wedded.

Pittsburg, Pa.—John S. Smith, 86 years old, and his wife, 79, are dead at their home in Reynoldsville, Pa., and they were buried side by side. Many times Mrs. Smith had said: "If John dies first I want to live only long enough to know that he is dead."

Both became ill from pneumonia. When the husband died the aged woman, in another room, knew by the faces of her children that her companion had gone. She called them to her bedside.

"John is dead, isn't he?"

When told the truth she said: "Don't bury him till Wednesday."

She joined him in death thirty-six hours later.

### WOULD TURN COAL INTO GAS

English Scientist Offers Unusual Plan to Save Mining and Handling Fuel.

New York.—A proposal which, if adopted, would revolutionize the coal mining business of the world, has been offered by Sir William Ramsay, the noted English scientist. He suggests that much of the expense of mining and handling might be avoided if the coal was turned into gas in reservoirs in the bowels of the earth. The gas thus generated could either be distributed by pipe lines, or used at the pit head for producing electricity, which could be distributed from there.

### Chambermaid Finds Jewels.

Kalamazoo, Mich.—A Burdick hotel chambermaid who found \$40,000 worth of jewels belonging to a New York salesman, which had been lost for fourteen hours, received \$1 reward.

### Condemns Gotham Beans.

New York.—Philip Walsh, 14, of Boston, who came here to make his fortune, became homesick in two days. He told City Hall Park Policeman Campbell that New York beans were not fit to eat.

### NEW YORK STEPLESS CAR

One Gotham Traction Company There Trying Out a New Type of Coach.

New York.—The New York City Railway company is trying out this week the first samples of a new type of street car which probably will be adopted throughout the city. The car which in appearance differs vastly from any others at present in use, is the notion of two officials of the company and is designed primarily with a view to ease and safety in boarding and alighting, the floor being only ten inches above the roadway.

Outwardly the new car resembles a torpedo, although the name the officials of the company attach to it is the "stepless car." It is forty feet in length. The extremities are rounded and the wheels are incased, causing it apparently to slide along the tracks. The principal feature is the slight distance the passenger is required to step either in boarding or alighting from the car, as entering is like stepping from the street to the curb.

There is no front or rear platform, passengers entering and leaving through a side door. The conductor sits at one side behind a miniature desk, where he makes change and issues transfers. The doors are automatic and cannot be opened while the car is in motion. The seating capacity is fifty passengers and there is standing room for thirty more. Seats are placed as in a railway coach, except at the ends, where there is a semicircular seat, like that at the end of a launch. The wheels, though invisible, are beneath the extremities of his seat, and the axle is situated just under the floor. The car is constructed wholly of steel.

### RUN ETIQUETTE LABORATORY

Japanese Educators Teach Girls How to Receive Their Guests and Make Tea.

Baltimore, Md.—Explaining the salient differences between the education of young girls in this country and in Japan, Dr. Inazo Nitobe, Japanese lecturer, delivered an address before the Western High school on "The Japanese School Girl."

Etiquette, he said, was one of the features of the curriculum in the schools of his country, and he dwelt upon the "etiquette laboratory," where the Japanese girls are taught how to make tea, the proper way to drink it, the ceremonious way in which a guest must be received and the many courteous social customs for which the people of the island nation are famed.

School attendance, Doctor Nitobe pointed out, was compulsory in Japan for children between six and thirteen years of age, but co-education did not obtain except in the primary grades.

The lecturer referred to the girls who composed his audience as being as "lovely as a flower garden."

### WORKERS' BEARDS LIKE STONE

Barbers in Calumet Region Urge a Sliding Scale Based on Damage to Their Tools.

Hammond, Ind.—Owing to the cohesive qualities of the cement dust, the manufacture of which is the leading industry of Calumet, workers in that region have driven the barbers to declare that common, ordinary razors are futile in shaving the quartermen.

After working in the cement and concrete works all day the laborer presents a reinforced front, the particles of stone dust having allied themselves with his hair and formed a hard surface. When they try their razors on this surface, say the barbers, they strike sparks and often burn their customers, thereby not only injuring their tools, but enraging their customer. After a shave of this sort, the barbers affirm, the razor used looks withered. Experts are endeavoring to work out a sliding scale of prices for shaving in and near Hammond that will be based largely on the amount of damage the tools suffer.

### ICE CREAM ON SAUSAGE PLAN

How American Colony at Panama Gets 50 Gallons of Frozen Product an Hour.

Washington, D. C.—Members of the American colony in the Panama canal zone may fairly claim to be the world's champion ice cream eaters, according to the Canal Record. Down on the Isthmus the government itself makes the ice cream, and it has been necessary to provide three new "continuous process" machines to meet the demand. These great freezers turn out the frozen delicacy in a constant stream, the raw materials being fed into one end and the completed product emerging from the other at the rate of fifty gallons an hour.

### Poor, Refuses Legacy.

Las Vegas, Nev.—Although there is \$2,500 for him in the hands of the public administrator at San Francisco Edward Weeks, of this place, steadfastly refuses to go to the California metropolis and claim his money. The money is portion of the estate left by Week's mother who died a short time ago. Weeks has lived at Caliente and Las Vegas for the past fifteen years. He is poorer than the proverbial church mouse, and subsists by the small amounts he is able to earn by doing odd jobs. At the present time he is engaged as dishwasher in a hotel.

### TRIBUTE TO LINCOLN

#### Italian Seeks Missing Memorial to Martyr.

Tablet Was Sent From Rome in 1865—If Stone Cannot Be Found He Suggests Another Be Shipped for One Lost in Wreck.

Rome, Italy.—Engineer Ferdinando Girardi has revived an interesting episode in connection with the project of gathering at Hardin county, Kentucky, a museum of memories and mementos to Abraham Lincoln. Engineer Girardi, who is a passionate student of the Rome which is passing, has recalled that the news of the death of Abraham Lincoln produced such an impression in Rome that it was decided to express the sympathy of the Eternal city in the most solemn way possible.

At that time, near the railway station, the Agger, or permanent fortifications, built by Servius Tullius, was coming to light. The Agger is a huge embankment about 120 feet wide and 25 high, the lower courses of the structure being gigantic blocks of pepper colored stone, held together by strong clamps of iron, and the upper courses of smaller blocks of volcanic pumice stone.

The Roman thought that nothing could express their feelings in a more eloquent manner than sending one of these blocks, with a marble slab and inscription to Abraham Lincoln. The appropriateness of the idea was added to by the similarity of the deaths of the two great men, Servius Tullius and Abraham Lincoln; the former also having been murdered. The inscription bore the date of June 20, 1865.

The block was sent to Mr. Eitelmann, then American consul at Leghorn, who forwarded it on the British steamer Ubia, which through a strange coincidence was commanded by Capt. Lincoln, and which sailed for the United States Aug. 4, 1865.

A year passed without anything being heard of it. It was only much later that it was possible to learn that the Ubia encountered stormy weather and went ashore near Bermuda, where ship and cargo were sold at auction and the precious stone was abandoned on the shore.

Engineer Girardi now raises his voice so that that stone, rendered more precious through these vicissitudes, should be sought, and if impossible to find, another should be taken from the Agger, given the same inscription and sent to Hardin county, so that the tribute of Rome to the martyred president should not be lacking.

### GIRLS TO RIVAL BOY SCOUTS

Plans for New Organization by Kansas City Woman Is Underway.

Kansas City.—Plans for the organization here of the "Campfire Girls" with purposes similar to those of the Boy Scouts have been completed. Mrs. C. R. Bowman will be director. "Wobelo" a word composed of the first two letters of work, help and love is the camp's motto.

To stimulate interest, there are to be four orders among the members, wood gatherer, firemaker, torch bearer and guardian of the fire. The wood gatherer will be taught the following device:

"To become a Campfire girl and obey the Campfire law, which is to seek beauty; give service; pursue knowledge; be trustworthy; hold on to health."

After becoming a wood gatherer, the girl to reach the next rank must prepare and serve at least two meals for meetings of the campfire, repair stockings or a tear; patch a knitted undergarment and hem a dish towel. She must sleep with windows open or out of doors for at least a month.

### BIRDS DEFEAT AN AVIATOR

Didier Masson Compelled to Descend When Attacked by Flocks of Indignant Gulls and Crows.

San Rafael, Cal.—Sea gulls and crows which nest on the marshes here made a combined attack on their human rival, Didier Masson, a French aviator, and drove him to the ground. Masson was trying out a new machine and began a low flight over the shore of San Pablo bay. Soon mechanics and others at his camp saw the birds form a swirling, screaming cloud about him. The airplane then ducked and landed on the mud flat.

Masson said later he could not see his way because of the birds flapping their wings in his face. A stay wire was broken by the impact of one.

### MAN HAS 14 SONS ON TOUR

Kansan, Who Doesn't "Double Up" Boys in Hotel Rooms, Startles Denver Clerk.

Denver, Colo.—Two by two, fourteen youths, ranging in age from 6 to 16 years, filed into the lobby of a local hotel. A stout man following them approached the desk. "All mine," he said to the clerk, "and there are thirteen more back in Goodland, Kan."

He wrote "Nathan Alexander" on the register. "Single rooms and fifteen of them," said Alexander. "I never doubted them up yet and I don't propose to do it now."

"That will be \$20," replied the clerk.

### MAN STARVES IN LIGHTHOUSE

Lonely Vigil for Sixteen Days in Green's Reef Beacon, in the Sound, Caused Intense Suffering.

South Norwalk, Conn.—Left alone by George E. Loughborough, his assistant, William Locke, keeper of Green's Reef lighthouse, succeeded in getting word to the government authorities that he has been keeping the light alone for the last sixteen days. Locke has suffered terribly since the departure of his assistant, being able to get only a few winks of sleep in the afternoons. Daily he saw his food supply diminish. Fearing starvation he reduced his rations to a minimum. When relieved he was very weak.

Loughborough left the light and went to South Norwalk, where, on hearing of the illness of an aunt, he went to Wakefield, R. I.

Two years ago Loughborough's brother, Leroy Loughborough, was assistant keeper at the light. The keeper, Joseph Carlton, went ashore and failed to return. Loughborough waited day after day, keeping the light burning each night and getting little sleep. His food supply was diminished until all that remained were a few potatoes and some dog biscuit. After finishing the potatoes he ate the dog biscuit. He fished these and at the end of two weeks he was so exhausted that he could no longer retain his vigil and collapsed.

The fact that the light was out was noticed and the matter was reported, with the result that assistance was sent. Loughborough contracted tuberculosis from the exposure and died.

### AMERICAN HEIR TO THRONE

Death of Confederate Veteran Reveals His Claim to Crown of Spain.

Macon, Ga.—The death of John B. DeMontmolin, a Confederate veteran, here has brought to light documents that seem to show he was heir to the throne of Spain. The papers, which were secreted in DeMontmolin's household on the Ocmulgee river, are said to be of such convincing character that at one time the head of Cambridge university, England, went so far as to offer to equip a war party to invade Spain in an effort to seat the American claimant.

DeMontmolin says that he should have become king when Alfonso XII, father of the present monarch, began his reign. The documents show several communications from Alfonso XIII. In relation to the claim. They also show an offer of a large sum of money from General Weyer, to head a filibustering expedition from Cuba, but DeMontmolin refused to consider the offer.

The American claimant was seventy-four years old and was born in Savannah, Ga. He was a marine engineer by profession, but for some years had led a secluded life.

### COVERED WITH STOCK PAPERS

Walls of Former Home of Levi C. Weir of New York Have Odd Decoration.

New York.—The sale at auction here of the house formerly owned by the late Levi C. Weir, president of the Adams Express company, has brought to public notice what is perhaps the most uniquely decorated room in New York city. It was the bath and dressing room used by Mr. Weir, and its strangeness lies in the fact that its walls are papered with stock certificates, representing a total par value of more than a million dollars.

Mr. Weir, it is said, found he had a large collection of such papers, the only value of which was their decorative appearance. They were fine examples of the engravers' art, and were printed in many colors. The gaudiest ones, the red and green and pink and blue certificates, went to make the border.

### TO MOVE VAST DRY DOCKS

James Shewan Preparing to Float North, Structure 450 Feet Long Taken During War.

New York.—James Shewan, a contractor of this city, left New York for Pensacola, Fla., to make arrangements for towing north one of the largest floating dry docks in this country. Mr. Shewan already owns seven or eight huge floating dry docks and the new one will be added to this plant.

Built in 1897 at a cost of \$500,000, the dry dock was one of the prizes captured by the American forces at Havana during the Spanish war. It is 450 feet long and is capable of accommodating vessels of 12,000 tons. Mr. Shewan purchased it at auction in Washington.

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### TO IRRIGATE GREAT TRACTS

Rival for Belle Fourche Project Along the Missouri.

Pierre, S. D., May 17.—The Belle Fourche government irrigation project has next drawn fire from every possible viewpoint as one of the big propositions in this state, or for that matter in the northwest, in the way of irrigation, and while it covers thousands of acres, the probabilities are that a greater area than that of the Belle Fourche project will be covered before the end of this year in the smaller projects along the Missouri and its tributaries in the western part of the state. Along the Missouri, where the state does not have control of the water supply, and there is no showing in the office of the state department, one of the first in this immediate vicinity is that of the Spencer project in northwestern Sully county, which is to cover more than 1,900 acres. This comprehends the use of water pumped from the Missouri, and also storage of surface water which runs down from the hills. The next down river project is the Little Bend, which covers over 2,000 acres; then several smaller plants, down to the Riggs project in the northwest part of this county, with a large acreage; then on the west side, the big Phillip project, which covers over 1,000 acres; then on this side the Suburban Acree company, with 200 acres; then the government plant at the Indian school; then the Lumley ranch. Further down the stream between here and Rousseau the work is being carried on by C. C. Purington at the Hayes ranch. Besides this work along the Missouri the state engineer's department has been granting permits for thousands of acres along the White, Big Horn, Cheyenne rivers, with numerous plants scattered on the smaller streams farther north and west. The total of these is already near that of the Belle Fourche plant, if not in excess.

### FARMERS TO PLANT CORN

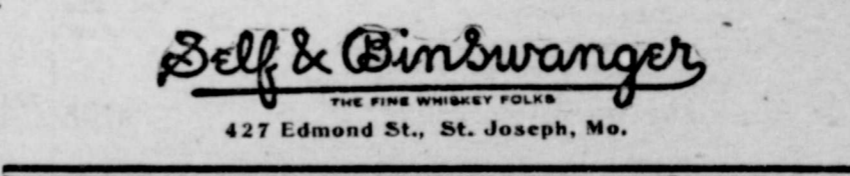
Ground in Better Condition Than for Two Years.

Mitchell, S. D., May 17.—This week will see the farmers in this section of the state starting to plant their corn, and they will start by the middle of the week. One of the farmers stated that the ground was in the best condition for the past two or three years. The moisture is abundant and deep in the soil, made so by the recent rains. The best of which came Saturday and a half inch of rain covered this section of the state. The only possible drawback at the beginning of the corn season is the condition of seed corn, which is reported to be very poor. Some farmers will wait until a little later in the season to plant, for fear that something might happen to the corn that would require a second planting, and they have got the seed to do a second planting. Guaranteed seed corn is selling in this section for \$5 per bushel, and it is testing at least 95 per cent.

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