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What a Dickens Co. Boy Says About South America.

In regard to my travels in South America I wish to say that I was mostly in the Argentine Republic, although I made short trips through Brazil on my way to Argentine; also I was in the Republic of Uruguay in connection with our tour of Argentine.

The Argentine Republic consists of fourteen provinces and nine national territories, similar to our states and territories, each with its own provincial government. It is bounded on the north by the Republic of Bolivia and Paraguay, on the east by Brazil, Uruguay and Atlantic Ocean, on the west by Chili.

Argentine is approximately, 800 miles wide east and west on the northern half, and tapers to nothing at southern extremity or at Cape Horn.

Buenos Aires, the capital, has 1,200,000 inhabitants, is situated on the east side at the mouth of the La Platt river, and as it is only 34 degrees south has a most excellent climate, has all the modern conveniences with the exception of the fire department which is inferior. The buildings are usually only 2 to 4 floor, although all the present building is higher and of America steel construction.

The Y. M. C. A. is erecting a building 13 stories which is the tallest building in the city by 6 stories. The building is all done with brick, most of which is of inferior quality.

Each village and Estancia has its brickyard. The mud is mixed by putting animals, horses, mules, cattle, burros or anything handy in a small corral and milling them until the mud is of the proper consistency.

The ground work of the population is European although there are mingled all the civilized nations of the world.

There are no racial or religious antipathies, although Catholic is the prevailing religion, and Spanish the language.

Argentine may be divided into three distinct agricultural zones. The northern region produces rice, sugar cane and the like, owing to its warm climate and regular rainfall.

The central is the corn and potato belt, although Irish potatoes are a natural growth over the entire country. Then comes the flax, alfalfa and wheat belt, which extends south and west as far as there is sufficient rainfall.

The western portion is adapted to vine and olive growing, mostly by irrigation.

Together with agricultural, live stock is the great source of wealth in Argentine, also she possesses other industries, among which may be mentioned the freezing establishments, which prepare meat for export. These have grown enormously of late, adding greatly to the material wealth and the sugar planting and refining.

Buenos Aires, you might say, is the centre of distribution of the Republic, all the business, foreign and local, is done through her. All the land owners live there.

So bidding you good night, I'll come again on the price of land, opportunities and so forth. Any one wanting to know of any special thing, I will be glad to tell what I know of it.

A. E. McClain

GEO MCBROOM DEAD.

Mr. George McBroom died at his home Monday night, age 39. Mr. McBroom was in Matador on Wednesday before his death, but while here had an attack of the same trouble that took him from this life. We did not learn the direct cause of his death, but it is said that the trouble worked something like meningitis, this being the second attack for Mr. McBroom, he was unable to overthrow the disease. Mr. McBroom had lived in this country for the last four years, and has lived an up right gentleman all the while. He came from Oklahoma four years ago, while he left many friends, who regreted to see him leave there. Mr. McBroom had been a member of the Odd Fellow's lodge for about three years, and was a member that each and every member of that lodge liked, and had high regards for. He was buried in the Matador Cemetery Tuesday afternoon, by the Odd Fellows, and the services were carried out to perfection. Mr. McBroom leaves a wife and eight children and a host of friends to mourn the loss of the one that God has called away.

HAIL DID DAMAGE.

Northwest of Matador, the hail destroyed the entire crops for the parties named below and possible others, Mr. Griffin, S. N. Robertson, E. B. & T. Kimbell J. D. Mearal. This is a considerable damage, to be done and especially at this time of the year. All parties are planting their crops over.

ATTEMPT MADE TO KILL MADERO IN BANQUET HALL.

Lights Extinguished As He Enters The Room. He Was Rushed Into The Side Street And Hurried Away In An Automobile.

Aguas, Calientas, Mexico, June 6.—And attempt to kill Madero was frustrated last night it is believed that the attempt was made by persons who accompanied him on the train. Upon his arrival here Madero went with the special committee to the Casino Hotel for the banquet which was to be given in his honor. As soon as Madero entered the hall the lights were immediately extinguished, leaving the room in total darkness.

Another committee hurried into the darkened room, with whom was Mrs. Madero. The crowds began to gather and surround both Madero and his wife.

Suspecting a plot Col. Edward Hay seized Madero and rushed with him to a side street and then into an automobile that was waiting at the curb. He was then taken to the special train at the depot. The banquet was abandoned and Madero dined in his private car.



Our Circulation Territory.



A Photo of A. B. Newman.

Mr. A. B. Newman is one of our pioneer settlers of the country was here to help organize the county, Mr. Newman has been a frontier all along down the history of this western country ever since he was large enough to take part in this "wooley west." Mr. Newman is of a pioneer descent his ancestors all being pioneers in Tenn., Ala., and Ark. and all those states. Mr. Newman has been in Old Mexico the past two years but returned some 6 or 8 weeks ago, he went there for his health, he looks to be in fine health since returning from his trip.

Mr. Newman says that he is a firm believer in Motley Co like many others are becoming to be.

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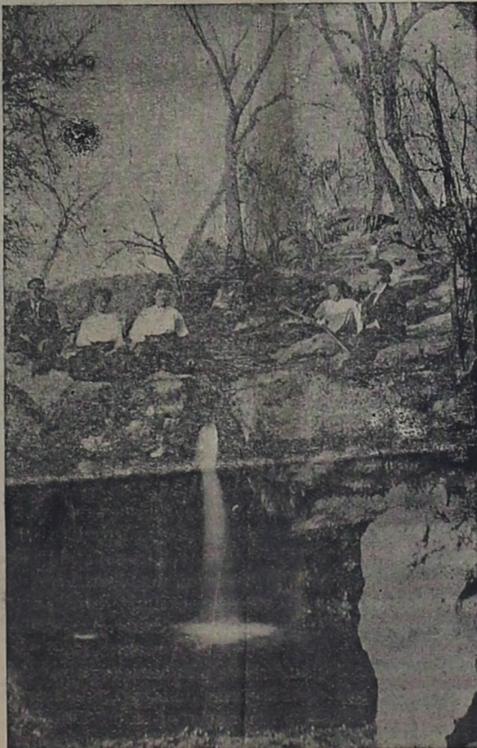
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Roaring Springs, near Matador.

EN CALMLY SMOKE AS BOAT GOES DOWN

New York, June 7.—Details of the sinking of the steamship Taboga off the coast of Panama a fortnight ago have just reached this city. More than a score of the passengers and crew lost their lives. Eighty were saved. The captain, an Englishman named Campbell, who was the last man to leave the ship alive, and the pilot, Matthews, are under arrest in Panama City.

According to statements there were but three life preserves on the boat. As the boat was sinking the second engine, Perivanchi, and a Cuban manufacturer, Gregoire though unable to swim said that they would not crowd the already heavily taxed lifeboats. When there was not a woman or child left on the ship and not another person could be carried in the lifeboats, they calmly lighted cigars and smoked until the ship settled. The body of neither was found.

A herd of steers stampeded from the hold when the vessel struck and smashed a lifeboat which was just being lowered. Nearly every person in the boat was drowned and many as they fell were crushed under the animals. Two passengers however, rode ashore on their backs.

Mr. Hubbard and wife left Thursday morning for Spur, and Weatherford where they will visit Mr. Hubbard's people, and while in that part of the country will go to Mineral Wells to see Mr. W. A. Walton the father of Mrs. Hubbard.

Miss Vashati Cammack, who has been at Belton attending Baylor Female College, returned home Tuesday night.

Mr. T. N. Cammack made the rounds up around Northfield this week, he says that he never saw such fine crops for this time of the year.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lee have a new girl at their home.

Mr. S. G. Hodges, says his crop of cotton is fine it has "squares" on it. How is that for cotton?

Mr. L. H. Hendrix, moved into his new home Thursday.

Misses Lelia Carpenter and Lillie Kennedy spent last Sunday with Mrs. A. D. Beauchamp.

We are all smiles over the box of nice peaches brought to us by Mr. P. A. Cribbs, Thursday evening and right now and here while I can taste the delicious fruit I want to say that they were fine and dont you forget it.

Messenger.

A REWARD

I will pay the first two boys under ten years old, 25 cents each that brings me a Matador Messenger, of May 26. The one that has Judge Campbell's picture on it.

Homer Knowles.

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DIAZ GREETES GUESTS

IN HAVANA HARBOR

Havana, June 3.—The steamship Ypiranga, which sailed from Vera Crnz June 1 bearing into exile Gen. Porfirio Diaz, former President of Mexico, arrived here this evening, anchoring off the customs house.

Visitor Quickly Surrounded

The Ypiranga was quickly surrounded by a great fleet of tugs, launches and harbor boats bearing a throng of prominent Cubans and representatives of the foreign missions desirous of paying their respects to the distinguished visitor. Gen. Diaz, his wife and the members of his party were grouped on the captain's bridge as the ship entered exchanging salutations with those on the flotilla, who, however, were unable to go aboard the Ypiranga until the health and customs officers had completed their inspection.

Declines to Be Interviewed.

The Associated Press correspondent found Gen. Diaz still on the bridge when the visitors went aboard. The former President seemed to be in excellent health. The General's secretary explained that Gen. Diaz was compelled to decline an interview in view of the delicacy of the situation. He added that the former President was in good physical health and that his condition had been much improved by the fine voyage and complete rest. He had decided not to land at Havana.

Remain in Officers' Quarters.

The Diaz party remained in officers' quarters for the most part during the trip, sometimes going to the bridge. The men only descended for a brief promenade on the main deck last evening while the passengers were dining.

Personnel of Visitors.

Among those who boarded the vessel were John B. Jackson, the United States Minister; J. F. Pardoy, Mexican Minister; Senor Goslods, the Presidential secretary, resting Gomez; Chancellor Patterson of the Cuban Foreign Office, other foreign Ministers and representatives of the Cuban Army and Navy and of various Spanish social and commercial organizations. They were accompanied by scores of women bearing bouquets and baskets of flowers.

Darkness Ends Reception.

The former President received the visitors on the bridge, the General being visibly affected by the warmth of his welcome. Darkness cut the reception short and immediately afterwards members of the Diaz party retired to their private apartments.

Health Much Improved.

"All who were admitted to the presence of the General were struck by his vigorous appearance, which was totally at variance with the reports that he was greatly shaken and enfeebled. The former President conversed animatedly with Minister Jackson and the other diplomats, apparently much pleased at the meeting, and expressed regret at the circumstances which made it impossible for him to remain in Havana even for a short stay. The Ypiranga probably will proceed on her voyage tomorrow afternoon,

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DETERMINE FRACTURES BY TICKLING ANKLES.

St. Louis, Mo., June 2—"If you tickle your ankle and your big toe turns up and the others spread outward, your skull is fractured" says Dr. C. G. Chaddock, a member of the visiting staff at the City Hospital who declares he has tried his discovery in 275 cases, and has not failed once.

"If your skull is intact, the tickling of the ankle will cause your toes to turn downward and draw close together.

Thus an exact spot on the ankle is where you want to tickle yourself to see if there's a hole in your head. This spot" Dr. Chaddock says "is half inch above the seam of the foot on the inside portion of the ankle."

Before Dr. Chaddock made his discovery which is startling the medical world, it was the custom to rub the hands over a man's head in effort to discover possible fractures. But when patients are taken into the City Hospital Dr. Chaddock tickles their ankles with a little instrument that resembles a pencil.

The spot on the ankle is closely connected with the brain through a central motor track." Dr. Chaddock says. "This connection is a reflection. But when the skull is fractured the brain is exposed, causing a reflection. Toes drawn upward and spread outward denote reflection, and primarily, the broken skull.

Medical journals have written Dr. Chaddock to send them a detailed report of his discovery. Babinsky was the first to approach the present method. He tickled the sole of the foot but his plan failed in many cases. Gordon compressed the thighs and failed, Oppenheim tickled the back of the calf of the legs and failed it is declared.

The Messenger gives all the local news obtainable read it. \$1. a year.

Flomot Bellings

June 3, 1911.
 Sunday was a grand day for the children of Flomot. Children Day here was a perfect success in every way, although it looked like it was going to rain. The people came until the house was packed, after scripture reading and prayer by our pastor Bro Ross, the choir sang "Become as a child". There were quite a number of recitations all well rendered. The children had been drilled on solo's duettes, motion songs etc; in the afternoon Bro Ross made a very interesting talk on the importance of Sunday school and League work, the people agreed to take up the two works together for one month, and then if there was interest enough in the League work, it would meet in the afternoon. Bro Ross discussed another very important subject and that was the Boy Problem he appealed to the mothers to solve the problem. School closed here yesterday. Morris Kimbell won the medal for making the best grade. A number of our people have had the mumps lately. We heard there was two cases of scarlet fever at Noath Quitaque.

A Subscriber.

A CHARMING WOMAN.

is one who is lovely in face, form mind and temper. But its hard for a woman to be charming without health. A weak, sickly woman will be nervous and irritable. Constipation and kidney poisons show in pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. But Electric Bitters always prove a godsend to women who want health, beauty and friends. They regulate Stomach, Liver and Kidneys, purify the blood; give strong nerves, bright eyes, pure breath, smooth velvety skin, lovely complexion and perfect health. Try them. 50c at the City Drug Store.

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JUNIOR LEAGUE PROGRAM

June 11, 1911.

Subject James and John. Scripture reading, James 5-18 30. Leader—Hugh Pederson.

Tell what you can about the life and occupation of James—John Moore.

Is this John, the beloved disciple Jesus spoke of, and why did he do this?—Stanly Rose.

Tell about John's occupation and where did he live—Arthur Hodges.

How did James come to his death?—Ropus Pederson. Recitation—Olive Moore.

Is James and John any relation to Jesus?—Mae Sandlin. Recitation—Hollis Campbell.

Memory verses from the books of James and John—Alma Johnson, Lora Pederson, Kate Black, Elizabeth Payne.

Mrs. L. F. Davis, Misses Lettie and Myrtle Criswell have gone on a months visit to Big Springs and other places, to see relatives.

Barnie Pipkins was in Matador on business Saturday from east of this place.

C. E. Holiday and family, were in town last Saturday from Whiteflat.

Prof Parson, of Whiteflat was here Saturday attending to business.

SENIOR B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM.

June 11, 1911.

Subject—Giving a convincing Testimony. Leader—Fred Simpson. Scripture reading, 1 Cor. 2:1—5.

The spiritual value of good works—Maud Pipkin. Blameless and harmless—Flora Lambert.

Without vain protestation—Lelia Carpenter. Present application of lesson—Mrs. Pederson.

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Local and Personal

C. C. Wilson returned Wednesday from Sweetwater. He says he has come back to stay, there is no place like Matador.

Misses Bessie and Mildred Morriss made a flying trip to Whiteflat Wednesday.

Joe Wasson has returned from Arizona, where he has been for the last year. His return was quite a surprise to his friends and relatives.

Mrs. Hancock has been real sick but is now improving.

Mrs. L. Criswell of Flomot, was in town shopping Thursday.

Mrs. S. C. Swearingner of Dallas, was in Matador part of this week looking after town property, that she has here. Mrs. Swearingner seems to be delighted with Matador. She made the Messenger office a pleasant call Tuesday evening, and had us send her the Messenger for one year.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Sandlin are the happy parents of a fine 10 pound girl arrived June, 6. Mother and child both doing well.

C. L. Glenn and daughter Miss Amie, returned from Plainview Tuesday evening.

The young people of Matador put on a little Searanading exhibition Tuesday night and reported a nice time.

Miss Bessie Morriss returned home Tuesday from Floydada where she had been visiting for a few days.

H. White son, was brought to town Thursday for treatment we glad to report that he is still improving.

Mrs. M. A. Daniel of Quanah is in Matador visiting H. W. Campbell and family.

You can get your hair switches worked over and made to order by Mrs. M. A. Daniel of Quanah, all work guaranteed to give satisfaction. I am now located H. W. Campbells. —Matador.

G. H. Cass of Dardin Canyon, was in Matador Wednesday on business.

We learned this morning that the daughter of Hon W. A. Walton of Matador was married Wednesday night at 8 o'clock to a gentleman of Plainview, by the name of Hubbert. We join their many friends in wishing for them a happy journey through life to gather.

Mr. J. W. Chalk and family returned Wednesday evening, from Fort Worth where they have been visiting for a few days.

The family of A. B. Burris, our Country Attorney, consisting of wife and one child, arrived in Matador last Saturday evening from Paducah. They are domiciled in the north part of town.

Mrs. Bud Bryant, of Flomot was in Matador trading Thursday.

Dr. Howard left Thursday morning for Whiteflat where he will remain for a few days on business.

J. C. Collett of Dutchman was in town Wednesday.

Joe Harkey of the Matador ranch was in town last Wednesday evening on business.

Mr. Irl Fish's child who was carried to Fort Worth for an operation was buried at the Matador Cemetery Wednesday evening. We join the relatives and many friends in sympathy of the bereaved ones.

Mr. Will Jones of Childress, arrived in Matador Wednesday evening on business.

Mr. W. R. Tilson and family were to town last Saturday.

Prof Murra of Papucah, has been visiting in Matador for the last few days.

Mr. C. L. Glenn, Miss Amie Glenn, Mrs. Moore and Bro. Hicks went to Plainview last Saturday to be at the commencement service Sunday, and also on other business.

Irl Fish was called to Fort Worth on the account of his child being worse Sunday.

Ben Clifton and family of Dutchman visited S. G. Hodges and family Tuesday.

Mrs. Will Wolley of Dutchman was visiting in Matador this week.

Mrs. Raldo Newman, and children were in town last Saturday trading, from Turtle Hole farm.

Mrs. Ruth Moore from south of town was in Matador last Saturday.

F. C. Johnson, McNeal of Childress was in Matador Monday and Monday night. They were on their way to Crosdyton, and while in Matador stopped over to visit a sister-in-law Mrs Johnson.

J. W. Chalk, wife and his son Victor and his wife have all gone to Fort Worth to the Campaign, Rally.

Mr. Q. R. Rusell came in our town Thursday to view the good looking "people" of Matador.

Miss Ada Wilkerson came home Sunday from Belton where she has been attending the Baylor Female College.

The 2, M. and 1, H. Ltd, came in fifteen minutes late on account of rushing business.

Dr. Bachelor and C. C. Tyler leaves today for Spur, Mr Tyler says he is sure to come back to Matador soon. He seems to have a "hankering" for Matador.

Misses Mildred and Bessie Morriss returned Thursday noon from Northfield, where they went on business.

Wednesday was a day for automobiles in Matador, every where you looked, there seemed to be from two to five automobiles spinning around, and "goodness nows" one of them came after a bride.

Mr. W. A. Walton is reported to be getting along pretty well at Mineral Wells, however he seems to think that he is improving. We are glad to hear that Mr. Walton improving instead of growing worse.

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HOMER KNOWLES,

Proprietor and Editor.

Friday, June 9, 1911.

Well Sir: "You know" the other day the Editor and family went home from work and lo and behold there was a great big mess of green beans, on the table. We began to make some inquiries about who brought them, but not before we began to eat them. These beans came from Mr. R. L. Patton's garden, and they were certainly fine. Thanks brother Patton, seldom we have a dish of vegetables that we like better than beans.

A good place to feel the pulse of Civic life is at the public drinking trough. The ebb and flow of animal life as it quenches its thirst at the public fountain gives us an estimate of the wealth, population and prosperity of the community; the character, habits and occupation of its people and the utility, pleasure and hardships of its citizens. There is no better place to study the progress of a community than at the town pump.

An inordinate desire to get something for nothing leads to greed, in business and unless restrained sometimes results in crime, but every property owner in Texas can get something for nothing in a perfectly legitimate way by joining in the crusade for improving and extending our transportation facilities.

Improving public highways adds three times their cost to contiguous lands; building new railroads adds \$64,000 per mile to adjoining property and improving waterways increases property values. Improving public highways and building railroads is the only honest way of getting something for nothing, and the property owners of Texas can get rich by improving and increasing their transportation facilities.

The Commercial Secretaries Association has been conducting an investigation into the number of copies of Texas weekly papers that circulate outside the State. There were 425 papers reporting, and they show an average out-of-State circulation of 12 per cent of the total and in many instances the papers report as high as 60 per cent of their circulation going outside the State. The papers go to every State in the Union, and many of them cross the ocean. Kansas leads all States in subscribing for our weekly papers, and in foreign countries, England and Canada make the best showing. In nations speaking foreign languages, China takes the lead. It can be truly said that the sun never sets on the Texas press.

We have 750 weekly papers in the State and using 12 per cent as the basis of outside circulation, we find approximately 200,000 copies of our weekly papers circulating outside the State. This report does not include weekly papers which our citizens read and send back to their old neighbors in other States to give them the Texas fever, neither is the circulation of daily papers included.

With a quarter of a million of the Texas press singing the praises of Texas in every clime and country, we are able to account for the marvelous influx of men and money moving into our State. There is no more effective way of advertisting Texas than for our citizens to subscribe for the local paper and have it mailed to friends outside the State and no better services can be rendered non-residents than by giving them an opportunity of learning about Texas through the columns of our newspapers.

Care of the Tongue.
Many people who take good care of their teeth neglect their tongues.—Baltimore American.

The farmers have joined hands with the automobile owner in the campaign for good roads for the old horse that formerly frightened at the auto is either dead or too slow, and the farmers are the fellows that now have the cash with which to buy automobiles.

Rural free delivery follows in the wake of improved public highways, and the mail cart in most instances follows the road grader.

The Abilene Chamber of Commerce has just completed the raising of \$11,500 for the erection of a training school for boys in that city. The building is to begin at once and will be ready for occupancy by fall. The building grounds are to be under the care of a board of Directors selected from among the citizens of Abilene, and the building and grounds are to be the property of the citizens of Abilene.

The people of the cotton districts of Texas, are pushing the proposition of building cotton oil mills for the utilization of the raw material and a number of cotton and cotton oil mills have been built in different sections of the State recently.

Cotton is the most useful of staple products, having had less than a century of commercial recognition, but it has rapidly acquired power until today it is the king of products.

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Every village in Texas should have a town pump and every city with water works should have drinking fountains where a stream of pure running water freely dispenses Adam's ale to the thirsty populace. Pure water and plenty of it is a good city builder.

Its Size.
Little Fred was telling his father about a peculiar stone he had found while at play in the back yard. "How big was it?" asked his father. "Oh, about as big as a good sized small apple!" replied Fred.—Chicago News.

The Commercial Secretaries Association has been gathering data on the road bonds issued in the State during 1911, and find that nineteen elections have been held and fourteen carried and five failed to receive the required two thirds votes. In every instance a majority of votes were cast in favor of the bond issue. The law requiring a two thirds vote to authorize issues is operating to deter good roads, advocates in many instances from calling an election. A good Roads' campaign of education but unfortunately the educator in many instances don't care to go up against a two thirds handicap; it is too much education, and the result is few bond elections are called.

The Association estimates that bond elections to the amount of \$10,000,000 would be called immediately in the State, if the majority ruled instead of a two thirds vote and in response to numerous inquiries from Commercial Clubs, the subject was taken up by the Association with Governor Colquitt with a view of having the law amended at the coming special session of the legislature, so that a majority of the votes cast in the election would govern, and the full text of the Governor's reply follows:

"I am most heartily in favor of an amendment to the law which will permit the voting of bonds for good road purposes by a majority vote, but I have written parties that I would not commit myself to submitting this question to the special session of the legislature.

I am exceedingly that the legislature shall first pass the appropriation bill and make it absolutely unnecessary for me to have to call but one special session. If the appropriation bill is promptly passed, I can then submit other matters for consideration.

The Value of Names.
"Was your speech successful?" "Not very," replied the statesman who does not deceive himself. "The only way I could get any great amount of applause was to say 'George Washington' or 'Abraham Lincoln' and then wait."—Washington Star.

A Quick Change.
Nell—It's only a case of platonic friendship between Jack and me, I assure you. Belle—I'm glad to hear that, for Jack has proposed to me. Nell—What! Oh, the horrid, deceitful wretch! Just you wait till I see him.—Boston Transcript.

Willing to Make Sure.
To a London bus conductor who was calling "Hangel and 'Ighgate, Hangel and 'Ighgate!" an old lady several times put the question, "Are you quite sure you go to the Angel?" The man's answer came at last. "Well, mum, it's writ all over the bus, and I've been callin' it out for the last 'arf hour, so I believe we do, but I'll ask a policeman, if you like."—London Telegraph.

The Deepest Wells.
The deepest well in the world is in Germany and is 6,572 feet deep. The deepest well in the United States is near West Elizabeth, Pa. Its bottom is 5,575 feet beneath the surface. A more remarkable well, perhaps, reaching a depth of 3,000 feet, was drilled for petroleum in western China by primitive methods and by means of such crude appliances as a cable made of twisted strands of rattan.

The Madness of Somnambulism.
A curious case of madness is mentioned in Dr. T. S. Clouston's book on "Unsoundness of Mind." "I knew a man," he says, "who, when in the somnambulist condition, mistaking his child, who was sleeping in the cradle, for a wild beast, took up a poker and killed her instantaneously. He was unsound in mind only when asleep."

How to Care For Onion Beds.
Be sure that your onion beds receive plenty of water and with regularity. After the ground has been irrigated till it will not absorb any more wait until the surface soil has dried out somewhat and then give the plants a little surface cultivation, just enough to keep the soil sifted and to prevent any possible caking around the roots. If you are trying to raise onions on a semi-muck soil watch to see that your surface soil does not bake following a heavy rainstorm. Keep it well stirred and free of weeds and you should have a flourishing bed of onions.

Camels Led by Donkey.
Camels form a great feature in eastern life, and strangers are always interested in watching strings of them roped together and led, as they invariably are, by a donkey. The animals—creatures of habit—refuse to proceed unless their diminutive friend is in his place at the head of the procession. Some say that this is because the camels love the smell of the tobacco smoke wafted back to them from the lips of the rider of the donkey, and there may be something in this. A friend of mine was once chased by a camel. He thought the animal had gone mad and lit out at his best racing pace across the plain. Fortunately the driver was able to interpose, and he blew a cloud of tobacco smoke toward the camel, which stopped short and snuffed it up with every appearance of satisfaction. The man explained to my friend that the camel had seen him smoking and only wanted to share in his enjoyment.—Wide World Magazine.

Sample.
"George didn't keep his engagement with me last night," said the girl who was betrothed to him. "I'd give him a piece of my mind," said her mother. "Just a little sample of married life," suggested father.—Cleveland Leader.

OUR FOREIGN NEWSPAPERS

In 1910 almost 1,200 newspapers printed in foreign languages were published in the United States. There are thirty-four French papers, with a circulation of 1,900,000. There are 632 German papers, with an unknown circulation. It is probable that there are several million German readers of such newspapers. There are six Chinese journals, with a circulation of but 10,000. The total circulation of all foreign papers, exclusive of German and French publication, was 3,181,000. Adding the French and German readers to this number, there must be at least 6,000,000 foreigners in this country who subscribe to papers printed in the language of their native lands. This estimate, of course does not include Englishmen, who as a rule, read American newspapers.—American Bulletin.

Abilene is to erect a new building for Simmons College, which is located in that city. The new building is to cost approximately 75,000.

Seeing and Seizing.
"Don't you suppose," said a member of the police force, "that a policeman knows a rogue when he sees him?" "No doubt," was the reply, "but the trouble is that he does not seize a rogue when he knows him."—Christian Register.

How to Make Salad Sandwich.
For salad sandwiches mix chopped celery and mayonnaise with shredded white lettuce and spread on thin slices of bread.

The Dragon Fly.
The dragon fly's appetite is never satisfied, although that amazing insect, with its 50,000 microscopic eyes, eats continuously from daylight until dark, capturing thousands upon thousands of flies and other noxious insects during the day. But the digestive apparatus of the dragon fly is such that all it takes into its long stomach is digested instantly.

Merely Existing.
Many a man who sings "I would not live alway" isn't living anyway.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

A Gentle Hint.
"Madam, is that dog named Rome?" "Certainly not." "Then it ought to be." "Why so?" "Because I notice that boy of yours likes to make it howl."—Baltimore American.

The MESSENGER is not in line For Charitable Donations but on the Other hand gives full value for what we receive. You should take the Messenger. why?

Because it is worth every cent that we charge for it, if it was worth less we would give it away and be done with it. If you want any kind of work done in our line give us a trial. we guarantee our work to give you satisfaction.

MATADOR MESSENGER.

CHURNING HINTS.

Keeping cream on hand too long will cause butter made from it to be "a little off" in flavor, particularly during certain seasons. Butter of the best quality is obtained where the churning is done every other day.

Cream should be kept in a well ventilated cellar or clean room, free from objectionable odor. Be careful to see that there are no decaying vegetables in the same apartment with the cream, for the odor will be absorbed by the cream and from it go into the butter. Never feed ensilage in the stable until after the milking is done, for the milk will absorb the odor of it and transmit it to the butter.

All vessels which are used for milk and butter, the churning vessels, etc., should be well scalded and scoured at all seasons of the year to keep them clean and fresh. If the butter is slow to come, as it generally is in cool weather, keep the cream in a warm room twelve hours before churning. On the other hand, if in warm weather the cream is to warm put it in the churn and set in a vessel in cool water about two or three hours before churning. This is much better than putting so much water in the milk to bring the butter quickly. If you still cling to the old dash churn and it inclines to let the cream spatter upon the floor, pin a paper around the top of the churn letting the sides project high enough to shut in all the splashes.

When packing the butter away scald all the crocks and pails thoroughly, one that has had rancid butter in it can seldom be cleaned sufficiently to keep butter keep well afterward. If it is necessary to use such a crock the best method of sweetening it is to fill it with clay for a short time. This soil has the power to draw out objectionable flavors as nothing else does.

Churning should not be done when cooking onions. If churning is done in any part of the kitchen it is necessary to have the air free from other odors at the time. Be sure that the utensils used in working the butter are thoroughly aired and dried after using each time before being put away.

Dallas, Texas, June - Correspondents as the Texas industrial Congress who are following its instructions in contesting for the \$10,000 cash prizes, for the best yields of corn and cotton, report excellent results from shallow cultivation of their crops and the maintenance of a dust mulch to prevent evaporation of the moisture in the ground. Shallow cultivation every four or five days, keeps down the weeds, saves the fertilizing elements of the soil for the growing crop at the same time keeps the ground from crusting. Many farmers who are practicing these simple but effective methods say their corn and cotton are fresh and green while their neighbors crops are burning up, which emphasizes the fact that the dryer the weather conditions the greater is the necessity for continuous shallow cultivation.

COAL ASHES.

A Reader asks us if it will injure fowls to dust in coal ashes. Most certainly not. Coal ashes are splendid for the poultry and the fowls seem to prefer it to any other kind of dust, but by no means let the fowls dust in wood ashes. The lye from such will make sores on their flesh. If you cannot get coal ashes road dust makes the best substitute.

CARE OF THE FINGERS.

How to Remove Stains and Keep the Nails Smooth

There are various preparations sold by manicures to remove stains under the finger nails. With careful use most of these can be relied upon, but if there is any doubt about a special preparation substitute lemon juice.

As a stain remover it is excellent, and the woman who keeps half a lemon on the stationary washstand where she washes her hands rarely will have to blush for the unsightliness of her nails.

Oxalic acid is also good, but it is injurious to some skins. It should be applied with a bit of cotton on the end of an orange wood stick. In using the lemon the tips of the fingers can be rubbed into a section of it. Later rinse well with clear water.

Stains on the sides of the fingers are quickly removed with a moist pumice stone. This is invaluable to get off the first blotches after preserving, painting or doing any disfiguring work. In cases where the skin under the nails has roughened a little powdered pumice can be moistened with lemon juice and applied with an orange wood stick.

Never scrape away a stain; it roughens both cuticle and nail and becomes a dirt catcher rather than a dirt remover.

Soaking the tips of the fingers in olive oil will help to keep the skin about the nail in good condition.

HOW TO WASH HAIRBRUSHES.

Cold Water and Ammonia Should Be Used, Keeping Backs Dry.

The best of hairbrushes may be ruined by careless washing, and if the bristles are allowed to become soft a hairbrush becomes practically useless for its intended purpose. Many persons cleanse hairbrushes by covering them with wheaten flour and simply rubbing the bristles together. This method, however, is not thoroughly satisfactory.

To keep your brushes in good condition proceed in the following manner: Have two dishes of cold—not hot—water. To the first dish, which contains, say, a quart of water, add a dessertspoonful of ammonia.

Now take your brushes one by one and keep dipping the bristles up and down in the water, being careful not to wet the backs, and in a minute or two the dirt and dust will come out of them as if by magic, leaving them beautifully white. Now dip up and down several times in the second dish containing the clean water to rinse them. Shake well and place to drain across a rack or towel horse.

No soap is needed and no rubbing with the hands. If you adopt this method of cleansing your brushes you will find that they will last three times as long as if cleansed with hot water and soap and that the bristles will preserve their stiffness.

How to Clean a Straw Hat.

To clean a straw hat in the easiest way mix cornmeal to a thick paste with a strong solution of oxalic acid and water. Rub paste well into the straw and let dry, then brush out the meal. Hats which have been sunburned must be bleached with sulphur. Remove the trimmings or hatband and tack hat to the bottom of a wooden tub, barrel or box. Then invert box over a dish containing burning sulphur. Lemon juice and powdered sulphur make an excellent combination for cleaning white straws. Brush the dust from the hat, rub it with a stiff brush dipped in lemon juice, then with sulphur, then once more with lemon juice. Brush it clean, then dry in hot sun. When hats have become grayish and shabby they can be brightened by rubbing over them a flannel sprinkled with a few drops of kerosene.

How to Clean Blankets.

Shave up half a bar of any good laundry soap, add four tablespoonfuls of borax and a little water and melt over the fire. Then add four tablespoonfuls of household ammonia, put in tub and half fill with cold water. Put the blankets in and let them soak for about half an hour. Then rinse in cold water containing four tablespoonfuls of borax and four tablespoonfuls of ammonia. Do not wring. The blankets will be just like new.

How to Clean a Purse.

Any woman who owns a silver purse, either sterling or German, and who constantly pays the jeweler for cleaning it, in order to save gloves and light dresses, will be very glad to know that common baking soda will clean it in a few minutes. That is what most jewelers use. Just take plenty of soda and a little water and wash between the hands or with a brush, rinse and dry—and think of the money saved.

How to Preserve Leather.

Leather furniture, especially when placed near the register, is liable to dry and crack. An excellent method of keeping it from looking old and showing cracks is to go over the leather with a soft rag dipped in olive oil and then going over the whole surface again with a dry rag. It is not necessary to go over the leather more than once in three or four months, just enough to keep it soft.

How to Make Prune Whip.

Soak one-half pound prunes overnight, in morning stew till soft with one-half cup sugar. Rub through sieve heat whites of four eggs to stiff froth and add sifted prunes, beating well together. Heap upon a platter and bake in a slow oven for fifteen minutes, allowing it to brown. Serve when cold with custard sauce.

S. C. BATES & CO.

More New Goods at S. C. Bates & Co.

We are getting in NEW GOODS every week. A new line of slippers just received. Also 70 dozen pairs of work and dress shoes are being received.

You just ought to see our line of "Kant-Rip" overalls, work-pants and jumpers.

We carry a general line of DRY-GOODS. If we should happen to be out of what you want, place your order with us and we will give it our close attention. Call and see us.

S. C. Bates & CO.

CONCRETE LAMPPOSTS BOTH ARTISTIC AND DURABLE

Attractive Ones on the "Belfry Style" Are Used in Riverside, Cal.

We are gradually breaking away from tradition in the design of utilitarian objects, even lampposts being considered worthy of artistic treatment. An interesting example is the simple yet attractive concrete posts, "belfry style," used in Riverside, Cal. They carry three electric bulbs, are sur-



CONCRETE LAMPPOST.

mounted by a double cross, and the whole device is worthy of the "city beautiful" in which they stand.

The Franciscan fathers, who founded the southern California missions, made use of the design from which this street ornament is adapted.

The lamppost has been in use for quite awhile, and still it looks as good as new.

THEY.

Why don't they keep the streets a little cleaner? You ask with keen annoyance not undue.

Why don't they keep the parks a little greener?

Did you ever stop to think that "they" means you?

How long will they permit this graft and stealing?

Why don't they see that courts are clean and true?

Why will they wink at crooked public dealing?

Did you ever stop to think that "they" means you?

HOME TRADE ALWAYS BEST.

Schemes of the Catalogue Houses Only Hoodwink the Buyer.

How much of the money which is sent away to catalogue houses ever returns to the community from which it is sent? How much of the money spent with the home merchant goes to build up other places? Who helps pay the taxes, build roads and bridges, erect churches and schools, fosters and encourages public improvements, buys farm produce, carries names of the needy on the debit side of the books the year around and is willing and eager at all times to assist them by credit or money, if they may need it?

Is it the catalogue house or the local merchant? The local merchant.

Then why not give him the opportunity to figure on that "cash order" perhaps you are about to buy? He can fill it, freight included, as cheaply as, and in some instances much less than, the catalogue fellows will charge.

Stand up for home trade. Dollars sent away for goods never return, but help build up the large cities and big catalogue houses which are not only trying to squeeze the life out of the country towns, but are selling goods not one cent cheaper than local dealers from whom the people expect credit whenever they need it.

AN EXPERT TO HELP US.

Playground Association of America Appoints Man to Aid Towns.

Rowland Haynes, a playground expert, has been appointed by the Playground Association of America to give his entire time to visiting cities and towns and helping to work out recreation problems. In addition to practical experience in recreation work, Mr. Haynes has taught in the University of Minnesota and in the University of Chicago. It is expected that most of his time will be given to New York, Ohio and Pennsylvania.

Visits to Utica, Oswego, Watertown and other cities are already arranged.

An Up to Date Missouri Town.

In addition to owning its electric light and water plant and a railroad seven miles long, the little town of Rockport, Mo., with a population of 1,500, took another progressive step recently when it voted \$8,000 in bonds to buy a city park. The new park is to include thirty acres. It will be the largest of any small town in Missouri.

Salt Water For Dust Problem.

Salt water for sprinkling streets has been found to be a good cure for the dust nuisance.

THE BEST CHARITY.

The best way to extend charity to persons who are in need is to give the work. Don't give any able bodied man a penny or a mouthful unless he works for it. By this the man retains his self-respect, and the profession of the tramp is not encouraged. If a man needs help and is able to work and you are tempted to give him something, don't you do it. But instead give him work. Odd jobs can always be found, and set him to these. We do not advise refusing to relieve hunger, but we do advise that it be done in a manner that will not breed dependence in men. If every one would do this all over the land, this country would soon cease to be the paradise for tramps that it has been.

IDLENESS OF CRIME

The sooner children are brought to understand that idleness is a crime, and that no amount of fine culture can make them pass for valuable in the world's eye if they are unable to earn a livelihood, and so must become "hangers on" for others to support, the better for them. That daughter who helps her mother cook and scrub, is far more worthy than she only paints and plays, and obliges her overworked father to pay a servant that she may not soil her dainty hands.

DOORS LEFT OPEN; \$24 IN CASH MISSING

Woman Unwittingly Invites Burglar In Effort to Escape Heat Purse Gone.

Driven by the intense heat to throw every door in her house wide open Thursday night, Mrs. Nannie C. Dogden, who conducts a boarding house at 600 Pecan street, unwittingly invited the operations of a burglar and her daughter, Miss Bessie Dodgen, a toll operator of the Southwestern telephone exchange, is the loser of \$24 as the result.

The front door was left open and it is believed by the city detectives that the burglar entered this way, because a screen door in the rear of the house was found fastened this morning as it had been Thursday night.

The money stolen from Miss Dodgen's room was in a small coin bag inside of a hand bag. The hand bag was found on a dresser in the back hall and the little coin purse had been taken with the money.

TEXAN, UNDER ARREST IN MISSOURI, WEDS.

Springfield, Mo., June 2.—Although he is held by the police in connection with a murder case, Joseph N. Beaman of Corpus Christi, Texas, last night married Mrs. Blanche Thompkins of Iola Kan. Beaman says he can prove that he was in Iola when the murder, which was committed in Birdstown, Ill., took place.

Mrs. Beaman arranged the details of the wedding and met Beaman at a justice court where he had been taken from the jail by a deputy sheriff.

QUAIL PLYMOUTH ROCKS.

Another new branch of the Plymouth Rock family is the Quail Plymouth, which the originator claims is superior to the original branch. The marketing are very much like those of a quail, hence the name. We have always claimed that there are already enough good and useful breeds to satisfy any fancier, and poultrymen would do well to keep this in mind and select from those which have stood the test and let those who originate new breeds keep them for their own pleasure.

Gems In Verse

BED.
A PLACE where nature finds repose,
 Where man forgets both friends
 and foes,
 Where slumber dries the eyes that
 weep
 In the sweet mysteries of sleep.
 No one would change a bed of down
 Or even straw for kingly crown.
 Sleep closes tight the gates of care.
 The poor man finds his palace there.

Unconsciously while there it seems
 We woo the deity of dreams
 And wander far while taking rest
 To the "fair islands of the blest."

'Tis there the iron of anguish yields
 And fancy leads through flowery fields.
 Its pillows those of sweet content,
 Forgetfulness with rest is blest.

There loosened are the captive's chains.
 The slave his freedom there regains,
 And ever since the world began
 A friend to every friendless man—

A harbor where we anchor cast,
 Unmindful of grief's fiercest blast,
 Where lost is sense of fear and dread
 In sweet unconsciousness in bed.
 —Brooklyn Eagle.

REMEMBERING.
FAR hence in the infinite silence
 How we shall learn and forget,
 Know and be known and remember
 Only the name of regret!

SOWN in that ample quiet,
 We shall break sheath and climb,
 Seeds of a single desire,
 In the heart of the apple time.

WE shall grow wise as the flowers
 And know what the bluebirds sing
 When the hands of the grasses unravel
 The wind in the hollows of spring.

AND out of the breathless summer
 The aspen leaves will stir
 At your low sweet laugh to remember
 The imperfect things we were.
 —Bliss Carman.

SONG.

April, April,
 Laugh thy girlish laughter
 Then, the moment after,
 Weep thy girlish tears,
 April, that mine ears
 Like a lover greetest,
 If I tell thee, sweetest,
 All my hopes and fears,
 April, April,
 Laugh thy golden laughter,
 But the moment after
 Weep thy golden tears!
 —William Watson.

KEEP YOUR POWDER DRY.

WE may preach of peace and
 honor,
 Landing virtue to the sky,
 Yet we know that war is
 coming

And must keep our powder dry,
 For the greed of foreign nations
 May invade this glorious land,
 When heroic fighting soldiers
 Shall be then in chief command.

Then cunning cashier commerce
 Will soon vanish to the rear
 And yell for quick protection
 To brace up its golden fear,
 When the battleships and cannon,
 With brave warriors in their might,
 Are the only sure salvation
 That is anywhere in sight.

The monarchies of Europe
 And those of Asia, too,
 Still hate with secret hatred
 The old red and white and blue.
 But with the new republics
 In this western hemisphere
 Our soldiers and our sailors
 Shall defy all threat and fear.

The only way to keep the peace
 Among all nations day and night
 Is to be ready hour by hour
 To march to battlefields and fight.
 And more than all in peace or war,
 No matter who may live or die,
 The soldier is our hope and pride
 And ever keeps his powder dry.
 —John A. Joyce.

THE CANYON'S CHARM.

I WANDERED down a canyon road.
 On either side the holly grew
 A bay tree sent its fragrance there
 As I the canyon ventured through.

SWEET woodland odors greeted me
 Above I saw the azure sky
 About me were the green brown hills
 That guard the mountain stream so high

I STOOPED and plucked a scarlet flower
 That grew beside the vagrant stream
 And marveled at the shining depths
 Where tiny mountain trout are seen.

BUT still I wandered down the road,
 Enchanted by the canyon wild,
 I turned and watched the mountain tops
 That lay behind me, mile on mile

AND while I watched the shadow
 changed
 From cobalt into darkest gray,
 And nighttime came with darker hours
 And stole away the radiant day
 —Nettie Florence Daniels.

SUNSET.

Of all his ruin'd panoply, alone
 Of all the plumed pomp his quiver
 chose,
 Falls on the fields now dark'ning
 one by one
 A shaft of amethyst, a shaft of
 rose.

Alone, his thrall, the unforgettable
 sea
 Flings up afresh her evening
 frankincense,
 Lifts to him dead a louder litany,
 Echoes the knell of his omnipotence.
 —Sandys Watson.

HER PORTRAIT.

STANDING straight limbed in garb of
 purest white,
 Whose folds caress her form in
 touches light,
 Her fingers, supple, slim, are loose
 ly laced,
 Her gown but slightly girdled at the
 waist,

Revealing the firm swell of rounded hips.
 The painter falters at her perfect lips,
 Where joy and sadness blend so subtly
 sweet.

Her chin a symphony of grace, complete,
 Her nose reticulate (I must tell the truth)—
 One blemish on the wonder of her youth!
 A brow of samite; hair which baffles me
 Where lights and shadows dance in witch
 ery,
 And eyes which ever mutely call my soul
 To struggle upward to that shining goal!
 —Edwin Carille Litsey.



**WHAT DO YOU
 THINK**

When I tell you I have what you want?

Remember I have every thing in the way of Shirts,
 Ties and Straw hats.

Clothes Made to Measure, I Guarantee a Fit, Press-
 ing, Cleaning and alteration a Specialty,

Call and see me

A. WATSON.



Gems In Verse

A CHANGE ON THE RANGE.
SURE one big change has hit this
 range
 Since the summer of sixty-nine.
 When I blew west in hopeful quest
 Of a lallapalooza mine,
 Which, I regret, the same as yet
 Has eluded my efforts fine.

I weren't no hand at washing sand
 Nor at swinging a single jack,
 The mining game was much too tame
 For a lad like your Uncle Mack.
 I pulled my freight at a rapid gait
 And burned up the homeward track.

But I digress, which I confess
 Is a falling I sometimes own.
 I'll start again for to explain
 Of how modern the range has grown
 Since I punched steers for Wild Bill Speers
 And his buddy, Old Ute Malone.

We thought it right to pick a fight
 And your enemy punctuate
 With slugs of lead till he fell dead,
 But that custom is out of date,
 For now they go a little slow—
 It's the fashion to arbitrate.

In them old days we couldn't raise
 On a section of sagebrush land
 No crop but cows, which same would
 browse
 On the cactus which thrived on sand.
 The grub we had, I'll simply add,
 Was the kind that's mostly canned.

Now see the crops, from spuds to hops,
 That are raised in this arid state.
 There ain't no rain, but pipe the grain,
 Since we learned to irrigate.
 The record made with ditch and spade
 Is a marvel to contemplate.

In frontier days we sang the praise
 Of the skate with the ten mile gait,
 But he's passay, The motor shay
 Sent the broncho to hauling freight,
 And now I hear about next year
 All the ranchers will aviate.

We hesitate to punctuate
 With a six gun the foe we hate.
 We arbitrate and irrigate.
 Soon we punchers will aviate,
 Sure one big change has hit this range
 Since I served my novitiate.
 —Clarence Milton Smith.

PREDESTINED.

I know not if since worlds began
 Our souls were destined each to
 each,
 I only know I cannot span
 Our love with speech.

I know not if some lesser light
 I followed would have led to love,
 Sure only for earth's darkest night
 Thou art enough.

I know not if through ages hence
 God holds for me a greater bliss,
 I ask alone this recompense—
 Thy love, thy kiss.
 —Town Topics.

THE CHEERFUL LOSER.

LET others cheer the winning man,
 There's one I hold worth while,
 'Tis he who does the best he can,
 Then loses with a smile.

BEATEN he is, but not to stay
 Down with the rank and file,
 That man will win some day
 Who loses with a smile.

EACH loss but gives him keener vim,
 To whine is not his style,
 Not long will fortune frown on him
 Who loses with a smile.
 —Arthur W. Beer in Nautilus.

THE WANDERLUST.

I FEEL it pulsing through my veins,
 An impulse that no thought can
 stay,
 To turn from hills to level plains,
 From plains to hills to idly stray.
 O'er river tide, o'er desert sand,
 O'er ocean breast, o'er flowery land,
 Through valleys deep, o'er mountains
 grand,
 I fain would speed away.

I hear it singing in my ears,
 A song that is not idly hushed,
 Grand as the music of the spheres,
 Though dreams prove vain and hopes
 are crushed,
 Wounding me on where trees are green
 To sandy beach, to icebergs sheen,
 Vital, insistent, though unseen,
 The deathless wanderlust.
 —L. M. Thornton in New Age.

RAINFALL.

HOW lullingly 'the football of the rain
 Steals through the rustling grasses.
 With a sweet tearfulness of peace, not
 pain,
 She passes,
 Drawing the mold and herbage to express
 In perfect fragraney their thankfulness.

OH, dearest, let us sit here hand in hand
 Beneath the leaves a-quiver,
 Drinking the blessed breathings of the
 land
 And river,
 Watching the placid drops that kiss and
 die
 Upon the lilted stream that lingers by

MY spirit hath been parched with want
 and doubt,
 But now the rain is stealing
 Their sorrow from the solitudes of drought
 With healing,
 Lo, the sweet rain that slowly glides and
 drips
 Hath won response of kisses from thy lips.
 —Chicago Tribune.

"SINCE CLEOPATRA DIED."
SINCE Cleopatra died! Long years
 are past,
 In Antony's fancy, since the deed
 was done,
 Love counts its epochs not from
 sun to sun.
 But by the heart throbs, Mercilessly fast
 Time has swept onward since she looked
 her last
 On life, a queen. For him the sands have
 run
 Whole ages through their glass, and kings
 have won
 And lost their empires o'er earth's surface
 vast
 Since Cleopatra died, Ah, love and pain!
 Make their own measure of all things
 that be!
 No clock's slow ticking marks their death-
 less strain.
 The life they own is not the life we see,
 Love's single moment is eternity—
 Eternity, a thought in Shakespeare's brain,
 —Thomas Wentworth Higginson.

THE END OF THE TRAIL.

No more to my feet the trail;
 No more to my hand the rein;
 No more—ah, never again
 The sun and the wind and free—
 The far stars over me!
 As the wilderness called I went,
 Now deep and solemn and low
 A mightier calls, and I go.
 —Sharlot M. Hall.

FLOYDADA N AN APPOINTED

Austin, Tex., May 20.—Gov. Colquitt today announced the appointment of A. L. Love of Floydada as state tax commissioner to succeed L. T. Dashiell. Mr. Love will assume office about the first of June and Mr. Dashiell will hold until after the intangible tax hearings are ended and the values are fixed for the several Texas railroad by the state tax board.

Mr. Love, the new tax commissioner, was formerly a member of the legislature from Ellis county. Like A. B. Martin of Tulsa, who declined the appointment, he was also a very prominent applicant for a place upon the Amarillo court of civil appeals but the governor could not see fit to name him upon the court. However, he will be rewarded with a \$2,500 position and one of the best appointments that Governor Colquitt has at his disposal.

CROWDING CHICKS.

Want of space and ventilation is the source of more disease and consequent loss among young chicks than any other single cause. Whether the chicks be brooded by hen or in brooders they should have ample room and plenty of fresh, pure air. A box for brooding should be at least three feet square and the brooders should be proportionately large. Crowding of chicks will cause them to get hot and they will be sure to get cold when morning comes.

WHICH ARE YOU?

We all know the man, the mere grib of whose hand puts new life and strength into us, and the woman whose brave, merry smile—amidst disappointment and trouble—makes us ashamed to despair and give up. And why should we not embrace them? It is surely better to be like a bright, cheerful fire, at which our friends can warm and revive their drooping hearts, than like the proverbial wet blanket, which can effectually put out the flame of love and hope.

Her Scheme.

Maud—It's singular Ethel is so coy.
 Jack—Not at all; her object is to decoy.—Boston Transcript.

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"Who gave ye th' black eye, Jim?
 'Nobody give it t me. I had t do it fer it."—Life.

The use of tobacco was prohibited in any form in Massachusetts in the year 1640.

THE WEST.

To the west, to the west to hear
 the wind roar,

I long to be there forever more,
 Where I can hear the coyote howl
 And the distant sound of the old
 hoot owl.

Back to the west in thoughts I go
 Where I can hear the battle low,
 I long to be in that peaceful
 retreat,
 Where life's journey seems so
 sweet.

The land of sunshine so rich and
 free,
 Nothing like it from sea to sea,
 I have roamed far and near,
 But the west I hold most dear.
 In the land of good people I long
 to be.

They have always been so kind
 to me,
 A people that's kind and true,
 Who've extended the glad hand
 to not a few.

You may talk of the East,
 But in the west I find happiness
 and peace.

Nothing like it this side of
 Heaven,

Is a country so precious given,
 Land of sunshine and fresh air,
 Land of hope and not despair,
 No chills or malaria there we
 find,
 No pesky mosquitoes to trouble
 your mind.

I long to see the prairie dogs, as
 they feed on the grass so green
 A more beautiful sight can never
 be seen,
 To feel the western breeze blow,
 As they scatter sweet fragrance
 to and fro.

Towards the setting sun we gaze,
 As its beautiful golden rays,
 And with fond anticipations my
 thoughts do roam,
 As I long to be their, in that
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EGG-EATING HENS.

A Reader asks us what causes the hens to eat eggs. Confinement and want of exercise will usually cause the trouble, such hens usually get too fat and lay soft-shell eggs. This is the most vicious habit that hens can acquire except, perhaps, that of feather pulling, and it is difficult to break the habit of the hens unless the conditions are entirely changed. A run at large and more exercise will usually break them, but if it is not possible to give them a run give them some exercise and some ground bone and green food. Feed only little, except what they work for, and let that be in the evening, so that they will stay hungry all day, and be ready to work. Give oyster shell and fresh water and set the nest in a dark place so that it is so dark the hens cannot see the eggs, and keep only china nests with eggs in them. These can be bought very cheaply at any supply store.

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MANY IN SURRECTOS IN ARMS.

According to figures compiled by Robles Dominguez, there are at present 45,000 men under arms, who can be counted upon to work for the reestablishment of peace under the new liberal regime.

The forces of the insurrecto leaders, Asunsolo and Zapata, who have made Cuernavaca their base of operation, and who for a time were regarded as a possible source or discord, numbering 8000 men, are now said to be in full sympathy with the government.

In Guerrero General Figueroa has 9,000 and in Hidalgo Gen. Hernandez has 4000.

As an indication of the relations which have been established with the leaders in the south, a commission from Cuernavaca, composed of Gen. Alfonso Miranda, Col. Eufemio Zapata, brother of Gen. Emilio Zapata, and representatives of Figueroa and Asunsolo arrived in the capital consult about the disbanding of their army.

SINGING CONVENTION

Motley County Singing convention will convene with the Whiteflat Singing class at Whiteflat on the fourth Saturday and Sunday in June same being the 24, 25. I urge all Singing Classes to elect Delegates and have them on the ground Saturday as important Business will be transacted. All come and help praise God in song.

W. R. Tilson, President.

The Messenger gives all the local news obtainable read it. \$1. a year.

PACIFICATION OF MEXICO IS RAPID.

Mexico City, Mexico, June 1—Pacification of the country, notwithstanding outbreaks here and there, is progressing to the satisfaction of the new authorities. President de la Bara regards the outlook as surpassing his most sanguine expectations.

If he had doubts respecting the willingness of the scattered insurrecto bands to abide by the peace made at Juarez, they appear to have been dispelled by reassuring telegrams which have reached the capital from all parts of the country.

From Yucatan, Campeche Chiapas, Tepic and other points messages have been received by Robles Dominguez, Madero's representative, and by him transmitted to the chief executive declaring the intention of various chiefs to respect the order of the revolutionary leaders.

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THE POULTRY YARD

These are gala days for lice Fight them strong and hard.

Kerosene will do deadly work. Pour it in every crack and crevice. Don't spare it.

Watch the grit box. The hens are doing so. Don't let them catch you napping and the box empty.

Allow the cool air to enter the houses at night by taking out the windows, but do not forget to have inch-mesh wire meeting astenel to throoping to keep out the enemies.

Watch the condition of the young chickens. If they are moping, look for lice, especially the large gray louse found on the head of the chick. A drop of sweet oil will soon end his career.

From June Farm Journal.

WINS FIGHT FOR LIFE.

It was a long and bloody battle for life that was waged by James B. Marshon, of Newark, N. J., of which he writes: "I had lost much blood from lung hemorrhages, and was very weak and rundown. For eight months I was unable to work. Death seemed close on my heels, when I began, three weeks ago, to use Dr. King's New Discovery. But it has helped me greatly. It is doing all that you claim." For weak, sore lungs, obstinate coughs, stubborn colds, hoarseness, la gripp, asthma, hay-fever or any throat or lung trouble its supreme. 50c & \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by the City Drug Store.

FLOWERS FOR EACH MONTH.

How to Have Blossoms Continually Out of Doors.

Flowers grown out of doors by the amateur may be enjoyed every month in the year, during the heat and drought of July as well as the cold and snow of January. The Christmas rose, for instance, frequently puts forth blossoms while the plant is covered with snow. The first sunny days bring out the snowdrop and scylla. Then follow the crocus, daffodil, hyacinth and tulip. Thereafter come the lilac and the whole series of annuals or plants raised from seed and making their cycle during one season.

Herewith is a list of plants which may be grown from seeds, bulbs or cuttings and which will give bloom the whole year through:

March—Sella, chonodoxa, crocus, snowdrop, hepatica.

April—Anemone, daffodil, jonquil, crown imperial, tulip, hyacinth, English primrose, bluebell, violet, poppy mallow, golden bell, daphne, flowering peach, shadbush.

May—Star of Bethlehem, poet's narcissus, German iris, bleeding heart, pansies, late tulips, aquilegia, garden hellebore, cornflower, lily of the valley, bachelor's button, cowslip, early peony, English daisy, callopsis, lilac, deutzia, golden chain, sweet bay, akela, Chinese wistaria, Japanese clematis.

June—English iris, lilies, hardy larkspur, Canterbury bells, foxglove, Siberian columbine, achillea, dictamnus, yucca, galliardia, late peony, sweet william, Japanese pinks, ageratum, shirley poppy, sweet pea, candytuft, petunia, snapdragon, wiegella, roses, honeysuckle, chestnut.

July—Canada lily, gladiolus, begonia, dahlia, hollyhock, thalictum, platycodon sunflower, golden glow, early cosmos, sweet alyssum, nicotiana, stocks, lobelia, poppies, galliardia, balsam, verbena, smoke tree, buttonbush, Douglas spirea, Japanese lilac, crimson rambler, nasturtium.

August—Lilies, asters, gypsophilla, goldenrod, yarrow, cardinal flower, coxsa, nasturtium, maurandia, cypress vine, hydrangea, kudzu vine, thunbergia.

September—Japanese anemone, autumn crocus, canna, acanite, asters, giant daisy, cosmos, witch hazel, barberry, sunflower.

October—Marigold, early pompon chrysanthemums, tea rose, perennial larkspur, Himalayan aster, sweet alyssum, cosmos.

November—Hardy chrysanthemums, marigold.

December—Christmas rose, winter acanite.

January and February—Winter acanite, California violet, Christmas rose.

How to Shoot a Revolver.

Forgetting all about what you thought was right or what you've seen somebody do or what somebody told you about pistol shooting, poise yourself with all your muscles at ease, right side toward some fixed point on the wall before you, right foot about twice its length from the left and pointing a little to the left of a line drawn from you to the mark on the wall, left hand on the hip, right arm fully extended. This does not mean with the crowbar rigidity of the drowning man grasping the straw nor yet that senseless crook often affected by the inexperienced revolver shot. Merely extend the arm at full length, as though pointing out some interesting object to a friend. See that no muscles are strained and that you are at ease. Take a deep breath and let it go. A couple of them help to steady you down. Now take a half breath and hold it. This is your shooting position and the shooting position of practically every expert revolver shot in the country. The "south paws" are, of course, reversed so far as the arm that is extended is concerned.—Outing.

How to Mix Whitewash.

At this season, when so much whitewashing is done, the following rule for preparing the wash, which is used by a large factory out west, may be found useful. Have ready one barrel of unslaked lime and add, while slaking it, three pounds of glue and three pounds of suet, tallow, lard or bacon cut in small pieces. The heat of the slacking will dissolve the fat, which acts like an oil. Add also a pound of alum and six pounds of salt. Half a pound of borax can be added later. Bluing may be added when the whitewash is used, allowing about one tablespoonful to a pailful. The whitewash should be prepared three or four weeks before using, as it improves with age, unlike most mixtures of the kind. Stir it every day up to the time of using. It has been used on outbuildings and wears well.

How to Clean Chamolais Gloves.

To wash chamolais gloves and keep them soft, first put the gloves on the hands, using lukewarm water and pure soap. Wash in this lather until the gloves are thoroughly cleansed, then rinse in clear water of the same temperature, but before taking off the gloves cover them again with a lather of the soap. Allow them to dry in the shape. The soap prevents them from becoming stiff and brittle.

How to Clean Marble.

For whitening boards or cleaning marble take a half pound each of soda, powdered chalk and powdered pumice stone, stir together in a small quantity of water and then add half a pound of soft soap. Mix it as a paste and apply with a scrubbing brush.

How to Drive Out Wasps.

If chloride of lime is sprinkled in the corners and on window sills in attic the wasps will disappear. Then have the windows well screened.

MAN IS SLASHED DRAGGED FROM BED

Hutchinson, Kan., June 1—Charging "horsewhipping," C. F. Walter, a farmer near Partridge swore out complaints in the attorney's office here today, which led to warrants being issued for George Young, C. P. Smith, Albert Hood, Joseph Thompson, and Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson, wife of the latter. All are accused of assault and with disturbing the peace of the complainant. The defendants are farmers of the vicinity of Partridge and neighbors of Walters.

Walters is a married man. He declared to the county attorney that last night several men came to his house, routed him from his bed, forcibly seized him, bouned him and hauled him five miles to the farm of Joe Thompson. There he was held by the men while Mrs. Thompson whipped him with a blacksnake whip, giving him a sound lashing, he says.

He then was tied, his hands being bound and his legs tightly wrapped with rope, and hauled six miles to the township line and warned to stay away from the community. Every effort is being made by those accused to keep it hushed up. The men in the party of "White caps" were masked, it is said and all are under solemn oath to keep secret the proceedings. "I don't want to discuss the matter," said Joseph Thompson when asked about it today by the telephone.

"But when a man insults and slanders a woman sometimes he gets what is coming to him in this way."

This was the only statement the husband would make. Albert Hood was asked about it, but declared that he could say nothing about the matter. Mr. Thompson stated that he would come to Hutchinson this afternoon prepared to defend himself in any legal action that might be brought. The country around Partridge is much excited over the affair.

TRAGEDY CAUSES PANIC

Fort Smith, Ark., May 31.—E. R. Goodwin, a building contractor of this city, threw himself in front of a St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern passenger train which was backing into Fort Smith from Van Buren today and was killed. The tragedy caused a panic among the passengers, which resulted in injury to four of them when they jumped from the moving train. The train porter's cries started a stampede among the passengers. None was seriously hurt.

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County court convenes on the 3rd Mondays in January, April, July and October.
W. T. Patton, Co. Judge.
W. A. Walton, Co. Clerk.
Andrew B. Burris, Co. Attorney.
J. E. Russell, Sheriff.
H. L. White, Assessor.
Jesse Hodges, Treasurer.
B. F. Moore, Surveyor.

Commissioners court convenes on 2d Mondays in February, May, August and November.
J. L. Moore, Com. Prect. No. 1.
W. R. Tilson, " " " 2.
Claud Jefferies, " " " 3.
T. N. Dodson, " " " 4.

LODGES

Matador Lodge, A. F. & A. M., No. 824, meets Saturday night on or before full moon in each month.
Jack Luckett, W. M.
A. T. Swepston, Sec'y.

Eastern Star Lodge No. 66, meets on Saturday evening before regular Masonic meeting night.
Mrs. R. A. Haley, W. M.
Miss Mollie Burleson, Sec'y.

Matador Lodge No. 495, I. O. O. F., meets 1st and 3rd Saturday night in each month.
J. D. Morriss, N. G.
P. A. Sandlin, Sec'y.

Matador Rebekah Lodge No. 2, I. O. O. F., meets 1st Saturday evening and 3rd Tuesday night in each month.
Mrs. Belle Hodges, N. G.
Mrs. Pearl Warren, Sec'y.

W. O. W. Camp meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday night in each month.
Joe H. Campbell, C. C.
R. C. McMillian, Sec'y.

Motley County Farmers Union meets at Matador on Tuesday before the 2nd Sunday of the 1st month in each quarter.
W. R. Tilson, Pres.

Matador Local Union meets 2nd and 4th Saturdays in each month.
J. V. Pogue, Pres.
R. L. Patton, Sec'y.

CHURCHES.

Methodist—Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m., and 7 p. m.
D. B. Doak, Pastor.

Sunday school every Sunday at 10 a. m.
Carroll Thompson, Supt.
Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Baptist—Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. every Sunday.
Rev. J. R. Hicks, Pastor.

Prayer meeting every Thursday evening at 7:30.

Ladies Aid Society meets every Wednesday afternoon at 3:30.
Sunday school at 10:00 a. m.
C. L. Glenn, Supt.

Business meeting each 4th Sunday at 3:30 p. m.

WHITEFLAT DIRECTORY.

Sunday school every Sunday at 10 a. m.
W. R. Tilson, Supt.

Prayer meeting every Sunday night.
Baptist preaching services every 1st Sunday at 11 a. m.
G. I. Britain, Pastor.

Methodist preaching services second Sunday in each month.
D. C. Rose, Pastor.

Local Farmers Union meets 2nd and 4th Saturday nights in each month.
B. F. Johnson, Pres.
Robert Amick, Sec'y.

W. O. W. meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday nights in each month.
W. R. Tilson, C. C.
W. L. McWilliams, Sec.

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THE LAND OF PUZZLEDOM.

No. 1349.—Word Puzzle. I am composed of seven letters. I contain a ruler, a dry covering, a crime, a relative, an embrace, a bone, a drink, is seen in the heavens. My whole removes a covering in the fall of the year.

No. 1350.—Anagram. They searched the heavens day and night For planets, suns and comets bright; For Vulcan, Rigel, Nekkar, Mars. Their gaze e'er centered ON MORE STARS.

No. 1351.—Battlefields of the Revolution.

1. Three-sevenths of a dictionary, a suffix and a heavyweight.
2. A beast and inclosures for beasts.
3. A bin and an elevation.
4. Colorless and wide expanses of country.
5. Three-fourths of a monk and a feature of the face.
6. One-half of the Empire State and not a city.
7. Land between mountains and iron works.
8. Hard, unrelenting and to indicate.
9. A son of royalty and two thousand pounds.
10. A girl's name and a Roman garment.
11. The negative side and a string.
12. To desire earnestly and surrounded by water.
13. A native of Germany and a village.
14. An ardent spirit and made from grapes.
15. Two-thirds of a ditch and the style.

No. 1352.—Charades.

I. My first you seek when traveling far. But second good for soldiers are. My third in every face you see. My fourth you say in scorn or glee; My whole all things will soon increase. In vain we pray that it will cease.

II. My last is my first, and my first is my last. Find one end of both you are sure. If my whole you should catch and try to hold fast. Many ills you might have to endure.

III. My third is larger made of wood Than when it's made of clay, And it's an animal quite small That's seldom seen by day.

IV. My one two lent to flattery An all too willing ear And so went supple to bed. The cause e'en now sounds queer.

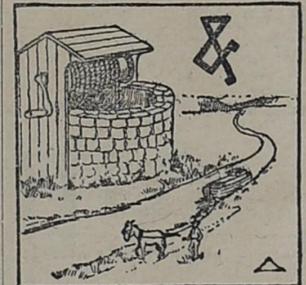
High up in air we see my whole, So light and yet so strong. So perilous the trial seems That breathless stares the throng.

V. If a cruel dwarf should capture you and put you in my last (He couldn't do it really for the days of dwarfs are past). And if he brought you food to eat and drink to quench your thirst I'm just as sure as can be you would ask him for my first. For in all the tales of dwarfland, whether sad or whether droll, To satisfy an appetite it always takes my whole. —Youth's Companion.

No. 1353.—Cities in Anagram.

1. A hip held a lip.
2. A cane storm.
3. We ran so, Len.
4. I can scan for S.
5. I wake, mule.
6. Thin gas now.
7. O, list us!

No. 1354.—Pictured Words.



What noted waterway?

- No. 1355.—Diamond.
1. In lackey.
 2. The queen of the fairies.
 3. The root of a Mexican plant.
 4. A Latin word meaning substance.
 5. The ancient name for Scotland.
 6. An English title.
 7. Languishes.
 8. A small island.
 9. In lackey.

No. 1356.—Hidden Birds. The path through the meadow leads to the mill. Joseph asked, "Are all arks built alike?" The poor tenant sighed, "How rents have advanced!" Oh, awkward boy, you have torn your clothes. One wondered how they dared to rob in daylight.

Key to Puzzledom.

- No. 1342.—Charades: 1. Portmanteau.
2. Manuscript.
No. 1343.—Reheadings: Coat, oat, black, lack, skate, Kate, twin, win.
No. 1344.—Riddle: Fork
No. 1345.—Enigma: Hook.
No. 1346.—Primal Acrostic: Costume. Crosswords: Crow, oven, stem, tune, urns, meal, evil.
No. 1347.—Illustrated Central Acrostic: Magenta. 1. Mermaid. 2. Carnival. 3. Trigger. 4. Copecks. 5. Spindle. 6. Fifteen. 7. Pyramid.
No. 1348.—Riddles: 1. Bark (vessel, of dog, of tree). Pare, pair, pear. Rain, reign, rein. 2. A pair of shoes. 3. Five—IV—V—II. 4. Unite, untie.

The Texas Commercial Secretaries and Business Men's Association has compiled information showing the number of persons from other States making inquiry about Texas through that organization, and finds that during the past, six months more than 500 letters have been received from parties desiring to locate in this State. Of this number perhaps the largest amount come from the Middle Atlantic States, Illinois heading the list in the amount of inquiries sent in the Association.

The large gain in population during the past decade is due largely to the activity of Commercial organizations in encouraging immigration from other States. It is estimated by the Commercial Secretaries that we have a net gain in population of nine persons per hour or 78,266 per annum.

SWAT THE FLY

Swat the fly!
Spot the fly!
Let not the fly!
Get by!

Whack the fly!
Crack the fly!
Attack the fly,
Or die!

The dirty rascal plants his feet On filth, and then on what you eat; He cake-walks through a garbage can, And lights at once on a frying pan; He gathers poison on his toes, And leaves it on the babies' noses. He's on the friendliest of terms. With all the death dealing germs. One dirty, nasty little fly, Can spoil a whole days milk supply,

Pesky, buzzing, mean galoot Exists but to befoul, pollute: He isn't very hard to please— He's happy if he spreads disease. Make friends, if you wish, of a rabid dog, A rattlesnake or a slimy hog; But everytime you see a fly Biff him squarely in the eye.

Drat the fly!
Swat the fly!
Flomot, Texas.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., June 3.—While working in a kitchen of Ryan Brothers, at Plymouth, Charles Dilg, a cook, found an egg which bore the name of Miss Bertha Garrett, of Huntsville, Madison country, Ark. This egg brought him the acquaintance of the young woman, her love and now a legacy of \$3,000 at her death.

Although he had written her only a half dozen letters, and had not even heard her voice, she decided on her death bed that Dilg should be remembered, and attorneys for the estate are now busy arranging to carry out her requests.

Upon finding the egg five years ago Dilg went to his boarding house. He sat down at once to write the girl of his discovery. A short time later he was delighted and surprised to receive a letter from the girl, in which she said she was the daughter of a wealthy hardware merchant at Huntsville. Her letter said she had a girl friend whose father was in the poultry business, and while there she conceived the idea of writing her name and address on the egg.

This was five years ago, and in the mean time Dilg had forgotten his experience until it was recalled by the announcement of the girl's death and of his inheritance.

EDUCATION WORTH WHILE.

"Parents are conscientious and energetic in looking after Tom's teeth and eyes, and Mary's hair, tonsils and nasal passages, but seem utterly unconscious that men's rickets and curvature of soul are far more deforming than crooked teeth and adenoids," says the Haverhill (Mass) Ca-

ette. "If these children were protected from a vicious environment and educated into habits of a pure, clean, sensible life, there would need be much less anxiety concerning crooked teeth and nasal passages. What education needs to make itself worth while is a conflict with the vulgarizing influence outside the home and the school room.

The Demagogue

The passing of the demagogue has marked an important epoch in the progress of Texas. Like the desperado and the cowboy he has had a thrilling and exciting career and like them he has been compelled to give away to the trend of civilization.

He was the product of the times and the harder the times the more perfect the product. A Prince Albert coat, a slouch hat and a strong pair of lungs and he was ready for the hustings to warn the people against the approach of capital. He thrived best upon strife and dissension and his principal occupation was in shrewdly arraying class against class and then leading the stronger against the weaker force. With star defying audacity he would publicly attack the character of a prosperous industry and argue its destruction with all the logic and sincerity of a Pilgrim father pleading for the burning of a witch. He was a mixture of ignorance and genius, and would hunt out prosperous corporations and make their success a springboard on which he could bound into the spotlight by denouncing capital as sapping the life blood of the people and then proceed to argue hypothetically the cause of the down-trodden masses with the earnestness of a starving lawyer pleading his first case. He was a patriot for applause and a politician for revenue and he sought the goal of his desire with the intuition of a gifted criminal and he would track his prey with the instinct of a hungry beast. But he is gone and may his shadow never again darken the threshold of Texas.

Good Roads

A farm with bad roads is worse off than a farm with bad water. It is hard to understand how a farmer, otherwise enterprising, should be backward in building roads. Travel through some of our rural districts and you will find farmers with blooded stock, land highly cultivated and premises well kept and with public highways that bog up an empty wagon six months in the year. Build roads and keep up with the procession.

Back to the Soil

There is too much money going for the luxuries of city life and not enough for country improvements.

The cry of "back to the soil" should apply to money as well as to men. It takes the coin of the realm to improve farms, build public highways and make farm life profitable and attractive.

The Worst of It.

"I'm sorry you have got to leave Eden and go to work simply because I gave you the rest of that apple," said contrite Eve.

"Never mind," answered Adam. "The ultimate consumer always gets the worst of it."—Washington Star.

Good Arrangement.

"Say, Mrs. Jackson, ma wants to know why you don't come around and do her washin'."

"Yo' tell yo' ma dat my ole man's in jail now an' I don't hab to wuk so hard like I did befo'."—New York Journal.

Musical Glasses.

Richard Pockrich, an Irishman, was the inventor of musical glasses—ordinary drinking glasses tuned by selection and played by passing wet fingers over the brim. He showed his invention first in Dublin and took it to London about 1750.

Her Coaxing Way.

"I have a very effective way of leading you to a new gown."
"How do you work it?"
"I begin by talking to my husband about a trip to Europe. Eventually he is glad to compromise."—Washington Herald.

A Conservative Pointer.

Rev. Mr. Gude—The question is, brethren, how we shall send salvation to the Fiji islanders.
Deacon Tightwadde—Though I am not intimately familiar with the present case, I would suggest that we send it collect.—Puck.

Poor Johnny.

Nervous Mother—Mary, find out what Johnny is doing and tell him to stop it. Mary—He's asleep, mum.

He Had Money.

"That fellow Jawley is a broker, isn't he?" "Yes." "Has he got any money?" "Yes; he's got mine."—Life.

Not Guilty.

"Could you give up drinking for my sake?" "I'm not drinking for your sake."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Gems In Verse

OLD FAVORITES.
RAIN ON THE ROOF.
WHEN the humid shadows hover Over all the starry spheres And the melancholy darkness Gently weeps in rainy tears What a bliss to press the pillow Of a cottage chambered bed And to listen to the patter Of the soft rain overhead!

Every tinkle on the shingles Has an echo in the heart, And a thousand dreamy fancies Into busy being start, And a thousand recollections Weave their air threads into woe As I listen to the patter Of the soft rain upon the roof.

Now in memory comes my mother, As she used in years ago, To regard the darling dreamers Ere she left them till the dawn. So I see her leaning o'er me As I list to this refrain Which is played upon the shingles By the patter of the rain.

Then my little seraph sister With the wings and waving hair And her star eyed cherub brother— A serene, angelic pair— Glide around my wakeful pillow, With their praise or mild reproof, As I listen to the murmur Of the soft rain on the roof.

And another comes to thrill me With her eyes' delicious blue, And I mind not, musing on her, That her heart was all untrue. I remember but to love her With a passion kin to pain, And my heart's quick pulses vibrate To the patter of the rain.

Art hath naught of tone or cadence That can work with such a spell In the soul's mysterious fountains, Whence the tears of rapture well, As that melody of nature, That subdued, subdued strain Which is played upon the shingles By the patter of the rain. —Coates Kinney.

CARVING A NAME.
I WROTE my name upon the sand And trusted it would stand for aye, But soon, alas, the reflux sea Had washed my feeble lines away!

I CARVED my name upon the wood And after years returned again. I missed the shadow of the tree That stretched of old upon the plain.

TO solid marble next my name I gave as a perpetual trust. An earthquake rent it to its base, And now it lays o'erlaid with dust.

ALL these have failed. In wiser mood I turn and ask myself, "What then?" If I would have my name endure I'll write it on the hearts of men.

IN characters of living light, Of kindly deeds and actions wrought, And these, beyond the touch of time, Shall live immortal as my thought. —Horatio Alger.

HYMN TO FORCE.
Down through the ether I hurl con- stellations. Up through their earth bed I wake the carnations. I laugh in the flame as I kindle and fan it. I crawl in the worm, I leap in the planet. Forth from its cradle I pilot the river. In lightning and earthquake I flash and quiver. I am the monarch uniting all matter. The atoms I gather; the atoms I scatter. I always am present, yet nothing can bind me. Like thought evanescent, they lose me who find me. —Pushkin.

CONSCIOUSNESS.
THOU whose face hath felt the winter's wind, Whose eye has seen the snow clouds hung in mist And the black elm tops 'mong the freezing stars,

To thee the spring will be in harvest time O thou whose only book has been the light Of supreme darkness which thou feddest on

Night after night when Phoebus was away. To thee the spring shall be a triple morn Oh, fret not after knowledge! I have none, And yet my song comes native with the warmth.

Oh, fret not after knowledge! I have none, And yet the evening listens. He who sadsens At thought of idleness cannot be idle. And he's awake who thinks himself asleep. —John Keats.

TELEPATHY.
AND how could you dream of meet- ing? Nay, how can you ask me, sweet? All day my pulse has been beating The time of your coming feet.

AND as nearer and ever nearer I felt the throbs of your tread To be in the world grew dearer, And my blood ran rosier red.

LOVE called, and I could not linger, As but sought the forbidden tryst, As music follows the finger Of the dreaming titanist.

AND, though you had said it and said it— "We must not be happy today"— Was I not wiser to credit The fire in my feet than your nay? —James Russell Lowell.

THE OBLATION.
Ask nothing more of me, sweet. All I can give you I give. Heart of my heart, were it more More should be laid at your feet, Love that should help you to live, Song that should spur you to soar.

All things were nothing to give Once to have sense of you more, Touch you and taste of you, sweet. Think you and breathe you and live, Swept of your wings as they soar, Trod by the chance of your feet.

I that have love and no more Give you but love of you, sweet. He that hath more, let him give. He that hath wings, let him soar. Mine is the heart at your feet, Here, that must love you to live. —Algernon Charles Swinburne.

BAD STREETS A MENACE TO LIVES

Question of Improving Them Is Country Wide.

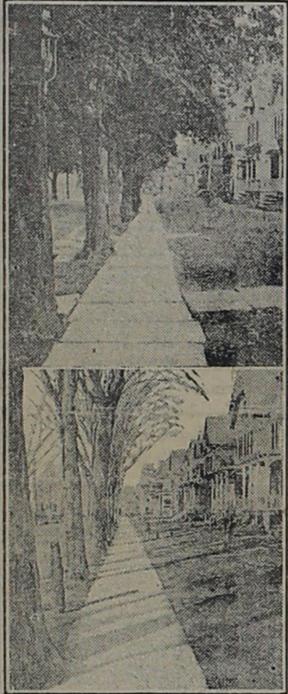
GOOD SIDEWALKS NEEDED.

Two Men Killed Recently in Passaic, N. J., on Account of Ruts on Thoroughfares—Mud and Water Pools Also Harm Community.

The matter of improving the streets and sidewalks is a problem which every town has always with it, like the poor. No city, town or village has such good sidewalks and streets as to be past the point of improving them. In most places whose citizens boast loudly of the excellence of their street conditions it is quite possible to find some thoroughfares which are neglected woefully.

There is a tendency on the part of officials in almost every city or town to improve certain streets as show places, neglecting others. While, of course, the thoroughfares which are used the most should be kept in the best condition, there is no adequate reason why side streets should be totally neglected.

Sometimes a little foresight in the matter of street improvement will save not only property, but human life. Streets which are rutted by



STREET BEFORE AND AFTER IMPROVEMENT.

wheels after a heavy rain should be surfaced with solid material that will not be subject to ruts by heavy traffic.

Recently two men were killed in Passaic, N. J., on account of the poor condition of the streets. A fireman and a member of the board of education lost their lives when the fire engine was wrecked. The machine was traveling twenty miles an hour when it struck a deep rut. It wobbled and as a rear wheel caved in swung half-way around, crashing into an iron trolley pole.

Recently a Philadelphia jury made the following report about the condition of streets:

"We recommend that immediate steps be taken to repair the streets, especially those most generally used. Their present condition makes traveling in vehicles of all kinds unsafe as well as uncomfortable in addition to casting discredit upon the city."

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 We can make the world a little better each day we live in it if we only work at it.  
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"RUSHING THE CAN."

How Edison Park, Chicago, Gets Rid of Her Tinware.

Edison Park, Chicago, Ill.—modest, retiring and always discreet—shocked all her sister parks on the northwest side by "rushing the can." Park Ridge, Irving Park, Jefferson Park, the very nearest neighbors, simply sat back and gaped at the mere vulgar suggestion.

But when they saw how Edison Park was "rushing the cans"—rushing them out of town into the desolate places of the Des Plaines river—they sat back in their chairs and clapped their hands gleefully.

Good Water Our Greatest Need.

It needs no apology to say that one of the greatest needs of any community is a supply of good water—not merely a supply of water, but water that is clean and attractive for drinking and personal use; water that is not only free from the germs of disease, but is beyond the danger of such germs being present; water that is "pure and wholesome," as the courts say, and for which freedom from pollution is a first requisite.

THE BELL BUOY.

Clang! Clang! Clang! Clang!
 The surf is high,
 No help is nigh,
 Tempest swells the sea.

In lurid skies
 The seagull cries,
 And the mariner seeks a lee.

In caverns deep
 The lost ones sleep
 While mermaids chant their doom.

Through the narrow way,
 Safe home in the bay,
 Sails the ship mid deepening gloom.
 Clang! Clang! Clang! Clang!
 —Walter Kerr.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF DEFEAT.

I HAVE lain in the dust with the vanquished
 When my banner went down in despair,
 And I thought in my woe that I never might know
 The day of success, oh, how fair!

AND yet when the sun on the morrow
 Shone forth with its comforting light,
 With a new kindled zeal and a heart
 Brave and loyal
 I went forth again to the fight!

THE world cannot judge me my motive,
 Nor love me if thus I have failed,
 But, behold, there's an eye that can see
 How I try
 And knows that I never have quailed.

AND I think of that glorious heaven
 And of him who sits on its throne,
 Who will chide not at all if we rise or we fall
 So long as right purpose is shown.

NOT for aye shall I pine in the shadow
 Nor sulk in the gloom of defeat,
 For the promise is sure to the hearts that endure.
 All the more is the victory sweet.
 —Douglas Dobbins.

THE WAY OF THE WORLD.

IT'S all in the way that you look at the world:
 It's all in the way that you do things
 With laughter or sorrow your lips
 May be curled,
 But it's all in the way that you view things.

Yes, it's all in the way that you journey along
 That makes life a plague or a pleasure,
 The mind is the fountain of waiting or song,
 And man is the judge of the measure.

It's all in the way that you look at your woe
 And not in the woe that is sent you
 You may bear it with courage and smile
 As you go
 Or frown and let it discontent you,
 For care is a creature that's born of the mind.

And gloom is a cloud we can scatter,
 The thorn of the rose if we seek we can find,
 But the thorn of the rose doesn't matter

We can make our own sunshine and
 Make our own mirth;
 We can add to our trouble by moping;
 We can make a grim graveyard of this
 Glad old earth.

By giving up loving and hoping,
 For it's all in the way that we look at the world.
 Yes, it's all in the way that we view things:

With sorrow or laughter our lips may be curled,
 For it's all in the way that we do things.
 —Detroit Free Press.

FEAR.

THERE is a sound I would not hear,
 Although it music's self might be,
 Lest in my breast a crystal sphere
 Might break, might burst for melody.

THERE is a face I would not see,
 Though like the springtime it were fair,
 Lest love that was a barren tree
 Should burst in bloom—should blossoms bear.
 —Langdon Elwin Mitchell.

US CITIZENS.

We villagers upon life's stage
 Permit the stars
 To seek the limelight and engage
 In wordy wars.

The while the hero hands out thrills
 We keep our place
 And merely figure on the bills
 As populace.

Few plaudits do we ever win,
 I greatly fear
 We only are important in
 A census year.
 —Selected.

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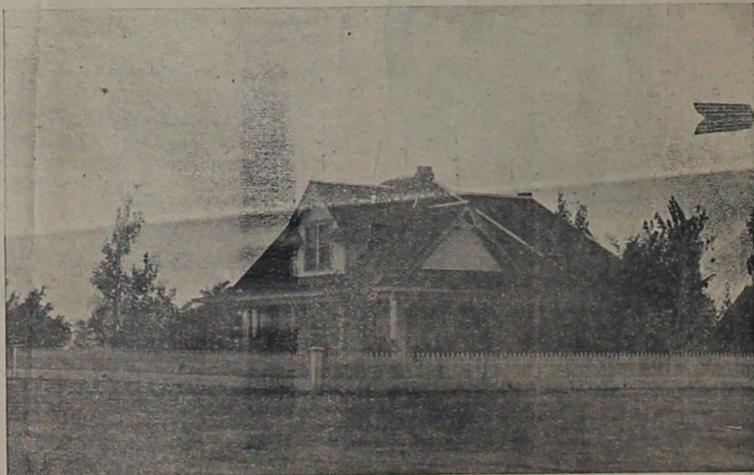
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