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DEAD LAND, Feb. 7, 1883.

MR. EDITOR:—We have been wondering for some time if the children have become like our community—dead. Wake up, little folks, and write us some good letters, telling us about your cats, dogs, birds, and your sleigh rides, and help the editor fill up his paper, for we get almost lonesome sometimes for the want of something to read. I am going to ask the little folks some questions. What would you buy, if you had fifty dollars, and could spend it as you pleased? What do you expect to do to make a living, when you get to be men and women? What kind of work do you like to do best? Spell mouse-trap with three letters.

Yours truly,

JUDY MILKEYE.

LECOMPTON, Feb. 5, 1883.

DEAR EDITOR:—This will be my second letter I write to Mr. Editor. I am in the tenth year and my sisters Minnie and Lizzie are in their thirteenth year. My brother Henry and my brother Herman went to Lawrence to-day. They took two loads of corn down to-day and Friday they took six hogs down to Lawrence. I like my teacher. Her name is Miss Lucy Oliver. My teacher has twelve scholars.

Yours truly,

LENA KESTING.

January 26.—I will tell you all I can. There are seven of us going to school and four stay at home—Herman and Henry, and pa and ma. And six of us read in the second reader. I like my teacher. Her name is Miss Lucy Oliver. Teacher's brother took the whole school a sleigh-ride, and two of them got lost—Theodore Lutzenand and Clarrington Kiechen. I am tired.

LENA KESTING.

I will tell you all I can. This is my third letter. I go to school. I read in the second reader. I am nine years old. Three of us go to school besides me. One of my sisters goes to Lecompton to school. I got three sleigh-rides home, when it was cold. I guess I better close.

Yours truly,

MARY CUMMINGS.

January 23.—I will tell you all I can. I have six brothers and two sisters. Seven of us go to school and two stay at home. Six of us read in the second reader and one in the first. I read in the second reader, study arithmetic and speller. It is very cold and a big snow. We could not go to school last week for I was so cold. We have the same teacher we had last year. Her name is Miss Lucy Oliver. I will close.

Yours truly,

MINNIE KESTING.

This is my first letter I will write to Mr. Editor. I don't expect he can read it, but I will do my best. I will tell him about our little kittens. First, we had five little kittens and three of them died and two of them are living, and the old mother. We have the same teacher we had last year. Her name is Miss Lucy Oliver. I will close.

Yours truly,

SUEKAS KESTING.

LECOMPTON, Feb. 6, 1883.

DEAR EDITOR:—I will tell you all I can. I have reading and spelling and arithmetic and writing and catechism at school. It is cold, these last three days. I have twenty head marks. We sing at school. My teacher's name is Miss Lucy Oliver. Well, I guess this is all I can tell about our school. Well, I will tell you about stock. We have thirteen cows; we have nine calves; we have nine horses and two little colts. One colt is a bay and the other colt is a roan, with a white star in her face, and one white leg. The bay colt has a white face. We have two little calves. They are both red. Well, this is all I can tell you about our stock. I better close. Good-bye.

Yours truly,

MARY CUMMINGS.

It is more profitable to look up our defects than to boast of our attainments.

Love can excuse anything except meanness; but meanness kills love and cripples all natural affection.

Edmund Yates, the English writer, says that the only rival to English womanhood is American womanhood.

FARM TALK.

Estimates fix the cotton crop of this country last season at an aggregate of 6,700,000 bales.

Prairie hay was recently selling for \$12 per ton at Bismarck, Dakota, and wheat for 85 cents per bushel.

Good horses for business purposes, sound, and weighing from 1,100 to 1,200 pounds each, command from \$140 to \$175 each in Denver.

An English company will plant five thousand acres of alfalfa in the coming spring on their to-be model farm twenty miles from Denver.

An Oregon sheep raiser claims that sheep raised in that state are about 20 per cent. heavier than those raised in either California, Nevada or Colorado.

The Canada Pacific railroad company have given notice that they will carry wheat and fuel at the rate of 1 cent per ton per mile—a pointer for American Pacifics.

A fourteen-year old boy in Sumter county, Alabama, made three bales of cotton, eighty bushels of corn and one hundred bushels of potatoes last season without assistance.

Don't over-feed your milch cows by giving them too much corn meal and grains, the danger being in caked bags or the loss of teats, particularly with cows that have recently calved.

It is estimated that the number of hogs, beavers, veals, muttons and lambs killed annually in the United States for food purposes amounts to about 50,000,000 head, and that their aggregate weight would be about 4,480,000 tons.

Fowls are fond of pepper at any time, particularly the red, or Cayenne pepper; and now that the weather is cold, care should be taken to give them small quantities at frequent intervals. It acts as a tonic and improves their general condition.

The number of hogs over six months old in Kansas, in 1882, as reported by state officers who had gathered the information, was 1,228,583. This was slightly less than in 1880, the number for that year being 1,281,640. The number in 1870 was 206,586, and in 1875, 292,658.

Farmers should remember that their boots and shoes may be rendered water-proof by applying copal varnish to the soles until the leather will not absorb any more. The cost is trifling and keeping the feet dry particularly in cold, wet weather is of the utmost importance.

It has been discovered by a long series of experiments made by the director of agriculture at Copenhagen, Denmark, that those varieties of potatoes which rooted deepest, burying their tubers best; were most free from the potato disease. The spores, or seeds of the fungus which cause the disease are conveyed through the atmosphere, and if the earth covers the tuber sufficiently, it will be a protection. The spores can then only reach the roots by being washed down by rain.

In building barns, particularly in the colder climates where it is possible to do so, they ought to be so arranged that the horses, cattle, sheep and hogs would occupy the basement or ground floor, while the upper part is used for the storage of grain, hay, provender, etc. Besides being warmer for the animals, a considerable saving is effected in the quantity of food that they will

require; and time is saved in the convenient way in which their food may be supplied to them from above.

Many valuable horses are lost by allowing them to drink freely directly after they have eaten, or after having been driven hard. This should never be done. If a horse is cool give him all the water he will drink before feeding him, but not after feeding until the lapse of two or three hours, by which time the food will have been digested. If the horse is heated from hard driving bathe his mouth and nostrils with water, but do not give him any to drink until he has cooled off.

Nothing is more discouraging than to set an orchard, cultivate it for a term of years, and find when it comes into bearing that the sorts are not true to name. It trees are to be set in the spring it is best to select the varieties now, order early, and only of nursery-men who are noted for their honesty. It may cost a few dollars more per hundred to get the best sorts of the best men, but it pays a larger interest on the additional investment. Any mistake made in the setting of an orchard is hard to remedy, and is one that may be felt for a lifetime. Other things being equal, it is best to buy as near home as possible, as there will be less change of conditions, climate, soil, etc., and not so much danger in transportation of the trees.

A little later in the season there will be much hurry to do the pressing work, and any labor like that of selecting the needed seed for spring sowing and planting, should not be delayed. It is important that only the best seed be sown, and to this end much attention should be given. A great many weeds are unintentionally sown with the various field and garden seeds. The number of weed seeds sometimes sold with that of clover is very large. In this way eastern weeds have been introduced into western states. It is not an easy matter to detect some of the weed seeds, and therefore the farmer should buy where he feels certain that only pure seed is sold. The seed should be of the best varieties, plump and sound, and free from "foul stuff." Let every farmer now see that such seed is at hand when seed time comes.

THE BATTLE BEFORE US.

One by one the fetters fall. First, those which bind the body; then those which bind the mind and in binding the mind bind both the body and the mind.

As the race ascends into the scale of life, fetters become more comprehensive; that is, as the man enlarges there is more of him to be held in bonds, and bonds become more unbearable.

African slavery was the bond age of the physical man; it was the bondage of the lesser half of the man. Alcohol enslaves the mind and through the mind the entire individual.

By the law of compensation blood has always been made to atone for blood. Physical wrong has been punished by physical suffering. Southern slavery found atonement in war. This was horrible, but it was direct and summary; it was also simple and swift. It was on cruder ground and reached by a coarser remedy than any we can apply in the correction of a moral wrong. Nevertheless the battle then fought was a small affair compared with the battle to be fought on this continent by Prohibitionists. This battle is to be fought by intellect, skill and moral strength—rare qualities at

any time; particularly rare now when the race is sick, when half of it is delicious from the effect of the alcoholic poison which has been working the ruin of the mental faculties so long.

So far in the history of the race no question has arisen of such immense and vital importance as this which has now come up for solution. It has entered as a wedge into existing political conditions, and already the massive timber of the old parties begins to crack with foreboding dissolution. Our worst enemies acknowledge that our party has become a huge stumbling block in the way of their nefarious schemes. It bristles all over with interrogatories that will not be answered, that even the attempt to answer will prove the death of the old parties.

Our situation is peculiar; moreover, it is splendid; it inspires enthusiasm. Let us exult; we have the right to exult, for "Babylon, the city of harlots, is fallen;" the center and stronghold of crime is smitten to its destruction, and presently the gilded palaces of sin will be turned into schools of industry where our children will be fitted for a higher life than is now possible to them. The prohibition question is at this time the key to the gate of the New Era. Not a soul can enter upon that hallowed ground until this question is adjusted. We are nearing the close of the century. God calls upon the race as upon one man to leave the vile garments of the past age in entering upon the new one. The vilest of all the passing century's degraded rage, and not only the vilest but the largest and widest spread, covering the people like a tattered and miasmatic cloud, is the use of alcohol. The new era of which we speak and dream continually will be deferred for thousands of years if this horror continues to hold us that long. The new era is the advancement of the race to a higher plane, and how can such plane be reached if the race does not advance?

Workers in the field, and still more workers are needed. It never happened before outside the christian churches that an organization of people numbered as many individual workers as the prohibition organization, and yet the call is for still more workers. Let the boys and girls of earnest parents be developed into the orators of the future by educating them on this subject. Let every man, woman and child speak words of cheer and exhortation now. Let us roll up an army "so great that no man may number it," and let it work with the unanimity of one man. And let us never forget that "the battle is to the strong," and that "the kingdom of heaven is taken by force."—ex.

The Bad and Worthless
are never imitated or counterfeited. This is especially true of a family medicine, and it is positive proof that the remedy imitated is of the highest value. As soon as it had been tested and proved by the whole world that Hop Bitters was the purest, best, and most valuable family medicine on earth, many imitations sprung up and began to steal the notices in which the press and people of the country had expressed the merits of H. B., and in every way trying to induce suffering invalids to use their stuff instead, expecting to make money on the credit and good name of H. B. Many others started nostrums put up in similar style to H. B., with variously devised names in which the word "Hop" or "Hops" were used in a way to induce people to believe they were the same as Hop Bitters. All such pretended remedies or cures, no matter what their style or name is, and especially those with the word "Hop" or "Hops" in their name, are imitations or counterfeits. Beware of them. Touch none of them. Use nothing but genuine Hop Bitters, with a bunch or cluster of green hops on the white label. Trust nothing else. Druggists and dealers are warned against dealing in imitations or counterfeits.

Ingersoll's Eloquence Matched by a Catholic Priest.

No one who has ever heard Ingersoll lecture will deny that he is a rare orator. His word-painting is wonderful, his eloquence entrancing. Thus far in his crusade against Christianity this skeptic has appeared in the eyes of his followers a giant against pigmies. He has encountered an adversary, however, seemingly in every way his equal, even in his own peculiarities of rhetoric, to judge from the following extract from a sermon delivered on last Sunday, on the occasion of the dedication of the Church of the Annunciation at Kansas City, Mo., by Rev. David S. Phelan, well known as the editor of the Western Watchman. Having asserted that "the idea of the soul and the faith in its immortality must have come down from above, as earth could not have taught it, nor could death have inspired," the reverend father said:

"If there is no hereafter, then life is one long debauch, and the highest education is to know how to find and how best to enjoy pleasure. If there is no hereafter, virtue is a deceit and heroism is a lie. See that young man bleeding from a hundred wounds. He died in defense of a sister's honor. If there is no hereafter, that noblest of deeds will go forever unrewarded. See that young sister in the hospital bending over a victim of the plague; to-morrow she will succumb, and a rapid ride and a hasty sepulture will reward her devotion. If there is no hereafter her charity met a sorry requital. See that man holding an affrightened child at the window of a burning building. He holds it long enough for a sturdy companion to grasp it from below, and then he falls back into the fiery tomb. If there is no hereafter such a sacrifice is heartless and unmeaning cruelty. See that troop of soldiers marching by to the beating of the drum. Their country has called, and they go to defend her honor on the battle-field. They follow that flag into the thickest of the fight, and when the bugle sounds the retreat few return from the carnage. Those brave soldiers died with their face to the foe, and a smile was stamped on their features in death. If there is no hereafter, their heroism was suicide and their courage a mockery of fate. Early life is closed in death; the grave terminates all consort and association with things of time; but wafted above their bier the wreck, the tomb, float the sweet voice of God, saying: 'I am the life.'"
—[Philadelphia Record.]

Speaking of the work of the grange, thus far, the Maine farmer says: "It has forced other labor organizations to recognize in it the greatest factor in the solution of the labor question, and taught the people that organization must be met with organization. It forced legislation against excessive railroad charges, and caused even Congress itself to pause and inquire into many of the abuses complained of. More than this, it has awakened the horny-handed tiller of the soil and had them study their own profession more and better; also questions of political economy. And add to these the fact that it has taken our women and ade them, in the gauge, at least, the equal of men, and taught them much that has aided them in making homes more pleasant, and lightened their cares and their burdens, and given to farm life more pleasure, more enjoyment, and more social culture."

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Since the sunflower has become fashionable, people have taken to cultivating it. As they want some other excuse than estheticism therefor, they will no doubt be pleased to learn something of the practical utility of the flower. The blossoms will feed the bees, and its seeds are the most excellent food for poultry in winter, on account of the oil they contain, while the leaves are said to make good fodder if dried in the sun, cut up fine and mixed with bran, for milch cows. In England large quantities of sunflowers are raised solely for the purpose of feeding stock and hens.

In Russia the sunflower is extensively cultivated for the oil the seeds contain. The oil is palatable, clear and flavorless, and it is used for adulterating oil, being exported from St. Petersburg to the shores of the Mediterranean Sea. Next to poppy seed oil, sunflower oil burns the clearest and longest, so that the peasants apply it to household purposes. From the stalks of the plants they also make a good quality of potash, and the residue of the seeds, after the oil is extracted, is made into oil cake for feeding the stock. Sheep, pigs, rabbits and all sorts of poultry will also fatten rapidly upon the oil cake, and will eat the seeds with as good a relish, as they eat corn.

The sunflower will grow anywhere, and it is an excellent plant to absorb bad air and prevent malarial disease. It should, therefore, be planted about pig pens, barn yards and hen roosts, and serve a double purpose. The seeds should be planted twelve inches apart and when ten or twelve inches high earth them up like corn hills, and they will ask no further attention at your hands. Each plant will produce at the lowest estimate one thousand seeds. The center flower often produces that amount, and the lateral flowers several hundred. Six pounds of seed will plant an acre, and it can be planted after the crop of early potatoes has been harvested.

The oil extracted from the seeds is most excellent for making the nicest kind of toilet soap, and if the stalks are treated like flax they will produce a silky, fine fiber, which, it is said, the Chinese use to adulterate their silk manufactures. They raise large quantities of sunflowers, and with them quantities of the double varieties. The stalks can also be used in manufacturing paper. In New Mexico and some other sections of the Western country the sunflower grows indigenous to the soil, and thousands of square miles are covered with a luxuriant growth of what is, it appears, a really valuable stalk.

Sleeping With Serpents.

Professor Bell, the Smithsonian Institution's agent, shipped his last collection of snakes to the North two weeks ago, and already has his museum full again. It is surprising how rapidly they become domesticated under his treatment. During the recent cold snap some of them that he turns loose in his room at night climbed up in his blankets and coiled themselves up in his blankets. He felt them hunting for cozy spots about his legs, and knew that he ought to get up and provide them with some loose straw, but a sleepy man in a warm bed of a cold night is not over obliging, and the Professor snored on musically, as is his custom. The reptiles crowded upon one another, quarreled, fought a little, kissed, but the Professor did not budge—only now and then he would wake slightly and cry softly, "Whist, boys! be easy, boys!"

At last a big "coachwhip" snake found an opening near the edge of the blankets, and slowly glided in. There was a gentle swaying up and down of the bed-clothes as the big claybank serpent moved about, getting himself comfortable, when suddenly he slapped about two-thirds of his frigid length against the warm legs of the dozing proprietor.

The proprietor made a violent remark. He set up in bed, gathered a handful of snakes in each hand, depositing them carefully on the floor; then, throwing back the bed-clothes, administered a kick that sent the coachwhip flying through the dark to the further end of the room, encountering the lamp in its aerial flight, and knocking from its bracket on the wall the fragile skull of an ancient Florida mound-builder.

"Freeze and he hanged," exclaimed the irate Professor; "I'll share my bed with you, but you shan't drive me out." He drew the blankets over him. A few moments later several pair of little red eyes moved up the bed-posts on either side, and soon snake-herder and snakes, in one couch, were lost in peaceful sleep.

A Mexican Father.

An incident illustrating Mexican character is related by an exchange. It appears that a Senator of one of the Mexican States, a successful stock raiser, in the prime of life, sold his sheep and gambled away the proceeds of the sale before he returned to his home, and in addition gambled himself into a debt to the amount of \$20,000. Like a dutiful son he confessed his guilt to his old father, who promptly gave him a sound thrashing and afterward went to the town and paid the \$20,000 obligation.

It was Artemus Ward who said there were two things in this world nobody was ever prepared for—twins.

On week days one buys his music by the sheet; but on Sundays he gets it by the choir.

Strange but Common Facts.

That an occasional meal away from one's own house, and at another's table, relishes better than any at home.

That people should ask to be delivered from "sudden death" and never pray to be spared a lingering die-by-inches exit.

That when men cease to believe in the Divine, or think they do, they begin to bow down before something human—or inhuman.

That a man will travel miles, agonizing at every step from a bit of gravel or an obtrusive peg in his shoe before he will stop and take it out.

That a man never knows what a weak, fickle and uncertain master he has in himself until he is at liberty to govern his own life and do as he pleases.

That when a poet or a philosopher dies a dozen men and women try to kitemail themselves to his name and write themselves into fame by telling all they know about him.

That so many people forget the weather they experienced last year, and declare they "never saw such a summer as this before. No, never!" What, never! No, never.

That histories written fifty years ago assert how the people of that time were living "at the apex of knowledge and enlightenment," which remark is sometimes repeated to-day.

That when a philosopher or scientist puts forth some new idea, all the wool gathering, the guesses, and the maundering afterward by him about, around and concerning that idea or truth, or semi-truth as the case may be, are often, by his admirers, regarded as most important and sacred words.

Blow Out the Light.

An exchange gives some hints and information which may be useful as follows: "Persons whose business does not make it necessary for them to be out late at night would be surprised in a night's walk to observe the great number of residences in which a lamp is kept burning all night. The practice is in some cases necessary on account of sickness in the family, but it is nevertheless very hurtful. No matter how carefully they may be attended, kerosene lamp throw out a gas which is very poisonous. When a light is left burning the windows of the room are usually closed, because if left open the light would attract flies and mosquitoes. The flame of one light turned down low requires more oxygen to keep burning than is consumed by two adult persons. The light from the lamp is also injurious to the eyes, and possibly to this fact may be traced the constantly increasing prevalence of eye diseases. The best way is to keep a lamp ready to light in case of emergency during the darkness, with matches conveniently beside it. The eyes need rest as well as the brain and muscles, and they need darkness in which to find it."

The Paris Gamble.

Ever since Victor Hugo told the story of Little Gavroche in "Les Misérables," there has been great interest in the "gamins" of Paris. These little fellows often leave good homes and wander in the streets in poverty, in order to gain what they call "liberty." But their adventures are often amusing. An urchin of this class was brought into court in Paris the other day, charged with being a vagrant. His mother appeared to make an appeal for him, and the following dialogue ensued:

"Your boy was found sleeping in one of the parks last night," said the justice.

"This will never do."

"You hear," said the mother to the boy. "That will never do! You are a bad boy." (To the judge): "But excuse him this time, your honor; he is a very good boy."

"So you want to see if you can keep the boy at home in future?" said the justice.

"Yes, your honor; he is my only boy. (To the boy): Remember, this is the last time, you serpent, whom I have warmed in my breast!"

"How did he happen to run away?"

"I had sent him out in the morning to buy a loaf of bread and a jug of milk. After he bought them, I saw him going down the street after a band of soldiers. I waited an hour, two hours—all day. You can imagine my feelings. At last, in the evening, he came in with the milk and bread and put them on the table, and only said, 'Here they are!'"

"So I caught up the long roll of bread to chastise him,—as he deserved,—but just as I brought it down he fled through the door, and the bread flew out of my hand and knocked over the milk and then rolled into the street. So he did not dare to come back. But he always means well, poor boy! (To the boy): You little rascal! Just you wait!"

"Well, you may try to keep him in order. He is given up to you during good behavior."

"Yes, your honor; I will care for the little lamb! (seizing the boy by the coat collar.) Now, villain, come home. We will see who is master!"

The spectators laughed. The woman's "bark" was evidently worse than her "bite."

The Washington Post heads a column "Notes of Our Own." Without dwelling upon the axiom that "he who steals will lie," it may be remarked that the Post is indeed kind in relieving the other papers of the country of the responsibility for the "make up" of that particular column.

Ismail Pasha's Baggage Seized.

How are the mighty fallen! An execution was recently laid on the trunks and other effects of the ex-khedive at the Grand hotel. The bailiff was, however, accompanied by a police commissioner, who was most obsequious. His highness was astounded at the claim. Many years ago he ordered wheeled vehicles, including broughams, landaus, phaetons, dog-carts, a mail-coach, and several prison vans. The bill amounted to about 100,000 francs. No doubt it was exorbitant, as French tradesmen, with whom the khedive's agents dealt, went on the principal of spoiling the Egyptians. A check for a third of the money asked was sent back, and further payment refused. Ismail, who was very profuse with the money torn from fellow-laborers, but was always careful of his private fortune and closed with full hands, pretends to be hard up. He contests the validity of the claim and has applied to a special tribunal to regain possession of his luggage. The court declined to hear the case on its merits and ruled that Ismail was to deposit the sum claimed at the Caisse des Consignations. He might then plead if he chose before the civil tribunal. Ismail has often been in France since the wheeled vehicle were delivered at Cairo, and no application was ever made to him for the balance. The creditor admits that he never previously took any step to obtain what he alleges still remains due. If so, prescription must be against him, for the time granted in the country for the recovery of a simple contract debt is very short. Somehow I imagine that while the trunks were in the hands of the bailiff the locks were tampered with and the khedive's letters read and notes made by the reader for the benefit of M. Joubert.—Paris Cor. New York Tribune.

An Infernal Machine.

A rather sad affair took place in one of our streets the other day, remarks the Belfast (Me.) Journal. A young lady with her arms full of bundles emerged from a dry goods store, when one of them fell to the sidewalk without her noticing it. Just behind her was a young man, and a Belfast young man who is not polite is not anything, and he quickly stepped forward and picked it up. Now a bundle done up in a piece of paper with a dry goods advertisement on it is apparently as harmless as a mother's spanking, and there it lay as guileless as an angle worm on a sidewalk under a rain. Just as he stooped to pick it up there was a rustling of the paper, the twist began to come out of the ends, and in another instant a bright red thing, a sort of a cross between a balloon and a devil-fish, flew into the air before his eyes, and a number ten, thirty-six inch, double-jointed duplex, elliptic, steel-bowed, bustle attachment, dollar-and-a-half, red-headed hoopskirt waited around and gyrated and opened and shut up and fell on the walk as flat and thin as a restaurant pie; and the young man straightened himself up, looking as if he wished the tail of comet No. 2 would sweep him from this fair land; and the young lady came back with a face that resembled a sunset on a fifty-cent obol; and she picked up the wire contrivance, and then she went toward the east and he went toward the west, and the sun ducked his head behind a cloud to hide a smile, and three or four looked on, laid down and laughed, and doubled themselves up in a manner that would have made a mess of green apples hang their heads in shame.

An Unsatisfactory Will.

To make a will which shall give satisfaction to all the heirs is no easy matter. It does seem as if a man should be allowed to do what he chooses with his own property, as long as he does not injure society; but interested parties very frequently think differently, and only a wholesome fear of the penalty of the law keeps many a selfish person from following the example of the widow in the following incident.

A farmer's will was presented for probate (it was in old days) to an arch-deacon during his visitation. He found a name scratched out. The widow stepped forward and explained: "I tell you how he be, sir. When we comes to look into the will, we sees £50 left to John Wheeler. 'What's he got to do with master's money?' says I. So I gets a knife and scratches him out, and that is just how he be, sir."—Moxley's Oxford Reminiscences.

Subterranean Cables in France.

Cast-iron pipes are now being made to receive the underground telegraph cable which in a few months will put Paris in direct communication with Marseilles. A hundred and fifty navvies are engaged in this work, which is being prosecuted from both ends along the right bank of the Rhone, and following the main roads. The pipes are laid at a depth of more than a metre and a half, and chambers about every five pairs are arranged about every five hundred metres; they are described as resembling large cast-iron caldrons with covers, and having apertures for receiving the ends of the two pipes which they connect. Every hundred metres the pipes are united by cast-iron couplings, which will also permit of inspecting and repairing the cable; and the joint between each pipe is made with an Indian-rubber washer or lead collar. The work is pushed forward with vigor, and it is proposed eventually to connect this cable, which will traverse France from north to south, with the cables of the Mediterranean and Atlantic.—Iron.

Woman's Voice.

Not in the swaying of the summer trees,
When evening breezes sing their vesper hymn—
Not the minstrel's mighty symphonies,
Nor ripples breaking on the river's brim,
Is earth's best music; these may have awhile
High thoughts in happy hearts, and erking
Caros beguile.

But even as the swallow's silken wings
Skimmed the water of the sleeping lake,
Stir the still silver with a hundred rings—
So doth one sound the sleeping spirit wake
To brave the danger and to bear the harm—
A low and gentle voice—dear woman's chief-
test charm.

An excellent thing it is! and ever lent
To truth and love, and meekness; they who
own
This gift, by the all-gracious Giver sent,
Even by quiet step and smile are known;
By kind eyes that have wept, hearts that have
sorrow'd.

An excellent thing it is—when first in glad-
ness
A mother looks into her infant's eyes—
Smiles at its smiles, and saddens to its sad-
ness—
Pales at its pines, sorrows at its cries:
Its food and sleep, and smiles and little joys—
All these come ever bent with one low gentle
voice.

An excellent thing it is when life is leaving—
Leaving with gloom and gladness, joys and
sorrow—
The strong heart failing, and the high soul
grieving
With strongest thoughts, and wild unwonted
fears;
Then, then a woman's low, soft sympathy
Comes like an angel's voice to teach us how to
die.

But a most excellent thing it is in youth,
When the fond lover hears the loved one's
tone
That fears, but longs, to syllable the truth—
How their two hearts are one, and she his
own;
It makes sweet human music—oh! the spells
That haunt the trembling throat of bright
maiden tell—
Edwin Arnold.

A NOTED BUT UNTITLED WOMAN.

(From the Boston Globe.)



Mrs. Pinkham.

There is a good likeness of Mrs. Lydia B. Pinkham of Lynn, Mass., who above all other women may be truthfully called the "Dear Friend of Women," as some of her correspondents love to call her. She is anxiously devoted to her work, which is the outcome of a life's duty, and is obliged to keep six lady assistants, to help her answer the large correspondence which daily pours upon her, each bearing its special burden of suffering, or for aid released from it. Her "Vegetable Compound" is a medicine for good and not evil purposes. I have personally investigated it and am satisfied of the truth of this.

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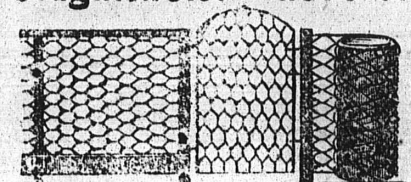
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Language of the Face.

Physiognomy and its Indications to Traits of Character.

The *Phrenological Magazine*, in a recent issue, says: Round-eyed persons see much, live much in the senses, but think less. Narrow-eyed persons, on the other hand, see less, but think and feel more intensely. It will be observed that the eyes of children are open and round. Their whole life is to receive impressions. It is only when childhood is maturing towards manhood or womanhood that thought comes, if it comes at all. But what most leads to reflection? Experience. Our errors, our shortcomings, our failures—these teach us to think before we act, to consider each step, to weigh every motive. When, therefore, the upper eyelid—for it is that which has the greatest amount of mobility—droops over the eye, it indicates not merely reflections but something painful to reflect about. Hence the length or drooping of the upper eyelid betokens confession and penitence.

The drooping of half of the eyelids from the outer angle to the center indicates the disposition to confess one's faults to parents or seniors, to a "father." The drooping of half of the eyelids from the inner angle to the center betokens the disposition to repent and to "do works meet for repentance." Closely allied to these signs are those of prayerfulness and humility. The former is indicated by the muscle which turns the eye directly downward, as represented in the pictures of the Madonna. Prayerfulness is usually large in connection with that of penitence, the reason of which is that between the faculties of penitence and humility there is the same close connection as between confession and prayer. One who has habitually more prayer than humility has the eye turned somewhat upward, so that the upward part of the iris is a little covered by the upper eyelid, and so as to leave a slight space between the iris and the lower lid. The reverse is true of one who has more humility than prayer.

The faculty of truth—that is, the love of it—is indicated by the muscle which surrounds the eye, causing folds and wrinkles. Justice is indicated by the muscle which causes perpendicular wrinkles between the eyebrows. Fullness and wrinkles under the eye, for which some persons are remarkable, indicate the love of mathematical accuracy; and curving upward from the outer angle of the eye and eyebrow indicate probity or personal truthfulness. There are three degrees of the faculty of justice. The first is a kind of exactness or strict honesty in small money matters, which some people would call closeness, and is indicated by a singular perpendicular wrinkle or line between the eyebrows. The second is a disposition to require justice in others, and is indicated by two perpendicular lines or wrinkles, one on each side of the center—a very common sign. The third degree is conscientiousness, or the disposition to apply the rule of justice to one's self, and is indicated by three or more wrinkles, or lines, especially noticeable, extending above the eyebrow when the muscle is in action. The love of command is indicated by one or more short, transverse wrinkles across the root of the nose, exactly between the eyes. It may be seen in great military commanders, in masters and teachers, and in those generally who are fond of exercising authority. In those who are wanting in the power to command, and have no desire for responsibility, this sign is also absent. The faculty of command frequently acts with that part of justice which reprimands, or requires others to do right, and both together produce that frowning and lowering brow which is so terrible to evil-doers, or to those who love to be approved rather than condemned.

A Parisian physician declares the following a certain cure for small-pox and scarlet fever: Sulphate of zinc, one grain; foxglove (digitalis), one grain; half a teaspoonful of sugar. Mix with two tablespoonfuls of water. Take a spoonful every hour. He declares the remedy unfailing. Its very simplicity has caused it to be overlooked.

The English public is beginning to learn something about this country. A recent number of the *London Times* contains a quarter of a column of fine type devoted to facts and figures indicating the extent of the Mississippi River and its tributaries. But it places Pittsburg on a branch of the Mississippi in Philadelphia.

Miss Catherine L. Wolfe, the maiden millionaire of Gotham, is noted for her eccentricities and her odd bestowals of charity. She lives alone in a great stone house on Madison avenue, with her maid and half a dozen servants, and receives few visitors. She is a very devout Episcopalian, and no matter what the weather may be on Sunday is as regular in church as the rector in the pulpit.

A New York reporter interviewed three of the most eminent physiologists and scientists of that city and learned from them that beer drinking, a habit to which so many thousands of Americans are addicted, is, even in moderation, a pernicious thing. The impurities of beer, and they do not admit of absolutely pure beer, give rise to fatty degeneration of the heart and to diseases of the kidneys. It interferes with the healthy action of the liver, and exerts an injurious effect upon all the organs of the body, the brain most of all.



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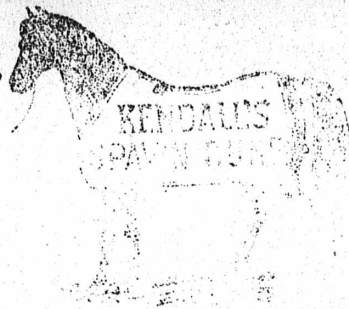
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Respectfully yours,
JAMES TELLENT.

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Washingtonville, Ohio, June 17th, 1880.
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Kendall's Spavin Cure.

Hamilton, Mo., June 14th, 1881.
B. J. Kendall & Co., Gents:—This is to certify that I have used Kendall's Spavin Cure and have found it to be all it is recommended to be, and in fact more so. I have removed by using the above cure, bone spavins, ring-bones, splints, and can cheerfully testify and recommend it to be the best thing for any bony substance I have ever used, and I have tried many as I have made that my study for years.
Respectfully yours,
P. V. CRIST.

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The Wyandotte Gazette says the Kansas City, Fort Scott & Gulf road will start the Rosedale rolling mills.

Frank James is at Gallatin, Missouri, awaiting trial for robbing the bank and committing murder at that place.

JEWELL county stock man lost heavily during the recent storm, some feeders as many as thirty head of hogs.

The A. T. & S. F. road has received from Washington six distinct awards for the Kansas display at the late Garfield fair.

Rev. A. B. Campbell having resigned as chaplain of the penitentiary, Rev. Richard Wake, of Atchison, has been appointed.

The Washington Republican says that about two thousand head of young cattle have been brought into that county in the past six months, mostly heifers.

E. D. Mosely, son of Mrs. Martin, who was convicted a few months ago of the murder of Mrs. Keifer, was convicted at Emporia on the 12th as an accomplice.

The Leavenworth Times goes for Representative Hoffman, of Dickinson county, somewhat roughly. Perhaps some elevator men and mill owners do need a little of their own medicine. It wouldn't surprise us one bit.

It seems from the proceedings of congress that the distillers and liquor men need a great deal of legislation; and they get about all they ask for. It is our opinion that there are other classes who need relief—the farmer, for instance—at the hands of congress.

An English physician recently prescribed a teaspoonful of sulphur in a wineglass of water to be used as a gargle for the cure of diphtheria. A correspondent applied flour of sulphur on a flat stick to his own children, who were desperately sick, with immediate relief.

The House has passed the railroad bill by 83 to 27, 15 not voting. A protest was entered against the bill by a number of members, claiming that the bill will have a tendency to make the strong stronger and the weak weaker. We fear the bill is not what it should be and that the farmers, by its provisions, will fail to secure the relief expected.

The Atchison Patriot learns "that a strong effort is on foot (and almost consummated) in mercantile line, leading to the formation of a regular pack line, to ply between St. Louis and St. Joseph. The enterprise is being placed in tangible shape. The leading merchants on the Missouri river have to their sorrow found that the desertion of this great avenue for freight business has made the railroad lines bold in their liberty to advance and maintain excessive high rates at their pleasure. It is a worthy step and ought to be well supported."

Those journals and individuals who are crying out so loud against the supreme court of Iowa for deciding that the prohibitory amendment was not a part of the constitution of that state, because, not for lack of votes, but because not properly journalized, should stop and think that they are doing the very thing they rightly condemn in those violating the liquor law in this or any other state. The supreme court had no other alternative, according to the facts, than to decide as they did. If temperance men wish to have law respected they must first respect its requirements themselves.

The great floods in Indiana and to the east and south continue to rage in unabated fury, doing immense damage to property. The Ohio river was 64 feet yesterday. Relief has been called for to relieve the sufferers at Cincinnati and other points. The flood of 1832 is surpassed, taking the most reliable standard. The Kentucky river has forty-one feet in the channel, being the highest water ever known in the river. At Madison, Ind., the river is within 34 inches of the flood of '32 and raising. When the water from the flooded districts pours its immense volume in to the Mississippi river what will be the result?

Col. Martin, of the Atchison Champion, writes feelingly of his experience since the burning of his office, a few weeks ago. He says:

Now and then, during the long, laborious years of our connection with this journal, we have thought there could be no such thankless and unpleasant lot in life as that we occupied. A newspaper is, in a large measure, the bearer of the burdens of the public, and sometimes its load is very heavy and its way very rough. Its critics are innumerable. What it does or says that is good, is forgotten, but its mistakes are long remembered. Rarely, indeed, do men appreciate favors it confers upon them; they accept its commendation without acknowledgment and its praise without thankfulness. But let it once criticize, or oppose, or condemn them, and the recollection of the fact will live and be resented for years. We are not complaining of these things. We cite them simply to say that, after all, they are largely faults of omission or thoughtlessness, and that, when real trouble comes to a journalist who has zealously and honestly tried to serve the community in which he lives and works, the kindness and friendship of the people go out to him in the most generous measure.

PURE-BRED STOCK.

As a rule pure-bred stock is not the most profitable for farmers to keep. Many who have tried to breed a herd of pure-blood animals have failed. The cost to begin with is large. The writer recently visited a herd of Jersey cattle, some of the cows in which had cost many hundred dollars. The product in flesh and milk from these animals is not so much over the grade cow as to warrant the prices paid. The management that such close-bred stock requires is much greater than that of grade stock; that is, crosses between the pure-blood and the native stock. Pure-blood animals and herds, like the one above mentioned, are of value as breeding centers, from which the great mass of common stock can be built up. At a low estimate the value of the grade product can be raised \$15 or \$20 each, the first season. It may be that a farmer with a large herd of grades thus produced can afford to keep two or three pure-blood animals for further improvement of the breed, but in many cases it will be better to replenish the pure-blood from one of the centers of such stock. It is a national blessing that "fancy farmers," as they are sometimes called, are pleased to make such large investments in pure-blood stock, for by this means the supply of any breed is kept up. It would be a calamity if from any cause these carefully managed herds should all be broken up and scattered. It is through them that the whole live stock of the country is to be improved by a gradual process of grading. In this important work the less fortune-favored stock-raiser may find a profitable field of labor.—Ex

How Hogs are Graded.

The following is the grading of hogs when they are assorted for market: Pigs are light and thin, averaging from 50 to 125 pounds, and are really but light stockers. Skips are better in quality, fit to kill, and weigh 120 to 135 pounds, too thin for Yorkers. Yorkers are fat and smooth, should weigh 170 to 210 pounds, and to sell well should be uniform. Mixed packing hogs are irregular in weight and in quality, from rough to smooth and from 210 to 300 pounds in weight. Butchers hogs are uniformly fat and smooth, and run from Yorkers weight, or 200 to 300 pounds or over.

Prepare for your spring work.

STARTLING STATISTICS.

The Shadow Hanging Over New York City and the Entire Country—A Tribune Opinion.

The nation has been horrified at the burning of a Milwaukee hotel, whereby over seventy lives were lost. This event carried terror because it was sudden and appalling; but had the same disastrous results to life and limb come silently they would have been unnoticed, not only by the people of the land but also by the very community in which they occurred. Fatal events of a far worse nature have taken place in this very city, but they have attracted no attention, nor would they now did not the Bureau of Vital Statistics bring them to our notice. "Figures do not lie," whatever else may be uncertain and the report on the deaths of this city is a startling comment on its life. During the past year the enormous increase of certain maladies is simply appalling. While the total number of deaths has diminished and the death rate on most diseases has decreased, still it is far greater in one or two serious disorders than was ever known before. More people died in the city of New York in 1892 from Bright's disease of the kidneys, than from diphtheria, small-pox and typhoid fever all combined! This scarcely seems possible, but it is true, and when it is remembered that cannot be one-third the actual deaths from Bright's disease are really reported as such, the ravages of the malady can be partially understood.

The immediate query which every reader will make upon such a revelation of facts is, What causes this increase? This is a difficult question to answer. The nature of the climate, the habits of life, the adulteration of foods and liquors, all undoubtedly contribute; but no immediate cause can be certainly assigned. Often before the victim knows it the disease has begun. Its approaches are so stealthily and its symptoms so obscure that they cannot be definitely foreseen, and are only known by their effects. Any kidney disorder, however slight, is the first stage of Bright's disease. But it is seldom that kidney disorders can be detected. They do not have any certain symptoms. Mysterious weariness; an unusual appetite; periodical headaches; occasional nausea; uncertain pains; loss of vigor; loss of nerve power; irregularity of the heart; disordered daily habits; imperfect digestion; all these and many other symptoms are the indications of kidney disorder even though there may be no pain in the region of the kidneys or in that portion of the body. The serious nature of these troubles may be understood from the fact that Bright's disease is as certain to follow diseased kidneys as decomposition follows death.

It is high time the doctors in this land who have been unable to control kidney troubles, should be aroused and compelled to find some remedy, or acknowledge one already found. The suffering public needs help and cannot await the tardy action of air-splitting code or incorrectly formulated theories. The medical world has no certain remedy for this terrible disease let them acknowledge it and seek for one outside the pale of their profession. For the discovery of this remedy and for its application to this disease, the people of this city and the people of the whole land—not only those who are suffering, but those who have friends in danger are earnestly and longingly looking.

The above quotation from the New York Tribune is causing considerable commotion, as it seems to lift the cover from a subject that has become of national importance. The alarming increase of kidney diseases, their insidious beginnings and frightful endings and the acknowledged inability of physicians to successfully cope with them may well awaken the greatest dread of every one who has the slightest symptoms. It is fortunate, however, that the surest relief is often found where, possibly, least expected, and that there is a specific for the evils above described we have come to fully believe. Within the past two years we have frequently seen statements of parties claiming to have been cured of serious kidney troubles even after hope had been abandoned; but in common with most people we have discredited them. Quite recently, however, a number of prominent and well-known men have come out voluntarily and stated over their signatures that they were completely cured by the use of Warner's Safe Kidney and Liver Cure. Most people have been aware that this medicine has an unusual standing and one entitling it to be classed above proprietary articles generally; but that it had accomplished so much in checking the ravages of kidney disease is not so generally known. Its great worth has been shown not only by the cures it has effected, but also because a number of base imitations have appeared in the market, fraudulently claiming the valuable qualities of the original Safe Cure. If it were not valuable, it would not be imitated.

The above may seem like an ultra endorsement of a popular remedy, but it is not one whit stronger than the facts admit. Whatever assists the world toward health and consequent happiness, should receive the hearty endorsement of the press and all friends of humanity. It is on precisely this principle that the foregoing statement is made and it merits the careful consideration of every thinking reader.

Feeding Lambs.

As soon as a lamb gets large enough it should be encouraged to eat food for itself; and for this purpose a low trough should be placed where the lambs can get to it and eat without disturbance. They will soon eat enough to assist materially in their growth.—Chicago Live-Stock Journal.

Meats of every description have been advancing for some time and the tendency is still upward. The butcher keeps pace with the market at the stock yards. His figures are regulated by the prices asked at the yards. Cattle, hogs and sheep are unusually high at this time, and there seems to be no relief or much hope for consumers for two months yet. The market's everywhere, east and west, are firm and shippers are buying freely, offering prices that give them control of the market.

The most brilliant shades possible, on all fabrics are made by the Diamond Dyes. Unequalled for brilliancy and durability. 10 cts.

A silk hat in getting made passes through the hands of twelve men.

"Rough on Corns."

Ask for Wells' "Rough on Corns." 15c. Quick, complete, permanent cure. Corns, warts, bunions.

Singing at a colored camp-meeting at Abbeville, S. C., was heard five miles.

Mothers should know it.

Fretful babies cannot help disturbing everybody, and mothers should know how soothing Parker's Ginger Tonic is. It stops babies' pains, makes them healthy, relieves their own anxiety and is safe to use.—Journal.

The flower called "bachelor's button" is so called because it is apt to fall off.

Heartily recommended.

Don't condemn a good thing because you have been deceived by worthless nostrums. Parker's Ginger Tonic has cured many in this section of nervous disorders, and we recommend it heartily to such sufferers.—News.

Spurgeon recently said, if he were to write his life, it would seem to be fiction, so marvelous were some things which had occurred.

An Enthusiastic Endorsement.

GORHAM, N. H., July 14, 1879.

GENTS—Whoever you are, I don't know; but I thank the Lord and feel grateful to you to know that in this world of adulterated medicines there is one compound that proves and does all it advertises to do, and more. Four years ago I had a slight shock of palsy, which unnerved me to such an extent that the least excitement would make me shake like the ague. Last May I was induced to try Hop Bitters. I used one bottle, but did not see any change; another did so change my nerves that they are now as steady as they ever were. It used to take both hands to write, but now my good right hand writes this. Now, if you continue to manufacture as honest and good an article as you do, you will accumulate an honest fortune, and confer the greatest blessing on your fellow-men that was ever conferred on mankind. TIM RURCH.

A street sensation in St. Louis the other day was a woman 117 years old, looking for her lost daughter, a giddy, young thing of seventy.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

Are you disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with pain of cutting teeth? If so, send at once and get a bottle of Mrs. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP FOR CHILDREN TEETHING. Its value is incalculable. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it, mothers, there is no mistake about it. It cures dysentery and diarrhoea; regulates the stomach and bowels; cures wind colic, softens the gums, reduces inflammation and gives tone and energy to the whole system. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children Teething is pleasant to the taste and is the prescription of one of the oldest female physicians and nurses in the United States, and is for sale by all druggists throughout the world. Price 25 cts. a bottle. v13n1y1

If one marches abreast with obstinate men, who will rush on guns and spikes, he must share the consequences.

A Queer Mouse Story.

The horse-shoer employed by Henry Koster, at his blacksmith shop in F street, made a discovery the other day which, although vouched for by the most responsible parties, seems almost impossible of belief. A staid old family bag belonging to William Jones was brought to the shop to be re-shod. The hoof had grown very long, leaving hollow grooves beneath their outer rims. On cutting away this shell to make a foundation for the shoe, a hole was noticed underneath, and the attention of Mr. Koster was called to it. At length what was their astonishment to find six young, living mice, closely nestled within the hollow disc. How they got there so safely is a question. The proofs are on exhibition at the shop.—[San Diego Sun.]

The Care of Poultry.

Few people realize the value of a good flock of chickens, simply because they have never given the chickens a chance to show what they can do. Many a good farmer who keeps his horses, cattle and hogs in a good warm barn, well fed, allows the poultry to shirk for themselves. This may do during the summer months, but even then it would pay much better to feed and water regularly twice each day. Last winter we kept half a dozen Plymouth Rocks in a good warm place, and was surprised when our good wife told us the amount of eggs we had gotten from that half-dozen hens, and this, too, when eggs were worth from 25 to 50 cents per dozen. We are confident from our experience last winter, that a few dozen chickens well cared for, will support a good-sized family, and that it will pay every farmer to build a hen-house with a slat partition in it, so arranged as to keep a small hard-coal stove burning day and night during cold weather. We did not use a stove last winter, but did the next best thing, which was to cut a hole through from the hen-house into the hay mow, in the barn; then place the sticks against the inside of the barn, slanting them out two or three feet

from the bottom, and then placed hay on top, thus giving the chickens a place in the hay mow, and at the same time preventing their roosting in the hay. During the coldest days the hens would gather into this hay under the hay, where they seemed to be as comfortable as in a bed of down. This was not a very expensive plan, but it brought eggs by the dozen.—[Nebraska Farmer.]

Evils of Hot Bread.

There is no law in this country to prevent the consumption of hot bread, but the law of common sense, and unfortunately there is a dead letter as a governing principle to the lives of a great many people. That hot bread in nine cases out of ten will produce dyspepsia is no new discovery, and this terrible pest is sure to follow persistent indulgence on the part of those whose parents are quiet indoors and sedentary. And yet the reformers, or those who call themselves such—the men and women who have given the matter some thought, will continue to eat hot bread as the past continues drink.

Oh, My Back!

That's a common expression and has a world of meaning. How much suffering is summed up in it.

The singular thing about it is, that pain in the back is occasioned by so many things. May be caused by kidney disease, liver complaint, consumption, cold, rheumatism, dyspepsia, overwork, nervous debility, &c.

Whatever the cause, don't neglect it. Something is wrong and needs prompt attention. No medicine has yet been discovered that will so quickly and surely cure such diseases as BROWN'S IRON BITTERS, and it does this by commencing at the foundation, and making the blood pure and rich.

Wm. F. Marshall, of Logansport, Indiana, writes: "My wife has for many years been troubled from pain in her back and general debility incident to her sex. She has taken one bottle of Brown's Iron Bitters, and I can truthfully say that she has been so much benefited that she pronounces it the only remedy of many medicines she has tried."

Leading physicians and clergymen use and recommend BROWN'S IRON BITTERS. It has cured others suffering as you are, and it will cure you.

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THE SPIRIT OF KANSAS.

BY HOFFMAN BRUN

City and Country.

NOTICE.

List of places of interest, and special subjects to be discussed by the Douglas County Horticultural Society for the year 1883 as arranged by committee.

February—At University—Subject: Vegetable gardens. Wm. Evans, James Kane and Mary Bell. Lecture by Prof. Patrick.

March—At University—Subject: Nurseries and tree planters. By A. C. Gilgus and O. H. Ayer. Lecture by Prof. Carruth and Poem by Mrs. J. Savage.

April—At University—Subject: Planting and cultivating small fruits. By B. F. Smith and N. L. Wood. Address by W. E. Barnes.

May—At E. A. Conner's, Kawaka—Subject: Marketing small fruits and canning. By G. G. West and Mrs. Mary Bell and address by Martin Sedgwick.

June—At Bismarck Grove—Lecture, by Dr. Marvin and Home Surroundings, by Miss U. C. Macy.

July—At the Residence of Gideon Elias, on Washington street—Subject: Rural architecture. By J. G. Haskell, Floriculture, by Mrs. Jos. Savage and Mrs. Rodman.

August—At G. C. Brackett's—Subject: New varieties of fruit. By Jos. Savage and G. Y. Johnson. And Shipping apples and peaches, by P. Underwood.

September—At Wm. Miller's—Subject: Silk culture. By Mrs. P. R. Brooks and Mrs. Dyatt. Lecture, Dr. Wm. Evans.

October—At State University—Subject: Home amusements for the young. By Prof. J. H. Canfield.

November—At University—Subject: Apple houses and cider making. By N. P. Deming, and Lecture by Prof. F. H. Snow.

December—At University—Annual election and reports of standing committees. Closing annual address, by Martin Sedgwick.

B. F. SMITH,
MRS. DR. EVATT,
JAMES KANE,
Committee.

It is annoying to have to apologize for delays, but we are compelled to do so, because of the non-arrival of paper. It was ordered in time, but failed to arrive in time, we therefore, after waiting so long for the paper to arrive, thought it best to not issue the paper until today.

Longfellow's day will be observed at the Vermont street school on the 27th.

James J. H. Gregory, Marblehead, Mass., sends us a catalogue of vegetable and flower seeds.

The Legion of Honor has been organized in this city, with fifty members. This is one of the best societies known.

The Spirit of Kansas has been a great room for the past few years, and its office, third floor, is now open for business.

This month, we have a special feature, a new and improved method of printing, and a new and improved method of printing.

The K. O. M. M. has been received, and is a most excellent item, and is useful and valuable information. Send to C. K. Lord, Baltimore, Md., for a copy. Free.

That poor, half-bred, invalid wife, sister, mother, or daughter, can be made the picture of health by a few bottles of Hop Bitters. Will you let them suffer when so easily cured?

The amount subscribed by our citizens, up to Saturday, February 10, for the establishment of the Indian school in Lawrence, was \$6,792. It takes \$10,000 to start its location here.

People with gray hair may be saved from the world the fact that they are becoming aged, and passing on to decay, by the use of Hall's Hair Renewer. It is a fact that this article restores faded or gray hair to its youthful color and lustre, cheaply, quickly and surely.

H. C. C. Moody has accepted the agency for this county of the Centennial Life Insurance Co., of Iowa. Mr. Moody is a young man of good business qualifications and we wish him success.

The snow has about all disappeared in this vicinity, going off gradually. It is thought the cold weather has not injured the peach trees. Fall wheat looks well. Stock is in good condition generally.

Mr. Eldemiller, who has extensive ice houses in North Lawrence, and employs a large number of men during ice harvest, was presented recently with a handsome tilting ice picher by his employees. Mr. E. feels proud of this mark of esteem.

Now is the time to secure bargains by calling at the great clothing house of Steinberg, the King Clothier. Read his royal proclamation, commanding prices to fall down before him. Take heed, ye who are loyal to the King and economy, therefore, that you profit by his offer.

Cataract of the Bladder.
Stinging irritation, inflammation, all kidney and urinary complaints cured by Buchu-palpa. \$1.

\$1,500 per year can be easily made at home working for E. G. Hildout & Co., 10 Barclay street, New York. Send for their catalogue and full particulars.

The officers made a raid on an infamous den two Sundays since, near Pierson's mill, and arrested two of the frequenters. It is to be hoped this is not to be only a spasmodic effort at enforcing law against one class of offenders, but that they will follow up the work thus well begun, and arrest others.

Two Sabbath ago, Rev. Jones of the M. E. church preached one of the ablest sermons we ever listened to. In the course of his remarks he took occasion to deal the whisky traffic a few well directed blows. Mr. Jones rightly believes that a person cannot be a Christian and wink at the traffic that is doing more than all other causes combined to foster crime in all its forms. He says they must cut loose from this mooring, or share the fate of the rumrunner.

It goes without saying that Lawrence has secured an enviable position for possessing some of the leading business houses in the west. She is the center of an extensive and constantly increasing trade, and her business establishments are prepared at all times to supply the demands in every line. Among these the house of Justus Howell occupies a conspicuous position in point of extent and reliability. Mr. Howell seems to understand the needs and desires of the people of this vicinity, hence his establishment is supplied with the most approved farm machinery and agricultural implements, buggies, wagons, sewing machines, baro wire, hardware, etc., etc. Mr. Howell wishes to secure the custom of those in need of anything in his line, hence asks all, through our columns, particularly the farmers, to call and see if he cannot please both in quality and prices. We heartily recommend this house to our readers.

That Husband of Mine.
Is three times the man he was before he began using "Wells' Health Renewer." \$1. Druggists.

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The New Board of Directors Elected.
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Wasn't In.
The occupant of an office on Congress street west fixed matters one day this week in such a shape that any caller had to run the gauntlet of a boy in the ante-room, and as he retired into his den beyond he said to the youth:

"Now, young man, look me in the eye."

"Yes, sir."

"And remember what I say."

"Yes, sir."

"If any person calls and asks if I am in you must say you don't know. You will then ask their business. If they say it is a financial matter you must come in here, stop a minute, and return and say that I am out of town to take baths for my rheumatism."

"Yes, sir."

It was hardly an hour before a stranger came up, and when asked his business he replied:

"Well, I called on a little errand involving some money."

That was the cue for the boy. He retreated to the back room, winked to his employer, and returned to the ante-room and reported:

"He has just left for the country on a vacation."

"Then I'll leave a note," said the man, and he sat down and wrote a few lines and took his departure. When he had been gone ten minutes the employer came out to read it. It read:

"Called to pay you that \$90, but you were out. Am off for Tennessee. See you when I return in January. Tra-la!"

It was the work of only ten seconds to ring on his hat and reach the street; but it was too late. An hour's hard work, including a walk to one of the depots, failed to turn up the man who had money to leave instead of a bill to collect. The boy over there was looking very much cast down yesterday. One would have said that somebody had been swearing at him.—*Detroit Free Press.*

An Officer's Situation.

When the Michigan cavalry brigade was sent West to wallopp the Indians after the close of the war, one of the companies in the Sixth was commanded by a lieutenant who was hated by every man in his command. He realized this fact, and lost no opportunity to make it warm for the boys. One evening when the regiment went into camp on the banks of the Platte, far beyond Omaha, the lieutenant rigged up a fish line and slipped off down the stream to try his luck. Rattlesnakes were plenty out there then, and it was well known that the officer had a horror of them. He was fishing away, getting a nibble now and then, when one of the boys stole forward to within ten feet of him and hoarsely whispered:

"For Heaven's sake Lieutenant, don't move hand or foot! There's a big rattler in the grass behind you!"

The officer was a man of nerve, and though he heard every word he made no move. He realized the situation, and after a moment replied:

"Can't you kill it?"

"No—he's too near you! I'll go to camp for a gun and come up on the flank!"

The officer heard the man crawl away and he sat like a statue. The fish began to bite, but he dared not move his arms. He saw the sun go down, and the darkness found him as rigid as a post. When he had been in that situation for forty minutes he could stand it no longer. Gathering his breath and muscle, he made a leap into the water, and after swimming and wading for thirty rods, he climbed out and struck for camp, as wet as a rat and loaded down with mud. The story had gone around the camp and at least 400 men were out to greet his return and question him regarding the length of the reptile. The officer took a solemn vow to make somebody sweat for that trick, but he fell before an Indian's bullet before he had secured his revenge.

A work on the diseases of elephants is being written. Their more prominent affections are stated to be meningitis, apoplexy, vomiting, colic, enteritis, hematuria, tetanus or lockjaw, pneumonia, anthrax, and "foot and mouth disease."

It is rather worthy of note that a London paper applauds the plain speaking of American critics about Mrs. Langtry and complains of English timidity in dealing with the subject. It is a confession of snobbery on the part of the English press that ought to be good for somebody's soul.

Ten days were spent in a San Francisco court in obtaining a jury to try two Chinamen indicted for murderous assault. In addition to the regular panel 500 jurors were summoned. Two hundred were examined before the 12th man was selected. The difficulty was to obtain men who would believe a Chinaman under oath.

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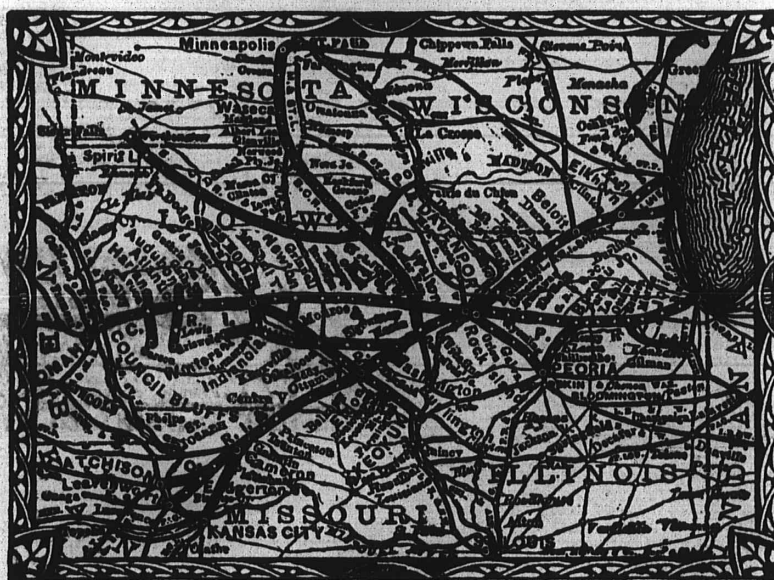
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"Yet once more, O ye laurels, and once more
Ye myrtles brown, with ivy never sere,
I come to pluck your berries harsh and crude;
And with forced fingers rude,
Scatter your leaves before the mellowing year."

And in the tearful climacteric flowers are more forceful than words:

"... return Sicilian Muses,
And call the vales and hills to hither cast
Their bells and flowerets of a blue and hued
Bring the rathe primrose that forsaken dies,
The tufted crow-toe, and pale jessamine,
The white pink, and the pansy freaked with
feet,
The glowing violet,
The musk-rose and the well-attended woodbine,
With cowslips wan that hang the pensive
head,
And every flower that sad embroidery wears;
Bid Amaranthus all his beauty shed,
And daffodill fill their cups with tears,
To strew the laureate hearse where Lycid lies."

Surely, no dreadful hintings of latter-day floral hysteria disturbed the poet's vision; no fell portents of its undertaker's horrors in the way of floral "tributes" and "emblems," and "offerings," of prima, milliner-like crosses, and wreaths, and crowns, and sundry other nameless, innumerable "properties" of lugubrious estheticism, each and all conspicuously labeled with visiting card, and strung on the arm of the vampire-like attendant mortuary, and sometimes almost sufficing the officiating clergy—then borne along in the hearse, in the undertakers' open wagons, in carriages after the dead, a bother, a nuisance, and positive torment at the grave side, or the door of the waiting tomb—surely the poet never suffered such unwholesome provisions, or Lycidas would have been buried altogether after a different manner, and we should have lost the crowning elegiac in any language.

"Please omit flowers," we may then understand, not as a repudiation of their silent, precious ministry, but a quiet declaration of the "reserved rights" of the sorrowful—a claim that kindred hands shall provide all these half-sacred offices of floral ministry; an intimation that sympathy shall stop short of officiousness and that ostentatious conventionalities shall not break in upon the privileged sorrows of bereavement. There is no vicarious expression of joy or grief. The florist cannot put into his constructions and designs the eloquence of loving grief, with which the mother winds her few flowers for the adornment of her dead babe! From her hands they catch a language all hearts interpret, and no one misunderstands the mute elegy. We insist upon a reverent recognition of this principle, and protest against the brassy, pitiless intrusion of traffic and conventionality.—*Churchman.*

The Aesthetics of Dress.

Men may be divided in several classes: Those who dress well by instinct, those who are dressed well by their tailors, and those who ignore taste and tailor. It is a fine art worthy of the consideration it has received at the hands of Mr. Elihu Vedder, the artist, who discourses wisely and pleasantly after this manner:

"For centuries we have cut and snipped and spoiled good cloth, and will for centuries to come. I don't see but what we do it as well now as ever. I will admit, though, that a man's dress is hopeless. I never feel well dressed except in fancy dress—then I suit myself—and when I am in swimming. Then I feel like a man. Look at this Turkish garment; it makes a fine bathing dress, and in Turkish towel it would be stunning." (The garment in question was a plain white tunic, not unlike some of Mr. Millet's costumes.) "It is in only two places—those for the hands to pass through. See what a fine thing it is when I put it on. What folds! A man is dressed in it. Now nothing could be better, but it doesn't suit our climate."

"To dress suitably one must take into the account all the conditions. Each person should consider first his needs, then his individuality. One must study one's self, and then dress as one thinks best. That is the way to be picturesque. The Contadini don't know why they are 'paintable.' And, by the way, we should always want picturesqueness in another country than our own. Look at a railway train in this country emptying itself of people. They are not picturesque, but the Contadini would say, 'Where are all the poor?'"

"In dress you want specially to contrast breadth with small lines, and there should always be some spot on which to rest the eye; just as in the face we have the cheek. In the draperies of my figures, which are, heaven knows, in little relation to fashionable dress, that is the theory of their construction. This

same balancing of lines, which makes Greek dress or any loose drapery beautiful, is just as necessary in tighter draperies. There was a tight dress worn by women not long ago, which was excellent." (Mr. Vedder's knowledge of dress does not seem to include technicalities, but this pantomime evidently referred to the princess dress, which, it seems, commends itself to all artists.) "Anything, which suggests the beauty of the form is commendable. Who knew there were so many finely-rounded arms until women took to tight sleeves? Even if the arm is thin it still shows character, and that gives it value. The same is true of kneebreeches. I admire them. If a man has a good leg, how fine they are! If he hasn't, all the same they are attractive, because they discover the form, and that shows the man. You have probably noticed, since young fellows have taken to knickerbockers and Scotch caps, how much more interesting illustration has become, in Black's novels for example. All this individuality in dress is a great help to artists, but we can't push things. To be well dressed is to be in harmony with one's surroundings and with one's self.

"Take natural grace, for example, which is the most exquisite thing in the world. A woman who has this supreme gift can put a handkerchief around her neck and knot it on her breast, with a rose in the knot, and nothing can be more lovely. But every woman can't do this, for natural grace is something which cannot be acquired. Every woman must study her own style. The trouble is that this requires thought. People conform to and follow the fashions because they are too lazy to think.

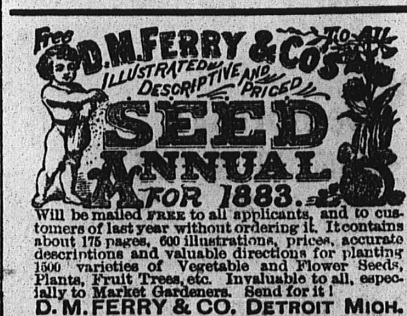
"The general artistic progress of this country—that which has given new interest to our homes—is seen in the colors which are now used in dress. As an artist I approve of the tints and the harmonies which we now see in the shop windows. Nobody can object to them. I don't see but that the whole matter is going on all right, provided only that women forsake hoops. If they go back to corsetry then the case is indeed hopeless."

Primitive Pottery.

The old woman of Tires in this very year takes the brown, stiff clay at her cabin door, picks the pebbles out of it, pounds it down and softens it with a rude wooden mallet, moulds it into shape with her rough, horny hands, and without the aid of a potter's wheel ornaments it, after a time-honored fashion, with a little stick or her thumbnails, places the rude vessel thus formed—a kind of bowl or cup—in the strong heat of the sun or blaze of a peat fire, and so produces a rough, unglazed earthenware, out of which she drinks her milk and in which she infuses her tea. And all the while—let it be noted with all the emphasis at our command—several of her neighbors with whom she is in daily intercourse, and with whom the teacher had been in daily intercourse, possesses and uses some of the finest ware that Leek or Burslem can produce. All around here, even in Tires, are products of advanced art; but this native artist goes on her way unheeding all change and all advance, and turning out her unglazed ware as her ancestors had done—though perhaps in a superior style of art and workmanship—for perhaps thousands of years. Like most of the Tires people, she is acute and intelligent in many directions. She has a sharp eye and keen observing powers; her insight into character is correct and un-failing; she has command over keen humor and she is a good critic in her way. But with all her native intelligence, she possesses no invention and no capacity for progress in art. She copies with fair accuracy the traditional style and workmanship of her native hamlet. She makes no advance—she simply copies, as her "forebears" did, in a slavish manner, and probably she insensibly loses in excellence as she copies.—*Blackwood's Magazine.*

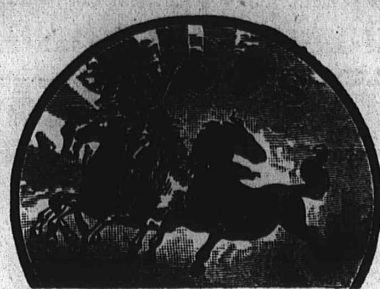


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