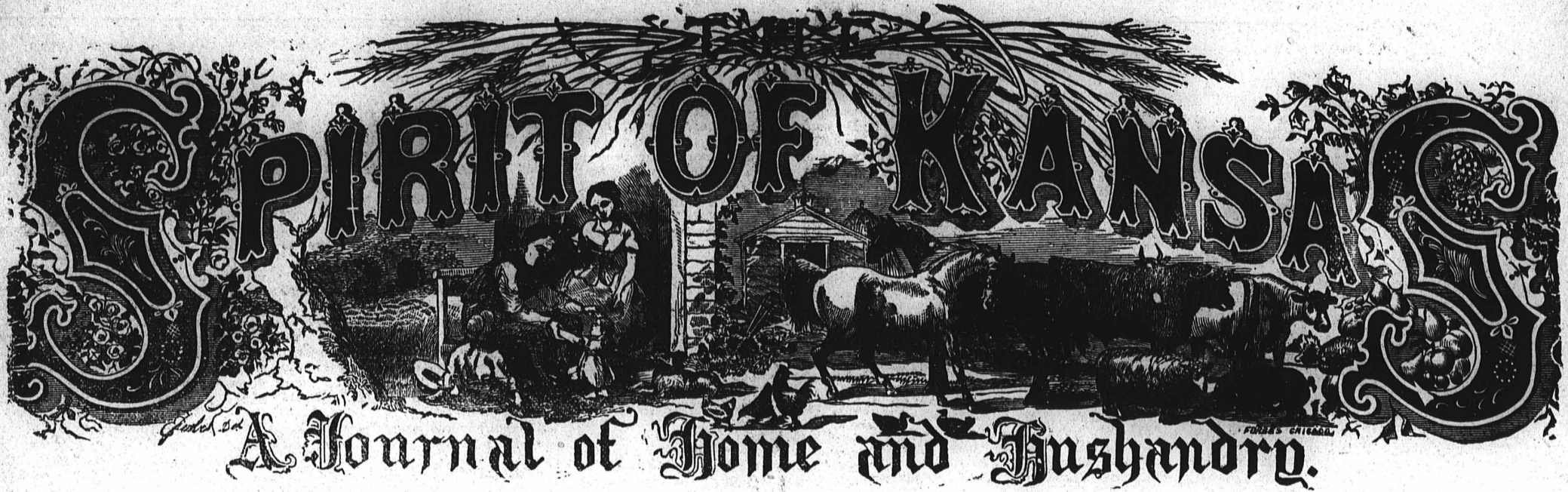


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The Kansas News Co., also publish the Western Farm News, of Lawrence, and nine other country weeklies.
Advertising for the whole list received at lowest rates. Breeders and manufacturer's cards, of four lines, or less, 125 words, the Spirit of Kansas one year, \$5.00. No orders taken for less than three months.

The Union Pacific has again changed its time card.

Topeka has a vacuum cure, probably for those with empty heads.

The county clerks of the State held a convention at Wichita this week.

The Santa Fe shops at Topeka have recently been lighted up by electricity.

By the late decision of the Supreme Court, the Lawrence cider ordinance is declared to be constitutional.

Mrs. Swanson, the Topeka mother who poisoned her little girl last Saturday, has been declared insane. She believed she was going to die and wanted the daughter to go with her.

The Commercial hotel at Centralia, Kan., burned. Loss \$3,000; partially insured.

Rain fell over the whole country last Sunday, except in the extreme northwest.

The village of Lutt, g. f. w. destroyed by fire Sat. night. \$40,000.

John M., ... made an assignment ... unknown; assets, \$40,000.

A farmer named Waddis, near Huntington, Tenn., killed a con-table and his nephew, who levied an attachment on his cotton, Saturday.

Dave Gowenlock, cashier of a banking firm of Mount Carmel, Ill., has fled, taking about \$15,000.

There was a serious wreck on the Missouri, Kansas & Texas near Bonville, Mo., Monday morning. Seventeen freight cars derailed and traffic delayed for the day.

The Massachusetts railroad commissioners have declared Section Master Joseph F. Welch responsible largely for the Old Colony railway wreck, in which twenty-three people were killed.

The dreadful spotted fever, which made its appearance last March near Fountainhead, about fifteen miles from Gallatin, Tenn., killing about 90 per cent of the victims, has reappeared in that vicinity.

The new serial, by Frank R. Stockton, author of "Roderick Brange," which opens the ATLANTIC MONTHLY for November, is entitled "The House of Martha." It abounds in that dry, whimsical humor, which is so difficult to analyze, and yet so easy to enjoy. The romantic title, "Along the Frontier of Proteus's Realm," comes rather strangely after Mr. Stockton's delightfully matter-of-fact humor. The paper with this title is by Edith Thomas, and is a charming description of the sea in its various moods, enlivened by verses of which Miss Thomas is apparently the author. "The Legend of William Tell" is traced to its early beginning by Mr. W. B. McCracken; and Mr. Frank Gaylord Cook has an instructive paper on Robert Morris. A Successful Highwayman in the Middle Ages, the story of a Castilian bandit, is told by Francis C. Lowell, and is followed by "An American Highwayman," by Robert H. Fuller, the mysterious tale of "the only American highwayman who has ever shown himself in any degree worthy of the name."
"The Fourth canto of the Inferno," by John Jay Chapman, and the "Relief of Sultors in Federal Courts," by Walter B. Hill, furnish the more solid reading of the number. Dr. Holmes bids the ATLANTIC readers farewell all too soon in the closing paper of "Over the Teacups," in which, for a few moments, he steps before the curtain, and speaks in his own person. Kate Mason Rowland's bright paper on "Maryland Women and French Officers" must not be forgotten by any lover of amusing sketches of society at the time of the Revolution.
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston.

About Sweet Odors.
"Sweet odors," said a reliable perfumer recently, "are of three kinds—the floral, the aromatic and the balsamic. The first group includes all those derived from sweet-smelling flowers; the second those derived from spices, herbs and roots, and the third those derived from resins, musks and similar substances. The otto, or essence of perfume, is obtained by distillation, maceration or enflourage.
"Art," the perfumer continued, "improves on nature and gives bouquets of most delicate odor, such as Jockey Club, West End, Mousseleine, Millefleur, and a host of others which have no counterpart in garden or grove. The delicate hellebore, for instance, is scarce and unprofitable to the perfumer. He detects in its odor, however, the aroma of vanilla combined with the sharper scent of bitter almonds. Therefore he adds to a tincture of vanilla a small quantity of the otto of bitter almonds and rose and orange flower essence, and thus easily makes 'extract of hel' trope.'
"The magnolia is too large to macerate," he continued; "but its odor is desirable. It is furnished by a mixture of orange flower, rose, tuberose and violet essences, which makes a fine 'extract of magnolia.' Indian lemon-grass likewise gives 'extract of verbena.' With the rose as a foundation and a dash of verbena the perfume of the delicate and fleeting 'sweet briar' is obtained.
"Of the animal substances, ambergris, the secretion of a sperm whale, gives mellowness and permanency to mixtures. Civet, a secretion of the African and Indian cat, has an odor harmonizing with floral compounds. Musk is found in the small pocket or pouch of the musk deer of China, Tonquin and Thibet. It is so powerful, aromatic and persistent that one part of musk will scent more than three thousand parts of inodorous powder.
"Of the spice series cloves are largely used. They are the unexpanded flower buds of the clove trees. Cinnamon or cassia is largely used. Cassia is not cassia. Cinnamon or cassia is the bark of a tree. Cassia comes from China, the true cinnamon from Ceylon, and the two odorous grasses are natives of India; one is known as the 'lemon grass,' from which all our 'extracts of verbena' and 'verbena water' are made, a little addition of lemon essence making the counterfeit complete.
"Let me now give a bit of advice to your readers. Above all things, avoid coarse, strong perfumes. A heavily laden odor easily degenerates into a bad smell. Good taste and breeding in a woman may easily be told from the perfume she uses. While a lady charms us with the delicate ethereal fragrance she spreads about her, aspiring vulgarity will surely betray itself by a mouchoir redolent of common perfume."

"Why don't you eat, Mr. Bliven?" said that young man's landlady. "You seem in doubt about something." "I am." "What is it?" "I can't make my mind whether that is a very small piece of steak or whether the servant simply forgot to wash the plate."

Dashley—How do you like Irving's acting in the scene where he sees his father's ghost?
Cashley—Tremendous. I have never seen such abject terror expressed on a human countenance.
Dashley—You haven't? Well, you ought to see little Deadbroke when he meets his tailor in the street.
Old Gent (testily)—Horrible! Phew!
Lawyer—What's the trouble, Mr. Gaugreene?
Old Gent—There's a dead cat outside your door and I don't see how you can stand it.
Lawyer (relieved)—Oh! Is that all? I don't mind a little thing like that. I have an office boy that smokes cigarettes and I'm used to it.

CHILDREN'S LITERATURE.
What "St. Nicholas" Has Done for Boys and Girls.
Victor Hugo calls this "the woman's century," and he might have added that it is the children's century as well, for never before in the world's history has so much thought been paid to children—their schools, their books, their pictures and their toys. Childhood, as we understand it, is a recent discovery.
Up to the time of the issue of the *St. Nicholas Magazine* seventeen years ago literature and children's magazines were almost contradictory terms, but the new periodical started with the idea that nothing was too good for children; the result has been a juvenile magazine genuine with conscientious purpose,—the greatest writers contributing to it, with the best artists and engravers helping to beautify it,—and everything tuned to the key-note of youth.
It has been the special aim of *St. Nicholas* to supplant unhealthy literature with stories of a living and healthful interest. It will not do to take fascinating bad literature out of boys' hands, and give them in its place Mrs. Barnum and Peter Parley, or the work of writers who think that any "good y" talk will do for children, but they must have strong, interesting reading, with the blood and sinew of real life in it,—reading that will waken them to a closer observation of the best things about them.
In the seventeen years of its life *St. Nicholas* has not only elevated the child, but it has also elevated the tone of contemporary children's literature as well. Many of its stories, like Mrs. Burnett's "Little Lord Fauntleroy," have become classics. It is not too much to say that almost every notable young people's story now produced in America first seeks the light in the pages of that magazine.
The year 1891 will prove once more that "no household where there are children is complete without *St. Nicholas*." J. T. Trowbridge, Noah Brooks, Charles Dudley Warner, and many well known writers are to contribute during this coming year. One cannot put the spirit of *St. Nicholas* into a prospectus, but the publishers are glad to send a full announcement of the features for 1891 and a single sample copy to the address of any person mentioning this notice. The magazine costs \$3.00 a year. Address THE CENTURY CO., 33 East 17th St., New York.

The Deacon Saw a New Light.
Simon Stevens, the well known water front attorney, sums up the rapid transit situation at Albany with the following characteristic anecdote: "There was a conflict between two deacons in a certain church, and the minister was anxious to bring them together. So he called them in and urged them to pray over the situation, with a view to compromising their differences. After they had prayed one of the deacons exclaimed: 'I have seen a new light. I am willing to compromise.'
"I am delighted, Deacon Blank," joined in the other deacon, "to hear you say this. I have been praying that you would come to my terms."
Mr. Stevens calls this a compromise in which the yielding is all on one side.

Leghorn Straw Farming.
What is known as Leghorn straw is raised on the hills which rise on each side of the rivers Pisa and Elsa, south of Florence, Italy. Its adaptability to the uses to which it is destined depends principally on the soil on which it is sown, which soil, to all appearances, exists only in this small district, out of the bounds of which the industry is unknown. Any variety of wheat which has a hollow, flexible stem can be used for seed. The soil must be tilled and prepared very much as it is for corn, but the seed is sown five times as thick as is usual for other purposes; this is done in the month of December or February. When the straw is full grown, and before the grain begins to form itself in the ear, it is uprooted and firmly tied in sheaves the size of a handful. Each sheaf or menata, as it is called, is spread out in the shape of a fan to dry in the sun for three days, after which it is stowed away in barns. The harvest being over and the fields empty, it is again spread out to catch the heavy summer dews and to bleach in the sun, during which process it is carefully turned until all sides are equally white.

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"Well, we all want something more than we've got. Don't you?"
"Yes; but I guess 'want' will be my master. I started to keep down expenses; and now Lil says I'm 'mean,' and she's tired of saving and never having anything to show for it. I saw your wife down street, and she looked as happy as a queen!"
"I think she is; and we are economical, too,—have to be. My wife can make a little go further than anyone I ever knew, yet she's always surprising me with some dainty contrivance that adds to the comfort and beauty of our little home, and she's always 'merry as a lark.' When I ask how she manages it, she always laughs and says: 'Oh! that's my secret!' But I think I've discovered her secret." When we married, we both knew we should have to be very careful, but she made one condition; she would have her Magazine. And she was right! I wouldn't do without it myself for double the subscription price. We read it together, from the title-page to the last word; the stories keep our hearts young; the reports of important events and scientific matters keep me posted so that I can talk understandingly of what is going on; my wife is always trying some new idea from the household department; she makes all her dresses and those for the children, and she gets all her patterns for nothing, with the Magazine; and I saved Joe when he was so sick with the croup, by doing just as directed in the Sanitarium Department. But I can't tell you half!"
"What wonderful Magazine is it?"
"Demorest's Family Magazine, and—"
"What! Why that's what Lil wanted so bad, and I told her it was an extravagance."
"Well, my friend, that's where you made a grand mistake, and one you'd better rectify as soon as you can. I'll take your seat right here, on my wife's account; she's bound to have a china tea-set in time for our tin wedding next month. My gold watch was the premium I got for getting up a club. Here's a copy, with the new Premium List for clubs,—the biggest thing out! If you don't see it in what you want, you've only to write to the publisher and tell him what you want, whether it is a tack-hammer or a new carriage, and he will make special terms for you, either for a club, or for part cash. Better subscribe right off and surprise Mrs. Tom. Only \$2.00 a year will save fifty times that in six months. Or send 10 cents direct to the publisher, W. J. Demorest, 15 East 14th Street, New York. For a specimen copy containing the Premium List."

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Brander Matthews contributes to HARPER'S WEEKLY November 19 a biographical and critical sketch of the distinguished French writer Francois Coppee.

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These cartoons are placed at the bottom of each page of the magazine, and take for their subject, "Christmas during the Eighteen Centuries of the Christian Era."

Above, and at each side of the page is a quaint border, the whole effect being novel and extremely pleasing.

An excellently illustrated article is one on portraits by Eliza Ruhama Scidmore.

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New York Tribune.

The Tariff and the Farmer. The Tribune will devote much space during 1891 to the Tariff as it affects the Farmer and the Mechanic.

Young Men who wish to Succeed. Many a man feels the lack of early direction of his energies and early inculcation of the maxims which promote the formation of character and success in after life.

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