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### THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Coke County, Greeting:

You Are Hereby Commanded

to summon W. J. Wilson by making publication of this Citation

once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the

return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county,

if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in

any newspaper published in the 51st Judicial District; but if

there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then

in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 51st Ju-

dicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the Dis-

trict Court of Coke county, to be holden at the court house there-

of, in Robert Lee, on the third Monday in September, 1914, the

same being the 21st day of September, A. D., 1914, then and

there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 22nd day of

April, 1913, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No.

739, wherein Deasa Wilson is Plaintiff, and W. J. Wilson is

Defendant, said petition alleging that plaintiff resides in Coke

county, Texas, and has so resided for more than six months

next before the filing of this suit and that the defendant is a

transient person whose residence is unknown. That plain-

tiff and defendant were lawfully married in Coke county, Texas,

on or about the 14th day of June 1909. That soon after said mar-

riage defendant began a course of conduct toward her that was

cruel, did unbearable and rendered it impossible for them to

live together as husband and wife, grossly neglecting her and

by inhumane and immoral acts toward her destroyed the peace

and happiness of her life, and at divers times and on frequent

occasions defendant used violent, abusive language to and

in the presence of and hearing of plaintiff concerning plaintiff

on each and all of said occasions, cursing her and accusing

her of infidelity to him and of undue intimacy with other men

than himself. That after their baby was born, on the 29th day

of April, 1910, defendant grew worse, more cruel, harsh and

abusive than before and more neglectful of her and continued

to grow worse until on or about the 1st day of March, 1912,

plaintiff by reason thereof was forced to separate her self and

baby from him and to remain away from him which was and

is a permanent separation and plaintiff and defendant has never

lived together as husband and wife any more, all of which is

without any fault or wrong on the part of plaintiff. That

their said child is a boy named Franklin Erwin Wilson and lives

with plaintiff who is a suitable person to have the care and custody

and training of said child and is able to provide for and educate him.

Plaintiff prays for judgment and decree of divorce and for

care and custody of said child, for all costs and for general and

special relief.

Herein I fail Not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid

next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing

how you have executed the same.

Witness, R. E. Douglas, Jr., Clerk of the District Court of Coke

county, Texas.

Given Under My Hand and the Seal of said Court, at office

Robert Lee, this 24th day of August, 1914.

R. E. Douglas, Jr., Clerk, District Court, Coke County.

By Roy Taylor, Deputy.

A true copy I certify.

Will Hickman, Sheriff, Coke County, Texas.

L. J. Cowart, Deputy.

## Citation by Publication.

### THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Coke county, Greeting:

You Are Hereby Commanded

to summon B. F. Roberts by making publication of this Citation

once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the

return hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if

there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any

newspaper published in the 51st Judicial District; but if there be

no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a news-

paper published in the nearest District to said 51st Judicial Dis-

trict, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court

of Coke county, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Robert

Lee, on the third Monday in September, 1914, the same being

the 21st day of September, A. D., 1914, then and there to answer

a petition filed in said Court on the 24th day of August, A. D.,

1914, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 739,

wherein Katie Roberts is Plaintiff, and B. F. Roberts is Defendant,

said petition alleging that plaintiff is a resident of Coke county,

Texas, and has been for more than 12 months next before the

filing of this suit, and that the residence and whereabouts of

defendant is unknown.

That plaintiff and defendant were legally married March 15,

1899, and lived together as husband and wife until the 15th day

of November, 1902, when defendant without cause or provocation

abandoned plaintiff and has ever since remained away from

plaintiff. That there were two children born of said union, S. B.

and George Roberts, who now live with plaintiff. That their

further living together has been rendered insupportable. Plaintiff

prays for judgment and decree of divorce and for custody of

said children, and for general and special relief.

Herein I fail Not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid

next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing

how you have executed the same.

Witness, R. E. Douglas, Clerk of the District Court of Coke

county, Texas.

Given Under My Hand and the Seal of said Court, at office

Robert Lee, this 24th day of August, 1914.

R. E. Douglas, Jr., Clerk, District Court, Coke County.

By Roy Taylor, Deputy.

A true copy I certify.

Will Hickman, Sheriff, Coke County, Texas.

L. J. Cowart, Deputy.

Rheumatism Pains Stopped.

The first application of Sloan's Liniment goes right to the

painful part—it penetrates without rubbing—it stops the Rheumatic

Pains around the joints and gives relief and comfort. Don't

suffer! Get a bottle to day! It is a family medicine for all

pains, bruises, cuts, sore throat, neuralgia and chest pains. Pre-

vents infection. Mr. Chas. H. Wentworth, California, writes:—

"It did wonders for my Rheumatism, pain is gone as soon as I

apply it. I recommended it to my friends as the best Liniment

I ever used." Guaranteed. 25c. at your Druggist.

The buy a bale of cotton plan that has sprung up everywhere,

seems to be making rapid headway and is meeting with success

where ever tried. The idea is for everybody that has the

price to buy a bale of cotton at ten cents a pound and hold it,

thus relieving the tension of the market.

## BIG REDUCTION ON OXFORDS

We have now on our display counter an exceptional nice line of fully up-to-date, stylish

## OXFORDS

For Ladies, Men and Children.

You can wear these Oxfords late in the season. They are not shop worn, out of style but up to the latest styles of new spring stock. Our object is to unload them before the fall season.

PRICES CUT TO HALF

## Dupree & Day

THE HOUSE OF QUALITY

## A MILLION MEN ARE ENGAGED IN BATTLE

London, Sept. 7. Once more

the Germans and the allied

French and British armies have

grappled in the great battle

which has been fought with only

two brief intermissions since

Aug. 13. The tide has turned

for a time at least, and according

to an official bulletin from

Paris, the Germans on Sunday

evening were compelled to retreat.

The battle line stretched in a

rough crescent east of Paris from

Nanteuil-Le-Haudouin to Ver-

dun. The front was more than

100 miles long with the French

on the outer edge of the crescent

and the Germans occupying the

interior line. It was a general

action and the British troops

were in the battle with the

French.

Brief and indefinite though

the announcement, it has kindled

high hopes in Great Britain

that the German steam roller

has struck an impassable barrier.

Paris, Sept. 7, via London.—

It was officially announced to-

night that the Germans are re-

treating from the line of Nan-

teuil-Le-Haudouin to Verdun af-

ter a vigorous action with French

and British.

An earlier official statement

given out in Paris today said

that a general action had started

on the line from Nanteuil-Le-

Haudouin to Verdun, a distance

of 120 miles. It was then said

that thanks to the vigorous ac-

tion of the French troops, sup-

ported by the British, the Ger-

mans had "started retreating."

Unofficial advices from Berlin

also have indicated that a battle

of tremendous importance was

being fought in the territory de-

scribed. It is estimated that a

million men were engaged.

## Stop That First Fall Cough.

Check your fall cough or cold

at once—don't wait—it may lead

to serious lung trouble, weaken

your vitality and develop a

chronic lung ailment. Get a bot-

tle of Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey

to-day; it is pure and harmless—

use it freely for that fall cough

or cold. If Baby or Children are

sick give it to them, it will re-

lieve quickly and permanently.

It soothes the inflamed throat,

loosens the chest, and fortifies

the system against colds. It

surely prevents cold germs from

getting a hold. Guaranteed only

25c. at your Druggist.

## Farmers Institute Meeting.

The Coke county Farmers In-

stitute met Saturday afternoon

to discuss the warehouse propo-

sition. No definite conclusion

was reached. By all means

Robert Lee should have a ware-

house of sufficient capacity to

accommodate the farmers of this

vicinity. It is within reach

of the cotton raisers and would

more than repay them for the

money expended. The amount

necessary could be raised by a

local stock company or could be

raised by an assessment of \$1

per bale, agreed on by all farm-

ers within a certain radius of

this place. The shed or build-

ing could be erected cheaply of

sheet iron with a good fence

enclosing it, and would pay for

itself in one year in protecting

what cotton is held every year.

## Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

"I advised the 'boys' when they

collected for the Spanish war to

take Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera

and Diarrhoea Remedy with them,

and have received many thanks for

the advice given," writes J. H. Hough-

land Eldon, Iowa. "No person

whether traveling or at home should

be without this great remedy." For

sale by all dealers. Adv.

## Jury List For September Term.

Grand Jurors. First week.

J. A. Baldwin, Albe Haze, J. G.

herryman, J. R. Brock, S. H.

Chumley, L. D. Schooler, J. D.

Collier, W. J. Varnadore, A. S.

Eubanks, J. T. Hamilton, W. T.

Hazlewood, Morgan Modrall, W.

G. Jameson, F. H. Walker, J. N.

Walls, Charles Copeland.

Peit Jurors. First week.

bird, E. A. Boykin, W. G. Byrd, G.

T. Cain, L. W. Carille, G. D. P.

Clark, J. A. Clift, S. M. Conner,

S. Craft, R. E. Cumble, W. F. Den-

man, W. F. Dupree, Ollie Eu-

banks, R. E. Fisher, H. A. Gary,

G. W. Gaston, J. W. Gates, W. A.

Good, Jim Hale, B. T. Hallmark,

J. C. Sneed, L. F. Hargraves, A. R.

Hayley, Ed Hickman, J. N. Had-

man, O. C. Ivey, J. W. Mitchell, C.

M. Barger, G. P. Kirkland, A. D.

Lane, J. P. Hutchinson, J. I. Mur-

tishaw, M. O. McCutchen, F. E.

McDonald.

## Po Do Lax Banishes Pimples.

Bad Blood, Pimples, Head-

aches, Biliousness, Torpid Liv-

er, Constipation, etc., come from

Indigestion. Take Po Do Lax,

the pleasant and absolutely sure

Laxative and you won't suffer

from a deranged Stomach or

other troubles. It will tone up

the Liver and purify the blood.

Use it regularly and you will

stay well, have clear complexion

and steady nerves. Get a 50c.

bottle to day. Money back if

not satisfied. All Druggists.

Adv.

When a duck lays an egg she

just waddles off as if nothing

had happened.

When a hen lays an egg there

is a whole of a noise.

The hen advises. Hence the

demand for hen's eggs instead

of ducks' eggs.—Ex.

## COTTON PICKERS WANTED

Coke County farmers are seeking help to gather their immense cotton crop. Those wishing cotton to pick should address either of the committee and all information will be gladly furnished. Come between 1st and 15th of September.

J. A. Clift, W. H. Bell, Geo. Dickey, Committee.

## THE NEW GOODS



## THE ROAD DRAG: HOW TO MAKE IT

Department of Agriculture  
Gives Advice.

INEXPENSIVE FOR UPKEEP.

The Drag Is Recommended For Roads That Have Been Partially Improved, That Have Been Crowned or Drained, But Have No Hard Surface.

According to the United States department of agriculture the road drag, properly used, gives the needed crown to the road, smooths out ruts and other irregularities, spreads out puddles of water and thereby accelerates the drying of the road and makes the surface more or less impervious to water by smearing over the so called pores in the earthy material. The cost depends, of course, upon local conditions and the thoroughness with which the work is done. It is safe to say, however, that it is less expensive than any other efficient system of upkeep.

In its simplest form the road drag consists of an ordinary log split in half



USING A ROAD DRAG.

and the two halves connected like the uprights of a ladder by means of cross sticks or runners. The log should be about seven or eight inches in diameter and from six to eight feet in length.

It is better to have it of well seasoned, hard, tough wood. The two semicircular halves of the log form the runners of the drag and are usually spaced from thirty to thirty-six inches apart. The front runner is always placed with the pointed end of the wood facing forward, but the rear runner sometimes has its rounded face in front. This is done in order to increase the smearing action of the drag as it passes over the surface of the road.

The two runners are not placed directly behind each other, but are "off set" as it is called, from about twelve to sixteen inches. This is done because the drag is drawn over the road at an angle sufficient to make the runners free themselves of the surface which they scrape. The amount of this angle or skew depends, of course, upon the condition of the road. By offsetting the runners it is possible to make their ends follow approximately the same line on the road, which they would not do if they were set directly behind each other and the drag drawn at an angle with the road.

In order to provide standing room for the man it is usual to nail two boards down upon the rungs parallel to the runners. Standing upon these, a skillful driver will bear his weight in such a way as to materially aid in the successful operation of the drag.

The drag is drawn by a chain which should be about eight feet long. This can be fastened by eye bolts to each end of the front runner, or one end of the chain can be passed through the hole at the discharge end of the front runner and the other end looped over the rung at the cutting end of the runner. It is important that the hitching link should be so designed that its position can be changed readily. It is also desirable to provide a metal cutting edge for the front runner. This can be made from a strip of iron or steel, and old wagon tires have frequently proved satisfactory.

The cost of such a drag varies from \$2 to perhaps \$10 or \$12. This practically insignificant investment will secure an implement that will be of great service to the community for at least three or four years. The fact cannot be overlooked, however, that skill in the use of the drag is indispensable.

The angle that the runners make with the center line of the road—the skew angle it might be called—is an important factor. For example, if the dragging is done to increase the crown of the road the drag should be sufficiently skewed to discharge all material as rapidly as it is collected on the runners. On the other hand, the conditions may be such that it is desirable to carry along this material in order to deposit it where there are depressions in the road's surface.

As to the time for dragging, a safe rule to follow is to drag the road when the material composing the surface contains sufficient moisture to compact readily, but is not sufficiently wet for traffic to produce mud.

When the bowels feel uncomfortable and you miss the exhilarating feeling that always follows a copious morning operation, a dose of Herbine will set you right in a couple of hours.

If taken at bed time you get its beneficial effect after breakfast next day. Price 50c. Sold by P. D. Coulson & Son, Adv.

## HELPFUL HINTS FOR HOUSEWIVES

Thread Holder That Prevents  
Tangles and Soiling.



The thread holder herewith pictured is the invention of a woman and is designed to aid the knitter or lace worker. Ordinarily the spool of thread is in constant danger of falling to the floor and unwinding in a most provoking manner. Here is a little device built on the principle of the safety pin by which the spool of thread is secured to the person of the knitter at some convenient place. It may be on the clothing or fastened in the pocket of an apron, where it may be drawn upon as desired and at the same time is protected from soil.

### Kitchen Pointers.

A little flour dredged over a cake will prevent the frosting from running before it hardens.

Melted alum will mend your glass pieces so the break will not show.

Picture wires are better to fasten sash curtains with than tape.

The unbeaten white of an egg, added to thin cream, will enable one to whip the cream successfully.

A teaspoonful of tartaric acid in a pint bottle of water will remove stains from the hands and will also remove stains from white goods.

### Apple Jelly.

Calf's foot, veal bones, rind of bacon, two carrots, two onions, thyme, parsley, a bay leaf and a glass of sherry. Place the carrots, onion, thyme, parsley and bay leaf in a saucepan, with the bones, rind and calf's foot cut into pieces and well washed, cover with water, add salt and pepper and let it boil tightly closed for six or seven hours. Add the sherry. Strain it, let it cool and skim the fat. Boil again with a couple of whites of eggs to clarify.

Chocolate Ice Cream. Place a pint of milk, seven heaping tablespoonsful of sugar, and four squares of baking chocolate in a double boiler and cook until the chocolate has melted and the mixture is smooth. Chill, turn into the freezer and turn the dasher until the mixture is frozen to the consistency of mush. Take out the dasher, add a pint of whipped cream and a small tablespoonful of vanilla. Beat vigorously, repack and stand for two hours to mellow.

Codfish With Egg Sauce. Take one pound of salt codfish, boil it and remove the skin and bones. Then fry lightly in butter, adding chopped onion, salt and pepper. Stir about constantly and add from time to time a little boiling water until the fish is thoroughly cooked. Then beat up the yolks of two eggs and add them with a little flour and cook for a few moments more. Squeeze on some lemon juice and serve.

Baked Squash. Cut the squash in good sized pieces, remove seeds, but do not peel. Lay in a dripping pan with a very little water in the bottom and bake one and a half to two hours, or until soft. Scrape the flesh from the skin or shell, mash and add a few spoonfuls of cream or butter, salt and pepper to taste and a bit of sugar. Serve very hot.

French Ice Cream. In a double boiler add one pint of milk, beat together five eggs and one cupful of sugar and stir slowly into the scalded milk. When it thickens, strain and set away to cool. Beat one pint of cream to a froth, add to the chilled custard with two tablespoonsful of vanilla and freeze.

Green Sauce. Boil a handful of spinach and squeeze the juice from the leaves through a fine cloth into a bowl. Add this green water to a mayonnaise sauce with some chopped tarragon, chives, parsley and shallots. Serve with cold boiled salmon or salmon trout.

Washing Bedspreads. Instead of putting a bedspread through the wringer, hang it on the line dripping wet. It will dry without a crease, will not require ironing and the fringe will be as fluffy as when new.

Walnut Wafers. Roll chilled pie crust very thin, strew ground walnuts and a fine sifting of salt over and press down with rolling pin, then cut into small strips or diamonds and bake in hot oven.

Yellow complexion, pimples and disfiguring blemishes on the face or body can be gotten rid of by doctoring the liver, which is torpid. HERBINE is a powerful liver-correctant. It purifies the system, stimulates the vital organs and puts the body in fine vigorous condition. Price 50c. Sold by P. D. Coulson & Son, Adv.

Dr. King's New Life Pills will cure you, cause a healthy flow of bile and rid your stomach and bowels of waste and fermenting body poisons. They are a Tonic to your Stomach and Liver and tone the general system. First dose will cure you of that depressed, dizzy, bilious and constipated condition. 25c. all Druggists.

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**Masked Women.**  
Upper class Swahili women wear curious masks, which are made of leather and bend in a wooden frame. The mask is derived from the traditional usage of Moslem women, who must keep their faces covered in the presence of men. For several centuries Arab traders have frequented this East African coast, and to their influence are due most of the civilized customs found today among the natives of the district. The clothing worn by these prosperous dames is of silk; their shoes are partly of silver, and they wear much silver jewelry. The Moslems in Zanzibar, by the way, are less fanatically strict about religious unguages than their brethren in Morocco and Turkey.—Wide World Magazine.

**Eggs of the Alligator.**  
Alligators' eggs are eaten in the West India Islands and on the west coast of Africa. They resemble in shape a hen's egg and have much the same taste, but are larger. More than a hundred eggs have been found in one alligator.

**Used to Them.**  
The Plain One—And weren't you a bit nervous when he proposed to you? The Pretty One—Oh, dear, no! I proposed to make the nervous, but not any more.—Exchange.

**Rhetoric.**  
Church—What is rhetoric? Gotham—Why, I believe it is something a man has to use when proposing marriage to a Boston schoolteacher.—Yonkers Statesman.

Do but half of what you can and you will be surprised at your own diligence.

**Beggars on Horseback.**  
Beggars are cheap in Chile. According to Francis J. G. Maffland in "Chile: Its Land and People," you can buy a horse in Santiago for \$25 or \$30 and for less in the country. In illustration, he quotes a little happening witnessed by Miss May Crommellin in Mendoza: "Up rode a gaucho, dressed in white, if I remember rightly—no worse than a rag, sorry enough, yet still capable, and wore a medal round his neck. Off came his hat with a bow of much grace, but he stretched out his hand toward the window grating imploring alms. 'It's all right; he's one of our beggars. The town has so many licensed ones who are allowed to come round,' said my hostess, looking out over my shoulder. So, instead of dismissing him with a little 'Pardon, little brother, for not giving you anything,' some small coins were placed in his palm. 'Bless to you, God will repay it,' was the dignified response, and with a farewell bow of perfect politeness, this beggar on horseback rode on."

**Accepted.**  
"Shall we have a little tete-a-tete while we are waiting?"  
"Yes, indeed, but remember to tell 'em not to make it too strong."—Balti more American.

Of all virtues the first to be cultivated should be self respect.

W. H. Bell & Co. make a specialty of handling clean fresh groceries of the very best brands which they sell on a close margin. Let them furnish you.

## MAN AND MICROBES.

Human Beings Might All Be Giants if There Were No Bacteria.

If there were no microbes men would grow to gigantic stature and have intellectual powers far in advance of those which they possess at present. What is more, it is possible, at least, to live without microbes. Anyway, these are the conclusions of no less an authority than Dr. Roux, who heads the Pasteur Institute in Paris. They are based upon the result of some experiments carried on by one of his pupils, Dr. Michael Cohen.

The latter placed some guinea pigs under glass at the moment of their birth. The air which they breathed was thoroughly sterilized, as was all the food administered to them. Unquestionably many germs were able to reach them, but every precaution known to science and possible with the application of one of the complete laboratories in the world was exercised to protect them.

The results rather astounded the doctor. The subjects grew with amazing rapidity, three or four times as fast as guinea pigs of the same age subsisting under normal conditions. In the brief span of twelve days they were for the most part a third larger. It is a far cry from the guinea pig to the man of course, but Dr. Roux concludes that the latter, if under perfect antiseptic conditions from birth, would develop very far beyond what is possible at this time. At present he even hints that, with advancing knowledge, such conditions, if not attained, will be so approximated as to materially enhance the physical welfare and mental vigor of the race.—Boston Herald.

## WE HEARTILY RECOMMEND



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Farm and Fireside Today's Magazine (Any May Manton Pattern)	All for only <b>75c</b> You save 75c	McCall's Magazine (Any McCall Pattern) Woman's World Today's Magazine (Any May Manton Pattern)	All for only <b>80c</b> You save 55c

Never before have such low prices been made on clubbing offers including the most popular magazines. We urge every magazine reader to take advantage of this big opportunity we have provided. Call or mail your order to,

**The Robert Lee Observer.**

**An Excellent Shampoo.**  
The following is a recipe for a shampoo that will make the hair fluffy and easy to dress: Take half a cake of white castile soap, shave it up finely and boil in a pint of water until it jellies. Allow it to become cool; then beat up the yolks of three eggs and add them to the soap jelly with a teaspoonful of eau de cologne. Shampoo the hair in the usual way, rubbing the mixture well into the scalp and rinsing out with soft water.

**Her Last Word.**  
"She ought to drop dead for the awful lies she's telling," said the plaintiff excitedly, listening to the witness for the defense.  
"Don't say that," admonished the judge.  
"She ought," repeated the plaintiff.  
"Don't say that again!" warned the judge.  
"Well, I won't, but she ought."—Topeka Journal.

**Dizzy? Bilious? Constipated?**  
Dr. King's New Life Pills will cure you, cause a healthy flow of bile and rid your stomach and bowels of waste and fermenting body poisons. They are a Tonic to your Stomach and Liver and tone the general system. First dose will cure you of that depressed, dizzy, bilious and constipated condition. 25c. all Druggists.

**Ideal Feminine Form.**  
The Medicea Venus is five feet five inches in height, and this is held by many sculptors and artists to be the most admirable feminine stature. For a woman of five feet five inches 128 pounds is the proper weight, and if she be well formed she can stand another ten pounds without greatly showing it.

**Shopping in Brazil.**  
In Brazil it is considered undignified for a lady to go shopping. Usually a servant is sent for samples, and if it is a hat the shopkeeper wants to buy a box or basket containing several of the latest styles is sent for her inspection.—St. Louis Republic.

**He Was a Stayer.**  
Two millionaire business men were hunching in Fifth avenue when an old graybeard stopped by.  
"That's Brown. He works for me," said the first business man.  
"He's an honest looking chap. Has he got staying power?" asked the second business man.  
"He has that," said the first. "He began at the bottom of the ladder twenty years ago, and he's stayed there ever since."—New York Tribune.

In every home where there are children there should be a bottle of **WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE**. It destroys worms and acts as a tonic in the debilitated system. Price 25c. per bottle. Sold by P. D. Coulson & Son, Adv.

**Are You a Woman?**  
**Take Cardui**  
The Woman's Tonic  
FOR SALE AT ALL DRUGGISTS

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### SOME BYGONE JOYS.

Such as Ash Hoppers, Greased Soles and Attic Bedrooms.

Snot and soapmaking! Also ash hoppers! Alas and alack, that venerable institution is no more. The modern prospectus for rural habitations and accessories provides no place in the landscape for that once indispensable adjunct to farm life and its blessedness.

I've mind the ash hopper in the back of the house, just around the pailing fence? An inverted pyramid it was, into which the debris from the great fireplace was poured, with buckets of water thrown on the latter or else left to the sweet rains from heaven. Then the lye caught in the old iron kettle with the piece broken out of one side—it was once used for making apple butter. After that, the soap boiling—then the soap. Fine stuff, that soap—took the dirt out, all right, and removed the hide, too, if you weren't careful.

But the ash hopper has gone, along with the roller towel, the muckless kit, hog jowls, red apples and winter turnips. The open fireplace, too, has passed, before which you used to fry on one side, while icicles formed on the other. Nor is there any attic room under the shingles where the boys slept, with papa's old cavalry saddle in one corner and a sickly geranium roosting precariously on the window sill. Nor do we see the old time boots, slicked up with a mixture of mutton tallow and beeswax, which, however, didn't prevent a need for the services of four blacksmiths and a plumber to get 'em off o' nights when the boot-jack failed. And the boot-jack itself—say, when you come to think of it, a department bulletin has got more real sentiment and "insides" between its covers than can be found in Kipling's "Soldiers Three" or than Roswell ever dreamed of in his visions of Blessed Damozels and that sort of thing. O, you modern housewives!—Washington Post.

### WHEN A MAN LIES.

He Breathes Differently From When He Tells the Truth.

When you are telling a lie you breathe differently from when you are telling the truth. The difference was discovered by means of some tests made upon his students by Professor Hensell of Graz.

He prepared cards bearing letters, figures and diagrams and distributed these among his pupils. These were required to describe the cards correctly, except in certain cases when the cards were marked with a red star and the students receiving them were required to describe them falsely. Each student was watched carefully by his fellows, who, ignorant of the nature of the card, tried to judge from his manner whether he was telling the truth or not. The watchers were unable to judge with any certainty.

But before each man began his test the time occupied in inspiration and expiration was measured, and the measurement was taken again immediately after he finished. It was found that the utterance of a false statement always increased and the utterance of a true statement always diminished the quotient obtained by dividing the time of inspiration by the time of expiration.

Dr. Anton Rose, commenting in Die Umschau on these results remarks that the discovery furnishes a certain criterion between truth and falsehood. For even a clever liar is likely to fall in an attempt to escape detection by breathing irregularly. Professor Hensell having discovered that men are unable voluntarily to change their respiration so as to affect the result.

**Solved the Mystery.**  
The late Sir Edwin Durning-Lawrence, famous for his theories that Bacon wrote Shakespeare's works, used to tell this story against himself. On one occasion, talking on his favorite subject to an old lady, he impressed on her as final proof the "fact" that Shakespeare could not write his own name, let alone the plays. "Oh, I see!" the old lady said. "I quite agree with you now, Sir Edwin. You mean that he dictated them!"

**An Old Mark.**  
It is said that the dollar mark can be traced back to the fifteenth century. But at that it isn't near as old as the easy mark.—Birmingham News.

**Waste of Life.**  
The true waste of life consists in the love we have not given, the services we have not rendered, the sacrifice from which we have drawn back.—George Eliot.

**Recognized.**  
"I saw my boyhood chum the other day, the one that has become a millionaire."  
"Did he recognize you?"  
"I guess so. He turned a corner when he saw me coming."—Houston Post.

**Deserve.**  
First Yale Student—What did Miss Mellye do when you accused her of going over to Harvard? Second Dittie—She turned crimson.—Baltimore American.

**Early Rising.**  
Bibbs—I believe in early rising, don't you? Gibbs—Well, there's no abstract excellence in early rising. It all depends on what you do after you rise. It would be better for the world if some people never got up!—London Telegraph.

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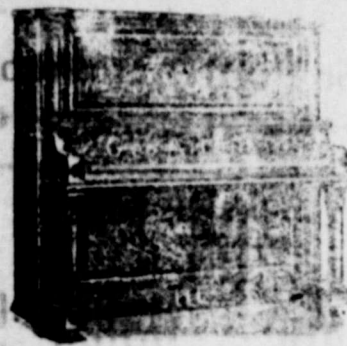
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### Peeling or Paring.

Does one peel or pare a potato? There is authority for the contention that raw potatoes are pared, while potatoes boiled with their jackets on may be peeled. It is a fine distinction, but logical. You pare a thing by taking a knife and removing its outer integument, together with some of the substance of the thing itself. But to peel an apple or a potato or a case of sunburn you seize the already loosened integument itself and simply strip it off—it's hard to put it into words, but you see how it is, don't you?—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

### Uses of Silver.

The largest single use for silver, outside of the manufacture of silver plated ware, is estimated to be in the manufacture of photographic plates, films and paper. The manufacture of films for moving picture use has now become an enormous business, and it is probable that in the future this will bring the largest consumption of silver. The silver is used in photography for making the light sensitive emulsion and is principally the bromide of silver.

### Photographing Stars.

Star photography is one of the most tedious operations known. In some cases the exposure of the plate must last for several hours. During all this time both the plate and telescope must be moved so that the image of the star will be stationary on the plate. The exposure for a star of the sixteenth magnitude is two hours, and only the image of one at a time can be secured, unless those adjoining happen to be of the same size.

### Mane Anderson's Great Fear.

Elans Andersen, the great Danish writer, was an excessively nervous man, and he had a very great fear of being buried alive. So great was this dread that every night when he went to bed he would place by his bedside a large piece of paper on which was written, "I am only apparently dead."

### Too Much of It.

Greens—How does it happen that you don't trade at (hearer's) any more? You used to brag about the nice cuts of meat he always sent you. Is it because he wouldn't give you credit?—On the contrary. It is because he did.—Boston Transcript.

### Still Worse.

"Every man says things he is sorry for." "Worse than that?" exclaimed Mr. Mumble. "Sometimes he writes 'em."—Washington Star.

## INSULTING THE FLAG.

One Thing About Which Every Nation Is Extremely Sensitive.

There is nothing about which civilized nations are quite so sensitive as the courtesy due to their national flags. A deliberate insult to a flag will bring even the most patient of nations to boiling point. Flag incidents always lead to strained relations and often to war.

How seriously nations take these things is shown by the suddenness with which a war cloud loomed up when Huerta, the Mexican dictator, gabbled about saluting the American flag after his officers had illegally arrested United States marines.

It was a flag incident that renewed the Balkan war after Turkey had been successfully crushed by the three allies. There was strong ill feeling among the allies as to the division of the spoils. A small Serbian party crossed the Bulgarian border and was quietly looting a village near Vratza, when the local postmaster hoisted the red, green and white Bulgarian flag over the postoffice. He was shot in the act and the flag riddled with bullets. Next morning Bulgaria declared war.

Flag incidents keep cropping up accidentally, but apologies smooth matters over. It is, for instance, a mortal insult for a ship to fly another nation's flag below its own, as this implies capture and conquest. It has occasionally been done with flags on gala occasions. A Russian warship did this some years ago during a call at Portsmouth. It was, of course, followed by a complete apology to the local admiral.

This explains why, when the British admiralty issued a universal code of signals some years ago for use by all the nations, there was a good deal of international heartburning over the colored plate of national flags that prefaced it. The union jack, naturally, came first. Diplomatic relations, particularly with Germany, were rather strained for some time, though there was no danger of war. It was realized that alphabetical order was impossible, as many nations spell each other's names differently. Britain, for example, would count Germany among the G's, while Germany calls itself Deutschland, among the D's.—Philadelphia Ledger.

### Very Offensive.

"Don't you dislike a man who assumes to know more than his official associates?" asked one statesman. "Yes," replied the other. "Particularly if he makes good."—Washington Star.

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When the doctor pronounces the patient dead, is he sure? And, if not, what tests can remove all doubt? This question, though not often spoken, is probably present in the minds of friends and relations at every death-bed.

As death is the worst of all disasters and no mistake could be more awful than premature burial, it is not merely interesting, but important, for people to know what tests are conclusive and what are not.

When the breathing stops and no sound of heart beat or pulse can be detected there is little doubt of death. But the little doubt is in itself so dreadful that these common signs are not enough. If the body grows slowly but steadily cold the doubt is lessened, but by no means removed. Nor is it a sign of life if after dropping the temperature it suddenly rises again.

The placing of a mirror in front of the mouth and nostrils is a well known test. The theory is that even the faintest breath will dim the mirror. This test is not only worthless, but likely to cause false hopes. Gases generated in the body very frequently issue from the mouth and form a mist upon the mirror.

Steel needles are sometimes thrust into the muscles for a period of an hour and then examined. If the person is alive the oxygen of the blood should rust the needle, if dead should not. This test in actual practice is unreliable, and no faith can be placed in it.

Another cause of false hopes is the custom of placing a glass of water filled to the edge on the breast. The slightest movement of the lungs will cause a drop to spill. This, too, is valueless, because after death there are invariably certain movements of the muscles known as "cadaveric spasms," which are often energetic enough to spill the water.

Probably one of the most infallible tests is the opening of an artery. In life the arteries are full of blood under pressure. In death the arteries drain into the veins. This is a very fortunate fact, as it prevents the undertaker from making any mistake. The embalming fluid is injected by opening an artery. Should blood flow he knows that life still persists and is warned in time.

Cutting the skin to see if blood will flow from the veins proves nothing, as it often flows as late as three days after death.

The X-ray, when it is available, provides an excellent proof of death. A photograph of a live being shows the heart with a blurred outline. This is caused by even the faintest movements of the organ. An X-ray exposure of a dead person reveals the heart clear cut and sharp.

There are numberless so-called tests of the eye, its shrinkage in size, the fading and fogging of the transparent part and other signs. These signs are not sufficient proof, nor is the test of flashing a bright light into the eye to see if the pupil contracts. Even atropine dropped on the eyeball brings no evidence. It has been proved that the drug will dilate the eye some time after death.

Many persons think electricity applied in the form of shocks is a test. It is of no avail, as the muscles usually respond to the current for three hours or more after death.

Proof beyond question is supplied when the stiffening known as "rigor mortis" sets in. Hysteria, catalepsy and other states often simulate that stiffness. Rigor mortis begins in one part of the body, usually the muscles of the throat, and gradually extends throughout the body, while the various living forms of muscle stiffness come on instantly and belong to all the muscles.

The so-called "diaphanous" test is unreliable. If you hold your hand close to a candle or other bright light the fingers show a certain ray transparency, the bones appearing as dim shadows. After death the fingers usually become as opaque as if made of marble. But exceptions are frequent enough to make the test worthless.

A harmless but very powerful dye called fluorescein will settle all doubts very quickly. If a hypodermic syringe is used to inject a little of this dye under the skin it has no result on a dead person. But if this is done to one in whom there is the slightest trace of circulation there follows at once an unmistakable and startling result. The entire skin becomes a golden yellow and the whites of the eyes turn an emerald green. The effects pass away soon after the pulse and breathing are restored. This and the test of opening an artery are probably the only infallible death tests.—New York Press.

### To Prevent Accidents.

"Now, who can tell me three methods of preventing accidents?" asked the teacher, while the school board stroked his beard approvingly. "Stop, look, and listen!" shouted the class leader, always there in an emergency.—Buffalo Express.

The testing time is with us at all times and places.

## ROADS OF DIRT NEED OF FARMERS

Must Remove Mud From Earth Highways.

## THE PROBLEM IN MISSOURI

Residents of the State Have Organized the Missouri Better Roads Federation For Improving All Roads From Back Townships to City Gates.

Home in her glory built great highways which lasted through ages, writes W. G. Hutton in the Farm Progress. Augustus adding to the great Apollon way until no less than twenty-nine surpassing highways radiated from the seat of government. Cheops, the Egyptian king, held 100,000 men in road service ten years. Nations of old and nations modern have constructed systems of highways which have been strands of communication across their length and breadth for big purposes, but the men of the farm who are not so fortunate as to about these arteries of trade have long wallowed in the mud and the mire a considerable number of the twelve months of the year.

Missouri purposes lifting these men of the hinterlands out of the mire or, more properly, the people of Missouri, who are the state, purpose lifting themselves out of the mud-deep situation. And they are going to do this in the only practical way possible—by alienating the mud of the highways and byways, by proselyting, as it were, by a miracle, by turning mud into dirt.

The citizens of Missouri, in common with all the deep-soiled states of the agricultural west and south and north



GOOD EXAMPLE OF A DIRT ROAD.

and east, have been straining and struggling through excellent roadmaking material ever since they had the strength to struggle against anything.

And now Missouri men have banded themselves together to bring about a reversal of masterhood. What has so long held the upper hand is to be subdued and made to serve. Mud is to be transformed into dirt—and, be it known, dirt makes good roads.

Mud, so far as its service on the highways is concerned, is to be banished, transformed. We change trees into furniture, and they are known among men as trees no longer; trunks form, sand into glass with no marks of its ancestry; rags into paper which bears no hint of the beggar, so why not mud into good roads?

But this transition is not to be the work of a moment nor in response to the passing of a wand over impassable highways. It is to come as a result of work, and largely community work at that.

It was present at a gathering of heterogeneous interests at the Missouri state capital the other day at which farmer and factory owner, merchant and mechanic, banker and barrister, engineer and editor, automobilist and alderman, teacher and preacher fraternized: a meeting at which country, community, city and commonwealth interests were discovered to be identical. It was a meeting of widely different callings, trades, professions and interests in a common cause for a common good.

At this meeting was organized the Missouri Better Roads federation, an organization which will have for one of its chief duties the bettering of all the roads of the state, from back township to city gate. The organization is not dedicated to any special highway or road project, but is largely for the purpose of educating the people of the state in the possibilities of the earth roads of the commonwealth.

One of the chief notes on which the sustaining pedal of the federation's organization will be kept at work will be the possibilities of the earth roads of the state. Governor Elliott W. Major, who addressed the meeting, asserted his firm belief as to the destiny of the dirt road in the future of better highways.

"Dirt road," declared the executive, "are the real roads of the people. Bad dirt roads are a liability; good roads an asset."

In every community in the state where effective work has been done on the dirt roads the local commander club seems to have had an active hand in the enterprise, and it is through these organizations that the greatest progress of the future is expected.

### Citation by Publication.

THE STATE OF TEXAS:  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Coke County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Nettie Tweedle (nee Sparks,) by making publication of this Citation once in each week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in any newspaper published in the 51st Judicial District; but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest District to said 51st Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Coke county, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Robert Lee, on the 3rd Monday in September, 1914, the same being the 21st day September, 1914, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 29th day of July, 1914, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 757, wherein E. T. Sparks and Mead Sparks (a widow,) both individually and as next friend of her minor children, Jasper N. Sparks, Libbie Sparks, Marion Sparks, Jr., Dessie Sparks, Donnie Sparks and Luther Sparks, are plaintiffs, and Anna Barger and her husband, C. M. Barger, J. R. Sparks, Annie Gocher and her husband, Si Gocher, Lee Davis, J. F. Sparks, Amanda Harmon and her husband, T. R. Harmon, Abbie Sparks (a feme sole), Sam Brasswell, Jim Sparks, Abbie Donnelly, John Donnelly, C. M. R. McDonald (a widow), J. A. Clift, G. G. Odum, John Pointer, Bertha Pointer, John L. Pointer, George Richard Pointer, Leon Pointer, Floyd Pointer and Alma Pointer, and Nettie Tweedle (nee Sparks) a married woman permanently separated from her husband, are defendants, said petition alleging that the plaintiffs and the defendants are joint owners of the following described lands situated in Coke county, Texas, viz: 640 acres all of Survey No. 147 in Block No. 2 H. & T. C. Ry. Co., and 640 acres all of Survey No. 148 in Block No. 2 H. & T. C. Ry. Co., and the following described land in Johnson county, Texas, viz: 160 acres all of the Thomas Sparks pre-emption on Hams creek.

That the plaintiff E. T. Sparks owns 14-33 undivided interest in said Coke county land and 2-33 interest in said Johnson county land. That the plaintiffs Jasper N. Sparks, Libbie Sparks, Marion Sparks Jr., Dessie Sparks, Donnie Sparks, Luther Sparks each own 1-88 interest in all of said land. That the plaintiff Mead Sparks individually owns a life estate in 1-33 undivided interest therein. That the defendants Anna Barger, J. F. Sparks, Jim Sparks and Abbie Donnelly each own 1-11 interest in all of said land. That the defendant J. R. Sparks and Annie Gocher each own 1-44 interest in all of said land. That the defendants Bertha Pointer, John L. Pointer, George Richard Pointer, Leon Pointer, Floyd Pointer and Alma Pointer own jointly 1-44 interest in all of said land subject to a life estate of 1-33 interest therein to John Pointer. That the defendants Amanda Harmon and Abbie Sparks each own 1-88 interest in all of said land. That the defendant Sam Brasswell owns 3-11 interest in the Thomas Sparks pre-emption in Johnson county but owns no interest in said Coke county land. That the defendant C. M. R. McDonald owns an undivided 1-11 interest in said Thomas Sparks pre-emption in Johnson county, Texas, but owns no interest in said Coke county land. That the defendant Nettie Tweedle owns 1-33 interest in and to all of said lands. That the other defendants have no interest in said land and are joined herein pro forma. That plaintiffs and defendants are all of the owners of lands estimated value thereof is \$3,500.

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known, and further prays for judgment of partition and for possession of such portion of said land as shall be determined to belong to plaintiffs, and for general relief.

Herein Fail Not, but have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed same.

Witness, R. E. Douglas, Jr., Clerk of the District Court of Coke county,

Given Under My Hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Robert Lee, this 29th day of July A. D. 1914.

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