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Expectations Surpassed

We learn through the management of the Tyler Commercial College of Tyler, Texas, that they have been very agreeably surprised at the enormous enrollment they have enjoyed during the month of September. More than 100 new students were added to already large attendance. We also understand that their correspondence indicates even a larger enrollment this month than last; they are expecting to enroll more than 1200 students this year, which you understand, is more than double the number ever enrolled by any other Southern Commercial College. We are fortunate in being located so near to the most extensively patronized, the most widely known business and commercial college in the entire South, and one of the largest in the United States.

Can you win? You realize that to win in anything these days, requires strength, with mind and body in tune. A man or woman with disordered digestive organs is not in shape for a day's work or a day's play. How can they expect to win? Kodol For Dyspepsia contains the digestive juices of a healthy stomach and will put your stomach in shape to perform its important function of supplying the body and brain with strength building blood. Digests what you eat, relieves indigestion, Dyspepsia, Sour Stomach, Palpitation of the Heart and Constipation. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Livelyville.

Oct. 6.—We are all picking cotton for all we are worth, or nearly all, for some are going to preaching. Rev. Wolf is conducting a meeting at Red Hill. Health is very good around here so far as I know. Don't know what is the matter with Sam Lively and his hogs. He calls them awhile and then sets the dogs on them. Guess he is trying to learn them to run. Success to the many subscribers and the kind editor.

OLD HAT.

WANTED—Young men and young ladies to study Success Shorthand (reporting system), the Goodyear Bookkeeping, Telegraphy. Positions guaranteed. Will execute our contract to that effect. Special discount of 15 per cent. on scholarship for next thirty days. LUFKIN PRACTICAL BUSINESS COLLEGE, Lufkin, Tex.

Henry E. Jones of Tampa, Fla. writes: "I can thank God for my present health, due to Foley's Kidney Cure. I tried doctors and all kinds of kidney cures, but nothing done me much good till took Foley's Kidney Cure. Four bottles cured me, and I have no more pain in my back and shoulders. I am 62 years old, and suffered long, but thanks to Foley's Kidney Cure I am well and can walk and enjoy myself. It is pleasure to recommend it to those needing a kidney medicine." Carleton & Porter.

Augusta News.

Augusta, Oct. 7.—This beautiful autumn eve, aside from the daily avocations of life, we are again at the bat to give you the dots of our town and community. Nothing has transpired to hinder the harvesting of crops save a little rain. The sun shines bright today and the work will be resumed to-morrow with renewed vigor.

We are glad to note that cotton is bringing good prices. With cotton at good prices, plenty of hog and hominy there will be a hot time in the old town in the future.

We see the Messenger refers to a banking institution for Grapeland. We can think of no local enterprise that would be of more benefit to the town and country at large than a bank. The people of this vicinity are very much in favor of such an institution.

Mr. W. H. Holcomb has moved to town. He has an interesting family and they will be quite an addition to the social circle.

Mrs. Willie Elliott and Mrs. Clara Kennedy are visiting relatives and friends in Crockett.

Arthur Holcomb, who has been quite ill with typhoid fever at the 4c mill, has been moved to his father's. Sorry to say his wife has the same disease. She is doing very well at present.

Mr. Bob McKinney, who has been sojourning in the far west on Devil's river for the past six months, is again at home. He brought some curiosities with him—an Indian's scalping knife. It was found by a Mexican herder on the mountains adjacent to Devil's river; also the skin of a Mexican hog. The knife had the sun, moon and stars, also an Indian's face engraved on each side. Such things are seldom seen in this community.

By the accidental discharge of a gun yesterday evening a negro boy was instantly killed two miles from town.

It is getting late; a voice from the window tells us it is time to refresh the inner man. Adois, OLD GRAY.

A MOST WORTHY ARTICLE.

When an article has been on the market for years and gains friends every year, it is safe to call this medicine a worthy one. Such Ballard's Horehound Syrup. It positively cures coughs and all Pulmonary diseases. One of the best known merchants in Mobile, Ala., says: "For five years my family has not been troubled with the winter coughs we owe this Ballard's Horehound Syrup. I know it has saved my children from many sick spells." Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Notice to Hunters.

Positively no hunting will be allowed in the J. E. Hollingsworth and John Lewis fields. Remember this and avoid trouble. John Lewis, W. N. Irwin.

WOUNDS, BRUISES AND BURNS.

By applying an antiseptic dressing to wounds, bruises, burns and like injuries before inflammation sets in, they may be healed without maturation and in about one-third the time required by the old treatment. This is the greatest discovery and triumph of modern surgery. Chamberlain's Pain Balm acts on this same principle. It is an antiseptic and when applied to such injuries causes them to heal very quickly. It also allays the pain and soreness and prevents any danger of blood poisoning. Keep a bottle of Pain Balm in your home and it will save you time and money, not to mention the inconvenience and suffering such injuries entail. For sale by B. R. Guice & Son.

FOLEY'S KIDNEY CURE
Makes Kidneys and Bladder Right

Caught on a Shaft.

Harmon Gray, who is employed at Spence & Son's gin, narrowly escaped a tragical death one night last week. In passing a line shaft his jumper was caught and like a flash began winding up. Help came to his aid and succeeded in holding him off, but his clothes were torn off and he sustained several severe bruises.

AN AWFUL COUGH CURED.

"Two years ago our little girl had a touch of pneumonia, which left her with an awful cough. She had spells of coughing, just like one with the whooping cough and some thought she would not get well at all. We got a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy which acted like a charm. She stopped coughing and got stout and fat," writes Mrs. Ora Busbard, Brubaker, Ill. This remedy is for sale by B. R. Guice & Son.

Public Debate.

At the school house Friday night three girls of Junior class will meet an equal number of boys from the same class in public debate. Subject: "Resolved, That Dame Van Winkle was more blameable for her husband's failure in life than was Rip himself." If you are interested in a discussion of this kind, the class invites you to read "Rip Van Winkle" beforehand and come out to the debate Friday night.

FOR TWENTY YEARS.

Other chill remedies have sprung up, flourished for a brief season, then passed away—even from memory—but for twenty long years Cheatham's Chill Tonic has been in the field of action. The reason is simple. It has the merit. It actually cures chills and fevers, while the majority of others merely promise to. One bottle guaranteed to cure any one case.

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A CARD.

This is to certify that all druggists are authorized to refund your money if Foley's Honey and Tar fails to cure your cough or cold. It stops the cough, heals the lungs and prevents serious results from a cold. Cures la grippe cough and prevents pneumonia and consumption. Contains no opiates. The genuine is in a yellow package. Refuse substitutes. Carleton & Porter.

Some Bargains At The Millinery Store.

1 lot Fancy knit Fascinators, were worth 75c, now... 45c
1 lot fancy hand made fascinators, just the thing for this cool weather, were worth \$1.00, now... 75c
1 lot infant sacques, were 75c, now 50c and... 25c
1 lot of baby hoods each... 25c
Prices cut 25c on each ready-to-wear hat. MISS RICHARDS.

If an article is imitated, the original is always best. Think it over, and when you go to buy that box of salve to keep around the house, get DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is the original and the name is stamped on every box. Good for eczema, tetter, boils, cuts and bruises, and especially recommended for piles. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

M. D. Murchison and family spent Sunday at La Texo.

Negro Killed.

Crockett had a sensational negro shooting last Monday evening. Tom Taylor was shot and killed by Peter Wood. The trouble arose over some school matters. The shooting occurred in Mr. Frank Hill's store. Constables S. C. Spence and Otto Elliser arrested Wood, who was placed in jail.

JULIUS CAESAR.

Was a man of nerve but sickness left its mark and he became aged before his time. Sickness is often caused by a torped liver. Herbine will regulate your liver and give you health. Mrs. Carrie Austin, Hollon, Kansas, writes: "I consider Herbine the best medicine I ever heard of. I am never without it." Sold by Carleton & Porter.

Marshall Hollingworth came in Sunday from Harlingen and will spend a week or two visiting his relatives and friends. Marshall is one of Grapeland's young men who has mastered the profession of telegraphy and is now holding a good position.

Keep the bowels open when you have a cold and use a good remedy to allay the inflammation of the mucous membranes. The best is Kennedy's Laxative Honey and Tar. It contains no opiate moves the bowels, drives out the cold. Is reliable and tastes good. Sold by Carleton & Porter

ARE YOU PREJUDICED?

ARE YOU OPEN TO CONVICTION?

Many people think it necessary to go to some city to find a

FIRST-CLASS DRUG STORE

Don't You Believe It!

You can be convinced that there is a First-Class Drug Store in Grapeland by calling on

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THE ETERNAL BOND

By GEO. T. EATON

When Lawyer Billman and his wife took a little two-year-old baby girl into their home there was a buzz of excitement in the neighborhood. The Billmans were childless. But even so, the neighbors felt that the affair was unusual at least, and that some explanation should be forthcoming. The busy inquiries elicited the information that the baby had been found by Mr. Billman himself, and brought home to Mrs. Billman, with a request that she take it and rear it. Then there were quiet shakings of the head and whispered doubts as to the relationship of the lawyer with the child. Some of the more interested ones even expressed sympathy for Mrs. Billman, and rather criticized her as being weak and a dupe. Little Ethel, as she was called, grew and flourished under the good care of Mrs. Billman until she became a beautiful child of six—at once the pride and despair of the neighborhood. Other pretty little ones there were, but none to hold a candle to the dainty Ethel.

Lawyer Billman was very busy with a mass of papers when a rustle arrested his attention and he glanced up to behold a tall, stylishly dressed woman with a regal carriage, standing before him.

"Mrs. Van Dorst!" he exclaimed, after a moment of stupefied staring. "Pardon me, but I did not get your card."

"No, I did not send it in," she replied, calmly. "I walked past the door-boy. I want to be sure to see you, and did not propose to be put off by a servant. Mr. Billman, I want my baby. I have recovered my health, and am going to establish a home for myself and the little one."

"But, my dear madam, you forget that the child was placed where she is by direction of Mr. Van Dorst, in whose possession she was."

"But she is mine, and I will have her," cried the woman, with a menace in every tone and gesture. "I have been deprived of her for four years, and supposed Ernest took her to Europe with him until a few days ago I learned that he had employed you to put her in the hands of strangers. Where is she? Tell me, or I will tear the information from you with my finger nails."

"You forget, madam," replied the lawyer, with dignity, "that in this matter I am acting as the attorney for your husband, and it would be the most flagrant breach of trust to give you any information whatever."

"This is especially true," he added, more gently, and with a touch of pity in his voice, "inasmuch as I have on my desk a letter instructing me to bring suit for divorce and to secure for him the custody of the child."

"He can never do it," she replied, with deadly calmness, although her eyes blazed like diamonds. "No, not even with your help. He can have his divorce, and welcome. But not the little girl. I don't know anything about courts of law, or anything of that sort, but I will find a way to prevent it if it ends in a tragedy." Then, melting into tears, she threw out her arms and said: "Is she alive? Is she well? Tell me, oh, if you have a drop of human blood in you, tell me."

The lawyer's eyes were suspiciously moist as he replied in tones as steady as he could command:

"She is well, Mrs. Van Dorst, and in the best of hands, where everything is being done for her—and I think I may say she is happy."

"I thank you for so much of comfort," she replied, as she swept from the office. Then, turning at the door, she added: "I warn you and your client that I will defeat you in this villainous plot. My husband's suspicions are unjust and untrue and cruel, and while I will not fight his divorce, if it does not involve the loss of my child, I will fight him and you and the law and everything in the universe with every weapon in a desperate woman's power before I will submit to the loss of my baby."

A few weeks later a sturdy, tanned, well-groomed young man invaded Lawyer Billman's office carrying with him the smell of the ocean and the atmosphere of a demure spirit. He was a handsome fellow, with all the marks of birth and breeding—and the suggestion of willfulness born of indulgent parents and admiring friends. His strong, handsome features were marred only by the juxtaposition of the eyes which suggested jealousy and suspicion.

"Well?" he said.

"I have followed your instructions," replied the lawyer.

"How long will it take?" demanded the client.

"I do not know," replied the lawyer. "She will fight the case to the bitter end."

"Fight the case!" exclaimed the other. "She told me she wouldn't live with me under any circumstances."

"But she will not consent to your having the child," replied Billman.

"The child!" flared up the other. "Does she think a descendant of the Van Dorsts is to be permitted to grow up among a lot of actors and montebanks?"

"She will fight," said the lawyer, calmly. "She has employed Hirsch. It will be a fierce and a long fight—and I fear a fearful scandal."

"My God, my poor mother!" cried the other, pacing the room. "Fool that I was to marry an actress. Well, go ahead, and help me reap the whirlwind."

"Ernest," said the lawyer, in a very different voice than his, the professional one, he had been using, and rising and placing his hands on the younger man's shoulder, "are you thinking at all of the little girl in this matter—of Ethel?" and Billman's voice had that in it which would have caused great surprise in any court where he practiced.

Van Dorst looked at him in surprise. "What do you mean?" he asked.

"The scandal will hit her harder than any other person," Billman replied, steadily. "And she is such a sweet and dainty little thing. I tell you, Van Dorst, before we go ahead in this matter, you must come and see the girl. And we will do it now."

This latter in a tone so decisive that Van Dorst found himself carried off his feet for once in his life, and before he recovered was in a cab rolling rapidly toward Billman's home.

Billman conducted Van Dorst directly into the nursery, without waiting on ceremony. Opening the door, what was his surprise (to say nothing of the emotions of his guest) to see Mrs. Van Dorst sitting in the middle of the room holding Ethel in her arms, the little one's arms wrapped about her neck, with Mrs. Billman and the nursemaid weeping silently on different sides of the room.

As Billman entered the room and his wife caught sight of him, she arose, and with snapping eyes, said: "Mr. Billman, if it's your business to steal babies from their mothers, to satisfy the malice of jealous husbands, you had better quit and go into some honest business—or else travel your own road without me. I can take in washing and earn an honest living."

The woman with the child had also arisen and stood with the little one's arms still around her neck. Her blazing eyes had caught and held those of her husband.

"Ernest," she said, quietly. "You are not going to have her. Before that can happen, I will kill you or her or all three of us. Make no mistake about it. Your bitter injustice to me I will endure, but you shall not part me from my baby."

"Injustice!" exclaimed Van Dorst, throwing back his splendid shoulders. "Injustice. When I saw you hand a note to that cheap vaudeville actor, Linn—and you promised you would cut out the whole actor crowd when we were married. Explain that if you can."

"I will never explain anything to you as long as I live," replied the woman, in low, tense tones.

"Then I will," snapped Mrs. Billman. "She was sending some money to a poor, dying old man who had been her friend and preceptor when she was a child, and her guardian and friend all the time she was on the stage. Oh, you men—and then talk about brains."

At this moment Ethel, who had been sizing up the situation with the philosophy of childhood, said, demurely:

"Papa, come here, I want to kiss you."

Van Dorst looked searchingly at the child for the first time, and his quick perception took in her rare beauty. The defiance faded from his eyes, and he started toward her.

At this particular psychological moment Lawyer Billman found himself being hustled very rapidly and very certainly out of the room, and once outside he found his good wife beside him somewhat winded and very indignant at the obtuseness of men in general, and of Billman in particular. He also observed as a peculiar fact that the nursemaid seemed to have beaten them to the door, and was already on her way downstairs. To all of which circumstances the lawyer gave great and profound thought that night, and from which he finally made deductions which his wife had arrived at before she started to get him out of the room, and which had also apparently crossed the mind of the nursemaid at about the same time.

There was no divorce suit.

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DOCTOR DESPAIRED

Anæmic Woman Cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Recommends the Pills to All Others Who Suffer.

Anæmia is just the doctor's name for bloodlessness. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cure anæmia as food cures hunger. They cured Mrs. Thomas J. McGann, of 17 Lincoln Place, Plainfield, N. J., who says:

"In the spring of 1903 I did my usual house cleaning and soon afterward I began to have the most terrible headaches. My heart would beat so irregularly that it was painful and there came a morning when I could not get up. My doctor said I had anæmia and he was surprised that I had continued to live in the condition I was in. I was confined to my bed for nearly two months, the doctor coming every day for the first few weeks, but I did not improve to amount to anything. Altogether I was sick for nearly two years. I was as weak as a rag, had headaches, irregular heart beats, loss of appetite, cramps in the limbs and was unable to get a good night's sleep. My legs and feet were so swollen that I feared they would burst."

"Before very long after I tried Dr. Williams' Pink Pills I felt a change for the better. I have taken about twelve boxes and although I was as near the grave as could be, I now feel as if I had a new lease of life. I have no more headaches, the heart beats regularly, my cheeks are pink and I feel ten years younger. I feel that I have been cured very cheaply and I have recommended the pills to lots of my friends."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold by all druggists, or will be sent by mail on receipt of price, 50 cents per box, six boxes \$2.50, by the Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

Arabi Pasha Old and Friendless.

In a little house up a by street of the Mohammedan quarter, old, friendless, broken, lives the man who might have ruled Egypt.

If you ask 20 people in Cairo today: "Where is Arabi Pasha?" 15 will tell you that he is dead, while the other five do not know. In fact, after the bombardment of Alexandria he was sent to exile for life in Ceylon, but was allowed some four years ago to return to his native city.

It was only after a week's hard ferreting that I discovered through a native journalist the whereabouts of the great man.

Even now, in his seventieth year, he is a big man; in his prime he must have been immense. White hair and beard; a broad, thoughtful forehead, surmounted by the Turkish tarboosh; kindly eyes, dulled a little by age, but lighting up wonderfully when he talks about things which interest him; a straight, powerful nose; a large mouth, which must once have been hard and cruel, now softened by adversity. Though the day is warm, he wears an overcoat, and he walks heavily on a massive ebony stick.—Pall Mall Gazette.

Life often seems but a shipwreck, whose fragments are friendship, glory and love. The shores of time that we pass during our life are covered with these derelicts.—Mme. de Staël.

Jap Converts to Christianity. Last year 5,500 native Christians were added to the church in Japan.

THE WAY OUT.

Change of Food Brought Success and Happiness.

An ambitious but delicate girl, after falling to go through school on account of nervousness and hysteria, found in Grape-Nuts the only thing that seemed to build her up and furnish her the peace of health.

"From infancy," she says, "I have not been strong. Being ambitious to learn at any cost I finally got to the High School, but soon had to abandon my studies on account of nervous prostration and hysteria."

"My food did not agree with me, I grew thin and despondent. I could not enjoy the simplest social affair for I suffered constantly from nervousness in spite of all sorts of medicines."

"This wretched condition continued until I was twenty-five, when I became interested in the letters of those who had cases like mine and who were being cured by eating Grape-Nuts."

"I had little faith, but procured a box and after the first dish I experienced a peculiar satisfied feeling that I had never gained from any ordinary food. I slept and rested better that night and in a few days began to grow stronger."

"I had a new feeling of peace and restfulness. In a few weeks, to my great joy, the headaches and nervousness left me and life became bright and hopeful. I resumed my studies and later taught ten months with ease—of course using Grape-Nuts every day. It is now four years since I began to use Grape-Nuts, I am the mistress of a happy home and the old weakness has never returned." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. "There's a reason." Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

DAY OF LARGE FEES.

Eminent Lawyers and Surgeons Receive Magnificent Sums.

This is an age of great fees in law, in surgery, in science and even in diplomacy. These fees are not always paid by corporations or Indian tribes, says the Baltimore Sun. A few years ago (it was widely published at the time) a gentleman who was among the leaders of the New York bar received a fee of \$100,000 for a legal opinion which he was able to give almost offhand. A question involving the status of a great enterprise was submitted to him in the form of a memorandum. He wrote his opinion in one word and it was sustained in the courts. This seems to be an absurdly large sum to pay for one word of legal advice. In another aspect, however, it was not excessive, for it enabled this company to establish itself in an impregnable position in the legal point of view and to continue its operations with the assurance that it could not be attacked successfully. At the close of the war between China and Japan eleven years ago the Chinese government needed the services of an able and experienced diplomatist to cope with the capable and up-to-date Japanese diplomats. It therefore engaged Mr. John W. Foster, a former secretary of state of the United States, to assist in the preparation of the treaty of peace. It is understood that the fee which Mr. Foster received from China was \$150,000, a large sum, to be sure, but not out of proportion to the services he rendered. China was at the mercy of Japan, which was able to enforce its demands, both as regards territory and indemnity. By persuading the Japanese to modify their demands Mr. Foster was in a position to save China territory and treasure. It was a business matter throughout, and the Chinese government seems to have been thoroughly satisfied with the work of its American agent.

ASPARAGUS IS IN THE VAN. Precedes the Other Fresh Vegetables That Spring Affords.

Asparagus is the precursor of the season of fresh vegetables, and there is probably no other vegetable the flavor of which is so highly esteemed as that of tender asparagus. Chemical analysis offers no explanation of its pleasant flavor, but assigns to it a decidedly high nutritious value. Asparagus, however, furnishes one of those interesting examples of a food which, though containing more water in its composition than does milk, is nevertheless a solid substance. Thus the head of the asparagus contains slightly more than 93 per cent. of water, which is only 1 per cent. less than that contained in the lettuce, but 5 per cent. more than is present in milk. The solid constituents, however, are particularly rich in nitrogenous substances, which amount to 30 per cent. of the dried vegetable.

Among these may be reckoned a purin body, to which has been ascribed the harmful influence of asparagus on some persons with a gouty tendency. When asparagus is consumed in large quantities the output of uric acid is very distinctly increased. The same effect is obtained after drinking copiously of beer, which also contains purin bodies, although they are entirely absent in wines, and, of course, in spirits. Sweetbread may be objectionable on similar grounds. There is no reason for thinking, however, that when asparagus is eaten in reasonable quantities it causes an undesirable disturbance of the bodily functions. On the contrary, it is very digestible and is easily tolerated, even by invalids.

Tod Sloan on the Stage. Tod Sloan will shortly reappear in England in the role of jockey, but this time his course will be a revolving one on the stage of a London music hall.

Presence of Mind. "O, Charley, dear," exclaimed young Mrs. Spendit, as they sat together at the table, "where is the locket I gave you before we were married?"

And Charley with a guilty consciousness of the pawn ticket in his vest pocket answered glibly: "Well, dear, it is just as well to keep on the right side of these rich relatives, so I left it as a pledge of affection with my uncle just now."—Baltimore American.

The Way. Tom—My married brother solves this vacation problem in a clever way. Jessal—How does he manage it?

Tom—He collects these "Where to Go" booklets, and by the time he gets through them all it's September and too late to start.—Brooklyn Eagle.

Its Purport. "What does that expert witness' evidence go to show?" inquired the man who was trying to understand the trial.

"It goes to show which side has paid him a retainer," answered the lawyer.—Washington Star.

PERUNA PRAISED.



MRS. ESTHER M. MILNER.

Box 321, DeGraff, Ohio. Dr. S. R. Hartman, Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Sir:— I was a terrible sufferer from pelvic weakness and had headaches continuously. I was not able to do my housework for myself and husband.

I wrote you and described my condition as nearly as possible. You recommended Peruna. I took four bottles of it and was completely cured. I think Peruna a wonderful medicine and have recommended it to my friends with the very best of results.

Esther M. Milner. Very few of the great multitude of women who have been relieved of some pelvic disease or weakness by Peruna ever consent to give a testimonial to be read by the public.

There are, however, a few courageous, self-sacrificing women who will for the sake of their suffering sisters allow their cures to be published.

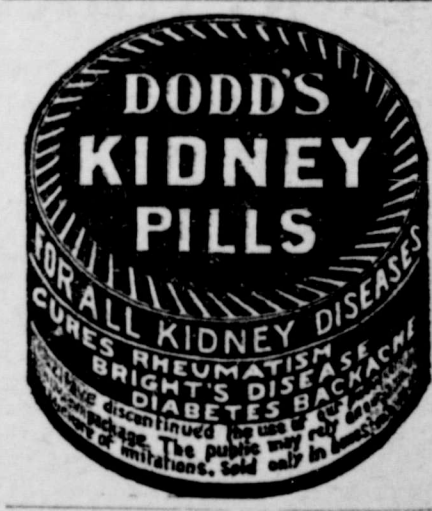
Mrs. Milner is one of these. In her gratitude for her restoration to health she is willing that the women of the whole world should know it. A chronic invalid brought back to health is no small matter. Words are inadequate to express complete gratitude.

A GRATEFUL LETTER TO DR. HARTMAN

Tortoise Surprised the Cook. The tortoise is a great sleeper. One was a domestic pet in an English house, and when his time for hibernating came he selected a corner of the dim coal cellar for his winter quarters. A new cook was engaged soon after who knew nothing of tortoises. In a few months the tortoise woke up and sallied forth. Screams soon broke the kitchen's calm. On entering that department, the lady of the house found the cook gazing in awestruck wonder, and exclaiming with unsteady hand she pointed to the tortoise: "My conscience! Look at the stone which I've broken the coal with a winter!"

It's a poor rule that can't be worked any old way by an experienced grafter.

Our idea of a manly man is one who isn't ashamed to acknowledge his faults.



There is no satisfaction keener than being dry and comfortable when out in the hardest storm. YOU ARE SURE OF THIS IF YOU WEAR TOWER'S FISH BRAND WATERPROOF OILED CLOTHING. BLACK OR YELLOW. On Sale everywhere.

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RECIPES FOR APPLE DESSERTS.

Many Ways in Which the Fruit May Be Cooked.

APPLE CHARLOTTE—Cut slices of wheat bread or rolls, and having rubbed the bottom and sides of a basin with a bit of butter, line it with the sliced bread or rolls; put tart apples, cut them small and nearly fill the pan, strewing bits of butter and sugar between the apples; grate a small nutmeg over; make as many slices of bread or rolls as will cover it, over which put a plate and a weight to keep the bread close upon the apples; bake two hours in a quick oven, then turn it out. Quarter of a pound of butter and half a pound of sugar to half a peck of tart apples.

RICH BAKED APPLE PUDDING—Half pound the pulp of apples, half loaf sugar, six ounces of butter, the rind of one lemon, six eggs, puff paste. Peel and core and cut the apples as for sauce; put them into a stewpan, with only just sufficient water to prevent them from burning, and let them steep until reduced to a pulp. Weigh the pulp, and to every half pound add sifted sugar, grated lemon peel, and six well beaten eggs. Beat these ingredients well together, then melt the butter, stir it to the other things, put a border of puff paste round the dish, and bake for more than half an hour. The butter should not be added until the pudding is ready for the oven.

APPLE SAGO PUDDING—One cup sago in a quart of tepid water, baked for an hour, six or eight apples, pared and cored or quartered and steamed tender, and put in the pudding dish; boil and stir the sago until clear, adding water to make it thin, and pour it over the apples; this is good hot with butter and sugar, or cold with cream and sugar.

BAKED APPLE DUMPLINGS—Make in the same way, using a soft dough; place in a shallow pan, bake in a hot oven, and serve with cream and sugar, or place in a pan which is four or five inches deep (do not have the dumplings touch each other); then pour in hot water, just leaving top of dumplings uncovered. To a pan of four or five dumplings add one teaspoon sugar and half a tea cup of butter; bake from half to three-quarters of an hour. If water cooks away too much add more. Serve dumplings on a platter and the liquid in sauceboat for dressing. Fresh or canned peaches can be made the same way.

A Healthy Skin.

There is a great difference between a healthy skin, glowing and flushing with life and emotion, and a made-up complexion of rouge and paints as there is a pronounced difference between a real rose and a rose and a cambric one. If you will observe, you will see that your skin is a reflection of the state of your health. When you have rested and feel well the cheeks are glowing, the eyes bright and the spirits soaring. Late hours and illness show at once by bringing to the face a sallow and a drawn expression. A simple line of treatment is to obey the rules of hygiene, to bathe the face every night with warm water, a complexion brush and some pure soap, rinsing, drying and rubbing in creme marquisse or orange flower skin food. Upon arising in the morning, dash cold water over the face and dust the skin with a good powder. A cream should always be used after one's countenance has been exposed to wind or sun.

Stuffed Apples.

Pare large smooth apples, cut out the cores without breaking through the under side. Make a filling of finely chopped cold cooked chicken, seasoned with salt, pepper and a little finely chopped parsley. To one cup of the chicken add one-half cup of fine bread crumbs. Fill the apple cups with the chicken, with a bit of butter on each, and set in a hot oven to cook till tender, but not soft enough to break down.

Railway Construction.

In the six months ended June 30, 2,297.20 miles of new railway track was laid in this country, a greater amount of new construction than in any corresponding six months in the last 15 years, except in 1902, when new construction aggregated 2,314 miles.

Ancient Labor Unions.

Labor unions are no new invention. Accurate records of their existence in Roman times have been dug up in Pompeii.

Kaffirs Like Liquor.

The British consul-general at Lour-ence Marques, in a report to the British foreign office on the value of the Kaffir trade, mentions that the Kaffirs of that colony employed in the Transvaal spend of the wages they bring back with them every year \$2,500,000 in drink, and there are only about 50,000 of them.

Biggest Farms in World.

The biggest farms in the world are in South Australia, where the average squatter holds 78,000 acres.

Money refunded for each package of PUNAM FADELESS DYES if unsatisfactory. Ask your druggist.

a woman's tears, the result is inevitable.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

Every mother pats herself on the back when her daughter marries the man she selected.

Never Fails.

There is one remedy, and only one I have found, to cure without fail such troubles in my family as Eczema, Ringworm, and all others of an itching character. That remedy is Hunt's Cure. We always use it and it never fails. W. M. Christian, Rutherford, Tenn.

Passport Hard to Forge.

When a traveler in China desires a passport the palm of his hand is covered with fine oil paint and an impression is taken on thin paper. This paper officially signed, constitutes his passport.

Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it

Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* In Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Cultivated by the Scholars.

It is stated that nearly 8,000 school gardens exist in Austria, not including the sister kingdom of Hungary. They are connected with both private and public schools, and are used for purposes of practical instruction in horticulture and tree-growing, and often contain botanical museums and bee hives.

Garden City, Texas, Jan. 28, 1906. J. L. Ward Medicine Co., Big Springs, Texas.

Gentlemen—Two boxes of your Kidney Pills have cured me of Kidney and Bladder Trouble.

I have suffered for more than three years with severe backache, having to get up several times during the night to urinate. I feel better, and am able to do more manual labor than for the past two years, without any back ache or symptom of kidney trouble. Very truly, A. C. WALKER.

P. S.—Send us your druggist's name and 10 cents and we will send you a 50-cent box of Ward's Kidney Pills. The greatest Kidney Remedy upon the market.

A guaranteed cure for Kidney and Bladder Troubles, Diabetes, Weak and Aching Back, Rheumatism, Frequent Desire to Pass Water, Inflammation, Irritation or Ulceration of the Bladder or Kidneys. Removes Gravel or Stone from the Bladder. Sold and guaranteed by your local druggists. J. L. WARD MEDICINE CO., Big Springs, Texas.

Practiced What He Preached.

Rev. Denis P. O'Flynn, of New York city, used to say that priests ought to die poor and he practiced what he preached. Aside from a valuable library given to the Paulist fathers he has left no discoverable estate—no money in bank, no money in the rectory. "He died as poor as the proverbial church mouse," says his assistant, Father Corrigan. "What little insurance he carried will barely cover the funeral expenses. He never saved a penny for himself. After keeping the house on his meager salary he gave away all he had."

WORST FORM OF ECZEMA.

Black Spots All Over Face—Affected Parts Now Clear as Ever—Cured by the Cuticura Remedies.

"About four years ago I was afflicted with black spots all over my face and a few covering my body, which produced a severe itching irritation, and which caused me a great deal of annoyance and suffering, to such an extent that I was forced to call in two of the leading physicians of my town. After a thorough examination of the dreaded complaint they announced it to be skin eczema in its worst form. They treated me for the same for the length of one year, but the treatment did me no good. Finally my husband purchased a set of the Cuticura Remedies, and after using the contents of the first bottle of Cuticura Resolvent in connection with the Cuticura Soap and Ointment, the breaking out entirely stopped. I continued the use of the Cuticura Remedies for six months, and after that every spot was entirely gone and the affected parts were left as clear as ever. The Cuticura Remedies not only cured me of that dreadful disease, eczema, but other complicated troubles as well. Lizzie E. Sledge, 540 Jones Ave., Selma, Ala., Oct. 28, 1905."

A homely rich girl is prettier than a beautiful poor one—in the eyes of some men.

Tired, Nervous Mothers

Make Unhappy Homes—Their Condition Irritates Both Husband and Children—How Thousands of Mothers Have Been Saved From Nervous Prostration and Made Strong and Well.



Mrs. Chester Curry

Mrs. Chas. F. Brown

A nervous, irritable mother, often on the verge of hysterics, is unfit to care for children; it ruins a child's disposition and reacts upon herself. The trouble between children and their mothers too often is due to the fact that the mother has some female weakness, and she is entirely unfit to bear the strain upon her nerves that governing children involves; it is impossible for her to do anything calmly.

The ills of women act like a firebrand upon the nerves, consequently nine-tenths of the nervous prostration, nervous despondency, "the blues," sleeplessness, and nervous irritability of women arise from some derangement of the female organism.

Do you experience fits of depression with restlessness, alternating with extreme irritability? Are your spirits easily affected, so that one minute you laugh, and the next minute you feel like crying?

Do you feel something like a ball rising in your throat and threatening to choke you; all the senses perverted, morbidly sensitive to light and sound; pain in the abdominal region, and between the shoulders; bearing-down pains; nervous dyspepsia and almost continually cross and snappy?

If so, your nerves are in a shattered condition, and you are threatened with nervous prostration.

Proof is monumental that nothing in the world is better for nervous prostration than Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound; thousands and thousands of women can testify to this fact.

Ask Mrs. Pinkham's Advice—A Woman Best Understands a Woman's Ills.

Mrs. Chester Curry, Leader of the Ladies' Symphony Orchestra, 42 Saratoga Street, East Boston, Mass., writes:

"For eight years I was troubled with extreme nervousness and hysteria, brought on by irregularities. I could neither enjoy life nor sleep nights; I was very irritable, nervous and despondent.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was recommended and proved to be the only remedy that helped me. I have daily improved in health until I am now strong and well, and all nervousness has disappeared."

Mrs. Charles F. Brown, Vice-President of the Mothers' Club, 21 Cedar Terrace, Hot Springs, Ark., writes:

"I dragged through nine years of miserable existence, worn out with pain and nervousness, until it seemed as though I should fly. I then noticed a statement of a woman troubled as I was, and the wonderful results she derived from Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I decided to try it. I did so, and at the end of three months I was a different woman. My nervousness was all gone. I was no longer irritable, and my husband fell in love with me all over again."

Women should remember that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the medicine that holds the record for the greatest number of actual cures of female ills, and take no substitute.

Free Advice to Women.

Mrs. Pinkham, daughter-in-law of Lydia E. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass., invites all sick women to write to her for advice. Mrs. Pinkham's vast experience with female troubles enables her to advise you wisely, and she will charge you nothing for her advice.

W. L. DOUGLAS \$3.50 & \$3.00 Shoes

BEST IN THE WORLD
W. L. Douglas's \$4 Gilt Edge line cannot be equalled at any price

To Shoe Dealers: W. L. Douglas's Jobbing House is the most complete in the country. Send for Catalog.



SHOES FOR EVERYBODY AT ALL PRICES.

Men's Shoes, \$2 to \$1.50. Boys' Shoes, \$2 to \$1.25. Women's Shoes, \$4.00 to \$1.00. Misses' & Children's Shoes, \$2.50 to \$1.00.

Try W. L. Douglas Women's, Misses' and Children's shoes; for style, fit and wear they excel other makes. If I could take you into my large factories at Brockton, Mass., and show you how carefully W. L. Douglas shoes are made, you would then understand why they hold their shape, fit better, wear longer, and are of greater value than any other make.

Wherever you live, you can obtain W. L. Douglas shoes. His name and price is stamped on the bottom, which protects you against high prices and inferior shoes. Take no substitute. Ask your dealer for W. L. Douglas shoes and insist upon having them. Fast Color Leggings used. They will not wear through. Write for Illustrated Catalog of Fall Styles. W. L. DOUGLAS, Dept. 12, Brockton, Mass.

YOU CANNOT

CURE

all inflamed, ulcerated and catarrhal conditions of the mucous membrane such as nasal catarrh, uterine catarrh caused by feminine ills, sore throat, sore mouth or inflamed eyes by simply dosing the stomach. But you surely can cure these stubborn affections by local treatment with

Paxtine Toilet Antiseptic

which destroys the disease germs, checks discharges, stops pain, and heals the inflammation and soreness. Paxtine represents the most successful local treatment for feminine ills ever produced. Thousands of women testify to this fact. 50 cents at druggists.

Send for Free Trial Box THE R. PAXTON CO., Boston, Mass.

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THERE IS ONE REMEDY

THAT IS NOT AFFECTED BY THE PURE FOOD AND DRUG LAW AND THAT IS

OXIDINE

IT IS PURE AND ALWAYS HAS BEEN

REMEMBER, in offering it for sale we guarantee to you that it contains no poison; and we go further and give with every bottle the straightforward additional guarantee that

Oxidine is the Chill Cure that cures Chills and Fevers, and that as a Malaria Remedy it positively has no equal

Sold by druggists everywhere, who guarantee every bottle.

PRICE 50 CENTS Made in Regular and Tasteless forms.

Read the following letters from grateful ones who have been cured:

Kennedale, Texas. Patton-Worsham Drug Co., Dallas, Texas. Dear Sirs:—I want to inform you that Oxidine has cured me and my family of the worst case of chills and malaria that I ever saw. After paying the doctors \$50.00 I began the use of Oxidine with the most gratifying results. We are all entirely well now and there has been no reappearance of malaria in the family for over two months. You are at liberty to use this testimonial if you desire. Yours truly, J. H. FIELDING.

Omaha, Texas. Patton-Worsham Drug Co., Dallas, Texas. Gentlemen:—I have used Oxidine for years, and I think it the finest chill cure I ever saw; one should not be without it. Yours truly, MRS. JETTIE GASON.

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Patton-Worsham Drug Co. DALLAS, TEXAS MEMPHIS, TENN.

OXIDINE, THE CHILL CURE THAT CURES CHILLS

To be bold against the enemy is common to the brutes; but the prerogative of a man is to be bold against himself.—Charles Kingsley.

"Do You Itch?"

"The cup of human misery is never quite full until some form of itching skin disease is added. Then it overflows. Hunt's Cure is a specific for any itching trouble ever known. One application relieves. One box is guaranteed to cure any one case."

That things that are not so ill with you and me as they might have been is half owing to the number who lived faithfully a hidden life, and rest in unvisited tombs.—George Elliot.

Wintersmith's CHILL TONIC CURES CHILLS AND ALL MALARIAL FEVERS.

Has been a standard household remedy for over 40 years. Pleasant to take; leaves no bad effects like quinine; harmless for children. Guaranteed by all druggists. Put up in 50c and \$1 bottles. Sent express paid on receipt of price, if not on sale at the home drug store. Address ARTHUR PETER & CO., General Agents, Louisville, Ky.

DEFIANCE STARCH easiest to work with and starches clothes nicest. W. N. U., HOUSTON, NO. 39, 1906.

Plantation Chill Cure is Guaranteed

To Cure, or Money Refunded by Your Merchant. So, Why Not Try IT? Price, 50c, Retail.

SUBSCRIPTION—IN ADVANCE:
ONE YEAR.....50 CENTS
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No Subscription Received for less than Six Months

Entered in the Postoffice at Grape-land, Texas, every Thurs- day as second class Mail Matter.

Advertising Rates Reasonable, and made known on application.

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE—Obituar- ies and Resolutions of Respect will be charged for at the rate of 1/2c per word. Cards of thanks, and other matter not news will be charged for at the rate of 5c per line.

MAIL ORDER HOUSES

The Messenger has a seething contempt for mail order houses, and it has always been the policy of this paper to "job them in the back" every chance it has. We are told that hundreds of dollars go out of our community annually to these blood-sucking, mon- ster parasites. But we can't help it—we can't remedy the evil. We might say that cata- logue houses may well be called the quack doctors of commerce, and that they promise much and guarantee nothing.

Dear reader, no mail order house ever contributed one cent to the upbuilding of the com- munity in which you live; they never did take you by the hand when you were in sore distress and help you gain solid ground. They never did sell you an arti- cle and then spend all the profit improving the public roads in your community. They may spend a part of it trying to get more business out of you. They are after the almighty dollar and if they ever get their hands on one it's gone forever, whereas if you spend it at home in due time it will wend its way back into your pocket book from whence it came.

The effrontery of a catalogue house may seem to bear the in- scription of "friendship," but no human heart pulsates under its cloak of hypocrisy, for the whole institution is as bloodless as a corpse and as cold as Klondike in winter time.

All the catalogue houses in the world, and those situated on Ju- piter and Mars, will not increase the value of your farm the frac- tion of a penny. They are only monster parasites whose exist- ence is made possible by suck- ing the life blood from commu- nities. But you probably do not think of these things when you send an order to a catalogue house. We can hardly blame you for patronizing them. You have their catalogue before your eyes and the price looks so cheap—but wait—your local dealer may have the same article for less money; but you do not know it; he has never told you about it. The mail order houses in foreign cities lay their goods be- fore you in a catalogue; the local merchant sits in his place of business and waits for you to hunt him up. And the local pa- per goes into your home every week. Merchants—those of you who never advertise—will you ever take a tumble and see the situation as it actually exists?

Stensland's sorrow and tear's will not recompense those whose money he squandered, nor will ten years of prison stripes purge his soul of crime.—Timpson Times.

Big snows are reported in the northern states. We can feel it through our "cottonades" away down here.

Rot-gut bust head was plenti- ful last Saturday judging from the way some of the boys were circulating across the sidewalks.

Watch the Eastern Texas rail- road. We think it's headed for Waco and we are right on the line.

Rusk is pulling off the Tom Campbell barbecue to-day and Col. Campbell will open his cam- paign for governor as the dem- ocratic nominee.

Grape-land is right here with the goods and people from the Trinity to the Neches rivers know it. Verily, this is a good old town.

Form a resolution now to never patronize another mail order house. Trade with your home merchants who advertise and appreciate your business.

Missouri has got us skinn- ed on raising valuable live stock. A hog sold for \$2,000 and an old tough rooster for \$800. That's going some.

District court convened at Crockett Monday morning and a large number of our citizens went down because they had business with the court so they said. Can't fool us—Gentry Bros. circus was there Monday.

East Texas is reaping a rich harvest this fall. In fact the people are out of debt and mak- ing money. When the farmers of this great part of Texas learn to raise their own meat and enough feed stuff to do them the old country will play a tune the world has never heard.

Palestine has a real gas plant—one that makes gas to burn—not the explosive kind. Pales- tine is a good town—the metrop- olis of East Texas—and this pa- per for one would like for the Holy City to entertain East Tex- as with a street fair and carnival this fall. All of our exchanges that are in favor of this will please hold up their

All parties who have streets and alleys enclosed have been legally notified by the city coun- cil to open up same in twenty days. Now, while said parties are opening said streets and al- leys, we are sure the citizens of Grape-land would appreciate it if the city authorities would do something themselves in the way of cleaning off the rubtish from some of the streets. There are some things on and near certain streets that are an out- rage on civilization. Remove them. The city council is not "cussed" for what it does, but what it does not do.

True and tried friends of the family—De Witt's Little Early Risers. Best for results and best to take. Rosy cheeks and spark- ling eyes follow the use of these dependable little pills. They do not gripe or sicken. Sold by Carleton & Porter.

When a horse is so overworked it lies down and in other ways declares its inability to go fur- ther, you would consider it criminal to use force. Many a man of humane impulses, who would not willingly harm a kitten, is guilty of cruelty where his own stomach is concerned. Overdriven, over- worked, when what it needs is something that will digest the food eaten and help the stomach to recuperate. Something like Kodol For Dyspepsia that is sold by Carleton & Porter.

"GET IT FROM FARIS."



GIESECKE'S GIESE.
The Regiment's pride this soldier was gayed
Because from the fight he flew
He'd have stood it all right and never took flight.
If he'd had on a Giesecke Shoe.



The Red Goose

School Shoe is the best Shoe ever worn by school children. Strong, neat and reliable.



GIESECKE \$3.50 SHOE
For men. In all leath- ers and all prevailing styles. None better.

Giesecke Key Brand Shoes Are Always Best. We Have Them.

Get it From Faris

Clothing and Furnishings.

We sell for less but there is nothing lacking in quality. In our clothing and furnishing department we can "fix up" any man or boy with the right kind of togs at the right prices. Our stock of suits, overcoats, shirts, hats, neckwear, hosiery, etc., was never so com- plete. If you are looking for chic styles you owe it to yourself to see us.

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F. A. FARIS

THE GIESECKE SHOE MAN
GRAPELAND

WE SELL McCALL PATTERNS

SICK HEADACHE CURED.

Sick headache is caused by derangement of the stomach and by indigestion. Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets cor- rect these disorders and effect a cure. By taking these tablets as soon as the first indication of the disease appears, the attack may be ward off. Get a free sam- ple and try them. For sale by B. R. Guice & Son.

Buy Prosperity High Patent Flour from Clewis.

ADVICE TO HOUSEWIVES.

No home is so pleasant, regard- less of the comforts that money will buy, as when the entire fam- ily is in perfect health. A bottle of Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup costs 50 cents. It will cure every member of the family of constipation, sick headache or stomach trouble. Carleton & Porter.

RESULT OF NEGLECT.

In most cases consumption re- sults from a neglected or improp- erly treated cold. Foley's Hon- ey and Tar cures the most obsti- nate coughs and prevents serious results. It costs you no more than the unknown preparations and you should insist upon hav- ing the genuine in the yellow package. Carleton & Porter

If there is any thing in furni- ture you need go to Darsey's and you will get it.

Not "Just as Good"—It's the Best.

One box of Hunt's Cure is un- failingly, unqualifiedly, and ab- solutely guaranteed to cure any form of Skin Disease. It is par- ticularly active in promptly re- lieving and permanently curing all forms of itching known.

Eczema, Tetter, Ringworm and all similar troubles are reliev- ed by one application; cured by one box.

NOTHING TO FEAR.

Mothers need have no hesita- cy in continuing to give Cham- berlain's Cough Remedy to their little ones, as it contains abso- lutely nothing injurious. This rem- edy is not only perfectly safe to give to small children, but is a medicine of great worth and merit. It has a world wide rep- utation for its cures of coughs, colds and croup and can always be relied upon. For sale by B. R. Guice & Son.

Bed springs, mattresses and furniture at Darsey's

TORMENTS OF TETTER AND ECZEMA ALLAYED.

The intense itching character- istic of eczema, tetter and like skin diseases is instantly allayed by applying Chamberlain's Salve and many severe cases have been permanently cured by its use. For sale by B. R. Guice & Son.

PRICKLY ASH BITTERS

A POWERFUL

**Kidney...
Medicine**

Cures Quickly and Permanently

Accept no substitute. Insist on having the genuine PRICKLY ASH BITTERS with the large figure 3 in red on the front label

SOLD EVERYWHERE - PRICE \$1.00 PER BOTTLE

FOR SALE BY CARLETON & PORTER, THE DRUGGISTS.

A String Tied to it

When you buy a 25c box of PORTER'S LIVER INVIGORATOR, and you get it for 15c, you have a string tied to your money and you have the other end. If not satisfactory, does not give you as good results as any Liver Regulator, you can bring it back and get your money.

CARLETON & PORTER

THE FRONT STREET DRUG STORE

Pure Drugs
And
Patent Medicines
School Books
And
School Supplies
Prescriptions Filled by a
REGISTERED DRUGGIST
CARLETON & PORTER

A Full Line Paints, Oils and Varnish Stains

A 75 cent can of wagon or buggy paint will make your wagon or buggy look new and last probably a year longer.

Brushes? Plenty
CARLETON & PORTER

LOCAL NEWS.

Eggs still 15c at Darsey's.
Buy your fall bill of Shoes from J. G. Shipper & Son.
Green hides 7c per pound at Darsey's.
Mrs. J. S. Eaves has returned from Houston.

Prosperity flour \$1.10 at Lee Clewis'.
Eugene Brooks was down from Palestine Sunday.

We buy hides.
J. J. GUICE & SON.

Mrs. Grigsby of Elkhart visited Mrs. Birdie Lively this week.

Take your green hides to Darsey and get cash for them.
WANTED—Bees wax at Darsey's

Buy White Wolf Flour from Tims & Sheridan.

Mrs. H. S. Robertson returned to her home in Pearsall last Wednesday at noon.

F. A. Faris wants to buy your cotton, chickens, eggs, bees wax, ducks and turkeys.

Mrs. W. B. Faris and Miss Agnes Sears visited in Crockett Sunday and Monday.

Buy White Wolf, Our Seal and White Carnation flour from Tims & Sheridan.

Just received at HOWARD'S a fine lot of bananas, coconuts, candies, etc. Call when in town.

Buster Brown.

Buster Brown shoes for boys and girls at Darsey's.

This cold weather calls for good shoes. Tims & Sheridan sell Courtney's full vamp shoes.

Rev. J. B. Luker of Garrison spent Sunday in Grapeland with his son, Albert.

We have just received a big shipment of bottled cider.
The Bon Ton.

We are still in the same old business—buying hides and selling you goods cheap.
J. J. Guice & Son.

The Invincible flour sold by F. A. Faris is acknowledged by the millers of Texas to be equal to anything put up in the state.

It is to your interest to buy where goods are cheapest. We ask you to get our prices before buying.
J. G. Shipper & Son.

Mrs. Geo. Chaffin and children left Saturday for Waco, Marlin and Gatesville for a several weeks visit.

Don't forget that Stove
We have them in all sizes and prices. BUCK'S STOVES.
Geo. E. Darsey.

Shipper has just received another shipment of the famous Nox-All shirts. Ask to see them—none better.

On the train last Monday while en route to Crockett Constable S. C. Spence arrested four card players. They were taken off at Crockett and fined.

Good Flour.

Every body who likes good flour can now buy it from Tims & Sheridan as they have just unloaded a car. Prices right and the quality guaranteed.

Buy your groceries always from F. A. Faris.

Plenty of fresh lemons at the Bon Ton.

Any size or price trunk that you want at Darsey's.

Best line of men's and youth's pants in town at F. A. Faris'

Wear Star Brand Shoes. They are better. Shipper sells them.

There is lots of candy in town, but the Bon Ton has the best.

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Something nice at HOWARD'S in DECORATED GERMAN CHINA.

Every sack of White Wolf flour is guaranteed by

Tims & Sheridan.

Buy your dress goods, flannels, outings, boots, shoes, hats, caps and trunks from F. A. FARIS.

Miss Lucile McCarty visited relatives at Porter Springs this week.

Those using Columbia flour say it is good enough. Sold at HOWARD'S.

Mr. and Mrs. Adair of Crockett visited relatives here Sunday and Monday.

If you are not pleased with your flour buy Columbia from HOWARD.

Rev. H. E. Harris of Lovelady filled his appointment at the Baptist church Sunday morning and night.

Boys Clothing.

All sizes of boys clothing at Darsey's. Bring the boys in and let us fit them up it won't cost much.

Prof. Sam Kennedy and his mother of Augusta spent Saturday and Sunday in the city with Dr. and Mrs. Stafford.

When you buy a sack of White Wave or Electric Light flour you know that you are getting something that is good. Sold by Geo. E. Darsey.

Want a Fall Suit?

Have you ordered it yet? If not, then let me take your order. A nobby line of samples to select from. Fit guaranteed.
Odell Faris.

We are continually receiving new dress goods and you will at all times find our stock complete with up-to-date things. Don't fail to see them. No trouble to show goods. Geo. E. Darsey.

E. B. Dunnam left Monday for Fisher county on a prospecting tour. He stated when he left that he may decide to move to that county at some future time.

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That we carry the largest line of boys clothing at the lowest prices. See our boys clothing and get our prices before you buy. No trouble to show goods at Darsey's.

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GRAPELAND, - - TEXAS.

Army Bullet.

It would seem that in the type of bullet about to be adopted by the army there is a potent argument for peace. This bullet is a third lighter than any now in use, but it is most deadly. Its penetrating power is such that at a mile it would pass through 15 men, if these had the mischance to stand in line in front of it. At short range, says the Philadelphia Ledger, it will go through 39 inches of seasoned oak. At 500 yards 32 inches of white pine fall to stop it, and at 1,000 yards it is equal to piercing 14 1/2 inches. The day when safety lies in dodging behind a tree appears to be passing. The strong point about this admirable bullet is the flat trajectory. With the present style of bullet, fired at a target 1,000 yards distant, one could stand with perfect immunity at many points between the muzzle and the target, as at 50 yards the missile would pass 17 feet over his head. The new bullet shows a ten-foot rise at this distance. Almost the entire space between muzzle and target would be a zone of danger. Only one fault is found by experts with the modern bullet, and this is a lack of accuracy. They think this may be overcome, and even if it shall not be remedied a regiment advancing and sowing the field ahead with bullets capable of penetrating whatever they happen to hit would disconcert the enemy. It is not probable that advocates of peace will admire the fresh device for promoting the effectiveness of troops, but they may gain some comfort from the thought that an implement so destructive might give pause to the impulse to declare war, and, anyhow, that a battle marked by its use would be brief.

The Motor-Eye.

To the Academy neck, the bridge-brain, and the cycle-arm, must now be added the motor-eye, and the wonder is that it has remained unnamed and undiscovered till "Marmaduke" has, this week, introduced it in the "Graphic," where it is written that the medical profession has to deal with. It appears that those who are continually rushing through the country in a motor-car cause the eye to take a too rapid impression of the things it encounters, and that this affects the mechanism of the eye. Nature did not prepare us for the conditions of modern times, and while it is adapting itself to them many unforeseen circumstances must occur. But nature has at all events been good to us in this respect, that whenever there is need for the coinage of a new term the talent is always at hand to supply it. And when it is the name of a new malady, then this talent rises to positive genius, with the result that the nation's vocabulary increases by leaps and bounds.

The National Debt.

Only about \$180,000,000 of the present bonded debt of the United States is redeemable within three years, and there should be no difficulty in paying that amount within the period, says the Bankers' Magazine. More than \$118,000,000 is not redeemable for nearly 19 years, while nearly \$596,000,000 has 24 years to run. It is true that the government has reduced the rate of interest. In 1894 \$25,000,000 of the debt bore 2 1/2 per cent., \$50,000,000 five per cent, and the remainder four per cent. Now \$235,000,000 bears four per cent., about \$64,000,000 three per cent, and nearly \$596,000,000 two per cent. Of the long-time bonds, however, the interest on \$118,000,000 to maturity will amount to 75 per cent. of the face value, and on the \$596,000,000 to nearly 50 per cent.

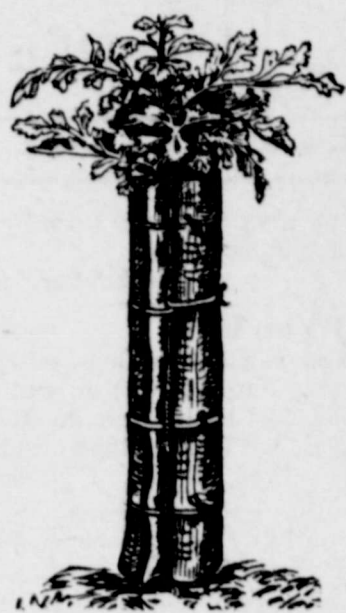
The "Intellectuals" of Sweden have been much exercised over the king's refusal to ratify the election of Prof. Schuk, of the University of Upsala, to the Swedish academy, although he was elected by an overwhelming majority of the academicians. The reason of King Oscar's opposition to him is that he has written a history of Gustavus III., the tone of which is displeasing to the present sovereign. Partisans of the professor have been saying that this is going a long way for an offense, since Gustavus III. has been dead much more than 100 years, and considerably antedated the founding of the present Bernadotte dynasty. But apparently the "freedom of teaching" is doomed to meet snags now and then, in Sweden as well as in America.

FARM AND GARDEN

BLANCHING CELERY.

How Paper May Be Made to Serve the Purpose.

Blanching celery with paper is usually practiced on the early plants for the reason, says Prairie Farmer, that during hot weather there is less danger of rot. The accompanying illustration shows a plan for blanching a celery plant with tile and paper.



Blanching Celery with Paper.

As shown, the stalks are collected in a tile and wrapped in heavy paper so as to exclude the light. A stake is driven near to the plant to partially support. Any method that does not injure the plant and will exclude the light will answer the purpose.

GOOD SEED CORN.

Some of the Important Points by Which it May Be Known.

Some of the more important observations to be made in the selection of seeds are: Yield, quality, uniformity, hardness, time of ripening, freedom from attacks of smut and rust, and, in the case of small grain, the stiffness of the straw.

The corn crop requires, perhaps, as great care in the selection as any other, and merits special attention, says the Prairie Farmer. The rapid improvement that has been made in this crop, combined with the readiness with which the different varieties cross and mix, renders it extremely subject to variation. Constant care is necessary in order to establish the desirable qualities that are brought out in these variations and to more thoroughly eradicate those not desirable.

Some of the points to be observed in the selection of seed corn are:

1. The size and shape of ear; ear should approach as nearly as may be a uniform diameter from end to end.
2. Size and quality of cob, a medium sized cob being much better than a large, spongy one.
3. Depth of grain.
4. Shape of grain; grains should carry their wedge shape uniformly to the end, so that the ear may present as nearly as possible a solid surface.
5. Covering of cob; cob should be as completely and evenly covered as possible at both ends.
6. Hardness of grain, too hard and flinty a grain not being readily masticated and digested. A hard grain, also, is more liable to be a shallow one.
7. Grains of even, uniform size and similar shape, to make possible uniformity of planting.
8. Color of grain, purity of color indicating purity of the corn.

POINTS WORTH NOTING.

For late lettuce sow in partial shade.

Spinach for early spring "greens" should be sown about the 10th of this month.

It is the wasp, and not the honey bee, that punctures the grape. The bees profit from the work of the wasp.

Close by the side of the road is the best place for the garden, for then you will have pride in keeping it clean.

Keep a supply of early potatoes dug and at the house, so that your wife can get at them; don't let her dig them.

Keep the tomato plants off the ground. Nothing rots the fruit quicker or more surely than falling to the earth.

Weeds will keep right on growing, whether anything else in the garden does or not. Don't let a single one go to seed, though.

How is the crop of boys and girls at your house this year? Good? Glad of it! No matter whether the corn and wheat and all things go wrong, if the harvest of young folks is all right.

AN ENCOURAGING SIGN.

Increase of Knowledge Among Farmers Means Better Farming.

Recently some have expressed the idea that the people living in the country are not increasing in information relative to the scientific handling of stock and the methods in vogue among scientists in the cultivation of the soil. This is a mistake, says Farmers' Review. Agricultural science is gaining among our farmers and is destined to gain more rapidly as the years go on. It was natural that at first the progress should be slow. A body of 5,000,000 persons is not to be moved in a hurry. It is an aggregation of human beings so vast that no one can conceive of its real import.

It must be remembered, too, that at first the means for affecting this great mass and moving it were very meager. When our agricultural colleges were organized there were few men capable of acting as instructors, for the universities of the country had not been fitting men to teach agricultural science. In many cases men had to be taken out of the fields and the creameries to teach in the colleges. While they had a great deal of practical information, they had not studied systematically the mass of agricultural information that had been accumulated, and were but poorly prepared to teach it.

It is only within the past 15 years that most of our agricultural colleges have been well enough equipped to become aggressive. Now, however, the material for teachers and instructors is abundant and great work is being done. That the farmers are being reached is demonstrated by the increasing attendance at farmers' meetings and in the agricultural colleges. Information is being spread rapidly by word of mouth. Complaint is made that the bulletins issued by the stations are not widely read by the farmers. This is because it takes something of a student to take literary matter and really absorb it, making it into something having force. But in each locality are a few men that have this ability and they spread the information by word of mouth and by example.

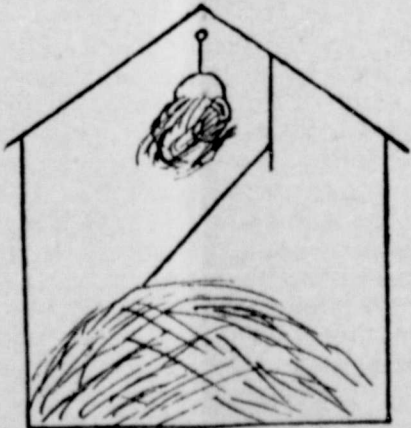
There are numerous factors that are operating to bring about a better condition in the not distant future. One of these factors is the taking of more interest in agriculture by the men that have money and at the same time have a fair knowledge of farming matters. These men are buying farms and are putting into practice on them modern methods of agriculture. The farms so handled become object lessons. Other farmers follow the lead of the most enterprising, unless they lack the will and the ability to learn. There are some of the latter class, but they are destined to disappear during the next generation or two, for the reason that others will buy their farms, which will have become unprofitable to the present owners.

It is becoming increasingly difficult to farm without thought and still make money. Farmers must make more money from their farms to-day than they used to, because they have more expenses. The expenses cannot be avoided, and must increase as population becomes denser and the price of land higher. With the increase of knowledge of how to handle land, farmers will be able to balance the increasing expenses with increasing returns.

SPREADING HAY IN MOW.

Simple Device by Which the Hump in Center is Avoided.

I put my hay in barn by large hay fork, which runs on track, writes a correspondent of Rural New Yorker. The hay naturally falls in the center, and is hard to mow away. I nailed a dozen inch boards together with cross pieces on under side, and hung



For Distributing Hay in Mow.

as per diagram. When the forkful reaches the slide, the man above notifies the man on load to trip fork, and it slides to desired location. When one side has enough, slide is reversed.

Don't Forget.

When you finish shingling that building, don't forget and leave the boards there which you nailed on to keep yourself from slipping off. Take them off when you are through, or, later, you will be likely to find some rotten shingles under them.—Farm Journal.

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Odds on the Temperature.

The Heat and a Racing Chart Go to an Orderly's Head.

One hot day, when the commandant's office at the navy yard seemed to the officers and clerks to be hotter than the stove-hole of a battleship, a marine orderly was seated outside of the admiral's room with a morning paper before him. He yawned now and then as he listlessly scanned its columns, and it was with seeming difficulty that he kept himself awake.

Finally, however, he reached the racing section. Life seemed more real and earnest then, and his interest was aroused. With a stub of pencil he went over the list of entries for the day's races at Birghton, "doping" out the "sure things." He was soon buried deep in calculation, with moving lips and ruffled brow, and was totally oblivious to the fact that the mercury in the thermometer on the wall above his head was climbing higher and higher.

Presently an officer stepped out of one of the adjoining rooms.

"Whew," he said, mopping his brow, "hot as—orderly, what's the temperature, anyway?"

The orderly sprang to his feet and saluted. Odds, "sure things," and the officer's question got all tangled up in his mind.

"Temperature, sir," he repeated vaguely. Then he glanced hastily at the thermometer and answered: "Temperature's at 90 to one, sir."

Bridge.

"There's no bridge over the Belle-spont," mused Hero, "and where there's no bridge, there's no society in the true sense, so I'll just stay on this side."

And that was why Leander had to swim for it.—Puck.

His Better Half.

"I understand that little granules are responsible for the color of the hair. I wonder what they call whatever is responsible for absence of the hair?" "I call mine 'honey.'"—Houston Post.

Advertisers can always get results through this paper.

HOW STENSLAND WAS CAPTURED

Story of the Pursuit and Apprehension of the President of the Wrecked Milwaukee Avenue State Bank of Chicago.

Run to Earth at Tangier, Morocco, the Man Chiefly Responsible for the Ruin of Thousands of Poor Depositors in His Institution Comes Back to the United States to End His Life in the Penitentiary—Days and Nights of Misery Since His Flight from Chicago.

Chicago.—The story of the pursuit and capture of Paul O. Stensland, president of the wrecked Milwaukee Avenue State bank, is one of the most dramatic in the history of those all too frequent events. Traced from this city to Tangiers, Morocco, he was apprehended there by Assistant State's Attorney Olsen, who was accompanied by a representative of the Chicago Tribune. Not less interesting is Stensland's account of the circumstances leading to the wrecking of the bank and the despoiling of thousands of depositors of the poorer class of the savings of their lifetime. Told in detail by the Tribune representative the story is as follows:

It was the old story of a woman scorned that led to the finding of Stensland's trail. One of his numerous friends who thought she had been shabbily treated put the authorities in possession of the first hint as to the fugitive's whereabouts. Her information was indefinite, but investigation proved its probable accuracy.

Finally, on August 13, it became certain that he was in Tangier and had been for 16 days. The facts were laid before State's Attorney Healy. He was asked if he could send a man with a representative of the Tribune to an unknown destination, where it was expected to find Stensland or his trail. Mr. Healy accepted the proposition and Assistant State's Attorney Harry Olson was ordered to meet the representative of the Tribune in New York on Monday, August 20. The next day Mr. Olson and the Tribune man sailed on the liner Kaiser Wilhelm II.

Paris was reached Monday, August 27, and was left Tuesday at noon. Madrid was reached Wednesday afternoon, August 29, and Gibraltar 26 hours later. On Saturday morning, September 1, the boat was taken for Tangier, the Moorish city being reached early in the evening.

Back to Gibraltar.

All Saturday night and until four o'clock Sunday afternoon, September 2, the investigation proceeded. At every town Stensland's tracks were uncovered and the last clue pointed to the Grand hotel at Gibraltar. It was as follows: Assistant State's Attorney Olson had represented himself to the keeper of the hotel where Stensland stopped at Tangier as his son, Stensland, as has been stated, is traveling under the alias of P. Olsen. The names were the same and the two men do not look unlike. The hotel keeper believed the story, but could give no direct information as to Stensland's whereabouts.

As he was riding to the hotel at midnight after getting the governor of the French bank out of bed, a voice from a Moorish cafe sung out:

"I say, Olson, I think I know where your governor is."

We dismounted at the hotel man continued:

"You left the old man in 'Gib.' A friend of mine just come over on the night boat says he saw him at the Grand hotel."

When we left Tangier Sunday afternoon, September 2, for Gibraltar to run down the Grand hotel clew we left 25 Moorish and Arab scouts to guard all the entrances and exits.

Less than an hour after the Oldenburg, the German steamer bearing Stensland from the Rock to the Moorish coast, reached port our Arab chief of scouts sent a cable to us at Gibraltar announcing the arrival of the boat and the presence on board of the man we wanted.

Hired Special Steamer.

We began negotiations for a special steamer to bring us back to Tangier. Finally a small steamer was chartered and permission obtained from the officer of the guard to leave port.

At midnight we turned tail on the Rock and headed across the straits. It was four o'clock in the morning when we rounded Malabat Point and saw the red light above the gate of the city of Tangier.

The steamer Oldenburg lay half a mile off shore. We hauled alongside and asked if the passengers had landed. It was great relief to hear that they had not, as we feared that if so Stensland might have been warned

and started for the interior. This would not have prevented his capture, but would have delayed it and made lots of trouble.

Stensland Comes Ashore.

Forty minutes later a boat put off from the German steamer and headed for the pier. In the stern sat Stensland, looking fat and hearty. He climbed up the steps to the wharf chatting gayly with four German fellow passengers.

We trailed slowly behind Stensland up the steep, hilly streets. When the British post office in Soko Chico square was reached Stensland entered. "Any letter for P. Olsen?" he asked. "No, sir."

"If any comes I want you to please forward it."

"All right, sir. Please write your forwarding address," said the clerk, pushing forward the book in which such instructions are written.

In a firm hand Stensland had written "P. Olsen, British post office," when Olson and I stepped up. I tapped him on the left shoulder and said:

"Write your own name, Stensland, and instead of 'Morgador,' where you think you are going, write it 'Chicago,' where you really are going."

Then occurred a sublime flash of nerve on the part of the husky Norseman. Gripping the pen in hand and shaking as if with palsy he forced the pen across the paper and wrote "Morgador" after the name he had already written there before I had interrupted him. Then he turned like a wolf at

course to argument and threats, telling him we would follow him to the end of the earth and capture him eventually, salvation came from Minister Gummere. James Martin, of the American legation staff appeared with a note from the minister saying if I had notified the state department he would take the responsibility of detaining Stensland, pending advices from Washington.

By this time the fugitive banker had wilted and he agreed to return to America with us any way we chose without process.

During the long afternoon in the office of the American consul Stensland talked broken heartedly with us and finally made a full confession to Assistant State's Attorney Olson in my presence.

Puts Blame on Cashier.

He said: "I cannot understand how the shortage can be \$2,000,000. To my certain knowledge my liability to the bank does not exceed \$500,000. Anything over that must have been stolen by Hering."

"My indebtedness began a long while ago, in 1896. It was a small affair, a small amount, and God knows I never intended to steal. I was in a tight hole and needed money. I put my own note, genuine, not a forgery, in the box. Then it was suggested to me that the bank examiner would stand for it, and he did."

"I never threw away money in any direction in my life. I never spent over \$5,000 a year. I always was a worker. I never loafed in my life. I always was the first man at the bank and the last to leave it."

"The money I took was invested, year after year, in an endeavor to make good. Every dollar went into real estate or business."

"They were bad investments and today I am arrested, a fugitive, with the certainty of a prison cell. And I am



bay, and, by a supreme effort retaining control of his voice and features, said:

"No, no, I think not. You cannot take me. I will not go."

"But you will go," he was answered. "Listen. You think this is a protected country. It is not. You made a big mistake. You will be arrested here, thrown into a Moorish prison, then taken aboard a United States warship and shipped in irons to the United States. The question is, do you want to go back as a gentleman or as a felon?"

Prisoner is Obstinate.

Stensland was obstinate and declared we could not take him and that he would not go voluntarily.

As a matter of fact, we had no legal right to stop Stensland. Technically we were guilty of kidnaping, and the situation began to look serious. The American minister could not order Stensland's arrest until he had received instructions from Washington. These had been cabled for the night before, but had not arrived. If Stensland had only known this he could have walked out and told us to go to blazes. He could not have escaped ultimately, but he could have caused us lots of trouble.

Just as we were about to take re-

nearly 60 years old. God! God! God!"

Had Thought of Suicide.

We took from the prisoner some carbolic acid tablets which he uses as a throat gargle. He smiled and said that if he had wanted to take poison he should have done so before running all over the face of the earth.

"I thought to shoot myself three days before I started," said Stensland, "and while standing on the bridge at Ronda, in Spain, I was seized with an impulse to jump into the river and end it all. But I made up my mind to live a little longer, anyway. Now I am glad I did not kill myself. I am going to make a new start when I get out of the pen."

As a matter of fact Stensland failed to take the most simple measures to hide his identity. In his trunk were found four volumes of Ibsen, all with Stensland's full name on the flyleaf. His key ring bore the tag of the Milwaukee Avenue State bank.

The most amazing blunder of all was across the end of his big trunk in white letters three inches high, "Paul O. Stensland."

"I did not notice this," said he "till crossing from Gibraltar. I was leaning over the rail of the upper deck

and happened to look down on the main deck and saw my trunk with my full name starting me right in the face. I nearly fainted. I got down as soon as possible and sat on the name for the rest of the voyage."

Stensland's life of exile was hell on earth, according to Stensland. From the moment he left Chicago his every waking thought was pregnant with fear and his every sleeping moment filled with terrifying visions.

Stensland's Life in Tangier.

Stensland's life in the Moroccan seaport had not been one of unalloyed happiness. He arrived in Tangier July 28 by the steamer Gibel from Gibraltar. He apparently made previous inquiries regarding the hotels, avoiding the large and prominent ones. He climbed the hill on which the quaint Moorish town is built, entered the city gate, and walked to the Grand Hotel Oriental.

Stensland evidently thought himself absolutely safe from pursuit, or, like the majority of fugitives, became careless as soon as he set foot on foreign soil. The day after his arrival he amazed Proprietor Sterwind by exhibiting, as Sterwind said, "an awful lot of money and a great number of big bills."

As a banker Stensland knew which was the best bank in Tangier, and, mounting a mule, with a small satchel in hand, rode to the Comptoir National d'Escompte, where he said he wanted to make a deposit and open an account.

When he dumped \$12,000 on the counter the eyes of the clerk bulged out, and he called M. Gaurant, the governor, who questioned the prospective customer. Stensland, in answer to M. Gaurant's inquiries, said he came from America, and when further questioned as to why he carried money in such shape and had no letter of credit, said he thought he would get the worst of exchange and concluded it was best to carry currency.

Stensland soon became a conspicuous figure in Tangier. The Oriental hotel stands just between the Mosque Dramakebir and the Cafe Francaise. Stensland gave the mosque the cold shoulder, but the Cafe Francaise, the Cafe Imperial, and the Cafe Turkesque found a good customer in him. Every night he climbed the hills and wound his tortuous way through alley-like streets, from one to the other. Mme. Yvette, at the Francaise, was his favorite chanteuse.

Spanish Dancer His Favorite.

But his real favorite was Senorita Vittoria, a Spanish dancer from Seville, who performs with exceptional abandon the fandango at the Cafe Imperial. Her partiality for him aroused a feeling of jealousy in the breast of an Arab chief who enjoyed the smiles of the danseuse until Stensland appeared on the scene.

After his arrest and confession Stensland was a broken down, aged man. All night he wept continuously and at times his paroxysms of tears so alarmed the guards they were on the point of calling a doctor. Stensland suffered also severe physical pain in addition to his mental agony.

On Friday, September 6, instructions from the state department at Washington were received by Minister Gummere to surrender Stensland to the custody of "James Keeley and Harry Olson as the officially appointed agents of the United States." We gave a formal receipt for the prisoner, Stensland himself signing it as a witness to our signatures.

The first step after receiving the prisoner was to arrange for safeguarding him. Accompanied by an attache of the United States consular office, we at once rode to the Kasbah, which is the joint Moorish prison and administrative building. The basha, Sid Cador Belghasi, was found sitting in the messooar, or "salon of complaints," where he receives those who are wronged and want stern and instantaneous Moorish justice.

Through an interpreter we informed the basha that Stensland had been turned over to us and that we wished to make arrangements for properly safeguarding him until the time of our departure.

The basha expressed great appreciation of the honor done him in asking his aid and said that a cell in the prison was at our immediate disposal, at the same time calling an officer of the guard to show it to us.

Declined Offer of Cell.

The cell was extremely uninviting, and we had heard horrible stories of what had taken place behind the ramparts of the Kasbah. We decided it would be neither humane nor politic to confine Stensland there, as Assistant State's Attorney Olson wanted to bring home a liveman, not a corpse.

Arrangements finally were made for a guard of six soldiers under the absolute orders of ourselves. Two were to be placed on the roof, two at the only door, and two inside. The prisoner was moved to his new quarters at once, there to remain until arrangements for transporting him to the United States had been made.

September 12 Stensland and his captors left Tangier for New York on a German liner which had called at the port by request of the state authorities at Washington.

A DANGEROUS PRACTICE.

Burning Off Paint Makes Insurance Void.

It seems that considerable danger to property exists in the practice of burning off old paint before re-painting. The question has long been a subject of debate in the technical journals, and now householders and the newspapers have begun to discuss it. Those of us who, with trembling, have watched the painters blow a fiery blast from their lamps against our houses, and have looked sadly at the size of our painting bill because of the time wasted on this preliminary work, are interested in the investigation by the Greenfield (Mass.) Gazette and Courier, which gives considerable space to the reasons for the practice, questions its necessity and suggests ways to prevent the risk of burning down one's house in order to get the old paint off. It says:

"There is a good deal of discussion among householders as to the desirability, in painting houses, of burning off the old paint, a practice that has grown very common of late in Greenfield and elsewhere. Insurance men are strongly opposed to this method. It makes void insurance policies for fires caused in this manner. Several houses in Greenfield have gotten afire as the result of this method, and in some places houses have burned as a result."

"It is undoubtedly true that when a house has been painted over and over again there comes to be an accumulation of paint in bunches. If new paint is put on top of these accumulations it is almost sure to blister. To burn it off is the quickest and cheapest and perhaps the surest method of getting rid of this old paint."

The Gazette and Courier quotes certain old patrons to the effect that accumulations of paint are unnecessary. These old-timers lay the blame partly on the painter who fails to brush his paint in well, partly on the custom of painting in damp weather or not allowing sufficient time for drying between coats, and partly to the use of adulterated paints instead of old-fashioned linseed oil and pure white lead. The paper says:

"Many of the old householders say that if care is taken at all these points it is absolutely unnecessary to have paint burned off. They advise that people who have houses painted should buy their own materials, and to have them put on by the day, so as to be sure to get good lead and oil. Of course the burning off of paint greatly increases the cost of the job."

The trouble householders everywhere have with paint is pretty well summed up by our contemporary, and the causes are about the same everywhere. By far the most frequent cause of the necessity for the dangerous practice of burning old paint is the use of poor material. The oil should be pure linseed and the white lead should be real white lead. The latter is more often tampered with than the oil. Earthy substances, and pulverized rock and quartz, are frequently used as cheapeners, to the great detriment of the paint.

Painters rarely adulterate white lead themselves and they very seldom use ready prepared paints—the most frequent causes of paint trouble. But they do often buy adulterated white lead because the property owner insists on a low price and the painter has to economize somewhere. The suggestion is therefore a good one that the property owner investigate the subject a little, find out the name of some reliable brand of white lead, and see that the keg is marked with that brand.

The linseed oil is more difficult to be sure of, as it is usually sold in bulk when the quantity is small; but reliable makers of linseed oil can be learned on inquiry, and, if your dealer is reliable, you will get what you want.

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