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## DONLEY COUNTY POPULATION

(Commercial Secretaries)  
A bulletin showing the composition and characteristics of the population of Donley county has just been issued by the Federal Census Department at Washington. The data contained in the report were gathered at the Thirteenth Census and cover the year 1910. The more important data pertaining to the population of this county are as follows:

Total population.....5284  
Rural.....5284  
White.....5245  
Negro.....39  
Male.....2755  
Female.....2529  
Males of voting age.....1339  
Illiterates 10 years old and over.....3881  
Number of dwellings.....1033  
Number of families.....1044

The total population of Texas is 3,896,542 and 76 per cent live in the rural districts while 24 per cent is urban. We have 3,204,848 white persons, 690,049 negroes, 702 Indians, 595 Chinese, 340 Japs, 6 Philipinos and 2 Hindus. Our female number 1,878,916 and males 2,017,626. The total number of males of voting age is 1,003,352 and we have 282,904 illiterates. Any person over ten years of age that cannot write, regardless of their ability to read, is considered illiterate. We have 770,177 dwellings and 798,426 families in the State. The average size of a Texas family is 4.9.

There are 1940 children in Donley County between the ages of 6 and 20 years and 75 per cent of them attend school. The State's average attendance is 58 per cent. Other data pertaining to the population of this country will be furnished later by the Census Department and will appear in this paper from time to time.

WATCH HEDLEY GROW!!

### MISS OZIER WEDS

Miss Ella Ozier, one of Amarillo's most admired and highly esteemed young women, became the bride of Mr. W. S. Cooke, of Fort Worth Wednesday evening. The quiet wedding which occurred at six o'clock, was solemnized at the home of the bride's brother, Mr. W. R. Ozier, at 1404 Van Buren street, and was the happy culmination of a school days, courtship, Mr. Cooke and Miss Ozier having been sweethearts in Tennessee, where they attended school together.

Mr. and Mrs. Cooke left immediately over the Fort Worth and Denver for a short tour in Southern Texas. They will be at home in Fort Worth shortly after the first of May. Amarillo-Panhandle, April, 25.

Mrs. Cook is a sister of Dr. J. B. Ozier of this city and has many acquaintances here, having visited here frequently.

## AUXILIARY MEETS IN HEDLEY MAY 13

1:30 a. m. Call to Order. Devotional Exercises, Mrs. Carrie Jones, Wellington. Address of Welcome, Mrs. J. G. McDougal, Hedley.

Response, Mrs. C. H. Mason, Clarendon. Appointment of Enrollment Committee.

Foreign Missions, Mrs. E. G. Welch, Memphis. Prayer. Song.

NOON  
1:30 p. m. Prayer and Praise Service, Mrs. Geo. M. Bugbee, Clarendon.

Roll Call of Each Organization of Auxiliary with Report from Same. Report from Vice President of Work done in her County.

Round Table. Song. Our Work in Cuba, Mrs. J. M. Johnson, Estelline.

Prayer. Mountain Schools, Mrs. J. W. Allmond, Childress. Minutes of last meeting.

Business. Place of next meeting. Song. Dismissal Prayer.

## ENTERTAINMENT TUESDAY NIGHT

Miss Calloway and the pupils of Hedley school are getting up an entertainment to be given at the auditorium next Tuesday night. The program will consist of music, readings, pantomimes and a play. Admission charge of 10 and 20 cents will be made. Proceeds to go toward fixing up the stage, expense for programs, and balance, if any, to go to the school library fund.

## BUNKER HILL

All the Bunker Hill farmers are planting this week.

Mrs. A. A. Beedy spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. W. A. Wylie.

Mrs. Wade entertained with a party Saturday night. Everyone reports a dandy time.

Miss Nellie Douthitt of Windy Valley spent part of last week with her friend Miss Maggie Luttrell.

Mrs. Lula Barksdale came in Sunday night from Childress.

Stid Bush, wife and children and Misses Annie Coursey, Resie Thaxton and Mayan Banta of Giles spent Sunday at W. A. Wylie's.

Clarence Luttrell transacted business in Hedley Saturday.

W. J. Luttrell and wife entertained a large crowd of young folks with a singing Sunday night.

Miss Rosie Wylie and little dog, Snow Ball, are spending the week in Giles.

DOLLIE DIMPLES.

## Welcome Methodists

### THE DOORS ARE WIDE OPEN

Today the District Conference starts here, or rather the Sunday School Institute begins at 10:30 this morning and continues during the day, conducted by Rev. B. W. Dodson of Memphis. Everybody invited to attend the Institute and get more inspiration along this line of work.

The opening sermon of the District Conference will be 8:00 p. m. Friday by Rev. W. M. Pope of Shamrock.

Saturday morning at nine o'clock the Conference will meet for business and will perfect the organization for work of the Conference.

At 10 o'clock D. C. Moore will deliver the welcome address. Response to the welcome address by Presiding Elder Story.

Preaching service every morning and evening will be important features. Services will probably be held at two churches Sunday.

Some noted ministers will be present at the Conference and will more than likely give our people treats in the way of good sermons.

Every man, woman and in the community are invited to attend all business sessions of the Conference as well as all preaching services. All will be benefited.

The Informer in behalf of the town and community extend to the Methodist visitors a hearty welcome to our small but wide-awake little city. Every home is open to you. Make yourself at home, and when not busy at the Conference take a stroll over town and Watch Hedley Grow.

We are sorry the "yaller legged" chickens are not ripe, our old hens just wouldn't set early enough. However, we hope you will find plenty of good old country raised hog-bosom, shoulder and ham to make up for the lack of fryers.

Hedley is a young town but is a healthy one; never has been stunted, therefore there is hope of her becoming one of the Great Panhandle country's leading

towns.

Hedley has a live Commercial Club that is striving to make her a better trading point. T. R. Moreman is Chairman and J. L. Bain the secretary of the Club. Talk to them and you will find they have big ideas as to how Hedley will grow, and they are not losing any time in getting ideas materialized. Every citizen is a booster. If you should find a knocker report him to the contractors and he will be put to work on some building with his hammer.

Hedley has a big trade territory that is Johnny-on-the-spot when it comes to the production of corn, cotton, maize, kafir and other products as well as lots of big hogs. And never a failure of crops in its history.

From October 1st last year to February 1st this year, 337 cars of grain and cotton were shipped out of Hedley.

From February to May 189 cars of grain have been shipped.

The public weigher has weighed about 3,000 loads of feed since last fall.

Hedley has \$10,000 brick school building, a large pavillion, four churches, several brick business houses and more to start in next few days, several residences under construction; two good gins that ginned 3,050 bales last season; a number of up-to-date stores such as dry goods, groceries, hardware, furniture, drugs, saddle and harness; good bank, and another prepared to open soon: meat market, ice house, restaurant, tin shop, undertaking goods, barber shops, coal dealers, blacksmith shops, lumber yards, telephone exchange, mill, carpenter shop, jewelers, physicians, draymen, public tailor shop, grain dealers, preachers, water works, wagon yard, livery barn, auto line, threshers, post-office, and two R. F. D. routes, good depot with ample track facilities, good hotels, lodge halls, and a weekly newspaper with a slogan "Watch Hedley Grow."

## CLEAN UP DAY OBSERVED TUESDAY

Tuesday was clean-up day in Hedley and the Informer is proud of the citizens who, with but two or three exceptions, joined in the work of cleaning up the tin cans, rubbish, etc., and burning up all trash. While the dumping ground was not secured in time to haul off the rubbish Tuesday, wagons were put to work Wednesday and everything is now about hauled off.

That is one good disposition our people have, of joining hand in hand when it comes to doing something for the good of the town.

Now that we have the town practically clean let's not stop the good work, but continue to rake and scrape until she shines like a brand new dollar. Our business men should arrange to burn all paper and not let any of it get away to lodge in the yards around the residences, and the citizens should unite in keeping their yards clean and all paper and trash burned. By co-operating in this way Hedley can get on the map as a clean town.

## Windy Valley

Windy Valley farmers are progressing nicely with their work these days.

R. H. Belcher has been sick this week.

Mrs. John Lane honored the young folks with a nice social Saturday night.

Miss Jessie Bidwell of Hedley visited her uncle J. L. Bidwell and family last week.

Simon Adamson of Hedley spent Saturday night with his cousin Elbert Belcher.

Rev. J. B. Cope preached at the school house Sunday.

John Mann and J. X. Miller attended the I. O. O. F. services at Hedley Sunday.

Will Burris and Misses Alta Oliver and Pearl Perdue took dinner with Miss Marie Ray Sunday.

Everybody enjoyed the singing at Mr. Rices Sunday night.

John Shearin of Memphis visited John Perdue last week.

Mrs. Black returned Tuesday from Cook County.

J. T. Lane is sick with rheumatism.

Earl Smith purchased a new \$85 cooking range for his wife this week.

Miss Mamie Griffiths school closed last Friday. She treated the children to candy and gum. Miss Griffith has gone to Lakeview to finish out her sisters school.

We have had two very interesting people in our midst this week, a cook stove agent and a piano tuner.

The bonds have been voted to build a \$4,000 school house at

## POULTRY BUSINESS IN DONLEY COUNTY

(Commercial Secretaries)

The poultry industry of Donley county is assuming large proportions and the hen is contributing her share towards lifting the mortgages and swelling the bank accounts of the farmers of this county. The Federal Census Reports, which contain data gathered in the spring of 1910, show a total of 24630 fowls, valued at \$8562 on the farms of this county. The annual poultry production of 1909 was 46247 head of fowls and 88990 dozen eggs which had a combined value of \$26320, according to the report.

Poultry raising in Donley county, when properly conducted can be made a most profitable investment. The conditions are ideal for breeding and raising chickens, ducks, turkeys and other species of domestic fowls, and our climate makes expensive poultry houses unnecessary.

There are 13,670,000 head of fowls on the farms of Texas and the annual poultry and egg production which is largely consumed at home is valued at \$25,000,000, which probably 25 per cent of our products find its way to northern and eastern markets.

## INTERPRETATIVE READER COMING

Miss Emma Dee Randall, "The Star of the Lone Star," an interpretative reader connected with the Redpath Lyceum Bureau, will give an entertainment at the auditorium next Thursday night May 8. She is a reader and impersonator of ability known over the United States, and has a program that delights all hearers. It is seldom that Hedley has such good entertainment as this one will be, and you'll miss it if you miss it. Admission: 15 and 25 cents.

## B. W. M. U.

The B. W. M. U. Society will have a call meeting at Mrs. J. C. Wells Tuesday May 6th and earnestly request all Baptist ladies to attend. We must make arrangements for the Auxiliary of the Panhandle Baptist Association which meets here May 13th and need the help and cooperation of all who will assist us.

PRESS REPORTER.

Good and cheap work at Clarendon Steam Laundry. E. L. Yelton, Agent.

Windy Valley. Windy Valley is coming to the front and we hope soon to have the third high school of Donley county at this place.

KENTUCKY BILL.

## START YOUR ACCOUNT

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# THE HEDLEY INFORMER

J. CLAUDE WELLS, Publisher

HEDLEY, TEXAS

## STREETS LESS DANGEROUS.

That the automobile has introduced another serious element of danger into metropolitan streets is not to be denied. This applies to all large cities. They face a common problem. Local interests, therefore, attaches to a recently published dispatch from London announcing that better control of power-driven vehicles in the English metropolis is likely to be recommended by a select committee for action by the house of commons. London's commissioner of police suggests, among other things, that reckless driving, as well as drunkenness of drivers, be made a penal offense. American cities, ordinarily follow for cities in such matters, says the Chicago News. For example, the first bill to be signed by Governor Sulzer of New York establishes a penitentiary term for any person who drives an automobile while intoxicated. This is the first law of the kind in the United States. There are still other precautions, however, which must be taken to make streets safer. This is indicated by the fact that the number of persons killed in Chicago in 1912 by motor-driven vehicles was in the neighborhood of 100. One of the perils, of course, is the variety of speeds of different types of vehicles. The London commissioner of police proposes to work toward equalization of speed. Separation of traffic of different speeds is another possibility. Certain streets, for example, might be set aside for slow-moving teams and others for the more rapid automobiles.

If these scientists continue their investigations, men with what are known as "bad habits" will be obliged to confess that they indulged them because they wish to, instead of putting their indulgence upon altruistic or utilitarian grounds. Thus, Prof. Lee J. Knight and William Croker of the University of Chicago in addresses delivered before the American Association for the Advancement of Science, at Cleveland, O., declared that tobacco smoke does not benefit house plants, but, to the contrary, injures them. Hundreds of thousands of husbands, implored by their spouses to discontinue worship at the shrine of Nicotina, have firmly declined upon the ground that the house plants needed the smoke. The house plants, being absolute necessities of our present day civilization, naturally overrode all other considerations. The house plant plea is no longer a palliation. There is only one recourse left to the unwilling swearer-off, and that is the clothes moth. If some enterprising scientist comes along and demonstrates that clothes moths thrive upon tobacco smoke, the indignant men of the nation will lose forever their pose of self-sacrificing heroism.

People who complain of the tardiness of justice in this country are commended by a contemporary to the case in Berlin of seven lumber dealers accused of defrauding the Prussian treasury of \$250,000. "The preliminary investigation," adds the dispatch, "lasted four years and the evidence fills 400 pages." But will the four year's delay in Prussia make the loss any less for the man in the United States who is held away from his rights by a similar four year's delay? There are many worse places than the United States; but does that prove that faults in our system are not faults?

An English woman is coming here to teach American women how to acquire soft, low voices, which Shappeare pronounced an excellent thing in their sex. However, the demand for the voices of women to be heard in the land just now is overshadowing that for low softness which is apt to be drowned in the age's turmoil.

A New York woman, now in a divorce action, told her husband that four years was enough for a woman to live with any man. Judging from results, he must have come to the same conclusion.

Jack Barrymore has been sued by a California barber for \$50,000 because he thrashed the tonsorial artist when a hair cut was not to his liking. The barber must have felt quite cut up about it.

A London physician has compounded an elixir which he says will cure ninety-nine diseases. Luck in odd numbers must be his belief.

A new remedy for pneumonia is ethylhydrocupreihydrochloride. The thing to do, however, is to keep it in the house and not start to pronounce it to a drug clerk after the victim has the disease.

The New York physician who says he can cure epilepsy with rattlesnake venom will have plenty of opportunities to test the remedy if he includes the old-fashioned antidote for snake-bite.

## What Kind of Women Do Women Admire?

By MAY ALDEN WARD

It is very difficult to answer in the abstract the question, "What kind of women do women like?" We may, however, have certain illustrations of the qualities that endear them to each other if we recall some of the women of our own day who have received in fullest measure the love and loyalty of their own sex. If we can analyze in some degree their power of winning and holding hearts, it may help to answer the question we have before us.

The name that comes first to the mind in this connection is that of one who for many years has reigned as a queen in the hearts of American women—Mrs. Julia Ward Howe. Why is it that when she enters a room other women rise instantly in recognition of her presence? It matters not whether it is a little group in a parlor or an audience of 3,000. No signal is given, no word spoken; it is simply an instinctive, spontaneous tribute. It is not because of her genius, however great that may be, that she receives this homage. It is not because she stirred the heart of the nation with her "Battle Hymn." It is not for what she has done that Mrs. Howe is so beloved, but for what she is. It is for her personality. It is for the courage which enables her to espouse many an unpopular cause; the enthusiasm and faith which have led her to further every movement for the advancement of woman; the broad sympathies which have caused her to give herself so lavishly in many directions; the sincerity, the nobility which are seen in every line of her countenance and felt in every word she utters. These are the secrets of her power.

Another name that is cherished in the hearts of American women is that of Alice Freeman Palmer. The love for her has been quickened and strengthened by the wonderful account of her life and personality which her husband has given us. Why was it that when she died thousands of women mourned as at the loss of a personal friend? What was it that made her a factor in the lives of so many others? Why was her influence so great even with those who knew her but slightly?

We find in her the same qualities as in Mrs. Howe. Courage she had of the highest kind. The courage which enabled the woman of twenty-six to accept the presidency of Wellesley college and to carry out new theories of education made her strong for all the responsibilities that came to her. She had enthusiasm, without which little of value is accomplished. Hers was the hopeful, contagious enthusiasm which incites others to action. She had a rare degree of faith—faith in the power that governs the world, faith in the world itself. She had faith in womanhood, that is to say, faith in human nature. She not only believed in woman in general, but also in individual women. There seemed to be no room in her nature for suspicion or distrust.

Mrs. Howe and Mrs. Palmer have had one other trait in common which should be mentioned. We find in both a simplicity, a frank humaneness—we may almost call it an every-day-ness—that has helped to make them lovable. They have not been burdened with their own greatness. We have not stood aside and viewed them on pedestals; we have not worshiped them as saints; we have loved them as human beings. We could feel that they were made of the same clay that we are, that they lived in the same world that we live in, and that, therefore, other women may follow in their path, though they may not reach the same heights.

No two women of our day have been more loved and honored by womankind than the two described. We find in both the qualities that appeal to women; that the qualities we find in their characters are those that women recognize and admire? Among these qualities are courage, enthusiasm, faith, sympathy, sincerity, simplicity and nobility.

May Alden Ward

## Walking Has Become Newest Kind of Sport

By JOSEPH LEVIN, St. Louis, Mo.

People will say, "Walking an art? Why, anyone can walk. There is nothing hard about it." But when they get out and try it they soon find out their mistake.

Distance time walking is the hardest and most strenuous of labor. It requires a well-kept body, with good lasting qualities. In the first place, one must keep in excellent condition. He must take sufficient exercise to keep the muscles from becoming stiff. This requires road work at least once a week.

Each person has a stride and he should stick to this stride and not change it from time to time. A good pedestrian's stride never varies.

To make good time one must make about four miles an hour and be able to walk ten hours a day, or forty miles. This is considered to be a good day's walk for amateur pedestrians.

Walking is like all other things—you must stick to it in order to make any progress.

Fifty years ago our fathers thought nothing of walking thirty or forty miles to the next town to spend a day with a friend. But times have changed. Prevailing conditions have taken away all thought of walking and we find ourselves riding from place to place. The modern man gets but little exercise.

If you wish to live a clean life, free from temptations and bad habits, get out and walk all you can. You will soon find that it will improve your health and give you ambition.

## People Suffer From Crowding Into Cities

By A. G. PHELPS, Chicago

Any large city is a curious mixture of all the good and bad in this world—all the wealth, beauty and grandeur, the poverty, filth and crime; the palatial homes of the rich, the insanitary hovels of the poor; the pampered, overfed, luxury laden wealthy; the poor, half clad, half starved, hopeless beggar; the high minded philanthropist, and the sordid, heartless miser; the splendid, useful, helpful, honest, manly man; the thief and thug. The larger the city the greater the extremes and the more dangerous the tendency.

Yet people take pride in living in a big city; pride in the great number of its population and, in order to swell the number, the census taker must count people who are not worthy to be classed as human beings. How much better for the population to be more evenly spread over the country, giving each enough fresh air to breathe, enough sunshine to know the day from the night!

Women and girls will work in sweatshops and stores at wages barely sufficient to keep soul and body together, when in a smaller place they could get good wages in comfortable homes and be treated like human beings.

People, like all other animals, suffer from crowding too great a number into a small place.

## Summer Dress That Will Set Style for the Season



A summer dress of hand embroidered batiste trimmed with crocheted buttons.

### HOW TO HAVE ROSY CHEEKS

Many Things Better Than Ice, Though That Will Temporarily Give the Glow Desired.

The use of ice as a cosmetic is advocated by many. Its results in many cases are not lasting.

There may be some virtue in ice when a woman wants to make her cheeks rosy for a short while. She can prepare soft pads, lay them on ice until they are very cold, then on the cheeks; they draw the blood to the surface and give a rosy tint. Cold water is better, however, when it comes to the question of making flabby muscles tighten to a normal condition, and the toilet vinegar is better still; such muscles need something that will tone them permanently, not just for the moment. To apply ice to the skin that has been exposed to the wind is all wrong; cold cream, left on half an hour first; then warm water and a good soap; then very cold water to finish with and cold cream rubbed in, with a spray of toilet vinegar last, is the method that answers best for flaccid muscles.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

### FOR THE EVENING



An evening gown of black liberty satin veiled with black maline embroidered with jet. The tunique is finished by two ruffles of accordion pleated chiffon.

Sleeves for Day Wear. For day wear the sleeve of the moment is long and rather tight and may be loose at both elbow and shoulder.

### NEW AND POPULAR FABRICS

That They Lend Themselves to the Graceful Draperies Demanded is Their Recommendation.

The touch of the Oriental that is noticed in the spring styles requires that a fabric be used which lends itself readily to graceful drapery. One particularly adaptable material is etamine, which is more popular this spring than it has been for several seasons. The robes of hand-drawn etamine are truly beautiful. The drawn-work appears in bands of graduated widths, forming a very hand some border for the robe. A narrow band of drawn-work is done along the opposite edge of the material to be used for the smaller trimmings. These etamines come in all the vivid shades that are to be so much used.

Among the silks, fluer de sole, a new form of taffeta with an extremely soft finish, falls in the most graceful lines. It comes in very new and unusual tones, in both plain and figure surfaces. The floral designs that appear on many of these new silks seem somewhat stiff at first sight, but on soon realizes how very well suited they are to the period costumes affected by our best gownest. Some of the new patterns now in vogue are exact copies of some of those used in France at the time of the empire.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

Double Train. A new train seen lately consisted of two trains each quite separate, an ending in points. A very lovely evening dress of deep orange charmeuse had this new double tail. One was of the orange charmeuse, and was just a continuation of the dress itself. The second train was of lemon-colored mousseline-de-soie, and started from drapery at the waist, which came down one side and round the back of the frock, falling into a train the exact size and shape of the satin one. When well down this has a very pretty as well as a very novel effect.

Aids the Complexion. The complexion seems to be the only thing which benefits from damp weather. One of the reasons for the fresh and colorful skins of English girls is said to be the fogs and mist that sweep over Britain from the sea. Moisture holds the dust prisoner—and dust is the worst enemy to good complexions. Besides that, moisture while it does not prevent wrinkles does not produce them; and excessively dry climates are always productive of excessively wrinkled skins.

Oriental Negliges. For wear beneath the Oriental negligee there is a special Oriental combination garment of brassiere and petticoat. This is what the garment really is, though at first glance it appears to be a winding affair of fine fabric and lace trimming which twists around the figure from shoulder to knee.

Greek Draperies. The Greek draperies introduced through the winter are so charming that nobody will relinquish them, a new note for evening wear.

## OH! MY BACK!

A stubborn backache that hangs on, week after week, is cause to suspect kidney trouble, for when the kidneys are inflamed and swollen, bending the back brings a sharp twinge that almost takes the breath away.

It's hard to work and just as hard to rest or sleep. Doan's Kidney Pills revive sluggish kidneys—relieve congested, aching kidneys. The proof is an amazing collection of backache testimonials.

AN IDAHO CASE  
I. C. Warner 1215 No. Garland Ave., Pocatello, Idaho, says: "For years I suffered from kidney trouble and was often confined to bed. More than once I passed kidney stones and the pain was awful. Morphine was the only thing that gave me relief until I used Doan's Kidney Pills. This remedy dissolved the stones and then on I gradually improved, until entirely cured."  
"Every Patient Tells a Story"

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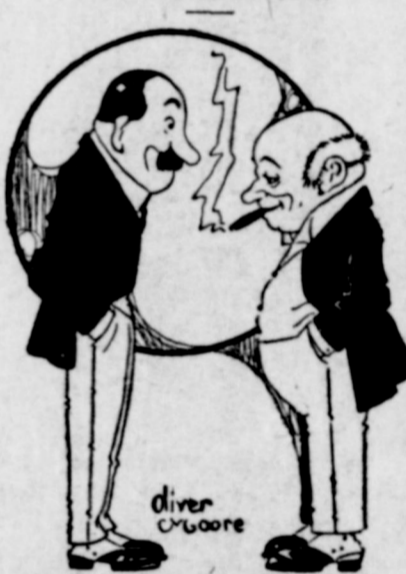
Explaining the Needle. A typesetter in a printing house became very adroit in explaining the large number of misprints for which he was responsible. Even when he changed his work and became a waiter in a restaurant, says Das Echo, his skill did not forsake him.

One day he had served a guest with a plate of soup, and was turning away, when he was called back sharply.

"This is an outrage!" cried the indignant diner. "I find a needle in my soup! What does this mean?"

"Just a misprint, sir," explained the former typesetter. "It should have been a needle."—Youth's Companion

### THE CARD CLUB.



"How is your wife getting along at her card club?"  
"Fine. So far nobody's put up a better lunch than she did."

Profound Criticism. Kin Hubbard, the Indiana humorist—one of them, that is to say—once was assigned to cover a performance of "Uncle Tom's Cabin." Hubbard had his brain-child, old "Abe Martin," report the play. This was the critique: "Uncle Tom's Cabin" played down 'Melodion hall las' night. Th' dogs was good, but they had poor support."—Everybody's Magazine.

### FLY TO PIECES.

The Effect of Coffee on Highly Organized People.

"I have been a coffee user for years, and about two years ago got into a very serious condition of dyspepsia and indigestion. It seemed to me I would fly to pieces. I was so nervous that at the least noise I was distressed, and many times could not straighten myself up because of the pain."

Tea is just as injurious, because it contains caffeine, the same drug found in coffee.

"My physician told me I must not eat any heavy or strong food, and ordered a diet, giving me some medicine. I followed directions carefully, but kept on using coffee and did not get any better.

"Last winter my husband, who was away on business, had Postum served to him in the family where he boarded. He liked it so well that when he came home he brought some with him. We began using it and I found it most excellent.

"While I drank it my stomach never bothered me in the least, and I got over my nervous troubles. When the Postum was gone we returned to coffee, then my stomach began to hurt me as before, and the nervous conditions came on again.

"That showed me exactly what was the cause of the whole trouble, so I quit drinking coffee altogether and kept on using Postum. The old troubles left again and have never returned."

"There's a reason," and it is explained in the little book, "The Road to Wellville, in 1894."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

## PLANT ASPARAGUS BED

First Essential Is Proper Selection of Site.

Soil Should Be Richest Available With Good Surface and Under Drainage—Supply Well-Rotted Cow Manure Liberally.

(By ISAAC SARONY.)

I will give directions for planting an asparagus bed large enough for an ordinary farmer's family. If enough is to be planted for the market, the bed may be enlarged. Of course the culture would be about the same for a large bed as for a small one, except that in the large bed the roots should be set about three feet apart one way and one foot the other, while in the small bed they should be one foot each way.

First, select the site for the bed. This should be in a place sheltered from the north and west winds, and yet should have sunlight all day. Any fence except wire will furnish shelter enough. The soil should be the richest available, and even the richest soil will require manuring. If possible, have black soil, with a good under and surface drainage. The under drainage is essential, because water standing in the subsoil for a long time might rot the roots. The surface drainage can be secured by raising the top of the bed a few inches above surrounding soil. Secure well-rotted cow manure, and supply it liberally. It would be best to have the bed prepared in the fall, as the ground is in much better condition to work then than in the spring. Under no condition work the soil while it is wet, as a baked soil cannot produce good asparagus. Dig a narrow trench, a spade deep, along one side of the bed, and fill it with manure. Then spade another trench right along the side of the first, thoroughly pulverize the soil and throw it on top of the manure in the first trench. Continue this across the bed,

## MARGIN OF PROFIT AND LOSS

If Hens Fail to Lay Average of 50 or 60 Per Cent. There is Something Radically Wrong.

A flock of hens should be made to pay a good dividend on the investment. If they do not do this, there is something radically wrong somewhere along the line.

If you have kept a record of the cost of production and the sales you will be able to tell whether or not your hens are paying. Hens that are laying an average of 50 or 60 per cent. are doing well and will make



A Poor Feeder.

a good showing in the right side of the cash book. Any averages above that will be so much more gain, and will more than justify keeping the birds.

If they fall way below this mark you had better investigate and find out the cause of the trouble. It may be that you have a poor strain of birds; that you are not feeding the right kinds of food or in sufficient quantities, or that you are not giving them the proper attention that they must have in order to be great producers.

## BENEFITS OF DEEP PLOWING

Some Striking Increases in Production Have Been Secured During Last Few Years.

(By E. J. KINNEY, Kentucky Experiment Station.)

During the last few years some very striking increases in production have been secured by plowing very deeply. On the strength of this a number of authorities are advocating deep plowing for the south. They advise from eight to as much as sixteen inches deep. It seems somewhat dangerous to the orthodox man to give such general advice as this until we have more experimental data to confirm its value. It is undoubtedly true that much deeper plowing than is now practiced in most sections of the south is desirable.

No cultivated crop can make its best growth in a seed bed less than seven inches deep. Where soils are so thin that plowing to this depth will bring up a large quantity of raw subsoil the depth should be attained by plowing a little deeper each time instead of taking the full depth all at once. In this way the subsoil will have a chance to become weathered and incorporated with the surface soil.

Some advocates of deep plowing propose to go to the desired depth all at once. We are not prepared to say whether they are right or wrong. However, the safest plan is to try it on a small scale at first. Deep plowing is expensive and must show decided benefits if it is to be profitable. Let several join and purchase a plow for deep tilling and give it a good trial under fair conditions. This will be safe and not expensive. It is worth trying, and the experience will be of value to other farmers.

## Depends on Training.

The intelligence of a horse depends largely upon the training received, yet, there is a marked difference in the extent to which horses will derive benefit from training, and that difference may be accounted for only by variations in the brain development.

## GENERAL FARM NOTES

The best cows are never cheap. For growth or eggs feed skim-milk. Smooth, even, medium-sized potatoes make the best seed.

No fertilizer will atone for carelessness and neglect of the garden. A good Shropshire flock should average nine or ten pounds of wool.

Alfalfa fed to cows requires less grain in addition than other hays.

No weed seed ever comes out of a silo alive. Another reason for having a silo.

No better eating in the fowl line than capons, say those who have tried them.

Disinfecting incubators between hatches is a precaution that pays in the long run.

A good grade of horses on the farm suitable for farm work is an indication of thrift and prosperity.

The farm family that gives proper attention to chickens, garden and cows is always provided for.

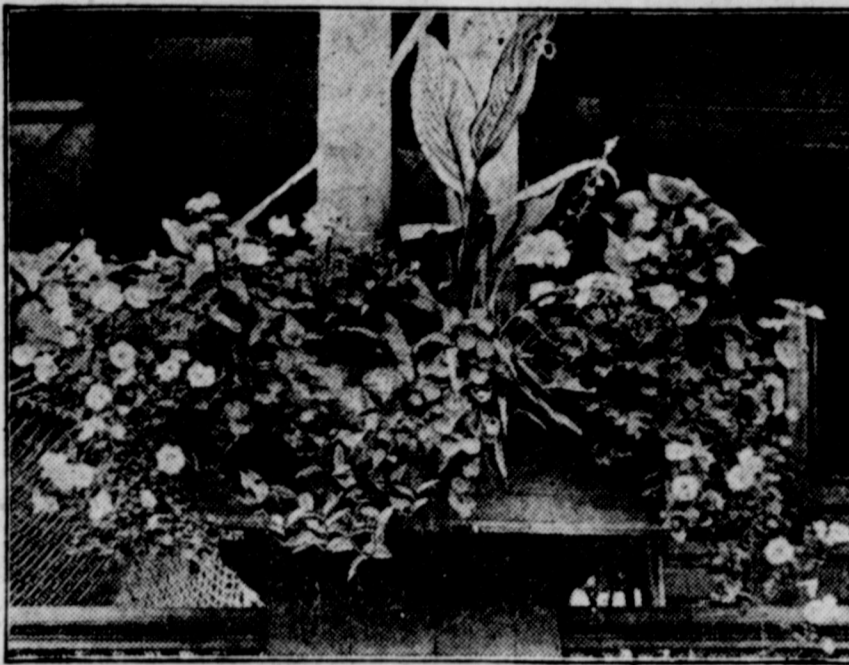
Don't forget that if the sheep are not kept constantly in good condition the quality of the wool is affected.

The enormous sum of five billion dollars represented the farm value of the United States crops last year.

A pound of butter requires the cream from a trifle less than ten quarts of four per cent. milk to make it.

Early Ohio for first plantings and Carmen No. 3 for the late patch, will hold their own with any potato varieties.

## PRETTY LITTLE GARDEN IN THE WINDOW



House Plants Used to Fill a Veranda Box.

(By L. M. BENNINGTON.)

Dust is a great friend to the insect tribe, as it weakens the plant.

Shift the pots about occasionally, to give all sides of the plant a chance at the light.

Admit air from a door or window at a distance from the plants. A draft of cold air often does much damage.

Stir the soil in the pots every few days with a table fork to admit air to the rootlets. This will prevent green mold.

Chinese hibiscus should be kept merely moist during winter, at which time they lose most of their leaves. They are summer bloomers.

Give the plants all the fresh air possible every pleasant day, and with it, give the sunshine. Roll the shades up and take down the curtains.

Don't fertilize until the plant shows signs of growth. Plants at a stand-

still cannot bear strong food. Give all root-bound plants a little weak manure water.

There can be no regular rule for watering plants, because of the varying conditions in the living room. Water when the soil looks dry and the pot feels light.

Give enough water to saturate the soil. This can best be done by setting the pot in a vessel of water, leaving it until the surface of the soil shows wet. The inside of the ball of soil and roots must be saturated.

Palms, unless kept in a hot, dry atmosphere where red spider has appeared, has but one insect enemy—the scale. These can be seen and pushed off, and the plant washed and scrubbed all over with soapsuds, then well rinsed in clear water. The English ivy should be treated the same way.

## GUINEA FOWLS ARE POOR EGG LAYERS

Number Conservatively Estimated at 30 to 70 During Season—Great Rustlers.

(By A. J. LEGG.)

I have read a number of articles on the guinea fowl and they all commend them as great rustlers for insects and they are also commended as egg producers; usually, however, there is no reliable data as to how many eggs a guinea hen will produce in a year. I see it stated in a prominent farm paper that a guinea hen will lay from 30 to 70 eggs in a season. This is quite a variation, but my observation leads me to conclude that it is not too much. A few guinea hens have proved to be very poor egg producers and 30 eggs is not likely too low for the minimum production, while 70 for the maximum is a very conservative estimate. Once I kept an account of the eggs laid by a white guinea hen and I got 65 eggs from her that season, but I felt sure that she laid a few eggs that I did not get.

Last spring I undertook to keep an account of the eggs laid by one white and two pearl hens. The white one proved to be a very poor egg producer and I do not think that she laid more than 30 eggs. The pearls laid well. They both laid in the same nest and I found them with 30 eggs in the nest on two different occasions. Once they laid a full nest of eggs and both got broody, so I did not get an account of these, as they got broken up without me finding the nest. Another time they got broken up and I did not know how many eggs were lost. I got an account of 186 eggs and I estimate that 40 eggs were lost in the two break ups, this would make 226 eggs for the three hens, and I feel sure that the white hen did not lay more than 30 of them. The two pearl hens laid very near 100 eggs

each. On account of the very cold wet spring they did not commence laying until about June 1. When the season is favorable the guineas begin laying in April. Young guineas are rather tender and hard to raise, but if they are not caught away from a shelter in a hard rain, they will take care of themselves if allowed free range. We had about 75 young guineas hatched last spring, and have got more than 50 of them through October in spite of the very unfavorable season. They took care of themselves and grew fat and plump.

There was two pure white guineas hatched, but both of them died. The others are all a cross between the white and the pearl guinea, except one full blood pearl guinea. The hybrids are larger than the pure pearl of the same age.

## The Disk Plow.

It is quite evident that the disk plow is to be a part of the equipment of the progressive farmer of the future. The double disk, or gang, is the style in most demand, for the reason that a double disk will cut from 24 to 26 inches with the same horsepower that it takes to operate the 16-inch mold-board sulky, and the cost is but a few dollars more. The disk plow is to be a very conspicuous factor in the future trade of the implement dealer, for it must be remembered the disk drill, the disk harrow and the popular with the farmers and give evidence of remaining so, were a long time proving that they had come to stay.

## Screen Tile Drains.

One of the most important features of having tile drains is to keep the outlets open, and, lest muskrats and other small animals crawl in and clog them, they should be screened. When putting down tile drains it is a good plan to make a map of the field, with lines which show where the drains are, then, if the outlets of any get covered up and hidden, they can be more easily found.

## MAKE CORNERS BEAUTIFUL WITH FERNS.



A Bit of Nature's Fern Garden.

Brighten up the deep, shady corners on your lawn by starting a fernery. A dark corner by the porch is a good place for the wild, hardy ferns, and you may find low, wet places here and there which will prove hospitable homes for beautiful ferns transplanted from the woods. It is not a difficult matter to transplant ferns from the woods, and if they are put in a well-shaded spot they will flourish without much care.

## NEW IDEAS FOR HOME COUSINE

Some Things That Will Be Welcomed by All Housewives Who Are in Search of Novelties.

The housewife who takes pleasure and pride in the culinary branch of her household labors is always on the lookout for new ideas. She is also glad to find old ones improved upon and offered in new forms. The decoration for a cake, a new receptacle wherein to cook an entree, a new stuffing for fowl, a new pie filling or an original garnish are as dear to the good cook's heart as a state secret is to that of a politician.

So much has been borrowed from sister nations in this line that there seems little left new under the sun, so it now behooves those in search of novelty to turn their eyes inward and invent and create novelties from their own experience. The popular individual service gives wide scope for the cook's imagination, and many suggestions she will get by just taking a little trip through the favor shops, where many ideas of this kind are started.

A cake of three layers, with a soft creamy filling and a soft frosting, before the frosting stiffens may be sprinkled with finely ground pistachio nuts, and on top, in star form, arrange candied mint leaves and finish the center with a rose made of the candied rose leaves deftly arranged.

Marrow bones stuffed with sweet breads and mushrooms, with savory seasoning, when they are taken from the oven, may be fitted with a high paper collar and narrow black necktie tied in a square bow, and a fool's cap of paper, and they should be served on lace paper doilies.

Extra mayonnaise is served in a half lemon skin that has been relieved of the pulp and had a slice cut from the end so it stands upright. It may also be covered with a fluted paper cap.

The yolks of hard cooked eggs may have pepper, salt, olive oil, a dash of Worcestershire sauce added to them and mixed to a paste, then formed into small balls, roll them in powdered nuts and drop them into the salad, using the rings of white for the garnish on top.

For the simple home luncheon the ordinary pancake may do duty for dessert.

## HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONS

If kitchen floors are painted with boiled linseed oil, they are cleaned very easily.

A tiny sprinkling of sugar placed over each layer of meat in a steak pudding will make the steak tender.

A few drops of alcohol rubbed on the inside of a lamp chimney will remove all traces of greasy smoke when water alone is of no avail.

If linoleums and oilcloths are rubbed, after being washed, with a little linseed oil, they will be found to wear longer and have a polish without being slippery.

To clean picture frame glasses take a small piece of wash leather, wet it with methylated spirits and rub on the glasses. This will clean them beautifully. Polish afterward with a soft duster.

Pastry, to which baking powder has been added should be placed in the oven as quickly as possible, otherwise the effect of the baking powder will be wasted.

## Meat and Pastry Rolls.

These are nice for luncheon or supper. Small quantities of cold ham, chicken or other meat may be utilized for these. Chop the meat fine, add enough savory fat or butter to "shape" well. Season well and roll into shapes of finger length. Make a short dough of one pint of flour, two tablespoons lard, one teaspoon baking powder, salt, and milk enough to mix. Roll thin, cut into strips, fold about the meat rolls, care being taken to keep the shape. Bake in quick oven until delicately brown and serve hot.

## Brown Sugar Gingerbread.

One cup brown sugar, one-half cup lard, one teaspoon salt, one teaspoon soda, two teaspoons cream of tartar, one and one-half teaspoons ginger, one cup milk (diluted condensed milk may be used, or even clear water), flour. Cream sugar and lard together, then add other ingredients, using flour enough to make it rather soft. Bake in biscuit tin about one-half hour.

## Apple Pudding.

Two eggs, one small cup of sugar, two tablespoons butter, one-half cup of milk, one heaping teaspoonful baking powder, pinch of salt, one and one-half cup flour. Line bottom of pudding pan with apples sliced—sprinkle with sugar and cinnamon, pour above mixture over this and bake in a moderate oven.

## Cookies.

Take one cup of sugar, one egg, one-half cup of shortening, four tablespoonfuls of sweet milk, one and one-half teaspoonfuls of yeast powder, one teaspoonful of vanilla and enough flour to roll well. Roll this very thin and cut into fancy shapes with a cookie cutter. Bake a light brown.

## Odor of Onions.

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The second Sunday in May has in recent years had the distinction of being "Mothers Day." Services in honor of the mother, and in recognition of her faithfulness, gentleness and devotion to the home, are held in many of the churches and in most of the Sunday schools. The white carnation has been selected as the flower to be worn in the belt or on the coat lapel on "Mother's Day." No flower of the garden or field could be a happier choice than this to be worn as mother's own flower. Pure as the drifted snow, spicy and fragrant, and possessing a lasting quality beyond that of the lily or rose, and white carnation stands for all that mother is to the family and the race.—Exchange.

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## SHUT UP IN A BOX

She Thought Her Love Had Been  
Hidden in an Old Match  
Case.

By A. MARIA CRAWFORD.

"An open fire is such a conversational impetus," said Polly McGregor who had just enough Irish in her to give color to her cheeks and laughter and tears in turn to her eyes.

"Then light the logs on the andirons," suggested Mrs. McGregor, "although I fancy that Phil Brooks won't need any impetus to start him talking to you. He is in love with you, Polly."

"I think that one of the most essential qualifications for splendid motherhood is faith in the charms of her own offspring. You are a dear to flatter me but Phil isn't in love with me. He admires clever women and you know that I never learned anything at school except how to sing a little and to make candy."

"At any rate your marks were excellent. Phil may admire brainy women, but clever men never want clever women for their wives. It is an aphorism, trite but true. Men demand the privilege of teaching the girls they marry all that they want them to know. I heard Anne Carter say to her fiance, young Dr. Brandon, that she hoped to study medicine this winter in order to be able to discuss his cases understandingly with him. 'My dear girl,' he told her, 'I don't want you to know one thing about medicine. If you did, I wouldn't love you.' I am certainly not ambitious to study law. Frankly, I haven't brains enough to grasp legal matters and Phil knows it. The other day at a bridge party I was introduced to some dignified looking girl from Boston and when she asked, 'Do you believe in

granting the franchise to women, Miss McGregor?' I couldn't answer her. I only stared at her."

Mrs. McGregor laughed with her. "You had better light your fire now, Polly. There isn't a servant on the place. I let them all go to a big circus."

"Where will I find matches?" questioned Polly, gathering up her soft charmerose gown, blue as her own eyes. "I couldn't tell you. We'll go on a search for them."

Five minutes later Polly gave up the quest in despair. "I have looked into every possible place and into some that would seem impossible." Into Polly's eyes crept a shadow that veiled the laughter suddenly. "I'll run upstairs and get that little box of safety matches in my desk. Marshall left them on the library table when he was here two years ago."

Mrs. McGregor watched the blue-clad figure mount the stairs slowly. A sudden wad of flame in her against the boy who had lightly won her Polly's heart only to teach it to ache. He was a dissipated fellow, but Polly had loved him and when he came from his far-away western home two years before and asked Polly to marry him she had begged him to wait and ask her again when he had schooled himself to be temperate. A year later he had returned with his bride and had, perhaps wisely, omitted to ask Polly to call on her.

"He was not worthy of you," her mother had insisted, but Polly only shook her head and said that Marshall was the finest man she had ever known and that he had a perfect right to fall in love again if he wanted to do it.

"He married an average little town girl, something of a prude," declared C. J. Claiborne, a friend of Polly's who had met the pair on their honeymoon. "Just a case of the fellow being lonely in that forsaken place! Propinquity is the only thing that could have done it."

But none of the light chatter about the two dulled the ache in Polly's heart. She plunged feverishly into every diversion and nobody suspected her hurt except her mother, who sometimes surprised her looking at the brave, boyish picture that hung over her desk, a little amethyst rosary swung lightly over a corner of its frame.

"Funny thing how foolishly sentimental a girl can be," mused Polly, on her knees before the old brass andirons. "I am really grieving because I must burn one of these matches."

"Name the fire, Polly," urged Mrs. McGregor, jokingly.

"Not when I am lighting it with one of Marshall's matches, preserved with time and spiced with the romance of my youth. Dear me, I don't believe

it is going to burn!"

Tiny blue flames darted here and there and then catching the black-jack logs, spread into a roaring sheet of red.

"Out of the ashes—" began Mrs. McGregor.

"Symbolizing new love out of the old? Ah, no," sighed Polly as she went to answer the door. "You're a precious comforter."

"I think that I will go abroad for a year or two," said Phil that evening. "I am unhappy for the first time in my life."

"I hope that there is nothing seriously wrong. Are you ill?"

"I have never been more fit, physically." He paused a minute. "Were you ever in love, Polly?" For a famously logical lawyer, he was getting at his subject by very round-about means.

Polly glanced at him quickly. She went to the mantel and took down the little box of safety matches and handed it to him.

"I have kept that in my desk drawer for two years because it had been carried in a certain man's pocket."

"Then you too have loved somebody who failed to return your love?"

"That is a reasonable deduction, Mr. Philip Brooks, lawyer," laugh Polly. "But why the 'you too' in your question? Have you a past?"

"No," said Phil quietly, "I wish that it did belong to the past."

"Tell me about her. Sometimes it helps to talk."

"There is nothing to tell except that she does not care for me."

"How do you know?"

"I meet her constantly at dinners and dances and she seems just as happy with any one of the men she knows as she does with me."

"That's no reason for your conclusion. Nobody wears her heart on her sleeve now-a-days. The woman is merely a diplomat."

"She is that and more, an exquisite creature from the top of her beautiful head to the soles of her little feet."

"Love is blind. I dare say I would consider her quite homely."

"I wouldn't let anybody call her homely." He faced her, a whimsical smile lighting his face. "At times, I have almost dared to hope that she cared. On our long rides into God's open country, at dinner in quaint little inns by the roadside, at the theaters and in various other places of amusement, she has frequently said, 'We get a lot of fun out of life when we are together, don't we, Phil?'"

Polly raised her head slowly and met the challenging look in Phil's eyes. Love was there and tenderness and Polly felt, all at once, that real happiness was within her grasp.

"I have said that to you, Phil."

"You are the woman I love, Polly. Until I met you, I thought of girls as

just so many pretty toys, made for an hour's amusement. But you—I need you. All that is worthy in me is yours. If you don't care for me, Polly, I am going away and try to heal the hurt. The constant thought of you and the pain of not having you is playing tricks with my professional ability."

It was a wonderful thing to know that a big strong man of the world needed just her fragile bit of womanhood to make him happy and to make a woman realize that a man really needs her is a broad stepping-stone on the road to her affections.

"Won't you let me try to make you forget the somebody who did not care?" Phil held out his arms.

Polly tossed the match box on the burning logs where the contents spluttered and flashed like a miniature volcano.

"My love for him was like a little flurry of fireworks, Phil, soon over and nothing to count on afterward."

"Polly dear, do you love me?"

She nodded, the laughter and tears struggling for supremacy in her blue eyes. "I think that my love for you must have been shut up in that match box, Phil."

"I am glad that you have let it out," he cried, holding her close, "to give it a chance to grow."

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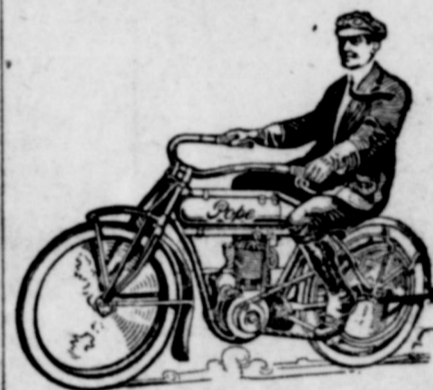
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A nice line of fill ins just received this week, colors, White, Black, Patent Leather, Tan, Gray, Champaign and Kid. All new.

### EATABLES

Many new things have arrived at our store this week in pure food eatables. Buy your food where the buying, the keeping and the knowing how to buy are paramount issues.

Our business made a handsome gain over the same period for last year. There's still a reason.

We wish to extend an invitation to the Delegates of the District Conference to make Our Store Headquarters while in the Business Section. YOU ARE WELCOME.

# The Cash Store

O. H. BRITAIN  
Proprietor

### HAIL INURANCE

There is only One Old Line Stock Insurance Company writing Hail Insurance on crops in Texas; this is the Saint Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company--began business before the Civil war was over--in 1865. Its losses have been adjusted in accordance with the plain conditions of the policies, and always promptly paid. The company has a cash capital of half a million and total assets of nearly nine million dollars.

Notes will be taken maturing during the fall in payment of

hail insurance premiums.

I also write fire, lightning and tornado insurance on Hedley property and farm houses, stock, barns, grain and feed in the above company.

Let me tell you about the hail, fire and tornado insurance.

J. C. Wells, Agent.

The Informer office printed some new directories for the telephone exchange this week. The exchange is improving its service and growing, having within the last week installed a number of new telephones.

Mrs. Stout returned to her home at San Angelo Wednesday after several weeks visit with her brothers, W. R. and S. A. Carroll, she also assisted in the Bain & Carroll store while here.

Call at my Wagon Yard for baled Alfalfa, Millet and Sorghum Hay, Corn Chops and Seed Oats. I will gladly supply your wants. Yours for business,  
L. L. Cornelius, Hedley, Tx.

S. P. Hamblen made a trip to Mansfield latter part of last week returning Monday accompanied by his mother in law, Mrs. E. J. Luttrell, who will spend the summer here.

When you want something nice in Millinery, be sure to see my stock. Mrs. M. E. Carmack, at T. R. Garrott & Cos store, Memphis, Texas.

O. H. Britain moved Tuesday to his place south of the railroad. J. M. Whittington moved into the residence vacated by Mr. Britain.

See J. C. Wooldridge for Hog and Chicken Fence, the electric weld the best on earth.  
N. J. Allen, Mgr.

A. L. Miller secured donations this week to work a bad hill east of town, which he has put in good shape for travel.

Full line of Elgin, Hampden, and other high grade watches at Albright Drug Co.

Mr. Wills of near Memphis was up Sunday attending the Odd Fellows service.

### WOMEN & BANKING

Women and banking have much in common. Thousands of women are working in banks in the U. S. Joplin, Mo. has a bank run by women. London, Eng. has a bank run exclusively for women. It was in England that the savings bank idea was originate by a woman more than a century ago.

Many Women are numbered among our patrons. We appreciate their patronage and invite others to follow them. Women are generally better savers than men. A bank account puts system into the running of a household, shows where every penny has gone, accumulates a balance for any sudden need, and gives the woman a certain influence not otherwise had. Let us advise you in investments.

Special Attention for Women and Children at This Bank

FIRST STATE BANK  
Hedley, - - - Texas

### Windmills!

Windmill Supplies all kinds, Pipe and Pipe Fittings, Well Casing, and everything needed about the well.

Let us dig you a well, or fit your well up with a mill. We want to figure with you.

KERLEY & LATIMER

### Old Trusty Incubators At Factory Prices

# The Old, Old, True Story

## P & O CANTON LINE

1 and 2 Row Listers  
1 and 2 Row Stalk Cutters  
Success Sulkies  
Drag Harrows

All farmers who buy this line of Implements make the best crops on earth.

OUR QUALITY THE BEST.  
PRICES ARE RIGHT.

## Hedley Hardware & Implement Co.

# MOLLY McDONALD

## A TALE OF THE FRONTIER



By **RANDALL PARRISH**  
*Author of "Keith of the Border," "My Lady of Doubt," "My Lady of the South," etc., etc.*  
*Illustrations by V. L. Barnes*

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### SYNOPSIS.

Major McDonald, commanding an army post near Fort Dodge, seeks a man to intercept his daughter, Molly, who is headed for the post. An Indian outbreak is threatened.

### CHAPTER II—Continued.

"No! Oh, of course not. Nothing that goes on out here ever drifts east of the Missouri. Lord! We might as well be serving a foreign country. Well, listen: I was at Washita then, and had the story first hand. Dugan was a lieutenant in 'D' Troop, out with his first independent command scouting along the Canadian. He knew as much about Indians as a cow does of music. One morning the young idiot left camp with only one trooper along—Hamlin here—and he was a 'rookie,' to follow up what looked like a fresh trail. Two hours later they rode slap into a war party, and the fracas was on. Dugan got a ball through the body at the first fire that paralyzed him. He was conscious, but couldn't move. The rest was up to Hamlin. You ought to have heard Dugan tell it when he got so he could speak. Hamlin dragged the boy down into a buffalo wallow, shot both horses, and got behind them. It was all done in the jerk of a lamb's tail. They had two Henry rifles, and the 'rookie' kept them both hot. He got some of the bucks, too, but of course, we never knew how many. There were twenty in the party, and they charged twice, riding their ponies almost to the edge of the wallow, but Hamlin had fourteen shots without reloading, and they couldn't quite make it. Dugan said there were nine dead ponies within a radius of thirty feet. Anyhow it was five hours before 'D' troop came up, and that's what they found when they got there—Dugan laid out, as good as dead, and Hamlin shot twice, and only ten cartridges left. Hell," he added disgustedly, "and you never even heard of it east of the Missouri!"

There was a flush of color on the sergeant's cheeks, but he never moved. "There was nothing else to do but what I did," he explained simply. "Any of the fellows would have done the same if they had been up against it the way I was. May I ask," his eyes first upon one and then the other inquiringly, "what it was you wanted of me?"

McDonald drew a long breath. "Certainly, sergeant, sit down—yes, take that chair."

He described the situation in a few words, and the trooper listened quietly until he was done. Travers interrupted once, his voice emerging from a cloud of smoke. As the major concluded, Hamlin asked a question or two gravely.

"How old is your daughter, sir?"  
 "In her twentieth year."  
 "Have you a picture of the young lady?"

The major crossed over to his fatigue coat hanging on the wall, and extracted a small photograph from an inside pocket.

"This was taken a year ago," he explained, "and was considered a good likeness then."

Hamlin took the card in his hands, studied the face a moment, and then placed it upon the table.

"You figure she ought to leave Ripley on the 18th," he said slowly. "Then I shall need to start at once to make Dodge in time."

"You mean to go then? Of course, you realize I have no authority to order you on such private service."

"That's true. I'm a volunteer, but I'll ask you for a written order just the same in case my troop commander should ever object, and I'll need a fresh horse; I rode mine pretty hard coming up here."

"You shall have the pick of the stables, sergeant," interjected the cavalry captain, knocking the ashes from his pipe. "Anything else? Have you had rest enough?"

"Four hours," and the sergeant stood up again. "All I require will be two days' rations, and a few more revolver cartridges. The sooner I'm off the better."

It he heard Travers' attempt at conversation as the two stumbled together down the dark hill, he paid small attention. At the stables, aided by a smoky lantern, he picked out a tough-looking buckskin mustang, with an evil eye; and, using his own saddle and bridle, he finally led the half-broken animal outside.

"That buckskin's the devil's own,"

force he could not determine—the reports of their depredations were but rumors at Union when he left—yet, whether in large body or small, they would have a clear run in the Arkansas Valley before any troops could be gathered together to drive them out. Perhaps even now, the stages had been withdrawn, communication with Santa Fe abandoned. This had been spoken of as possible at Union the night he left, for it was well known that there was no cavalry force left at Dodge which could be utilized as guards. The wide map of the surrounding region spread out before him in memory; he felt its brooding desolation, its awful loneliness. Nevertheless he must go on—perhaps at the stage station near the ford of the Arkansas he could learn the truth.

It was a waterless desert stretching between the Cimarron and the Arkansas, consisting of almost a dead level of alkali and sand, although toward the northern extremity the sand had been driven by the ceaseless wind into grotesque hummocks. The trail, cut deep by traders' wagons earlier in the spring, was still easily traceable for a greater part of the distance, and Hamlin as yet felt no need of caution—this was a country the Indians would avoid, the only danger being from some raiding party from the south. At early dawn he came trotting down into the Arkansas valley, and gazed across at the greenness of the opposite bank. There, plainly in view, were the deep ruts of the main trail running close against the bluff. His tired eyes caught no symbol of life either up or down the stream, except a thin spiral of blue smoke that slowly wound its way upward. An instant he stared believing it to be the fire of some emigrant's camp, then realized that he looked upon the smouldering debris of the stage station.

### CHAPTER III.

#### The News At Ripley.

Miss Molly McDonald had departed for the west—carefully treasuring her father's detailed letter of instruction—filled with interest and enthusiasm. She was an army girl, full of confidence in herself and delighted at the prospect of an unusual summer. Moreover, her natural spirit of adventure had been considerably stimulated by the evocative comments of her schoolmates, who apparently believed her wondrously daring to venture such a trip, the apprehensive advice of her teachers, and much reading, not very judiciously chosen, relative to pioneer life on the plains. The possible hardships of the long journey alone did not appall her in the least. She had made similar trips before and had always found pleasant and attention-companionship. Being a wholesome, pleasant-faced girl, with eyes decidedly beautiful, and an attractive personality, the making of new friendships was never difficult. Of course, the stage ride would be an entirely fresh and precarious experience, but then her father would doubtless meet her before that, or send some officer to act as escort. Altogether the prospect appeared most delightful and alluring.

The illness of the principal of Sunnycrest had resulted in the closing of the school some few days earlier than had been anticipated, and it was so lonely there after the others had departed that Miss Molly hastened her packing and promptly joined the exodus. Why not? She could wait the



Nevertheless He Must Go On.

proper date at Kansas City or Fort Ripley just as well, enjoying herself meanwhile amid a new environment, and no doubt she would encounter some of her father's army friends who would help entertain her pleasantly.

As a result of this earlier departure she reached Ripley some two days in advance of the prearranged schedule, and in spite of her young strength and enthusiasm, most thoroughly tired out by the strain of continuous travel. Her one remaining desire upon arrival was for a bed, and actuated by this necessity, when she learned that the army post was fully two miles from the town, she accepted proffered guidance to the famous Gilsey House, and promptly fell asleep. The light

of a new day gave her a first real glimpse of the surrounding dreariness as she stood looking out through the grimy glass of her single window, depressed and heartsick. The low, rolling hills, bare and desolate, stretched to the horizon, the grass already burned brown by the sun. The town itself consisted of but one short, crooked street, flanked by rough, ramshackle frame structures, two-thirds of these apparently saloons, with dirty, flapping tents sandwiched between, and huge piles of tin cans and other rubbish stored away behind. The street was rutted and dusty, and the ceaseless wind whirled the dirt about in continuous, suffocating clouds. The hotel itself, a little, squat, two-storied affair, groaned to the blast; threatening to collapse. Nothing moved except a wagon down the long ribbon of road, and a dog digging for a bone behind a near-by tent. It was so squalid and ugly she turned away in speechless disgust.

The interior, however, offered even smaller comfort. A rude bedstead, one leg considerably short and propped up by a half brick, stood against the board wall; a single wooden chair was opposite, and a fly-specked mirror hung over a tin basin and pitcher. The floor sagged fearfully and the side walls lacked several inches of reaching the ceiling. Even in the dim candle light of the evening before, the dark coverings had looked so forbidding that Molly had compromised, lying down, half-dressed on the outside; now, in the garish glare of returning day they appeared positively filthy. And this was the best to be had; she realized that, her courage failing at the thought of remaining alone amid such surroundings. As she washed, using a towel of her own after a single glance at the hotel article, and did up her rebellious hair, she came to a prompt decision. She would go directly on—would take the first stage. Perhaps her father, or whom ever he sent, would be met with along the route. The coaches had regular meeting stations, so there was small danger of their missing each other.

The question of possible danger was dismissed almost without serious thought. She had seen no papers since leaving St. Louis, and the news before that contained nothing more definite than rumors of uneasiness among the Plains Indians. Army officers interviewed rather made light of the affair, as being merely the regular outbreak of young warriors, easily suppressed. On the train she had met with no one who treated the situation as really serious, and, if it was, then surely her father would send some message of restraint. Satisfied upon this point, and fully determined upon departing at the earliest opportunity, she ventured down the narrow, creaking stairs in search of breakfast.

The dining-room was discovered at the foot of the steps, a square box of a place, the two narrow windows looking forth on the desolate prairie. There were three tables, but only one was in use, and, with no waiter to guide her, the girl advanced hesitatingly and took a seat opposite the two men already present. They glanced up, curiously interested, staring at her a moment, and then resumed their interrupted meal. Miss McDonald's critical eyes surveyed the unsavory-looking food, her lips slightly curved, and then glanced inquiringly toward the men. The one directly opposite was large and burly, with iron-gray hair and beard, about sixty years of age, but with red cheeks and bright eyes, and a face expressive of hearty good nature. His clothing was roughly serviceable, but he looked clean and wholesome. The other was an army lieutenant, but Molly promptly quelled her first inclination to address him, as she noted his red, inflamed face and dissipated appearance. As she nibbled, half-heartedly, at the miserable food brought by a slovenly waiter, the two men exchanged barely a dozen words, the lieutenant growling out monosyllabic answers, finally pushing back his chair, and striding out. Again the girl glanced across at the older man, mustering courage to address him. At the same moment he looked up, with eyes full of good humor and kindly interest.

"Looks rather tough, I reckon, miss," waving a big hand over the table. "But you'll have ter git used to it in this kentry."

"Oh, I do not believe I ever could," disconsolately. "I can scarcely chomp down a mouthful."

"So I was noticin'; from the East, I reckon?"

"Yes; I—I came last night, and—really I am afraid I am actually homesick already. It—it is even more—more primitive than I supposed. Do—do you live here—at Ripley?"

"Good Lord, no!" "Naturally," though I reckon yer might not think my home wuz much better. I'm the post-trader down at Fort Marcy, jist out o' Santa Fe. I'll be blame glad ter git back thar too, I'm tellin' yer."

"That—that is what I wished to ask you about," she stammered. "The Santa Fe stage; when does it leave here? and—where do I arrange for passage?"

He dropped knife and fork, staring at her across the table.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

### SAD PREDICAMENT.



"I have come to ask your daughter's wing."  
 "Alas! Mr. Drake, I'm afraid you will have to wait until some new ones grow in. The farmer clipped our wings this morning."

### RECORD OF WORK WELL DONE

#### Anti-Tuberculosis Campaign Fruitful of Results for the Good of All Mankind.

Some comparisons showing the progress of the anti-tuberculosis campaign in the last eight years and the present needs of this movement are made by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis in a brief report of its work recently issued. During the eight years of its work, the national association has assisted in the organization of over 800 state and local anti-tuberculosis societies located in almost every state and territory of the Union. Over 500 hospital and sanatoria have been established, with more than 30,000 beds for consumptives. About 4,000 dispensaries, with more than 1,000 physicians in attendance and at least 150 open air schools for tuberculous and anaemic children, have also been provided. Laws dealing with tuberculosis have been passed in 45 states, and ordinances on this subject have been adopted in over 200 cities and towns. An active field campaign of education against tuberculosis has been carried on in 40 states and territories by means of lectures, exhibits, the press, and the distribution of over 100,000,000 pamphlets on this disease.

#### Old Love and the New Rug.

Here's the overheard conversation that made the day seem more sprightly: "Those people next door to us, haven't they married a long time, haven't they?" "Perhaps they have, but their honeymoon isn't over yet." "How do you figure that out?" "Well, it was awfully sloppy last night. But when he came home she made him step inside and kiss her before she told him to go back on the porch and wipe his feet." "Well, honey, wouldn't you—" "No, I wouldn't! We've got a new rug!"

#### INVIGORATING TO THE PALE AND SICKLY.

The Old Standard general strengthening tonic, GLOVER'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out Malaria, enriches the blood and builds up the system. A sure Appetizer. For adults and children. 50 cts.

Many a young man would get a hard bump if thrown on his own resources.

# THE DEAREST BABY

## Mrs. Wilkes' Fondest Hopes Realized—Health, Happiness and Baby.

Plattsburg, Miss.—"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has proved very beneficial to me, for now I am well and have a sweet, healthy baby, and our home is happy."  
 "I was an invalid from nervous prostration, indigestion and female troubles."



"I think I suffered every pain a woman could before I began taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and I think it saved this baby's life, as I lost my first one."

"My health has been very good ever since, and I praise your medicine to all my friends."—Mrs. VERA WILKES, R. F. D. No. 1, Plattsburg, Miss.

The darkest days of husband and wife are when they come to look forward to a childless and lonely old age.

Many a wife has found herself incapable of motherhood owing to some derangement of the feminine system, often curable by the proper remedies.

In many homes once childless there are now children because of the fact that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound makes women normal.

If you want special advice write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential) Lynn, Mass. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman and held in strict confidence.

# RESINOL STOPS SKIN TROUBLES

If you have eczema, ringworm, or other itching, burning, unsightly skin or scalp eruption, try Resinol Ointment and Resinol Soap, and see how quickly the itching stops and the trouble disappears, even in severe and stubborn cases. Pimples, blackheads and red, sore, blotchy faces and hands speedily yield to Resinol.

Resinol Ointment and Resinol Soap heal skin humors, sores, boils, burns, scalds, cold-sores, chafings and piles. Prescribed by physicians for eighteen years. All druggists sell Resinol Soap (25c) and Resinol Ointment (50c and \$1). Sent by parcel post on receipt of price. For sample of each write to Dept. 6-K, Resinol Chem. Co., Baltimore, Md.

### The Man Who Put the EES in FEET

Look for This Trade-Mark Picture on the Label when buying ALLEN'S FOOT-ESK. The Antiseptic Powder for Tending Aching Feet. Sold every where, 25c. Sample FREE. Address, ALLEN S. OLMSTED, Le Roy, N. Y.

EYE ACHES Pettitt's Eye Salve

### NOISELESS HOUSE IS SOUGHT

America Expected to Lead the World in This as in So Many Other Things.

Anticreak shutters, rubber-soled shoes, soft rugs, cultivated modulation, suppression of all emotional excitement and restraint upon children in the leash of a perpetual "hush" are some of the features of the noiseless home that is recommended by the new organization for the suppression

of the sources of American noise. It is recommended by this society that builders use the noiseless method of construction of houses so that muffled hammers shall install mufflers for noise features in all edifices. A soft, sepulchral silence in every home is recommended for the relief of the nerve-wear and tension that the modern hurly-burly conduct of homes is said to have upon those growing up in them. In addition to all other devices for the noiseless home has been recommended the anticreak appli-

ances, in the form of a halter to strap around the snoring organs of those thus afflicted, so that they will be prevented from their sonolent pastime. The noiseless home, says the Baltimore American, is said to be the coming necessity, and upon this is contingent the suppression of unnecessary noises on the streets. The time is coming—of course, it must come—when all the activities of life will be conducted as noiselessly as the use of a battery of noiseless rifles in warfare.

### Work of Grecian Women.

The first women's paper in Greece was established twenty-five years ago by Mme. Callirhoe Parren. The oldest women's organization was founded in 1873 under the name of the Ladies' society, with the object of securing employment for poor women and encouraging native industries. For several years the Greek National Council of Women has been a power in the affairs of the country, and it aims to secure equal rights for women in all departments of the government.

# COLD IN THE HEAD

Is the First Chapter in the History of Chronic Disease.

A cold in the head is the first chapter in the history of disease and death. There has been so often repeated that this has been so indeed who have not witnessed many examples of it.

A cold in the head is rarely severe enough to confine a vigorous person to the house. As a rule, it ends in recovery without any treatment. This has led many people to regard a cold in the head as of no importance. It is a terrible mistake, however, to pass by a cold in the head as a trivial matter. Every case should be treated.

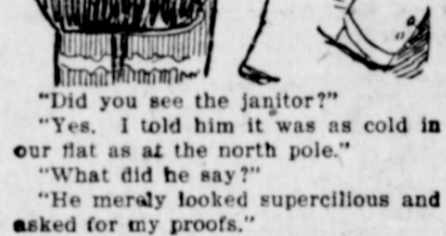
Those who have used Peruna for such cases will testify unanimously that a few doses is sufficient to remove every vestige of the cold. How much better it is to treat a cold in this way than it is to allow it to go on and on for weeks, perhaps months, leaving effects that will never be eradicated.

Yet there are those who neglect to take Peruna for a cold in the head. This neglect is due to the false notion that a cold in the head is hardly worth noticing.

A cold in the head is in reality a case of acute catarrh. It ought to be called so, in order to awaken people from their lethargy on this subject. In a large per cent. of cases cold in the head will end in chronic catarrh. Unless properly treated with some such remedy as Peruna, perhaps 50 per cent. of cases of cold in the head will lay the foundation for chronic catarrh.

A tablespoonful of Peruna should be taken at the very first symptom of cold in the head. Usually where the cold is not very severe a tablespoonful of Peruna before each meal and at bed time is sufficient. It may be necessary, however, where the attack is more serious, to keep strictly in the house and take a tablespoonful of Peruna every hour. Younger people, feeble or delicate women, should take a teaspoonful every hour.

## ARCTIC SKEPTICISM.



"Did you see the janitor?"  
"Yes. I told him it was as cold in our flat as at the north pole."  
"What did he say?"  
"He merely looked supercilious and asked for my proofs."

## PIMPLES CAME IN BLOTCHES

Morrison, Tenn.—"For one year I suffered from a very severe attack of acne or pimples, accompanied by eczema. It first showed itself by the formation of small red, rather hard pimples which were not only disfiguring, but were painful. They also appeared on my neck and chest. Their itching was often so intense as to cause insomnia, and they very often caused pain and burning. I tried several so-called 'sure cure' remedies, but they did little or no good. Several months ago I heard of Cuticura Soap and Ointment and wrote for a sample.

"I found them so soothing that I at once purchased a twenty-five cent cake of Cuticura Soap, and a fifty cent box of Cuticura Ointment. After using them for about a month, all of the itching and the pimples had entirely disappeared." (Signed) John Finger, Dec. 30, 1911.

Cuticura Soap and Ointment sold throughout the world. Sample of each free, with 32-p. Skin Book. Address post-card "Cuticura, Dept. L, Boston." Adv.

## His Deceased Relative.

Mrs. Boynton noticed that her colored gardener was wearing mourning clothes.

"I see you have met with a loss, Henry," she said, glancing at the band of crape on his hat.

"Yes, ma'am," was the reply.

"Was it a near or a distant relative?" inquired the lady.

"Well, kind o' distant," said Henry, "bout twenty-five mile, ma'am."

## CONSTIPATION

Munyon's Paw-Paw Pills are unlike other laxatives or cathartics. They coax the liver into activity by gentle methods, they do not scour; they do not grip; they do not weaken; but they do start all the secretions of the liver and stomach in a way that soon puts these organs in a healthy condition and corrects constipation. Munyon's Paw-Paw Pills are a tonic to the stomach, liver and nerves. They invigorate instead of weaken; they enrich the blood instead of impoverishing it; they ease the stomach to get all the nourishment from food that is put into it. Price 25 cents. All Druggists.

# HOME TOWN HELPS

MIGHT SERVE AS A MODEL

Beautiful Rural Home, Properly Laid Out and Kept Up, Nearly Approached the Ideal.

A short time ago the writer rode past a rural home that certainly should satisfy any earthly being for a place of residence.

A hundred feet highway frontage had been reserved in the middle of an orchard of 20 acres about square. The house stood about one hundred feet back, the whole plot was inclosed by a neat wire-mesh fence covered with roses and various climbers. A few clumps of shrubs were arranged just inside the gateway along front and side fence and about the foundations of the house. Very few trees were in the foreground and these few were kept out of the lawn center, but on either side of the house yet not close to the building were flanked quite a number, thinly planted in front but more thickly about rear of house so one could not look beyond a point opposite the rear corner of the house. In the front was a blue grass lawn, fairly well kept and occasionally mowed, though quite long at the time of observation. The lawn did not look as though it had been "barbered" for a month nor as though it proved a problem to keep it up except with great labor. Two or three vines lightly draped the house, a few flowers were to be seen in all parts and in some spots a bright mass spoke of flowering annuals or perennials. All was neat and clean yet did not look as though raked and swept every day or even every week. The whole place harmonized with the spirit of nature and rurality, where every prospect pleases and not even man is vile. The home and all surrounding looked so sufficient, so satisfying, so rural, without a suggestion of the artificiality found in cities or suburban districts, that it called vividly to mind the happy pastoral scenes of old suggested by Goldsmith's couplet:

"A time there was, ere England's griefs began,  
When every rood of ground maintained its man."

It costs but little to so arrange the home grounds, its upkeep calls for but little of time or money, yet such homes are the country's strongest asset, speaking volumes for the prosperity and happiness of the rural residents.

## INFLUENCE OF HOUSE PLANTS

Their Positive Value Extends Not Only to Those in the Home, But to the Passerby.

The cultivation of house plants has a refining and quieting influence on families where they are grown; they adorn the house as nothing else can, and give to the cheapest furniture an air of elegance which no other ornament can impart. And the influence of flowers is not confined to the house or household where they are cultivated; they are a most graceful form of charity to the poor passerby who has no means of gratifying his taste for the beautiful. To him, blooming flowers, surrounded by their leaves of different shapes and shades, even when only seen at a distance, through a window, give a positive pleasure which those more accustomed to such gratifications can scarcely appreciate. It is impossible to overestimate the effect of youthful association and daily companionship with such exquisite shape and coloring, which foster in the minds of children a taste for simple and natural forms of amusement and recreation.

## Growing Trees From Top Down.

A foreign railway company has solved the plan of getting good shade trees in a short time, though they may be small. These trees are so arranged that after two years' time they will give as much shade as trees in the ordinary way of setting out would give that are fifteen or twenty years old. The company gets a small elm tree, preferably digging this, roots and all, from the ground. The tree then is set, the top part being set into the ground and the roots are left in the air. The tree then grows, forms roots on which originally was the top of the tree, and the original roots that now take the place of the branches begin to leaf out and form a complete foliage very quickly. Beautiful specimens of such inverted trees are to be seen by the fountains in Kensington gardens, London.

## Garden Spirit.

"If you want to have beautiful roses in your garden, you must have beautiful roses in your hearts," concluded a speaker in some memorial remarks on the late Dean Hole, who had achieved an international reputation as a lover and promoter of roses. The remark touches on the true secret of success in gardens; there must be a very deep, real and penetrating affection for plants or the fullest success will not be obtained with them. And this affection must be clean and honest or the result will still fall short of full measure. The true garden spirit lies in the heart; and the inward beauty is nourished and enlarged by the nature beauty without.

# ACCIDENT DUE TO A CUSPIDOR

Mother of Young Baby Stumbles And Falls. Serious Complications Set In.

Duffield, Va.—In advices from this place, Mrs. J. L. Johnson says: "When my baby was about a month old, I stumbled and fell over a cuspidor, and contracted such pains in my back, I could not stoop over without falling to the floor.

I got terribly weak, and was very uneasy about myself.

My case was certainly a serious one. I was so delicate that most people thought I was going to have consumption, and I thought so myself.

Finally my husband advised me to try Cardul, the woman's tonic. I tried it, and am confident that it saved my life.

The pains in my side and back have disappeared, and all of my friends here say that I am looking better than I have done for a long time.

I recommend Cardul to all of my lady friends, as I believe it will help them, just as it did me, if they will only give it a trial.

You may use this letter in any way you wish. I feel so grateful, for if it had not been for Cardul, the woman's tonic, I believe I would by this time have been in my grave."

Try Cardul for your troubles. It will help you, as it did Mrs. Johnson.

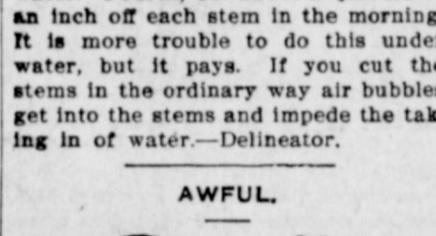
N. B.—Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper. Adv.

## FLOWERS IN THE HOUSEHOLD

Snapshot of Quiet Domestic Scene When Rivals Fought for the Control of Mexico.

To make flowers last a week or more, four things are necessary. First, do not try to arrange them the moment you get them, but put them in a pall of water for a few hours, so that every stem will be under water up to the flower. Second, cleanse the vase thoroughly before putting in the flowers and change the water every day. Third, the cooler you keep the flowers the longer they will last. If you are too busy in the morning to enjoy them or have to go out for the afternoon, do not leave them in the living room, for they are not used to such a temperature. Every night put the vase in a cool place, or better still, plunge the stems up to the flowers in a pall of water. Fourth, cut about a quarter of an inch of each stem in the morning. It is more trouble to do this under water, but it pays. If you cut the stems in the ordinary way air bubbles get into the stems and impede the taking in of water.—Delineator.

## AWFUL.



"I don't remember what I ate, but I had an awful dream."  
"What was it, old chap?"  
"I dreamed my valet went away without lacing my shoes."

## Gone to the Wild Waves.

Simon Easy, after living sixty years on a farm, finds his quarters on shipboard somewhat cramped. He oblivates the lack of space, however, by stowing his trousers and shoes into a round cupboard in the side of the vessel on going to bed. Seven a. m. Startling disclosures!

"Steward, last night I put my clothes in that cubby-hole, an' they ain't there now."  
"That ain't a clothes press; that's a porthole, sir."

## Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate and invigorate stomach, liver and bowels. Sugar-coated, tiny granules, easy to take. Do not grip. Adv.

The average girl treats a new acquaintance far better than she does an old friend—so the old friend thinks.

## Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children

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## Mean Insultion.

"I have no way of killing time."  
"Why, I've heard you sing."

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A wise man puts his ears on the job and gives his tongue a rest.

## Good for Small Towns.

A few big shoe manufacturers are fighting us because we have always refused to give them better terms than we give to the small manufacturer. The little fellows stand with us because we treat all manufacturers alike, no matter how many machines they use. Hence, competition in the shoe business and prosperous factories in small towns!

Write us and we will tell you all about it.

The United Shoe Machinery Co., Boston, Mass.—Adv.

## Lamentable Ignorance.

Mrs. Kaller—"Cooks are such ignorant things nowadays." Mrs. Justwed—"Aren't they? They can't do the simplest things. I asked mine to make some sweetbreads the other day and she said she couldn't."—McCall's Magazine.

## Paradox.

"What makes you think those rumors are groundless?"  
"Because they are so much in the air."

## Matching It.

"I see your coming lecture takes a rosy view of life."  
"Yes; pink always was my color."

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### Locals

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Mr. Gerner, a Lelia Lake farmer, was in town Tuesday.

A fine line of watches at Albright Drug Co.

A. J. Newman and wife spent Sunday in Memphis.

Two good 2nd hand cultivators for sale. Tom Latimer.

J. M. Killian is having a dugout made this week.

Bob Dishman and Chas. Kinslow Sundayed in Memphis.

Dr. and Mrs. Ozier visited in Amarillo Sunday.

J. G. McDougal and wife spent Monday in Clarendon.

W. L. Lewis was in from McKnight Thursday.

Watches from the men's large size to the ladies' smallest size. Albright Drug Co.

Dr. A. M. Sarvis went to Goodnight Tuesday to see his little granddaughter who was sick.

Good 50 pound Refrigerator for sale at a bargain. Mrs. A. M. Sarvis.

Miss Jessie Adamson was down from Amarillo Sunday to visit homefolks.

Paul Pyle was down from Goodnight Sunday visiting his sister, Mrs. J. G. McDougal.

Ladies, I have a sample book now and can order your coat, coat suits and skirts.

CLARKE, THE TAILOR.

Let me send your clothes to Clarendon Steam Laundry—prices very low.

E. L. Yelton, Agent.

W. E. Reeves and wife spent Sunday in Clarendon visiting their daughter, Miss Ina.

Miss Callaway visited Miss Mae Simmons in Memphis last Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. W. A. Kinslow left Wednesday for Mineral Wells for the benefit of her health.

Don't forget to come and see J. C. Woodriddle when you need anything in our line.

N. J. Allen, Mgr.

Charlie Dyer and children came up from Memphis Tuesday for a short visit with relatives.

W. K. Hollifield and wife were up from Memphis Sunday to visit L. L. Cornelius and family.

J. M. Brokaw and wife were up from Memphis Thursday.

The Honest John Truss, any size, single or double, perfect fit guaranteed.

Albright Drug Co.

Frank Kendall finished his neat ironclad building and moved the saddle and harness stock into it Wednesday.

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I am running an auto line from Hedley to Memphis daily. Leave Hedley at 1 p. m. and Memphis at 3 p. m.

A. L. Miller.

Misses Jessie and Johnnie Clark went to Estelline Wednesday to attend the closing exercises of the public school.

FOR SALE—I have just what you want to plant. Good cotton seed, it all opens and big yield.

A. W. Worsham.

Ladies, can you afford to launder your sheets when you can get it done for 4c at Clarendon Steam Laundry.

E. L. Yelton, Agent.

Quite a number of our citizens were summoned to District Court at Clarendon Tuesday as special veniremen in the Vernon murder case.

Walter Albright, wife and son came up from Caidress Saturday to visit his parents, D. B. Albright and wife. They were accompanied by Mrs. Albright's aunt who will spend the summer here.

Frank Kendall has been hobbling on a cane this week as the result of stepping on a 6-penny nail Saturday. L. D. Clark also stepped on a nail but was not hurt as badly as Kendall.

To The Farmers of Hedley territory: I am a Farm Blacksmith and have the experience. All work guaranteed. Yours for trade. J. M. Bozeman at the old Jones stand.

Mrs. J. H. Moore of Estelline came up last Saturday to see her brother, C. C. Chance. Dorothy Chance, who visited her for two weeks came home with her.

The Hedley Odd Fellows had an enjoyable time Friday night. A splendid lunch was served in the hall. Sunday afternoon a special service was held at the Methodist church conducted by Rev. G. H. Bryant who preached a splendid sermon.

A. A. Kinard has opened an insurance business in Hedley, and will be found for the present at Hedley Drug Co.

Maggie Marsalas and little brother and Eula Brown of Lelia Lake visited W. G. Brinson's family Saturday.

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You should be as careful in choosing a school where in to pursue a practical business education as you are about your health. If you require the service of a physician, naturally, you place yourself in the hands of one who is skilled and experienced. Is it not infinitely as important to select the right institution, with skilled and experienced instructors to educate you from a practical standpoint.

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