

Get your money and your nerves together...

It is true enough to build up your system... prevent sickness, to keep your...

Head's Pills

Always watch a man who grows a good hair... The Crop Outlook in South Dakota for 1917...

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It requires but a small amount of rainfall in South Dakota to make the crop... Since September 30th there has been added at least three or four inches to the excess...

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If you will send your name and address we will send a representative to your home... to advise you of the advantages of Phillips-Kirk Island...

PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON

Attention given to optical work... Charles M. Cooley, Licensed Auctioneer...

THE TWO PENINSULAS

New York capitalists talk of starting a new city on Grand Rapids to employ 300 men...

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Bladder Cure... Dr. Kilmer & Co., Birmingham, N. Y.

STORIES OF BAD MEN

A few nights ago you saw a man with a few dollars and a gun... He was a bad man...

SETTLED WITH THE WIDOW

He found himself creditor when he was married... He was a bad man...

WATER TABLE

No trains were taken off by the Great Northern... He was a bad man...

THE MODERN MOTHER

Has found that her little ones are improving... He was a bad man...

WON MARRIAGE A POOR MAN

Wood of Birmingham for the girl... He was a bad man...

THE LARGEST TELESCOPE LENS

In the world has just been completed in Boston... He was a bad man...

A STRANGE COINCIDENCE

A certain peasant and his wife, Germany... He was a bad man...

High Tide Afloat

The high-water marks of several extraordinary high tides have been taken at Eastport, N. S. Michael's and Grand...

Measuring Its Own Velocity

By means of an electric device experiments have been made... He was a bad man...

WALTER BAKER & CO. LTD.

Manufacturers of BAKER'S CHOCOLATE... Boston, Mass.

RESOURCES OF ALABAMA

Governor Johnson... He was a bad man...

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence... He was a bad man...

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By MAT D. BLOSSER.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1896.

People who are really busy are seldom aware of the fact.

In taking chances do not forget that the weight of accident is also generally against you.

If every man had the courage of his convictions there would be no end of strife in the world.

People who do good for the sake of praise ought not to grumble if that is all the return they receive.

Every man dreams away down in his heart that the law does not apply to him, and sometimes he is rudely awakened.

As long as individual members of the sexes persist in humbugging each other, just so long will the millennium be postponed.

The navy, says a Washington dispatch, is to be put on a war footing. Presumably they are going to try to get it to float.

The tougher a man is the more apt he is to show by his conduct that he believes that careless charity will atone for a vast amount of reckless sin.

One of the superstitions that will survive until the end of time is that the man who does not smile when addressing a female acquaintance is a crossgrained bear.

People generally are now putting football on the same plane as prize-fighting. In a prize-fight it is hardly possible for more than two people to be killed during the game, while in a football scrap half a dozen or more may perish. We may all live to see it prohibited.

The New York Journal collected opinions from a number of prominent people on Thanksgiving day, as to why they were thankful and what for. Among others Mr. Frederic R. Couderc informed the questioning-reporter that he was thankful that "he was a lawyer and not a journalist."

Postmaster Smith of Horton, Iowa, used to burn campaign documents instead of delivering them, and now Postmaster Smith of Horton is in a peck of trouble. When Horton people are asked for educational documents they were last fall it was too bad to deprive them of them. Only Mr. Smith knows what they missed, and he wishes now that he didn't.

The features of the proceedings of the National Grange recently at Washington, were the submission of the report of the executive committee and the calling of the members in a body on President Cleveland. The executive committee reported a total of over \$31,000 loaned on real estate securities deposited with the fiscal agency. The report says agriculture is suffering from disproportionate burdens, which, if long continued, may cause such disastrous results as have overtaken the agricultural class in other countries. The report is a strong plea for farmers' rights.

The civilizing effects of clean streets on the tenement-house districts in New York city are distinctly marked. Fresher paints on the stores, clean windows, and other tokens of a change for the better, attest the value of the object-lesson of streets no longer a disgrace to the municipality. Observers also note that tenement-house entrances are not tracked with street mud. Even the children seem to look more tidy. The moral influence of ways fit for the foot to walk upon and for the eye to rest upon is undoubted. It is just as true that good roads in country districts have done a service in promoting order and cleanliness.

Expenditures on account of the navy last year amounted to \$26,262,155, of which \$6,744,435 was paid for the construction of new ships, the other principal item of expenditure being \$15,494,862 for maintenance of the establishment, of which \$7,991,908 was required by the ships in commission. The cruiser New York was the most expensive vessel to run, costing \$412,807 for the twelve months. The Columbia and Minneapolis consumed \$300,000 each; but when the big battleships have been a year in operation they promise to exceed these figures. Over \$11,000,000 worth of stores have been kept on hand with a great saving over the old system of indiscriminate purchases, corrected by Secretary Whitney. The naval clothing factory has to be considerably enlarged, owing to the growing demands upon it, all clothing being now made there for the navy. The revenue cutter service, and the naval militia. The estimated value of real estate improvements and machinery in the navy yards is placed at \$60,000,000. During the year nearly \$5,000,000 was paid for labor.

It was said of certain connections of a famous Englishman that they inflicted rather than bestowed their boulties. The manner of giving to those in need is sometimes quite as important as the gift itself. The winter, with its call for discriminating charity, is at hand. In no case let that charity be an infliction.

A Genoa princess has eloped with an artist, taking with her \$60,000 worth of jewels, all of which indicates that the artist is something more of a realist than an impressionist.

The brothers of the late California millionaire Fair are at last out with the full statement of their reasons for protesting the will. They declare it to be an absolute forgery and also state that their brother never married Mrs. Craven, who inherits the property under the will. A great sensation is expected before the trial ends.

J. S. McFarland, center of the Yale football team, is six feet and two inches in height, weighs 206 pounds and is said by experts to be the finest physical specimen of manhood in America.

CURRENT NOTES OF INVENTION AND DISCOVERY.

Opposing Schools of Medicine Adopt Union Principles—The Imp See-Saw—A Pin Trick—Popular Science Experiments—Age of Niagara.

SCIENCE is a great leveler, and through its aid and agency the barriers that have for many years separated opposing factions are being broken down, and a common cause is being formed.

There is a spirit of union among churches that is extremely gratifying to all broad-minded persons. This has been going on for some time; and now we see the dawn of a new union, that of the heretofore violently opposed medical schools. There was recently organized at Buffalo a society of medical men to be known as the American Association of Physicians and Surgeons. This is made up of members of the different schools. Its object is to break down the old lines that have made so much ill-feeling and caused at times so much confusion in the minds of the uninitiated. Just why a recognized doctor of one school should not be as capable as his fellow of another school is a question that outsiders have never yet been able satisfactorily to settle. Modern Medicine, in an editorial on this subject, treats the matter in this wise: "The long fight among the different schools of medicine has been based upon differences of opinion upon the so-called action of drugs; but intelligent physicians are finding out (many long ago made the discovery) that in the relation of the human body and drugs, it is the cells of the body which are active, and not the drugs. The body acts upon the medicine, not the medicine upon the body." The remarkable discoveries of medical men and scientists in the line of ptomaines and the other deleterious substances created in the laboratory of the human system, have undoubtedly much to do with the reaching of this conclusion.

A New Color Preservative.—One of the drawbacks and annoyances experienced by the curators of pathological museums has been the impossibility of securing a fluid which would preserve the original color of the specimens as put on exhibition. Especially have the lungs and the brain been hopelessly faded or discolored by the fluids at present in use. A new process just introduced is said to be most encouraging as far as it has been used. It is composed of formalin, distilled water, nitrate of potash and acetate of potash. The specimens to be preserved are arranged as nearly as possible in their natural form, and the vessel should be large, in order to hold a quantity of the preservative solution. The specimens should remain immersed for at least twenty-four hours, but a longer period will do no harm. They are then transferred to an 80 per cent alcohol bath, where they are kept for twelve hours, then in a 95 per cent alcohol bath for two hours. They are now ready for their final disposition, which is immersion in equal parts of water and glycerine with 30 parts of acetate of potash. The inventor of this method has succeeded in retaining the natural color of the blood and the transparency of all of the organs, especially the brain. Tubercular disease and affections of the marrow are all preserved in a surprisingly fresh and natural way.

The Imp See-Saw.—Take two heated pins and stick them into the center of a candle at right angles to the wick, which should be left exposed at both ends. Then rest the pins on the edges of two wine glasses and trim the candle to balance. Light the wick, and beyond the flame at each end, by means of a piece of wire, fasten two little figures, with their joints hinged. Now as the candle begins to melt, a drop of grease will fall from one end (it is advisable by the way, to put something beneath to catch it), and that end of the candle will rise a little above the other.

Then a drop will fall from the opposite end and a gentle oscillation will begin, which gradually increases in speed until the little figures at the end will perform the most surprising antics at their game of see-saw.

Bad Spelling as a Result of Disease.—People who spell very badly are not uncommon, and this defect is almost always the occasion of serious annoyance to them and embarrassment to their friends. That bad spelling is caused by a disease is a statement that will be new to many, but that such a state of things exists is proven by certain medical authorities. In certain conditions of brain and nerves the patient almost invariably writes "or" instead of "to." In another slightly varying form, instead of "the" the first letter is omitted, and so in many other of the shorter words. This malady usually affects the brain only in connection with words of one syllable, but cases have occurred where longer words have been so distorted that it was difficult to get their sense. It is a question whether one would be comforted by being told that bad spelling was caused by mental disease or whether he would prefer to have

THE AGE OF NIAGARA.

"How old are the Niagara Falls?" is a fascinating question to which geologists have given replies varying by tens of thousands of years. At first it was estimated that the Niagara river came into existence, through changes in the level of the land around the Great Lakes, about 55,000 years ago. Later this was reduced to only 12,000 years. The celebrated geologist, Sir Charles Lyell, increased the estimate again to 35,000 years; but more recently others have lowered it to about 9,000 years. The latest estimate is that of Dr. J. W. Spencer, who, basing his conclusions on the most recent investigations, places the age of the river at 31,000 years, and that of the cataract at 31,000 years. At one period many thousand years ago, the height of the falls was four hundred and twenty feet.

A Pin Trick.—Among the many curious optical illusions produced by contrasting lines and forms some of a very astonishing character occur for which no satisfactory explanation has been furnished. If a card perforated by a pinhole be placed close to the face resting against the nose as shown in the illustration, and a pin be held by its point in such a way that its head comes between the eye and the pinhole in the card, the pin being held quite close to the eye, the pin, strange to say, will appear on the other side of the pinhole, reversed and magnified. You see the

pin, in fact, not as you hold it in your hand, but through the perforation, on the outer side of the card. It will be found necessary, unless you have exceptionally firm nerves, to rest the hand holding the pin against the cheekbone, for the difficulty is to get the pin head directly between your eye and the perforation in the card and to hold it there without wavering. I must confess inability to satisfactorily explain this illusion, nor have I met with any explanation that seemed to meet the case fully and at every point. If a small perforation be made in a tumbler such as, indeed, often occurs from long and constant use of an indispensable household article, everything seen through it, the letters on the bottom, for example, if the tumbler is slowly moved over it, will appear greatly magnified.

Poisoning by Phosphorus.—The attention of scientists has been called to the rapid increase in the number of cases of phosphorus poisoning among workers in match factories. Unless the ventilation and general conditions are of the best, the workmen inhale large quantities of crude phosphorus, and after a certain stage rapidly develop disease traceable directly to this deleterious substance. The action of the poison is rather slow at first, but once it becomes diffused through the system, it is very difficult to eradicate. In fact, it is believed that when phosphorus has once taken a firm hold of the physical forces it is impossible to eliminate it, and that the conditions of decay have begun. Among other notable peculiarities, it has been remarked that the bones of persons saturated with phosphorus are much more easily fractured than those of other people. Efforts are to be made to improve the sanitary condition and ventilation of the factories, and also to forbid the use of white phosphorus in the preparation of matches.

The Atmosphere.—Even if it were possible for man to live without breathing air he could not exist on the earth if it were without an atmosphere. Plants derive carbon, the most important element of their food, from the air, and without plants there could be no food for animals, and therefore no human beings. Water also comes from the atmosphere, but if there were no water there could be neither plants nor animals. If food and water could be supplied in some other way the world would still be uninhabitable by plants and the animals, owing to the severity of the cold. Without an atmosphere there would be no winds, and consequently no waves or ocean currents.

These are some suppositions one may have been supplied by some unknown cause would be a stagnant pool, uninhabitable by seaweed or fish.—Detroit Free Press.

One of the Frolics.—The wicked, witty prodigal returned, and in his old manner, accosted his father. "Well, governor, I've come back. Are you going to kill the fatted calf?" But the old man was a match for him, and said, "No, my son; I think I'll let you live!"

A Happy Couple.—Mr. Snarle (savage)—I've given up drinking, I've given up smoking and I've given up the club—(sarcastically)—Is there anything else you would like me to give up? Mrs. Snarle (promptly)—Yes, I should like you to 'give up the ghost'—Fun.

A Curious Fact.—An editor, who is evidently a family man, sagely remarks that a boy who will yell like a Tartar if a drop of water falls on his shirt collar when his neck is being washed will crawl through a sewer after a ball and think nothing of it.

Not Alone.—She—I saw your dog on the street to-day. Chappie—Was he alone? She—Not exactly. You were with him.

SOME CURRENT READING FOR DAMES AND DAMSELS.

Some Current Notes of the Modes—Velvet and Brocade Combinations—And Still the Corset Costume for a Rainy Day—All Sorts.

THE GIRL, who does not have a coming out, or, having one, owns no ball dress, is cheated out of the dues which are hers. Her gown may not be an elaborate one, but if made of cheap materials after an expensive model, it cannot fail to be delightful. Here is one that being copied by a girl who is making hers out of less elegant goods. The original was made entirely of white taffeta. The skirt was a full godet with a full plisse of white mouseline de soie, put on in large, round scallops. Heading the plisse there was an applique of heavy cream dentelle, with the pattern traced in seed pearls. The bodice was cut very low and pointed, and was filled in with mouseline de soie to form a square neck. Around the full heading there was a string of pearls, and the pearls dotted very thick the mouseline de soie at the front. At the under arm seam the bodice fastened, and from the darts there were short bands of the pearls attached by tiny gold buckles. The

white and black silk was used in designing the bodice, and is laid around with soft folds of black velvet. The sleeves are also of black velvet—short, squatty puffs, with slim, lengthy sleeves hereafter. And the hat, trimmed with white lace and black feathers, was a most striking accompaniment.

Rainy Day Costume.—The most agitated subject of a rainy-day costume has been settled for all time by a woman who goes out daily to business. It is a part of her stock in trade to be well dressed, and her rainy-day costume was the subject of much study to her. Finally a design in figured tweed was chosen. It was made with box-plaited skirt, a blouse, waist and full, drooping sleeves. The vest was of serge, as it is a little warmer and stands wear a little better, though many like the Scotch material best. The skirt was cut to the shoe tops, to be worn with rubbers and gaiter tops. The sleeves were slashed nearly to the shoulder, to allow the free use of the arms in lifting an umbrella. A pretty bright touch was given the rainy-day dress by setting in sleeves of striped outing cloth, with drooping elbow puffs. They were warm and pretty. The standing collar was of the same material, edged with black satin ribbon. There is nothing expensive about this rainy-day suit, and one of its beauties is that it can be slipped on over any other dress, and slipped off again at will. The woman who designed it intends to loop up her dress skirt and wear the rainy-day costume over it. But this is not necessary, owing to the warmth of the dress goods used in the costume.

All Sorts of Hues Stylish.—Dark blue, dark green, golden brown, copper and garnet—are among the fashionable colors this winter. Colors mingled with black are much seen as in the instance of a new velvet having a black boucle design on a colored ground dotted with spots of another color. This is a very rich material and is employed for ceremonious visiting gowns, trimmed with bands of fur or ostrich plume. There are also striped silks in black and colors, the black stripe being of the astrakhan type. Indeed, the boucle astrakhan effect is seen on the majority of new winter fabrics, and ribbed weaves are equally favored for the plain portion of fancy materials.

Among other varieties of goods are those in which metal is interwoven. These are no heavier than those without and are exceedingly brilliant and effective, especially at night. For evening wear there are non-silken dresses of this species, the most attractive being embroidered with fine beads and spangles in either a scattered or continuous design.

School Dress of Blue Serge.—While school dresses must be durable and non-spottable, there is little sense in making them dull and lifeless in tone.—The best school plaids show vivid coloring to cheer up the gowns that are worn by the girls through all her waking hours. A sample school dress for a girl of 16 is made of dark blue serge, with a small check in bright red. The skirt is a plain, full godet, made on the bias, with the fullness all carried to the back. The bodice, which is made on the bias, has only the underarm seams, and the fullness is drawn down into tiny perpendicular tucks that are tacked with a featherbone-stitch in bright red silk.

Below the waist line the fullness is allowed to flare in short basques that show a facing of red taffeta. At the top of the sleeve there is a draped strap of bright red velvet, and the high turnover collar is of the same. This gives the color and makes the dress pretty.

Notes of All Sorts.—The small empire puff is a popular sleeve for evening gowns. Wire is sometimes used to make it stand out enough to hold the cape trimming around the neck.

Indian meal moistened with a little vinegar or lemon juice is excellent for the hands where the skin has been roughened by work or cold; it will heal and soften them. Rub the hands thoroughly with the moistened meal, then wash them in warm water and bathe them with glycerin lotion.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

LESSON XII, DEC. 20—BIRTH OF CHRIST.

Golden Text: "And the Angel Said Unto Them: 'Fear Not; for Behold I Bring Tidings of Great Joy'."—Christmas Lesson.

THE section included in this lesson, the whole of which should be read, includes John 1: 1-18; Luke 1: 1-80; and Matt. 1: 1-25; 2: 1-12. Historical Setting. Time. The last of December, B. C. 6, and the commencement of our common era, A. D. 1 (Anno Domini, the year in which Christ was born so that Christ was born 1900 years ago. The visit of the wise men was in February, B. C. 4, when Jesus was a little over a year old. Bethlehem, a village five or six miles south of Jerusalem. Bethlehem means "House of Bread," a very fitting name for a place which was born here was the "Break of Life."

"The far east" included the lands of the captivities,—Assyria, Babylonia, and Persia, where Ezekiel prophesied, and Daniel the ruled, and Esther was queen. To-day's lesson, Matt. 2, verses 1-12, follows:

1. "Now when Jesus was born." Jesus, the divine son of God, became man by being born of the Virgin Mary, in Bethlehem of Judaea, probably about Dec. 25, B. C. 5. It is not told in Matthew how Jesus came to be in Bethlehem. For that we turn to Luke. "Herod the king of the Jews" Herod died April 1, B. C. 4 (Lewin's Fasti Sacri) at Jericho, at the age of seventy, so that the visit of the wise men must have been some weeks previous. This Herod was Herod the Great, founder of the Herodian family.

2. Saying, "Where is he that is born to the king of the Jews?" "And thou, Bethlehem, literally translated, is, 'Where is the born King; that is, the newly born King of the Jews.' The Magi expected, no doubt, to find him in the capital city and in the royal palace—Moriah.

"For we have seen his star in the east." Seen by them in the eastern countries, or the rulers of the east. They were called to worship him." To acknowledge his worthship; to do homage to him.

3. "When Herod the king had heard these things, he dreamed that he would deceive the king, and slay the child, and his mother. He was troubled, agitated, disturbed, lest he should lose his throne and his power. He was old, and feeble, and wicked. His life had been full of crimes. He knew he was hated by the subjects. The Magi's disturbance would inflame his conscience and arouse his fears. "And all Jerusalem with him."

"And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes, the chief priests were probably the heads of the twenty-four courses into which the sons of Aaron were divided (Chron. 24: 8; Luke 1: 5), but the term may have included those who had, though only for a time, held the office of high priest. The scribes were the interpreters of the law, casuists, and collectors of the traditions of the elders, for the most part Pharisees—Elliott. "He demanded (rather facetiously—then) where he was in the original, 'The Christ, not the proper name, but the Messiah, the official title of the promised Deliverer, 'should be born.' "What do your scriptures say? What is your expectation?"

4. "And they said, 'I, e., the chief priests, etc. The answer seems to have been given to the king, and he was not particularly well understood and settled by divine authority.—Alexander. "Thus it is written." What is quoted in the next verse, "By the prophets," is in chap. 5: 2. It should be noticed that "by" is literally "through," and that in every case this expression is used.

"And thou Bethlehem." This is quoted freely from the Septuagint (the Greek version of the Old Testament), just as such quotations were popularly made at that time, for the Jews, who had no circulation, and quotations must be made chiefly as remembered from hearing them read. "Bethlehem, in the land of Judah," in the original there is no "in the land," the expression is, "Bethlehem, land of Judah," as we say "Chicago, Ill.," or "Newport, R. I." "Princes," is according to a usual figure, not for the time when the princes, or heads of thousands, lived.

7. "Then Herod . . . privily (privately) called the wise men." Privily, for he was already hatching a plot more privily, his malicious plot. "Inquired of them diligently," or, rather, ascertained from them accurately.—Moriah. The verb "inquired" is used, it is derived from a Greek word, "to inquire," which is translated to the last point.—M. R. Vincent. "What time the star appeared." That he might know where to find the place of the infant whom he wished to slay.—Abbott.

8. "He sent (or directed) them to Bethlehem, a short six miles from Jerusalem." Search diligently. Better, as before, accurately, carefully.

9. "Lo, the star." Unexpectedly the star they had seen in the east (it was not now in the east, but in the south) appeared to them in the west, as they went toward Bethlehem. "Blood" over where the young child was; i. e., over the house, as implied by verse 11; not merely the blood of the infant, but the blood of the infant whom he wished to slay.—Abbott.

11. "When they were come into the stable where the Lord was born, Joseph and Mary remained for 40 days in Bethlehem, and would find temporary lodgings.

12. "And fell down." In the Oriental manner of showing homage and worship. "And worshipped him." "Opened their treasures." "The word points to caskets, or chests, which they had brought with them.—Elliott. "They presented unto him gifts." According to the Oriental custom in paying tribute to royalty. Setting forth greater truths than they knew, they offered to the Son of man, as it were, a myth, hinting at the resurrection of the dead; the royal gold; and frankincense that breathes prayer; "myrrin to a mortal, go to a living man."—Elliott. "Inhabitant of the Wise Men." "Frankincense."

13. "Being warned of God." In a dream, in the same manner as God may have spoken to the shepherds. "Into their own country another way." They could easily go direct from Bethlehem to the Jordan River, leaving Jerusalem to the north and west.

GEM: OF THOUGHT.

A man must be excessively stupid, as well as uncharitable, who believes there is no virtue but in his own side.—Adison.

Trouble is a thing that will come without our call; but true joy will not spring up without ourselves.—Bishop Patrick.

Statesmanship is the art of understanding and leading the masses. Its glory is to lead them, not where they want to go, but where they ought to go.—Joubert.

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BUTCHERING TIME.

Butchering time is near at hand; have plenty of dry wood up, kettles and scalding tub ready, the old-guns ready to shoot, and the knives sharpened. Meat killed in moderately cool weather, writes C. D. Lyon in Rural World, will take salt better and keep sweeter than that killed in severely cold weather. Under latter conditions it is liable to freeze or chill before the animal heat and smell leaves the carcass. Water heated with hot limestone rock will clean a hog better than water heated in kettles. If you heat in kettles, put a shovelful of ashes to the scalding tub; 160 degrees is scalding heat, but water at 175 to 180 degrees will do the work much quicker, but with more danger of setting the hair. The thermometer is the best test of the proper heat, but old butchers readily test it by the feel of the water on the hands. Shoot your hogs down before sticking them, it is more humane and even if it was not, a shot hog will bleed more freely than one struck alive. The proper place to shoot is where lines drawn from each eye to the opposite ear would cross. Use a small charge of powder, or if you use a breech-loading gun, use short cartridges. As soon as the hog shorts stick him. Roll him on his back, put the point of your knife, which should not be more than six inches long, right in front of the breast-bone, direct it toward the root of the tail, thrust it in and withdraw it quickly to prevent shoulder sticking from the struggles of the dying animal. Scald the front end first, and when the hog is clean hang it on the galloway pole and scrape down. Use hot water at first, and finish it up with a bucket or two of cold water. Take the insides out of the hog just as soon as you can after it is hung up. Put your knife in at the hole made in sticking and rip up through the breast-bone and ribs; this will allow any blood that has settled in the lungs to run out while you finish the job. Split down between the hams and cut around the vent, pull and cut until you have the bung gut loose for six inches. Tie a string around it and push it back into the carcass. Finish cutting down in front, and put your left hand under the intestines as they roll out; with the right hand tear everything loose from the back bone, using the knife with care, so as to avoid cutting the entrails. Cut the gullet in front of the stomach, and take the stomach out with the rest of the entrails. Remove the liver, lungs and heart after the rest is done. If the hog is not bloody inside, use no water to clean it, but wipe it dry with a cloth. Even if the inside of the hog is rather bloody, it may be wiped clean with little trouble; the meat will take salt better if kept dry.

Care of Ripe Grain.—H. M. Fugel, a farmer and miller, sent the following short paper to be read at a farmers' institute in Missouri.

In the first place wheat should be well ripened before it is harvested, for two reasons: First, wheat thoroughly ripe will keep in the stack in wet weather about twice as long as that cut too early; and second, it will make much better flour. It will look a little shrunken, but in the manufacture of flour the separation is much easier, the bran will flake off and not be cut up fine enough to sift, and the flour be much whiter. The berry of wheat cut early may look a little smoother, but the dough from the flour will not rise so well, and when it does rise must be baked in a quick oven or the bread will fall. I would advise every farmer to let his wheat get very ripe; it will not get too ripe, and the little loss from shattering will be more than compensated by the improved quality of the flour. After wheat has been stacked it should stay there until it has gone through a sieves, which it must undoubtedly do. It makes no difference whether it is cut twice as long as that in the ground flour in the barrel, so my advice would be to let it go through the sweat in the straw. After threshing the wheat should be put in a granary built for that purpose, at least two feet above the ground, set on wooden or stone blocks, stone preferred, and then keep the weeds down so the air can pass under and around it freely. Where weeds or grass are allowed to grow round a house where wheat is kept, it will cause it to grow musty and sometimes rotten and unfit for market. The farmer who has that kind of wheat loses from five to ten cents per bushel, which is very heavy interest.

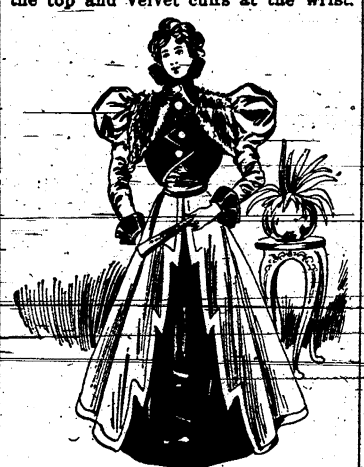
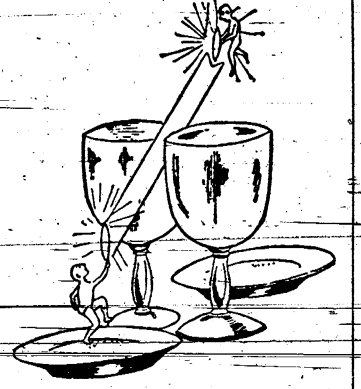
Mules and their Disposition.—As a rule, small mules from broncho-mares are very apt to kick at any chance, while mules from work mares and those with draft blood seldom kick or balk. Very few mules exert kick in the harness. The Journal of Agriculture says: A mule seldom gets hurt on a wire fence. While they are very quick to see a weak place in a fence and will get out where a horse would not try, they are careful not to get out. The usual way to break a mule is to throw a rope over his head and tie it to something solid until he gives up, and when a good, strong harness is put on him, and he is hitched to the side of a strong, well-broken mule or horse, and both hitched to a wagon and driven in country another way. They could easily go direct from Bethlehem to the Jordan River, leaving Jerusalem to the north and west.

Work of Rootlets.—By sowing seeds, whereby millions of rootlets would penetrate deep in the earth, and bring forth the potato, the lime, the sulphur, the phosphorus and other chemicals, which come from the carbon and nitrogen of the air, promote the growth and sustain the life of the trees or plant there found, and to place over it a perfect and complete shelter for the double purpose of protecting it from the burning rays of the sun, and for supplying that wonderful laboratory by which the nitrogen of the air is converted into woody matter.

Clean the Orchard.—Clean up the fallen leaves and rubbish in the orchard and fields as early as possible. It is not only unsightly, but furnishes abodes for insects, which will annoy you another year. Burn all such waste, or put it to good use in the compost heap.—Ez.



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The sleeve laps upon the puff in point fastened with silver buttons.



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 Christmas.  
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 Methodist ladies.  
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 The ENTER-  
 is coming slowly.  
 Co., have a  
 in another  
 advertisement this  
 kinds of candy for  
 will be clubbed  
 at the publisher's  
 in the state  
 not effect in Man-  
 give our readers a  
 their new advertise-  
 at a number of ladies  
 a degree of honor of  
 glad to see the snow  
 a for an opportunity  
 last day on which  
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 citizens went to Bridge-  
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 I. Fenn's.  
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 enter hall Friday even-  
 at Brooklyn want to  
 an entertainment for  
 O. T. M.  
 citizens attended the  
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 being sold well.  
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 have disposed of over  
 enter the last week, all  
 re in a short time.  
 Co., have a new ad-  
 is well to keep posted  
 being offered at low  
 Co., have a representa-  
 wheel in the center of  
 which they display hand-  
 city bakery, establish-  
 to the front with a new  
 fruits, Christmas goods,  
 meet promptly at 7 p.  
 ng. There will be no  
 any wish to attend the  
 ment.  
 as, the popular lumber  
 on have a new advertise-  
 to which we call the at-  
 taders.  
 at work repairing the  
 lumber yard and getting  
 to receive the new  
 arrive soon.  
 and all hands put in  
 ay and will work next  
 dirt from the pit west of  
 at the bridge south of  
 column will be found the  
 of E. O. Westgate, the new  
 ho has leased the yards  
 non branch depot. Give  
 in in need of lumber  
 be an entertainment at the  
 next Thursday afternoon at  
 ey will have a Christmas  
 private exercises. The little  
 good and happy in the an-  
 good time.  
 art sold four head of fat  
 Austin of Navent, year-  
 need they will be shipped  
 Sunday. They weighed 1,243,  
 at 1,970 pounds, an aver-  
 pounds, and brought 44 cents  
 will be pleased to learn  
 to have a first-class lumber  
 where they can go and get  
 need to build a house or  
 y repairing. It will be a  
 once and will tend to draw  
 village.  
 arrell has traded horses a  
 times, but the trade he made  
 like last Friday has caused  
 talk. Mrs. W. was not  
 the horse her husband got  
 a year, and took it back  
 and their horse, and on Sat-  
 at been taken to Sharon it is  
 the story was there at about  
 Mrs. Corwin's barn and  
 horse without letting any  
 of the transaction. Of course  
 he horse back again and new  
 years of a season. If there  
 will probably be seen, and we  
 are pleased to see.

**WHAT OUR NEIGHBORS DO.**  
**From Our Correspondents.**  
**BRIDGEWATER.**  
 One day last week a cross mongrel cur  
 belonging to the widow Paul attacked La-  
 Mar Brown's little girl, threw her down, tore  
 her clothing and bruised her somewhat. On  
 refusing to kill the dog, Mr. Hough of Man-  
 chester, the little girl's grandfather, shot it.  
**IRON CREEK.**  
 Special meetings are being held at the F.  
 B. church this week.  
 Mrs. Douglas Baldwin has been visiting  
 at Galion the past week.  
 The election of officers for the A. C. F.  
 society will take place next Sunday evening.  
 Miss Loveday Payne has returned home  
 from Tecumseh, where she has been several  
 months past.  
**NORVELL.**  
 M. D. Blosser and family of Manchester  
 spent Sunday in town.  
 Mrs. Frank Palmer of Bay City is visiting  
 at her mother's, Mrs. Polly Thayer.  
 The Norvell cornet band will give an en-  
 tertainment next Wednesday evening.  
 Miss Florence Dennis of Chicago came  
 here last Friday to remain through the  
 holiday vacation.  
 Mrs. Caroline McMaster went to High-  
 land last Friday, intending to stay the winter  
 at her brother's, Homer Bancroft.  
 The literary society held its first meeting  
 at Lep. Robert's last Friday evening. The  
 next meeting will be at C. Risbrider's, on  
 Jan. 8, '97.  
**WAMPLER'S LAKE.**  
 Wm. Cole visited relatives in Grass Lake  
 last Saturday.  
 Joe. Myer visited his brother Charles in  
 Jerome last week.  
 Nearly all the ice went out of the lakes  
 last Saturday, but on Monday morning they  
 were frozen over again.  
 Miss Lydia Bomer went to Brooklyn on  
 Wednesday and from there to Jackson to-  
 day, accompanied by Mrs. John Cruse.  
 John Waters, a resident of this place for  
 the past 50 years, died Monday of kidney  
 trouble, after an illness of three weeks.  
 Mr. & Mrs. Jack Beech of Ingham county  
 arrived here on Monday to see John  
 Waters and visit his brothers, Charles and  
 William.  
**SHARON.**  
 Mrs. Edwin Baker was in Ann Arbor last  
 week.  
 A missionary meeting was held at C. C.  
 Dorra's Wednesday.  
 Mrs. Geo. Kirkwood is reported better  
 but is still at the hospital.  
 Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Dewey of Jackson  
 visited at M. E. Keeler's, Sunday.  
 A box social was held at the Irwin school  
 house last Friday, which netted \$10.  
 Mrs. Henry Renan's mother, Mrs. Hues-  
 man, has moved into Mrs. Elgot's house.  
 Miss Emma Widmayer of the village  
 spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Grace  
 Rowe.  
 Mr. & Mrs. Henry Steingeweg spent Sun-  
 day in Bridgewater, guests of Mr. & Mrs.  
 Pieper.  
 Edward Lockwood left Wednesday for  
 Marietta, Ohio, to visit his nephew, Ed-  
 Lobdel.  
**Announcements.**  
 Subject of discourse in the universalist  
 church next Sunday morning: The good  
 old times.  
 Topic for Epworth league, Dec. 20th:  
 Christ present by the Holy Spirit. John  
 16:12-14. Leader, Albie Lazek.  
 Subject for R. Y. P. U. Sunday even-  
 ing, Dec. 20: Tidings of great joy. Luke  
 2:10-11. Leader, Rev. D. N. McPhail.  
 Subject in the baptist church Sunday  
 morning: The problem of life and its  
 solution. Daniel 5:6. Evening: Not  
 responsible, and responsible.  
**School Notes.**  
 The ward school will have Christmas  
 exercises.  
 The chemistry class experimented with  
 oxygen this week.  
 School closes Thursday, Dec. 24, and  
 opens Monday, Jan. 4, '97.  
 Book-keeping, physical geography and  
 review arithmetic begin next term.  
 The second primary and upper grades  
 will meet in the chapel for closing exer-  
 cises.  
 The closing exercises of the first prim-  
 ary of the high school building will be  
 held in its own room.  
 Tardy marks are coming to be too  
 plentiful, especially in the high school.  
 They are not caused by those who walk  
 three or four miles.  
 Ladycross mistakes crop into examina-  
 tion papers and compositions. One  
 specimen this week is as follows: "The  
 bible says it is not good for man to live  
 alone since Rose Standish died."  
 One of our primary teachers wrote on  
 the board, "Satan finds mischief for idle  
 hands to do," and asked the little ones  
 what it meant. One little girl raised her  
 hand and said, "Teacher it means you."  
 The ladies of the M. E. church will  
 dispose of the balance of their goods at  
 auction, beginning at 2 p. m., Saturday.  
 Some Crackers and Cakes endorsed by  
 pure food manufacturers.

**SEARS CRACKERS ARE SUPERB.**  
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 fore the 1st day of Jan'y. Don't put this  
 off.  
**JAMES KELLY.**  
**Died.**  
**COON.**—In this village on Tuesday Dec.  
 15, 1896, of heart disease, Mrs. M. L. Coon,  
 aged 76 years.  
 Deceased was an old resident of this town-  
 ship. Her husband, Lorenzo Coon, died  
 about two years ago. The funeral will be  
 held on Friday, at 1 p. m.  
**MCENANY.**—In the asylum at Pontiac,  
 on Friday, Dec. 11, 1896, Peter McEnany,  
 aged 84 years.  
 The remains were brought to Manchester  
 on Monday, and the funeral was held at St.  
 Mary's church on Tuesday morning. The  
 burial was at Clinton.  
**WATERS.**—In Manchester on Tuesday  
 Dec. 15, 1896, from stoppage of the bladder,  
 John Waters, aged 74 years.  
 Deceased was born in Lincolnshire, Eng-  
 land, in 1822. He was married to Edith  
 Beech in 1847 and came to Michigan in  
 1852. They had five children, four of whom  
 are still living. William resides on the  
 place Mr. Waters first owned, just south of  
 his late residence. John lives at Onsted,  
 Edith Gjiest at Jackson and Sarah Ann  
 Antcliff at Howell. In 1857 Mrs. Waters  
 died, and in 1858 he wedded Mary J. Sut-  
 ton, who gave him three children. Nellie  
 Rheade of Napoleon, Arthur J. Waters Esq.,  
 of this village and Miss Belvia Waters who  
 resided with her parents.  
 Mr. Waters belonged to no church but  
 was a moral and honorable man.  
 The funeral was held this forenoon at his  
 late residence, Rev. Yokom officiating.  
**Commercial**  
**Home Markets.**  
**BEANS.**—Dull at 50c@60c bu. Hand  
 picked, 75c bu.  
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**LAMBS.**—Good demand. Live, Shrop-  
 shire, 3c@4c lb.  
**LARD.**—6c@7c per lb.  
**ONIONS.**—Good demand 20c@25c @ bu  
**OATS.**—Good demand, 15c@16c @ bu.  
**POTATOES.**—Dull at 15c@20c @ bu.  
**POULTRY.**—Live, Chickens, old and  
 young, 5c@6c @ lb. Ducks 5c @ lb. Geese  
 5c @ lb.  
**RYE.**—Best, 30c@32c @ bu, low grade  
 not wanted.  
**SHEEP.**—Old ewes, \$2.25@2.75; wash-  
 ers, \$2.00@2.25 @ cwt.  
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Watson County

Back every Friday and Saturday.

Present your friend with a year's subscription to the ENTERPRISE...

The poorest man or woman can get a prescription free by writing the Wayne Medical Co. 1169 Michigan Ave. Detroit Mich.

To date on Jewry, Solid Silver and Plated Ware. Come and see our latest Christmas.

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In order to lessen the criminal population of cities...

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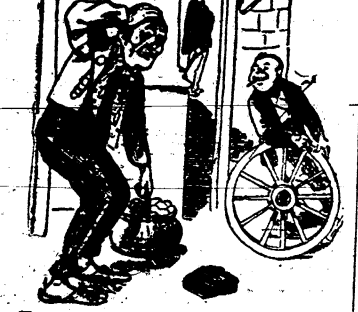
# Hope

Return to the heart of the victim bound in the chains of rheumatism, dyspepsia, scrofula, catarrh, when the blood is enriched and purified by

# Hood's Sarsaparilla

The One True Blood Purifier. All Druggists. Hood's Pills, cure headache, etc.

Insurance in Early Days. The first fire insurance company to begin business in this country opened its doors in Philadelphia in the year 1794.



Farmer (who has just been struck in the head by a falling brick and is bleeding profusely)—Thank heavens! What luck that it did not fall in the basket!

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take Laxative Bromo Tablets. All Druggists refund the money if it fails to cure.

A Boston Free Baptist Christian Endeavor Society recently sent out several members by two to visit the various city missions. Their report on returning made an interesting meeting, and inspired the society to undertake practical home mission work. Some time ago a Mexican convict was converted through the efforts of the Zacatecas Christian Endeavor Society. Later, together with his wife, he traveled a long distance to attend the national Christian Endeavor convention, and upon his return home organized a Christian congregation. Two English merchantmen recently stopping in San Diego harbor were visited systematically by the local Endeavorers, with the result that before the ships left port an officer-on-each, and nineteen men on one, and twelve on the other, had confessed Christ. A prayer circle was formed on each ship.



# Gladness Comes

With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a constipated condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanliness without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is therefore all important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to note when you purchase that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only and sold by all reputable druggists. If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, one should have the best, and with the well-informed, everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction. The Standard wheel works plant a Kalamazoo has resumed operations with 200 hands, after a close down of several weeks.

# 49 YEARS A SUFFERER.

Sept. 29, 1894. Dear Sirs—Am 47 years old and began taking your medicine last April for Rheumatism, which I had for 49 years, also for a weak heart. Since taking "Syrup of Figs" my Rheumatism has disappeared, the pain has gone from my joints, and my heart seems much better. I am today a well, strong woman, and I owe it to "Syrup of Figs" that I can now do my share of the work, and can claim to be as well as ever.

# WOMANHOOD

In order to teach women how to guard against dangerous surgical operations and quick treatment of the American Physiciana passed a resolution to distribute a little book on female diseases. "Womanhood" explains all diseases and treatments peculiar to woman and gives the best methods of home treatment. Sent free for stamp to pay postage. Address: Elizabeth Key, 818 North 25th St., South Omaha, Neb.

# SWAMP KIDNEY, LIVER & BLADDER CURE.

At most stores where sweets and sweet-boxes are sold, you can get small

# BESSIE'S CHRISTMAS GIFT.

"How long is it till Christmas, mamma?" "Only a month, dearie."

"Will he be by that time?" "I don't know, darling." Mamma's face was sad as she said it, but she tried to keep a cheery tone. "If you are not you will try to be patient, I am sure."

Bessie lay for a while silent. Two or three months before she had been thrown from a carriage and hurt. Very weary, indeed, had been the weeks since in which she had had to lie still. "Mamma," she said, at length, "do you remember those poor little hospital children we went to see a little while before I was hurt?"

"Yes, dear."

"And we were so sorry for them. And we said we'd do something nice for them."

"Yes," said mamma. "But since we've had one poor little hospital girl at home I'm afraid we've forgotten the others."

"I wanted to do something for them myself. Aunt Lucy said she'd show me how. I wanted to dress some little dolls, and now I'd like to do it more than ever, because I know what it is to be sick. But I haven't done anything."

"Bessie," said mamma, "I think you might do it; you are so much better now. If you like I will get the dolls and you may try."

"Oh, I would like to do it," said the little girl, a flush of pleasure overspreading her pale face. "Mamma, don't you remember when you talked to us about Christmas being Jesus' birthday?"

"Yes, Bessie."

"And how people love to give presents that day because Jesus came as a gift of himself to us all? And how we ought to think of giving presents to him because it is his own birthday—and we can do that by giving to the poor little ones he loves—"

"No, but I'd like to give the dolls for a Christmas gift to the hospital children."

Six small dolls and plenty of gay bits of silk were bought, and for a few days Bessie's eyes were bright and her thin fingers were busy. Then the work went on more slowly, till one day she shook her head as mamma brought it to her.

"I can't do it, mamma," she said, with tears and trembling lips. "It makes my back ache and it hurts my eyes. I've tried and tried—but—"

"Dear child!" Mamma took her in her arms. "I ought not to have let you try it."

"Yes, you ought," said Bessie, "because Jesus knows that I did want to give them a birthday present."

Then there were more of the long days in which Bessie found it so hard to be still and do nothing, when—

—about her were in the full tide of getting ready for Christmas. Mamma and Aunt Lucy were among the busiest, and there were many talks as to how the Christmas season could best be made into a time of rejoicing to the patient little girl.

And—by the pleasant smiles on the faces of those who loved her, any one might have been sure that they would succeed.

On Christmas morning Bessie was awake early. It was before the first peep of the sun; for, as we all know, he is not an early riser at holiday time, and that very few little ones are caught napping by him on that morning of all the year.

She looked toward the chimney where she knew her stockings was hanging. It was almost too dark to see anything, but she felt sure that it was not where she had seen it before she went to sleep last night. Could anyone have taken it away? Could it have fallen down?

But something else was there which she had not seen last night. It grew light fast. What a very odd thing that was! Almost the shape of a stocking—but who ever saw such a stocking as that? Why, it was six times as big as papa could wear.

Just then the sun got the better of the morning mist and threw a long, bright streak across the room.

"It was a stocking!" "Merry Christmas, little darling!" said mamma, coming in just as Bessie laughed aloud. "What makes you so merry already?"

"Merry Christmas," cried Bessie. "Why, mamma, she added, "I was just wondering if a fairy came last night and touched my stocking with her wand and turned it into that big one."

"Of course, she did," said mamma. "Don't you know she has been about here all the time, the fairy who fills our hearts with loving thoughts of others, and with desires to make them happy?"

"Merry Christmas, my bonny bird! Merry Christmas, sweet one! Merry, merry Christmas!"

Aunt Lucy, and papa, and all the others were crowding in, and such a chorus of loving greetings arose that mamma had to command quiet while the great stocking was brought to Bessie. Mamma and Aunt Lucy had made it; for no stocking could be found—which would hold such gifts.

All gathered around as the small hands drew out the Christmas love-tokens. There was a beautiful book from papa, a doll and cradle from mamma, a tiny locket from Aunt Lucy. But Bessie's face shone brighter at what came next. The six dolls, dressed and ready for their journey to the hospital. Six picture books to keep them company. Six bags full of fruit and candy to make a merry feast for the sick children.

# NASAL CATARRH FOR YEARS

SO-CALLED CATARRH CURES FAILED TO CURE

The True Way is to Take the One True Blood Purifier.

Catarrh is caused by impure blood. The best physicians say so. The only way to cure it is to purify the blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures catarrh when all other medicines fail, because Hood's Sarsaparilla is the One True Blood Purifier. This is logical, and that it is true is proven by thousands of testimonials like this:

"I was troubled with nasal catarrh for many years. I doctored for it, and at one time took a dozen bottles of a so-called catarrh cure, but without beneficial effect. I had read of cases where others

Had Been Cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla, and I determined to try it. I took five bottles last year, and was highly pleased with the relief obtained. I have had no particular trouble from catarrh since that time, except a slight inflammation when I catch cold. I have proven, in my own case, that Hood's Sarsaparilla will cure catarrh, and I also derived benefit in a general way from its use. It is an excellent remedy, and I am glad to give my experience with it for catarrh for the benefit of those who may be similarly afflicted." Mrs. JOHN LEBMAN, 103 Wilkinson St., Goshen, Indiana.

# ROOST ON THE GROUND.

Facilities of the Game Bird Not Generally Known to Hunters.

From the Baltimore Sun: Among the habits of the partridge, one is that when a covey is roosting on the ground, with their tails bunched together in a circle, the bunch is surmounted by a line of watchful heads like sentinels on duty. Another is that they run the instant the ground is touched after a "flush," the dogs often trailing them in rabbit-hunting fashion. Their sense of smell is evidently very acute, for during the nesting season, if the eggs, which number from ten to twenty, are disturbed in any way, or if a dog is inserted in the nest, it will be immediately deserted and a new one built. At short intervals previous to the nesting the males are often involved in desperate combats for the choice of mates, who stand by and quietly watch the encounter, seeming not to care which one becomes the victor. The incubation is performed entirely by the female, the male, when not feeding, often being perched on some slight elevation, encouraging her by his mellow-toned call of "bob-white." Two, and sometimes three, broods of young are reared during a season, the nesting beginning as early as May 1. Later in the fall the broods of young occasionally join forces, but whether from a want of company or for protection is not known. When feeding the birds are sometimes scattered several yards apart, but at the first sign of danger an alarm is given, and they immediately "bunch," with their heads placed close together, in a consultation. The first shot into a covey will often cause them to break and fly in all directions, and if not disturbed again for several minutes "scatter calls" will be heard on every side. These are made to collect the remaining birds, who again bunch. Many of the market gunners seem to have no qualms of conscience, and very often kill without hesitation an entire covey, when at least one or two pairs of birds should be left for breeding. The general opinion of the sportsmen of Dorchester county is that a precaution should have a place in the code of laws for the protection of Maryland game.

The babe of A. W. Thompson, of Portsmouth, O., was left in a chair with a handkerchief tied around its neck while the mother was absent. The child tipped out of its chair, the handkerchief caught on a projection, and the little one strangled to death.

# FARMER WANTED.

In every township, days a week during winter, to distribute samples, collect names of sick people and work up trade for their druggists on the best family remedies: Dr. J. C. Renner's, Dr. J. C. Renner's, Kidney Cure, Good Day to Man or Woman, Sen or booklet and return to Dr. J. C. Renner, Medical Co., Western Office, Omaha, Neb.

In everything, from praying in public to getting a tooth pulled, I want to obtain a little distinction for myself.

"I was troubled with quinsy for five years. Thomas Electric Oil cured me. My wife and child had diphtheria. Thomas Electric Oil cured them. Would not be without it in the house for any consideration." Rev. E. F. Crane, Dunkirk, N. Y.

How little a man knows of his countrymen unless he lives in a country village.

A cough is a danger signal of worse troubles to come. Ease the cough and prevent its return by using Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup.

A wedding ceremony is never a success unless there is a hitch in it somewhere.

Pure blood and a good digestion are an insurance against disease and suffering. Burdock Blood Bitters keeps the blood pure, the digestion perfect.

It isn't always the brightest girl that casts the most reflections.

Itching Piles, night's horrid plague is instantly relieved and permanently cured by Doan's Ointment. Your dealer ought to keep it.

Character building is bigger work than building railroads.

Five stopped free and permanently cured. No. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

Most people believe in the total depravity of somebody else.

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

The man who never gives away anything cheats himself.

Piso's Cure for Consumption has been a family medicine with us since 1866. J. R. Madison, 249 W. 4th Ave., Chicago, Ill.

There is a cure for the beginning of all great things.

One's Cough Plaster is the oldest and best. It will break up a cold quicker than any other cough remedy. Try it.

The man who spends his time in counting his faults, generally makes a miscount by not putting himself at the head of the list.

# CROSS-EXAMINATION

Could Not Weaken Such Testimony As This.

(From the Kalamazoo Telegraph.)

The following statement is one of great interest to many a citizen of Kalamazoo, and a man as well known as Mr. Wallace should carry more than ordinary weight with our readers. Here it is as taken down by our representative:

"My name is John A. Wallace. I am a member of the firm of A. Wallace & Co., doing business as tinners, etc., at 166 Eleanor Street, Kalamazoo, in which city I also reside. For the past nine or ten months I have been having attacks of kidney complaint, the pain in my back over my hips was very severe at times, my urinary system was also in a bad state of derangement, sometimes the urine was scanty and then again the amount would be excessive, and a difficulty of passage always existed. I heard of Doan's Kidney Pills at a time when I felt that I was going to be sick, but their use made me feel better, and I am now feeling very much better; the urinary organ has regained a normal condition, and the terrific pain in my back is much reduced in severity, while it is now fast going away altogether. I am continuing the use of Doan's Kidney Pills, but I feel that I was going to be sick, but their use made me feel better, and I am now feeling very much better; the urinary organ has regained a normal condition, and the terrific pain in my back is much reduced in severity, while it is now fast going away altogether. I am continuing the use of Doan's Kidney Pills, but I feel that I was going to be sick, but their use made me feel better, and I am now feeling very much better; the urinary organ has regained a normal condition, and the terrific pain in my back is much reduced in severity, while it is now fast going away altogether. I am continuing the use of Doan's Kidney Pills, but I feel that I was going to be sick, but their use made me feel better, and I am now feeling very much better; the urinary organ has regained a normal condition, and the terrific pain in my back is much reduced in severity, while it is now fast going away altogether. 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