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MANCHESTER

In the northwest corner of Washington County, 2 1/2 miles from a line of the City of...

Societies

MANCHESTER LODGE NO. 146, F. & A. M. meets at Masonic Hall, Tuesday evening...

Business Cards

A. J. WATERS, ATTORNEY. And Counselor at Law. Office over Union Savings Bank. MANCHESTER, MICHIGAN.

PRESIDENT STANDS PAT

PRESIDENT WILL HOLD UP ARBITRATION TREATIES.

There was no quorum in the senate this morning and hardly enough votes in the house to do business. The representatives worked less than an hour and passed some minor measures.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

No bill to pay the legislators a fixed salary instead of per diem has made its appearance in either house this year, though it has been the custom in former sessions to at least vote down any such proposition.

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NO BILLS.

There was a quiet meeting of the senate committee on appropriations, Wednesday afternoon at which it was decided that Rivers and Harbors and Public Buildings bills should be dropped.

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A new counterfeit \$10 bill is in circulation. It more closely resembles the genuine than any other.

Prof. Vincent of Chicago is instructing women how to talk. Some women would give the lily.

The czar is reportedly to be reasonably cheerful, but wait till he reads that Switzerland poem.

In Hungary the battle of the halos seems to involve about as many fatalities as the other kind.

The man who rocked the boat last summer is now leading sailing parties over the main places in the ice.

Mighty few men can get worried over their own necks. It is in fact placing the back of their neck.

Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis propounds the question, is a second marriage wrong? Where it involves bigamy.

The mayor of Bridgeport, Conn., is going to be the gold mine and grain ration's wheat if he can incorporate the trusts.

A dainty little square of lace—that's all. We just want to start a paragraph that every woman reader would look at.

New Jersey cares not what makes the gold mine and grain ration's wheat if he can incorporate the trusts.

Reading the headline of a New York paper, "Receiver Appointed for Eliza Proctor Oils," who can help exclaiming, "Lucky fellow!"

Somebody has written a book called "Practical Poker." The most practical kind of poker is the kind that is left practically alone.

Unfortunately the Russian people always have to pay for the windows of the Russian people's bank in the places of their grand dukes.

The English gentleman who keeps a few snakes with him at the time evidently takes after some English noblemen we have heard of.

Mr. Rockefeller, continuing to serve the public in an inexpensive and commendable capacity, urges us to "drink plenty of water between meals."

Senator Dewey says that the foreign title claims the American girls, possibly; but not until after it has been up to papa's rating in Broadway.

After a while the public may learn that gold letters on the window and a suitcase for the president to use in getting away will not constitute a safe and sure bank.

Some of the kind Russian manufacturer have offered to advance their help—\$20 to \$10 a month. Is it quite safe to invest the uneducated classes so suddenly?

The Savole sailed from New York for the United States. It will be interesting to see which one of them will be the first to get frozen out by the other years by simply changing the date.

If whiskey and quinine is a bad combination, as some doctors say, it must be a good one for the men who are in the line of the Kentucky colonel, there is no bad whiskey—New York Press.

The New York sociologist who advises all the good people to send all the bad people to the States, apparently doesn't appreciate the good features of the slight girlish figure in waiting.

"Katie darling," he replied in a perfect imitation of his brother's dulcet voice, "I'm glad to see you."

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A Song of Trust

My faith that is good for me... My faith that is good for me... My faith that is good for me...

HE PLAYED THE CHIEF.

Turn of Fortune Alone Due to Quarrelsome Man... He played the chief... Turn of Fortune Alone Due to Quarrelsome Man...

FEARFUL EFFECTS OF DESTRUCTION.

Hand grenades and bombs were used with terrific effect at the capture of the... Fearful effects of destruction... Hand grenades and bombs were used with terrific effect at the capture of the...

THEY COOK THEIR SHOES.

"The wife man takes proper care of his shoes when there is snow on the ground... They cook their shoes... The wife man takes proper care of his shoes when there is snow on the ground...

THE TWO SHIPS.

"I told her, but I see now that she was confused and could not have grasped the matter... The two ships... I told her, but I see now that she was confused and could not have grasped the matter...

COLLECTOR WAGES IN SPIRIT ONLY.

As everyone knows who has been there, and those who have not can only imagine, it is a very... Collector wages in spirit only... As everyone knows who has been there, and those who have not can only imagine, it is a very...

THE REV. JAMES MARY.

Washington was the result of his father's... The Rev. James Mary... Washington was the result of his father's... The Rev. James Mary...

WASHINGTON IN YOUTH

In the year 1729 Rev. James Mary, a Huguenot refugee, and his bride... Washington in youth... In the year 1729 Rev. James Mary, a Huguenot refugee, and his bride...

THE DANGERS OF THE WEST.

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WASHINGTON'S DIFFIDENCE.

Washington was the result of his father's... Washington's diffidence... Washington was the result of his father's... Washington's diffidence...

A TALE OF THE CUBAN WAR

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ORGANIZE TO FIGHT TUBERCULOSIS

Committee of International Congress Plans Through Educational Campaign... Organize to fight tuberculosis... Committee of International Congress Plans Through Educational Campaign...

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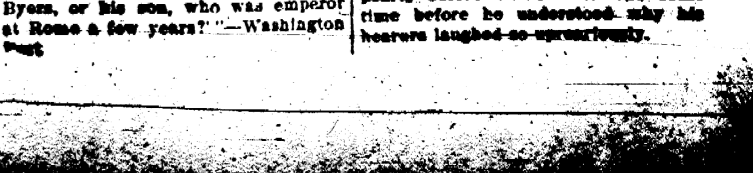
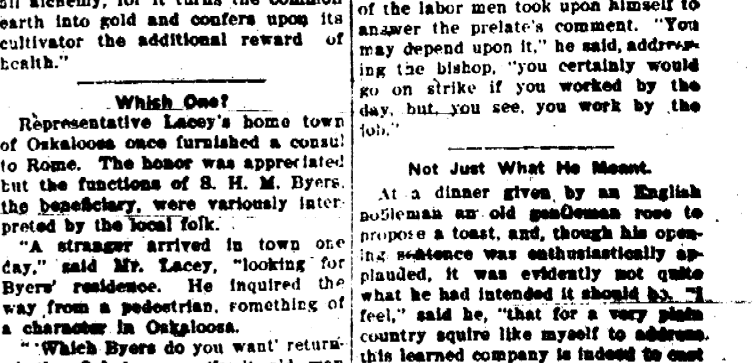
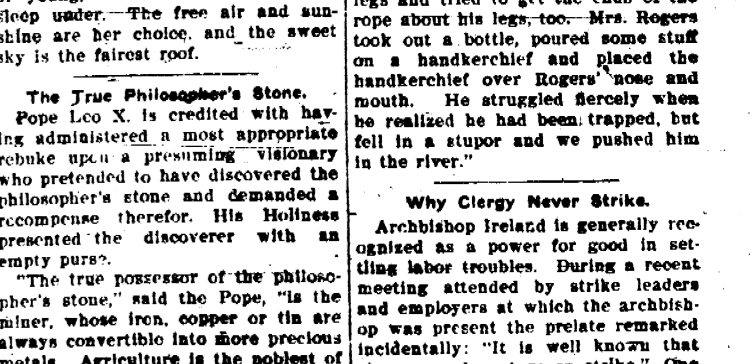
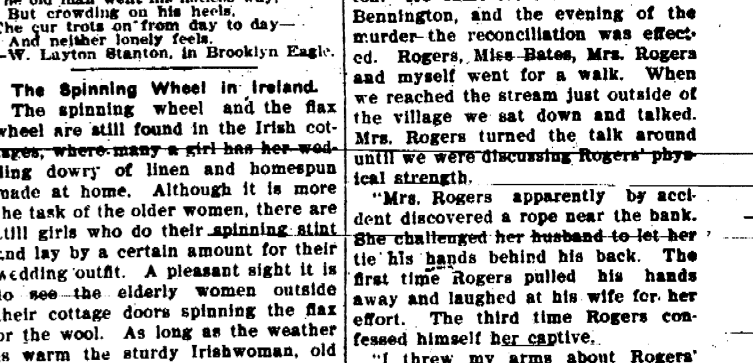
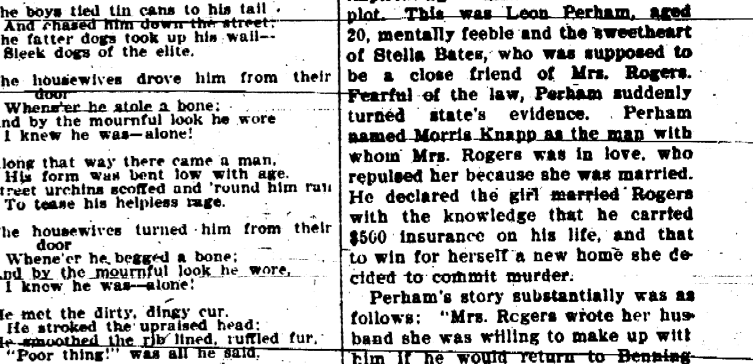
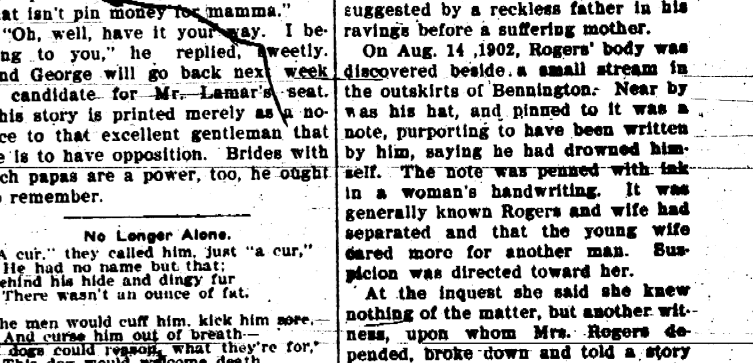
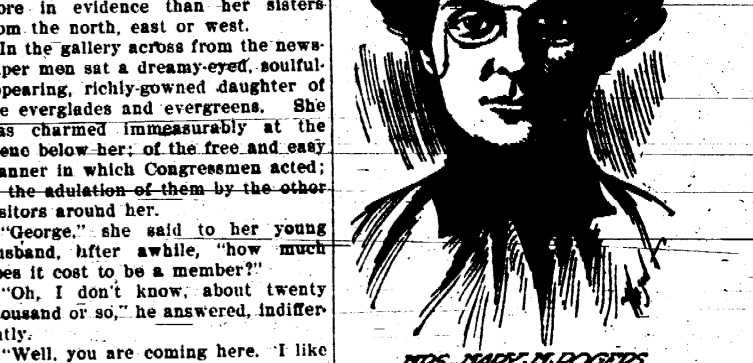
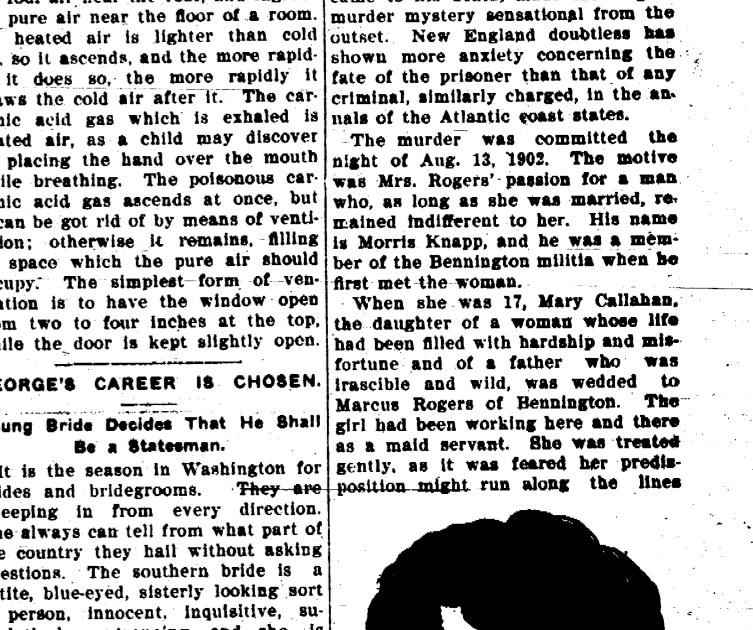
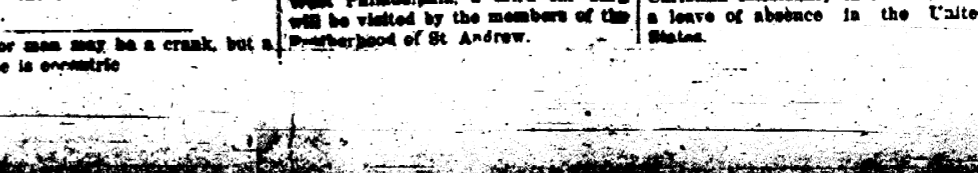
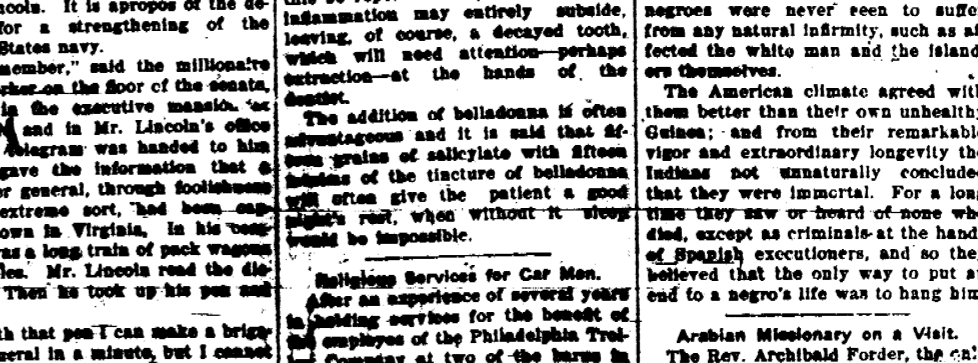
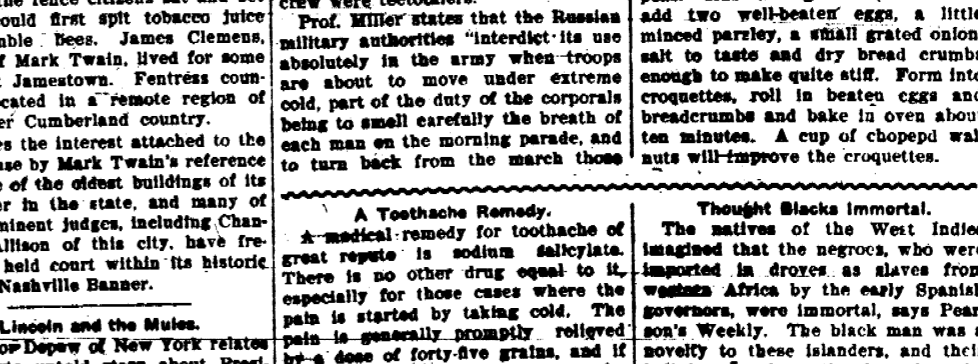
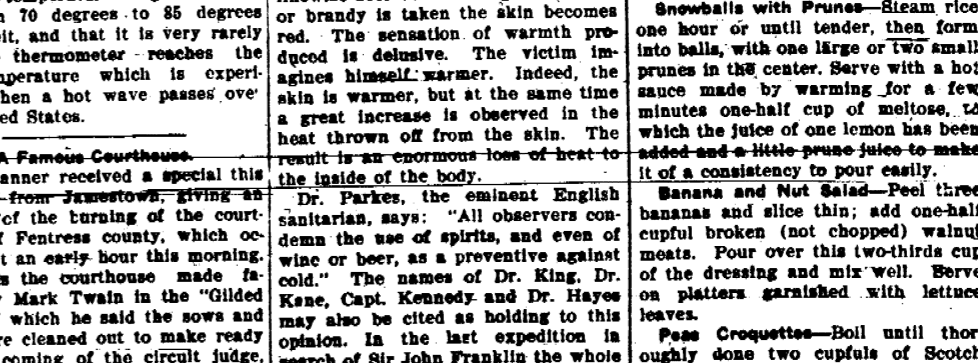
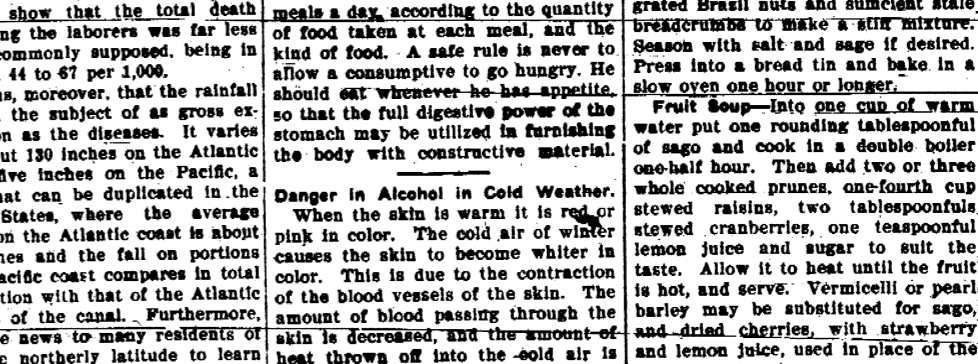
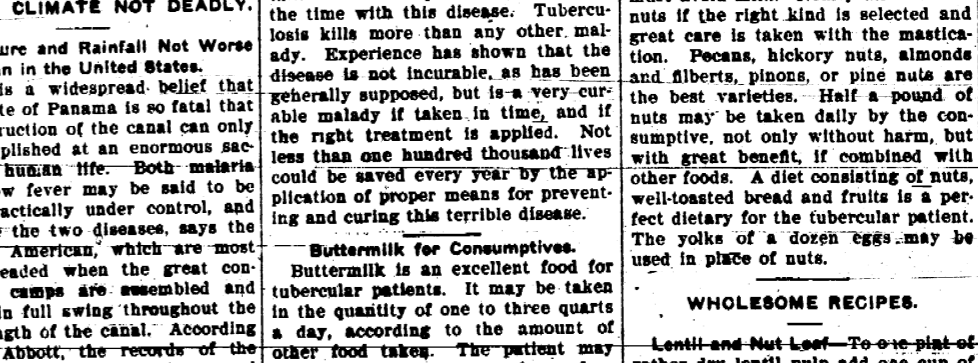
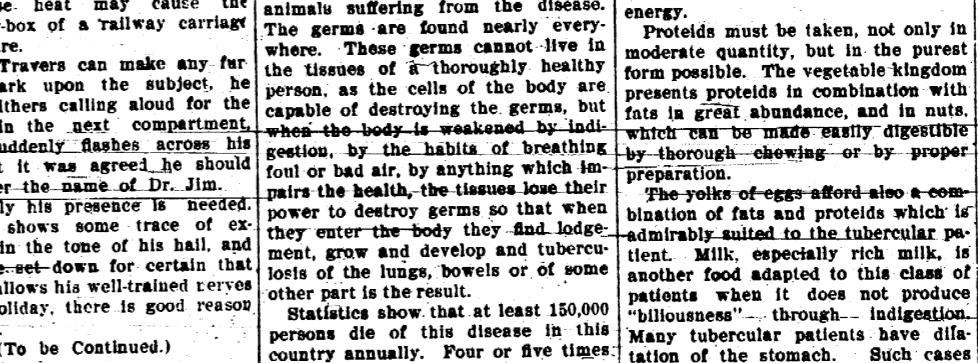
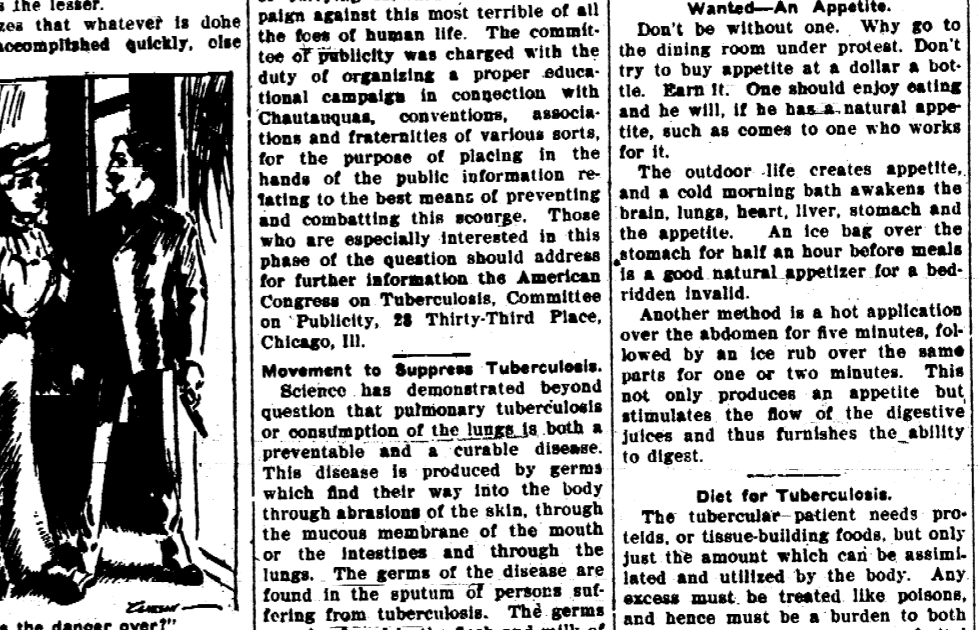
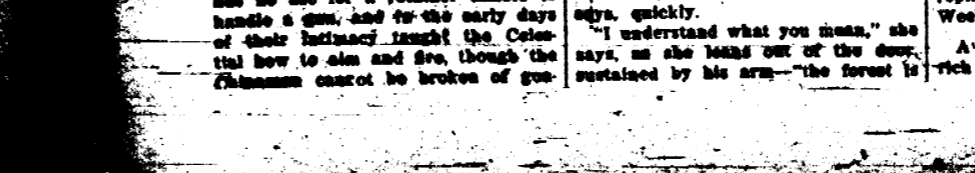
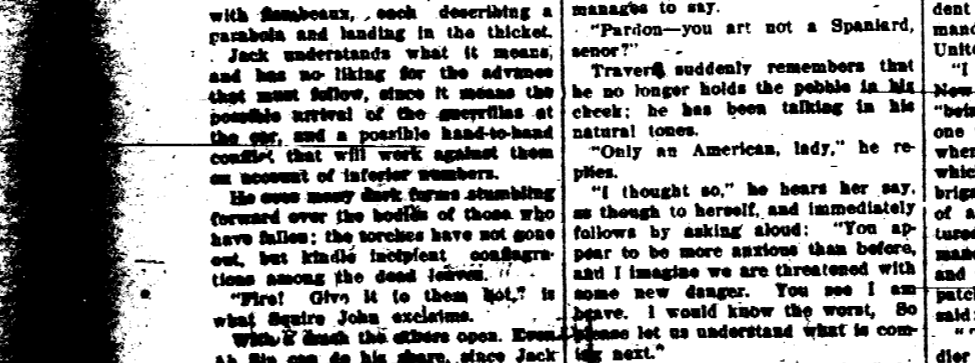
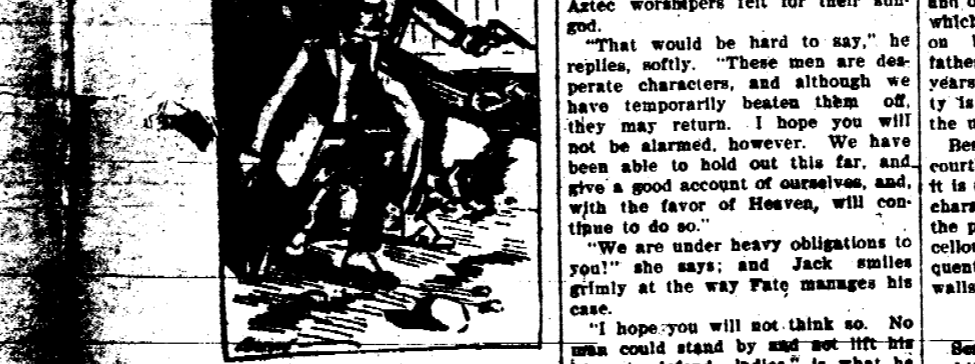
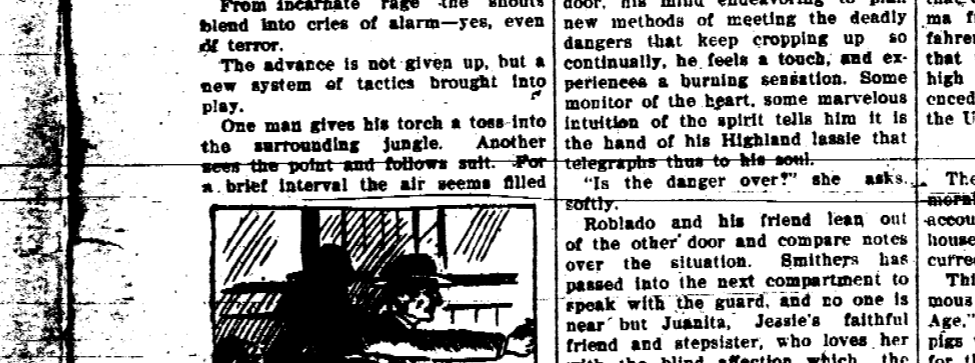
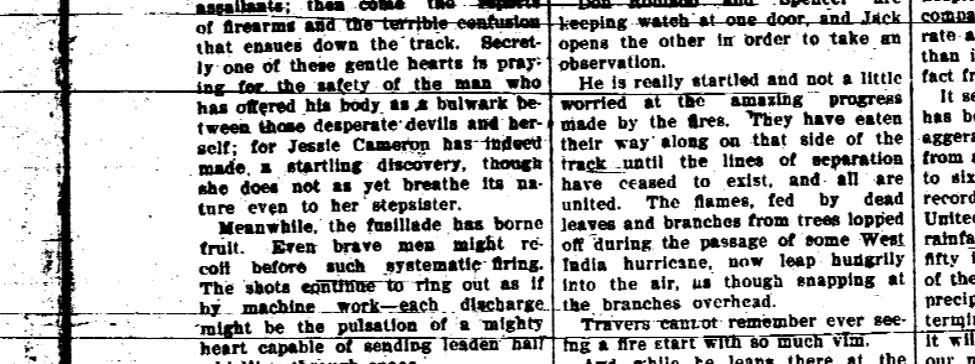
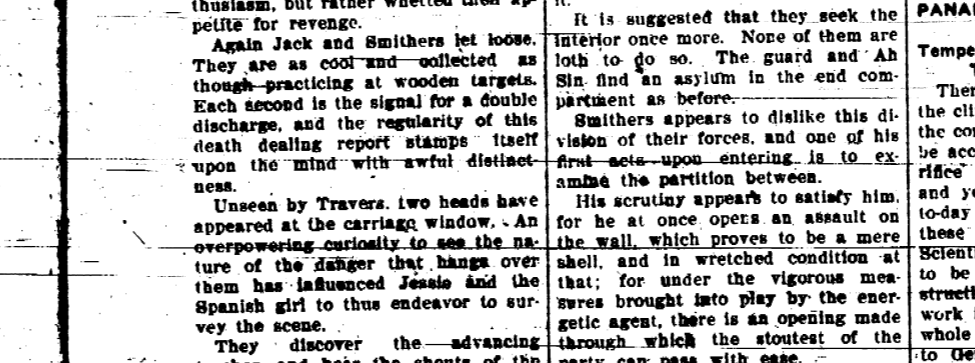
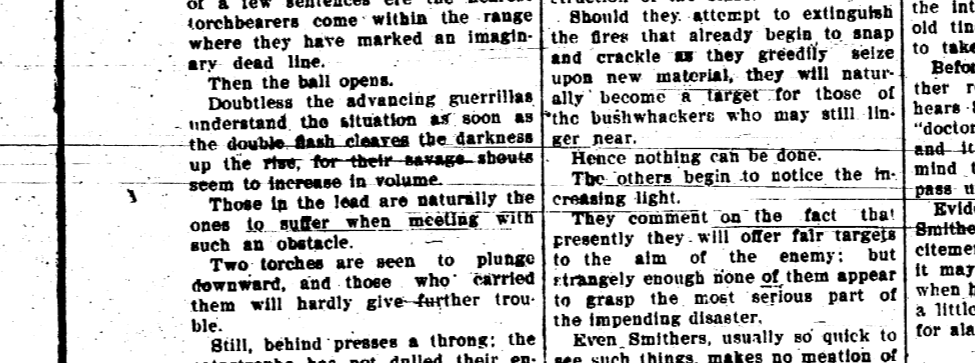
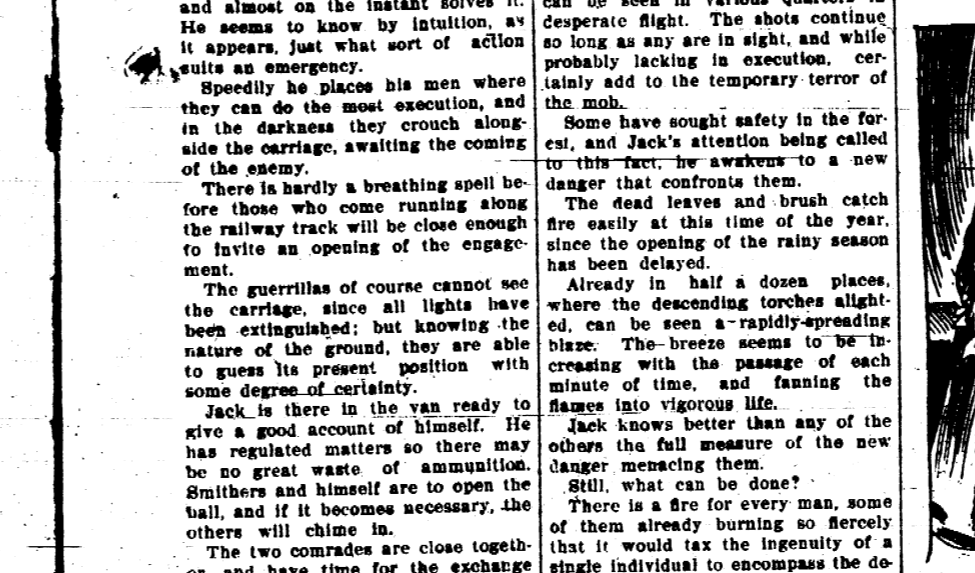
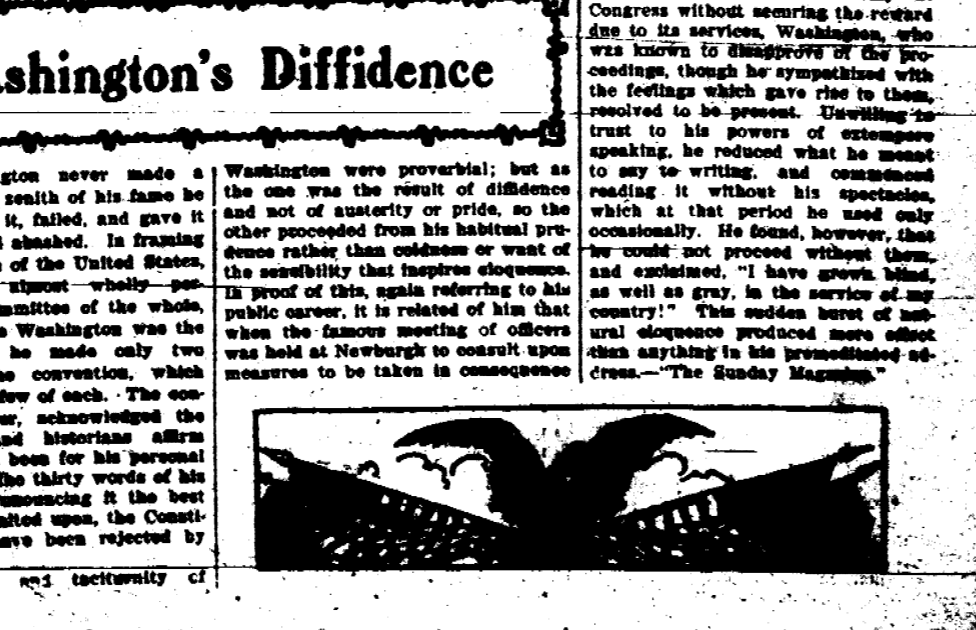
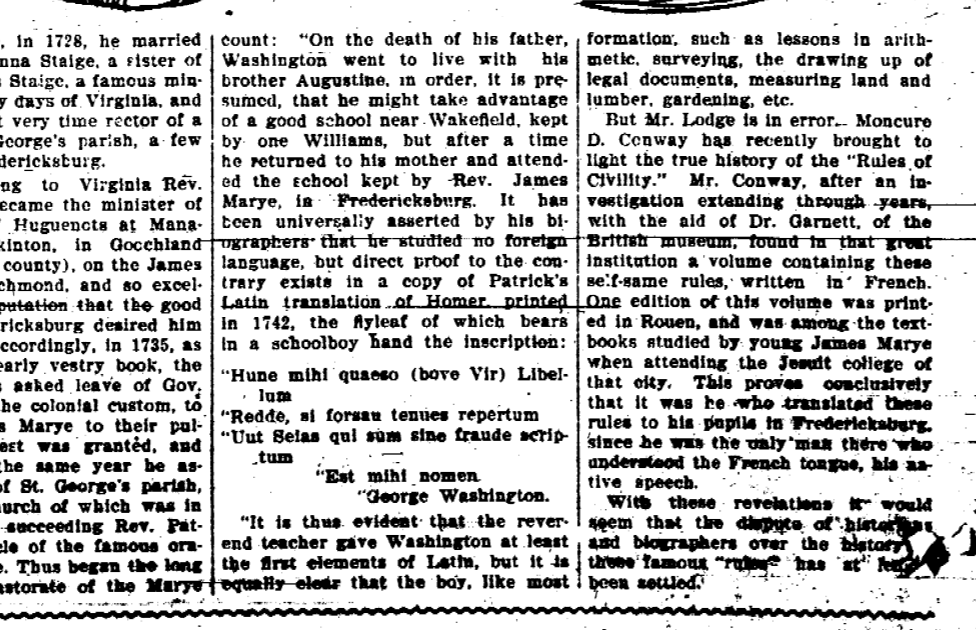
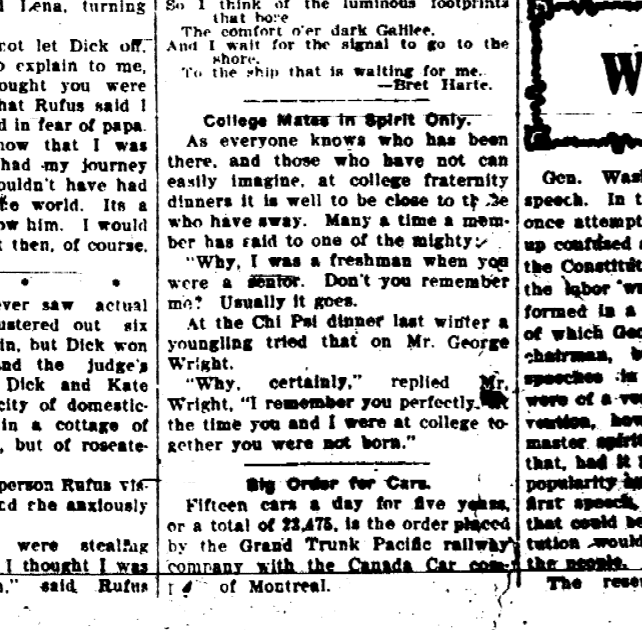
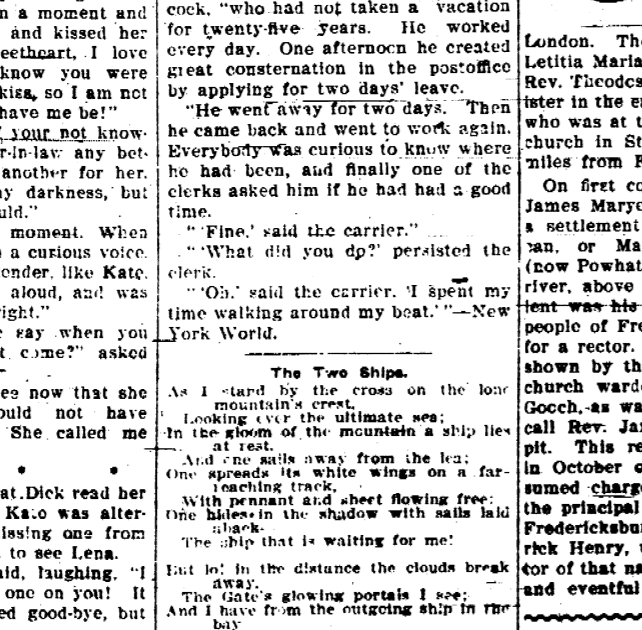
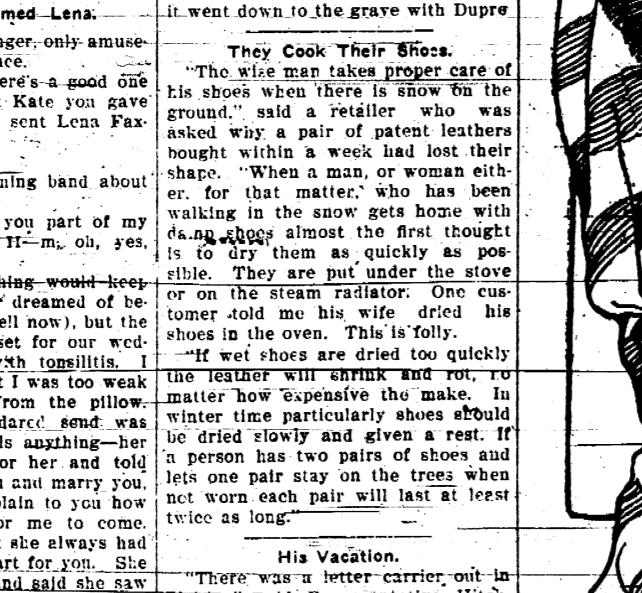
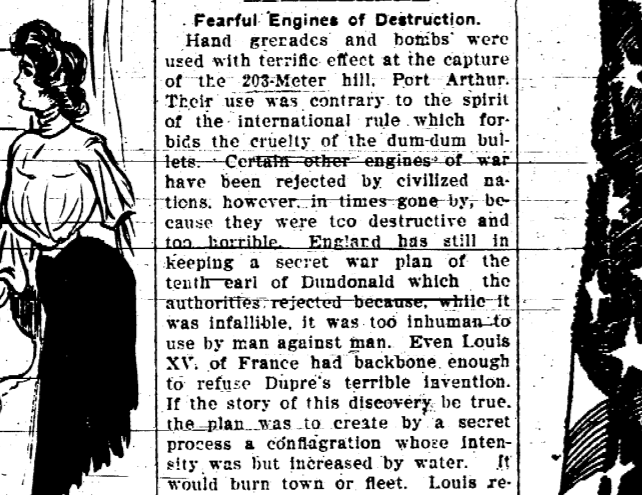
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THE CRAIGIE HOUSE CAMBRIDGE MASS.

Where Washington Spent His Forty-four Birthday.

This was the only birthday George Washington spent in Massachusetts, and the saddest and most anxious of his life. It was the darkest day of the dawn that every true patriot's glory upon his name.

GENERAL HENRY KNOX Patriot, and Friend of Washington.

The stress of revolutionary days developed strong characters, but never one more versatile and attractive than that of Henry Knox, who served as Washington's chief of artillery, the first secretary of war under the constitution, and the founder of the Society of the Cincinnati.

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Proof That Sword Was America's Foremost Man with the Inscription Familiar to Us All from Earliest Childhood.

The story that Frederick the Great sent George Washington a sword with the characteristic and epigrammatic inscription: "From the oldest conqueror to the greatest general in the world," has been familiar from our earliest childhood.

Never to see a nation born has been given to mortal man. Gazed silent when the great Virginia Mount Vernon was built.

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Extracts from Farewell Address of Washington

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It is substantially true that virtue or morality is a necessary spring of public and private actions.

All Men Paid Him Tribute

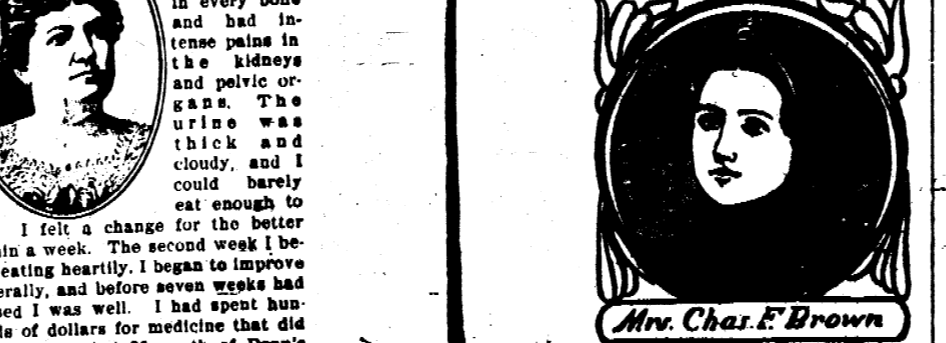
There is no qualification in the praise great men have given Washington, that is not true.

Washington at Princeton

Our greatest national hero is nearly always pictured for us in some pose of regular army or militia.

WOMEN WHO CHARM HEALTH IS THE FIRST ESSENTIAL

It helps Women to Win and Hold Men's Admiration, Respect and Love.



Woman's greatest gift is the power to inspire admiration, respect, and love. There is a beauty in health which is more attractive to men than any other quality.

It is a beautiful wife, to be desired by all men, and to be loved by all women. Health is the first essential.

THE FIRST ELECTION Party Feeling Unknown, with Washington the Unanimous Choice of the Country.

Only ten states voted at this first election. New York, although having ratified the constitution and thereby having the right to vote, lost this privilege through a bitter content between the two branches of her Legislature.

Washington's cabinet had in it Thomas Jefferson, Edmund Randolph, and Timothy Pickens as secretaries of state.

WAS CURED RAPIDLY

REHEMATED IN TWO SEVERE CASES MANAGED IN FEW WEEKS.

The remedy used by Mr. Westbrook and by Captain Lathrop, Great Dane, in a visit to his island.

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FOR THE KITCHEN

Delicious Dainties That Are Easy of Preparation.

Sanitary Dough Mixing. There is a strong demand for an improvement in the long prevailing method of kneading bread.

TO RENOVATE CARPETS

Carpet which has become dirty, faded, and worn, can be renovated and made as good as new.

Washing's Will

It was when he found himself poor to accept the charge of the Continental Army and to expose himself to the hardships of the winter of 1777.

SCIENTISTS UNANIMOUSLY AWARD PAIN TO THE LOUI.

Scientists are of the opinion that the slowest motion in existence is the slowest.

Another objection raised against the present manner of making bread is the use of the hands in the mixing of the dough.

STRENGTHENING THE NERVES.

Self-control or nerve force is the chief element in the success of the life of the individual.

THE TERROR OF ALL WOMEN.

Backache quickly cured by DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS.

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RAW ITCHING UZEMA

Itches on hands, ears, and ankles. For three years - instant relief and speedy cure.

WINTER CARE.

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DO YOU COUGH? KEMPS' BALSAM. The Condition of the Great Public is the Condition of the Small. We Do a Good Business. You Should Know. No other business in the world gives you equal credit on the amount you invest.

40,000 Plants for Sale. UNITED STATES IMPORTING CANADIAN WHOSE NEW FACTORY.

Mexico's Essential Charm

(Special Correspondence.)

The new wine of Mexican modernity is being freely poured into the old bottles, and with the usual result—the ancient receptacles. Here in the capital city of the republic the process is in fullest operation. On Dec. 1, when President Diaz was sworn in for his seventh term, the cornerstones of the splendid new legislative palace and of the superb new national theater were laid by the chief magistrate. This did not exactly mark the new era of public buildings here, for already the new general postoffice is nearing completion, a noble structure of white stone in the Italian plateresque style, and facing the square where the great theater is to stand. Near at hand the new office of the department of communications and public works will arise.

Still, one must hope that, in the rage for modern improvement, the government will not permit the destruction of the still remaining specimens of Spanish colonial architecture scattered throughout the city. Some of these edifices are very notable for their elaborate stone carvings, their niches and their quaint old-world balconies. I lived for some years in a very ancient house in Don Juan Manuel street, with balconies on which one could sit with a group of friends for afternoon talk, with stone cañon, harmless enough, projecting from the room, and with rooms so vast that one felt almost lost in them. An American friend suggested that a light carriage might be used in going from room to room!

On Refugio street are many modern buildings, one of which is a great German hardware store with a tower at the corner. It is always a busy street of traffic, with coaches and electric cars making their way through it almost every hour of the twenty-four. Newsboys haunt it, and the vendors of lottery tickets. Wonderfully quiet the newsboys, who are not permitted to cry the news, they having shown at one time a remarkable inventiveness in fabricating sensational cries. They may now only call out the names of the papers they sell. Always a ragged lot, but as bright as are everywhere else of their class and occupation. Refugio street runs down into Independence, part of which also passes through the grounds of the once existent Franciscan Convent.

For genuine pleasure give me the light and mettlesome, yet obedient, Mexican horse, far superior for any hard work on road or mountain trail to the heavy English or American horse, and of better temper. On country roads near the city the big automobiles make the rancheros' horses shy, and one meets with many a picturesque contrast. But rural Mexico is still unspoiled, and along the great white roads pass the horsemen as in the old days and long may things remain unchanged. "¡ah, no podada!"

Charm of Mexican Capital.

What is the essential charm of this ancient city, despite its putting on an unfamiliar newness? One finds it in the genial climate, the absence of snow and ice, the general courtesy and an impalpable something which makes life agreeable. Perhaps the fatalistic microbe in the Spanish and the Indian blood explains it; no one seems bitten by the demon of hurry; what is to happen will happen, and why heat one's brain over the future?

You find happy faces in the swarming tenement houses, in the little shops of this city of the "small commerce," and in the plazas and lovely little gardens with which the city abounds. A western friend who was here a few weeks ago said: "I should

sum up the City of Mexico as a city of gardens!" He was a widely traveled man, and found many points of comparison between this town and southern European cities, yet with the gleaming aboriginal addition. Defects? Yes. Plenty of them; yet so far the ruthless hand of the reformer has spared most things that make life pleasant in this tropical town. The trouble with many a reformer is that he has narrow sympathies; he is "bigged on an idea," and gives you, not say one, a rest!

People of the old-fashioned sort here complain that the American, and some other varieties of the genus foreigner, are spoiling the city. Hardly as yet. I can take you to find old mansions of the colonial days ten minutes, and less, away from the modern business town, so cosmopolitan and up to date in many respects—to mansions where, around charming dinner tables, one finds good company, all talking of matters apart from commerce, scientific speculation, fads and the like.

Cosmopolitan Society.

In one hospitable home, you shall find, at 1 o'clock, antiquarians, some genial old priests, with a taste for old things and old themes, and ladies who, with wealth, are not "in society," but live quite as their grandmothers did. Faithful old family servants wait on the company, and two hours spent over the table seem to pass in half an hour. You tear yourself away regretfully; you have lived in the 18th century, and portraits on the walls recall

Rustic Arbor.

pers and digestions. Sometimes an incautious guest from north of the Rio Grande, or a solemn British member of Parliament with a club card, violated the rule. A shout would go up: "None of that! Here we dine and are happy. Nothing serious!" So life may be lived even in Mexico; one may dine, and in good humor and good company. Too long have the dull and dreary, the borisome faddist, dominated in this world of ours. The question should be revived for a few years. Make a clean sweep, and see how the sun will shine all the brighter.

An Extra Risk.

Senator Clark, as all the world knows, is a large employer of labor. He is very democratic in his manner and is easily reached by his men, to whom he listens kindly. He was approached by one of his men recently, who asked him for a raise in salary. The senator remarked that he thought he was doing rather well and asked him if he had any good reason to offer. The man said he had recently been married.

Few Face Whipping Post.

An average of thirty-five prisoners annually are lashed at the whipping post in Delaware. In England last year, out of some 11,000 criminals who felt the law's severity, only nine were sentenced to be whipped.

Grandson of President a Soldier.

Franklin Pierce, a grandson of President Franklin Pierce, has been designated by President Roosevelt to take the examination for second lieutenant in the regular army.

May Keep His Caricatures.

Secretary of State Hay secures all the cartoons and caricatures in which he is depicted, both domestic and foreign. He has one large room in his home which is papered from ceiling to floor with cartoons. He is also making a portfolio of huge dimensions. He has the finest collection of Du Maurier cartoons in the world.

Irish Patriot May Return Home.

O'Donovan Rossa, the Irish patriot, is considering whether to leave this country and spend the rest of his days in Ireland. Edmund O'Neill, a wealthy resident of Kinross, has offered to give him outright a house where he and his wife can live their remaining days. He can return to the British islands in safety now, the sentence against him of twenty years' banishment having expired last year.

Sneak Thief at Princeton.

Faculty and students of Princeton university are worrying over robberies committed in the dormitories there of late. One of the largest was entered a few days ago by thieves, who carried off nearly \$1,000 in jewelry. The heaviest losers were H. L. Dillon, 1907, guard on the football team for the last two years, and K. R. McAlpin, 1905. The robbery was kept quiet to facilitate the work of detectives. No trace of the thieves has been found. Similar thefts have frequently taken place in the dormitories and the university authorities have forbidden the admission of strangers into the buildings unless with proper credentials.

Hasty Marriage Causes Divorce.

It is often pointed out that there would be fewer divorces if there were fewer hasty, careless and ill-considered marriages. That is true, but it is a poor truth which will not work two ways. If it were harder to get divorced there would be fewer of these ill-considered and idiotic marriages to begin with. If the people who get married with the idea in the backs of their heads that they will get divorced if they find marriage bores them—if these people are not made to understand that divorce is not to be granted for trivial causes or through caprice, marriages through caprice will soon diminish.—Atlanta Journal.

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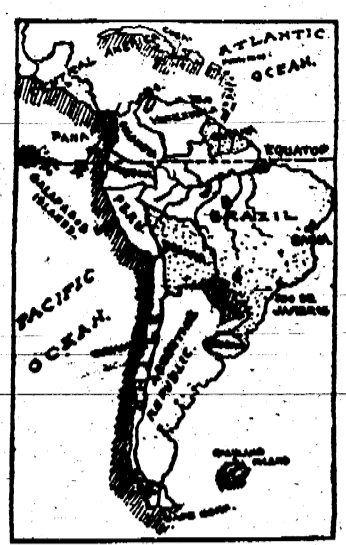
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THE GALAPAGOS ISLANDS, WHICH UNCLE SAM MAY ACQUIRE.



The Galapagos islands, which, it is hinted in diplomatic circles at Washington, will soon come under the domination of the United States, comprise a group in the Pacific, 600 miles from the coast of Ecuador, to which country they belong. There are eleven principal islands, the largest being Albemarle. The total area is 2,400 square miles, and the population 400. Turtles are numerous, forming the chief product. In fact, the name Galapagos is Spanish for tortoise, which animal, gigantic in size, is found in the archipelago. The star shows the location of the islands and the arrow that of the Panama canal, for protecting which the islands may form a naval base.

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LESSON VIII, FEB. 19.

GOLDEN TEXT.—A great multitude followed him, because they saw his miracles.—John 6:2.

1. A Sick Man at the Pool of Bethesda.—Vs. 1-5. "After these things" Two or three months after the healing of the nobleman's son. "A feast of the Jews." Probably the Passover, possibly Purim a month earlier. It is a matter of no importance in itself which feast it was, except that scholars have made it a basis for calculating the duration of the ministry of Jesus as reported by John. "Jesus went up" from Galilee to Jerusalem as was his custom, to attend the feast.

2. "By the sheep market." R. V. "gate." It makes no special difference which word is supplied, as the market was usually near a gate to the city. Sheep gate is mentioned in Neh. 3:32; 12:39. "A pool called Bethesda." "House of Mercy" or "Place of recovering and caring for the sick."—Thayer's Lexicon.

3. "Lay a great multitude of impotent folk." Literally, people without strength, especially as here, debility caused by sickness. The class of diseases brought to these waters is described as "blind, halt" (or lame, as from rheumatism), "withered," members of whose body were deprived of their natural juices, wasted, shrunk.

The Troubling of the Waters.—"Waiting for the moving of the water." "That there was a moving of the water is evident from the statement of the sick man in v. 5. But this part of v. 5 and the whole of v. 4, explaining the cause of the movement, is omitted from both the R. V. and the A. V., because they are not found in the best manuscripts, but are supposed to have been a marginal explanation, which in time became incorporated by some scribe into the text. But this does not necessarily imply that the explanation was untrue.

5. "Had an infirmity." The Greek has the same root as "impotent" in v. 3. "Thirty and eight years." How long he had waited in vain for the waters is not stated. But the duration of his sickness is given to show how hopeless was the case which every effort for thirty-eight years had failed to relieve, and hence the sympathy which selected this case, and the marvel of the cure as "enhancing the sign."

11. Jesus Heals the Sick Man on the Sabbath.—Vs. 6-9. "Jesus saw him lie." R. V., "lying." "As the trained eye of the surgeon quickly selects the worst case in the waiting room, so is the eye of Jesus speedily fixed on the one who 'had been now a long time in that case.' 'Hopelessness' was written on his face. 'Wilt (wouldst) thou (do you wish to be made whole?)" in perfect health.

The object of the question was to awaken hope in his soul, to arouse him from his despondency. "Not always are the miserable willing to be relieved." The saddest cases of paralysis are those where the will-power has almost been lost.

7. "I have no man, when the water is troubled." The bubbling of the healing gases lasted for only a short time, so that few could get under its influence before it ceased. "While I am coming," etc. "Thus picturing the extreme haste and rapidity with which the favorable opportunity was seized. There was a rush and scramble for the one chance, such as we have seen for choice seats in a car or a hall."—G. W. Clark.

He probably thought that Jesus would help him into the pool, but he did much better than the man's wild hopes, and—vs. 8)—"saith unto him, Rise, take up thy bed, and walk." The bed was a light mattress, or thick blanket. This command (1) awakened the dormant faith in the man. (2) it aided his will to move him into action. (3) it drew the man to a realizing sense of Jesus as the author of his cure. (4) it enabled him to recognize that the cure was permanent. "No doubt, many of the cures at the pool were merely temporary. The cures wrought by Christ are perfect, and do not only give some relief."—Exp. Greek Test.

9. "Took up his bed." Showing his faith and obedience. "And walked." Showing the completeness of the cure. Light on Present Day Problems. Sickness and trouble are instruments in God's providence for leading us to realize our sins and needs. They compel us to turn away for a time from the rush and excitement of worldly systems and pleasures, and in quietness look at our hearts and lives. "The suffering you see around you hurts God more than it hurts you or the man upon whom it falls. But he hates things that most men think little of, and will send any suffering upon them, rather than have them continue indifferent to them. Men may say, 'We don't want suffering; we don't want to be good!' But God says, 'I know my own obligations, and you shall not be contemptible wretches if there be any resources in the Godhead.' The God who strikes is the God whose Son wept over Jerusalem."—George MacDonald.

As to the healing of the sick, and the relief of the suffering bore witness to Jesus that he was the Savior, the Son of God, so one of the strongest witnesses to Christianity to-day is found in what it does for the poor.

Worry in Small Things.

I verily believe, said George Eliot, that in most cases it requires more of a martyr's spirit to endure, with patience and cheerfulness, daily crossings and interruptions of our petty desires and pursuits, and to rejoice in them if they can be made to conduce to God's glory and our own sanctification, than even to lay down our lives for the truth.

Don't get discouraged.

It is often the last key on the bunch that opens the lock.

the sick, the troubled. It is true religion to "visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction," provided those who do it "keep themselves unspotted from the world," from selfish motives, and personal sin. It is the business of every Christian, and of every church to bear such witness to Christ.

Waiting. Not a few are waiting for some singular stir of the emotions, some outward excitement, to carry them into the kingdom, instead of going directly to Jesus. They wait long, and keep on seeking for the moving of the waters, even while Jesus is close by offering life and salvation.

Jesus cures the morally sick as he did this man at Bethesda, not so much by what he does for them as by what he does in them. He awakens the will-power, saying, "take up thy bed and walk." Do the duty you would do if you were a Christian.

The real test of a man is his answer. Are you willing to be made whole? Are you willing to be fitted for the highest and purest life? Do you really desire to be saved from your sins, and to do the perfect will of God?

The Troubled Waters. Healing will come from the troubled pool of life. "In your vicinity is a pool of water. You are thirsty, you come to it and find it foul with a green scum on its surface, you do not drink. 'In a still pool devils swarm,' is a Russian proverb. Another pool is near. You come to it and look and find it clear as crystal, and find in it health, for it is flowing water that gives as well as receives."—C. H. Daniels, D. D.

Opposition to Christ.—Account of His Good Deeds.—Vs. 10-16. "It is the sabbath, not lawful for thee to carry thy bed." The general law is laid down in Ex. 23:12; Jer. 17:21, 22. The principle was that the ordinary business of carrying burdens should not be carried on during the Sabbath, but the Pharisees put on it an interpretation of details which no one could possibly obey, and left out the whole spirit of the Sabbath.

11, 13. The man defended himself by saying that so great and good a man as the one who healed him had told him to do it. But the man "wist" knew, "not who it was."

14. "Jesus findeth him in the temple," where one so cured would want to go. "Sin no more," implying that his suffering was the result, at least in part, of his sin. Jesus would make the man's cure the means to a higher spiritual life. For there is something worse than even thirty-eight years of suffering.

The fact that Jesus wrought his miracle and others (six in all) on the Sabbath aroused intense opposition on the part of the Pharisees, so that they sought even to kill him. This act was like a red flag to a wild bull. It was like a spark to the powder magazine of their antagonism and opposition. They feared that the sky would fall when Jesus brushed away the clouds that hid the stars. They thought the ceiling would fall when he brushed away the cobwebs. They had built their hopes like insects' nests on the scaffolding of the temple of Truth, and when Jesus tore down the scaffolding of tradition, their pride, their earthly positions, their power of place, were certain to go with it, and therefore they persecuted Jesus and opposed his work.

It is thus that every one who is very earnest in reform is sure to meet opposition. How Jesus Met This Opposition. The rest of the chapter is taken up with the way Jesus met the opposition, and is full of instruction for all who are trying to do good in the midst of opposition. His method is that of ignoring himself and his own reputation, and making the criticism a text for popular instruction, in 6:9-11 spiritual truths.

As to the Sabbath, he showed that he did on the Sabbath the same kind of work that God was doing, works of mercy of religion, of helpfulness. He and his Father were one. There is no record of his doing secular work on the Sabbath. (Va. 17:23.)

In healing the sick man, and in all his labors, he was bringing life to men, just as his Father was the life-giver. He was his Father's agent and almoner. His Father's interests and his were identical.

The greatest gift that can be conferred on any person is life; the next greatest is more life, larger, fuller, higher, more exquisite. The life of Jesus reveals to us the character and actions our Heavenly Father loves; and by doing things on earth as they are done in heaven we are learning, like apprentices, "to be practiced in heaven's ways when we finally reach the heavenly life." (Va. 24:30.)

But naturally the Jews would say: "These are extraordinary and apparently extravagant claims. They are incredible." Jesus replies that he had three credible witnesses to his mission. The testimony of John, and his mission. The testimony of the works which the Father did publicly through Jesus. The Father's testimony through the scriptures which were being fulfilled in Jesus.

Along Life's Way. If you have friends, don't be afraid to express your friendship. If you love anybody, why not say so? If you enjoy anyone's company, why not say so? A lady was asked how she managed to get along so well with disagreeable people. "It is very simple," she replied; "all I do is to try to make the most of their good qualities, and pay no attention to their disagreeable ones."

A man loses force as soon as he begins to worry over his feelings.

Nothing fails like a selfish success. Whatever is right—where God is. The more a man puffs the less freight he hauls. The nimble nickel does not make the lively church. The most ungodly religion is that which is all sound. The faith that removes mountains always carries a pick. The string that is not stretched gives forth no strains. God never mistakes polish of manner for purity of heart. The hypocrite's religion is the most repulsive of all his traits. That which is stolen by the tongue cannot be restored by taffy. Picking flaws in the church will not patch your own conscience. The most hopeless task is that of saving the world with a scowl. You may have a rubber conscience and still find it hard to erase your sins. The more heart a man puts into his money, the less happiness he gets out of it. If you have God's approval you can worry along without men's indorsement. Heaven will be a sad place for some folk; there will be nothing left to kick about. A man may be up to the latest wrinkle in style and still fall short of the glory of God. One trouble with most of our reforms is that we are more anxious to remove the things that offend our taste than we are to get rid of those that form another's temptations. It's a poor religion that is always talking about a bigger church and never thinks of a better city.—Chicago Tribune.

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