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## RANDOLPH-POPE UNIQUE WEDDING

### Celebrated Under the Magnolia, on Fairhope Beach. Witnessed by Large Audience.

REPORTED BY ASSOCIATE ED. COURIER

Last week was an exciting one for Fairhope. One of its chief events was a very dramatic, original and charming wedding. It took place under our magnificent old magnolia tree, which has for years been the theatre of varied functions, from the children's picnics to Fourth of July celebrations but never before has it been honored by a marriage ceremony. We refer to the marriage of our friend and neighbor, Miss Anna Dickinson Pope of Great Barrington, Mass., and Fairhope, and Mr. John Randolph of Tarrytown, New York, which took place on the afternoon of December thirty-first.

The bride was given in marriage by Mr. W. A. Foster, pastor of the Fairhope Christian Church, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. H. R. Walker, the Episcopal rector of Baldwin county.

The bridal gown of crepe-de-chine and baby Irish lace over ivory satin, was beautifully made in Fairhope, by the skilful hands of Mrs. Zepp and Mrs. McCoy. A formal church wedding with a procession of bridesmaids and pages and an Episcopal clergyman in full canonicals was something of an event in informal Fairhope and one that will be long remembered.

By a most unfortunate report that, owing to the inclemency of the morning the ceremony would take place in the new home, "The Anchorage", I wasnot present at the magnolia tree, but tho I dislike all such display and consider the marriage agreement of the Society of Friends the finest and most sensible in all the world, I was present at the dinner given on Sunday to a few friends at our beautiful Colonial Inn. The dinner was for eight but Mr. and Mrs. Ring were unable to be present. Besides Mr. and Mrs. Randolph, Mr. Foster, Mr. Edwin L. Robertson, of Mobile,—the architect of the new home, "The Anchorage,—Mrs. Comings and myself sat down to the bountiful dinner for which the Colonial is already famous. We sat longer at the table than usual and but that I was drawn out on my experiences in Mexico while a member of the Credit Foncier Colony and talked too much I fear, the conversation was very enjoyable. I could not forbear asking Mr. Randolph about his family, that is, making him talk of what I was most interested in. He spoke modestly, as became the man, a man of fine character, I am certain, and of simple and charming manners. One thing he said pleased me more than anything else, that he and his wifewould make their home in Fairhope.

In the evening was Miss Daphne Brown's coming-out dance at the Organic School hall and the bride and groom called on their way up, thus giving me an opportunity to see the bride in her bridal dress, which was a "dream". It would take too long to describe it hence I use the rather affected word "dream". The lines of the gown showed the skill of the modistes.

The music, which I was so unfortunate as to miss, is said to have been especially fine, thanks to the taste and skill of Mrs. Pilcher who had it in charge and Herr van der Meer. The latter was gracious enough to take his valuable violin down to the bay in order to play the accompaniments for the choir of children, who sang the wedding hyms charmingly, though they had had but two hasty rehearsals. Afterwards at the Colonial the chidlren repeated "Oh Perfect Love" for Mrs. Randolph; and Herr van der Meer played an impromptu program that deserved a larger but could hardly have had a more appreciative audience.

## RENT MEETING

### Annual Meeting of Colony Council With Lessees to Consider Rent Appraisement.

There was not the usual attendance on such occasions at the Colony Council's meeting with lessees to hear objection to its rent appraisement, which was held at Organic School hall, on the evening of Wednesday, Dec. 288. But the meeting proved by no means uninteresting.

The speakers criticisin, the appraisement were, Messrs. A. J. Wolf and G. C. Streeter. Mr. Wolf was the only one in fact to offer a specific objection, objecting in behalf of Mrs. Wolf to the advance of $1.50 on her lot on Fels Ave. bringing it up to $9.

He also however interposed his usual well-known objections to the Colony's policies in general.

Mr. Streeter's remarks were in the line of a general criticism, he presenting no specific objection to any item of the appraisement. The novel position was taken by Mr. Streeter that land held out of use should be taxed much higher than that put to use. Mr. Streeter was quite sarcastic in his criticjsms, but did not take at all good naturedly a little sarcasm in rejoinder.

Other speeches were made by Messrs. Gaston, Wood, Stimpson; Brown and Bellangee.

No motion regarding the rent appraisement was put before the meeting and the meeting adjourned, it having been previously stated by Vice President Brown, the presiding officer that no action would be taken by the Council at the meeting but that it would hear complaints and suggestions and give them further consideration at another meeting.

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## DELIGHTFUL DANCE CLOSES YEAR.

One of the pleasantest dances ever given in Fairhope, was that given by Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Brown and Miss Daphne Brown on New Years eve at the Organic School hall, The spacious hall was prettily decorated with holly, moss and mistletoe, the floor in good condition, excellent dance music furnished by "Julius" the favorite negro pianist, and the merry and congenial company of invited guests enjoyed the evening to the utmost. Delicious punch and cake were served in the west room throughout the evening. The bride and groom of the day, Mr. and Mrs. John Randolph, were among the guests and the recipients of many congratulations,

As the clock marked the death of the old year and advent of the new. the school bell was rung and Home Sweet Home closed the dance program.

Many were the hearty expressions of thanks to the hostesses for the delightful evening spent, as the company parted with best wishes all around for a happy New Year.

Among the out-of-town guests were Miss Annie Pearson, Messrs. Ross Dodson, Ted Robinson and Carleton Hess all of Mobile, and Mr. Ornaroff of Adairville, Ky.

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## KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The Knights of Pythias installed officers on Tuesday evening at which lunch consisting of sandwiches, cakes and coffee was served. The following officers were installed: J. M. Pilcher, Chanceljor Commander; N. Johnson Vice Chancellor Commander; A H. Mershon, prelate.

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Mrs. Sacriste has sold her property at San Antonio, Fla., and she and her daughter and son are expected in Fairhope soon to occupy the recently purchased property on Fels Ave.

## JOHN RANDOLPH ADDRESSES PROGRESSIVE LEAGUE.

By special invitation of the Progressive League, Mr. John Randolph addressed the League on Sunday afternoon on the care of trees. It is a subject to which Mr. Randolph has given much thought, having been connected for several years with the Davy Tree Expert Company. Not being prepared with any set speech, Mr. Randolph's remarks were principally in the form of replies to questions, which were freely asked by members of the League.

Mr. Randolph's replies disclosed great familiarity with the subject and made the meeting a very interesting and instructive one.

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## "A. N. CITIZEN" GETTING EXCITED ABOUT STREETS

Editor Courier:

Why don't the Town Council give us better streets?

With all the authority the Town Council has for bettering our streets, why don't we at least get an excuse for not doing so from them? Our streets are in a condition which is disgraceful to a town the size of Fairhope which pretends to take some pride in itself.

Now during and after a shower the street at the main corner of the town is in such a condition that one can scarcely cross it without getting in mud to the ankles.

Mr. Kile has written several articles on this question and several editorials have appeared in the Courier but nothing of importance has even been attempted. I understand several citizens signed a petition of Mr. Kile's for better roads and even offered to give something toward it. Why does not our Town Council take steps in this most important of matters?

We pride ourselves upon our town as being practically the only one deserving of the name, on the Eastern Shore and yet our streets are in a condition which would almost be a disgrace to any of them.

What must visitors—and every visitor is a possible locator—think of a town of this size with streets in the condition ours are in?

If the Council cannot go into any extensive improvement why does it not get the Marshal out with a shovel and hoe and fill the worst ruts in our main street at least? This would be a big improvement. And if they did nothing but grade the streets at the main corners, so it would be possible to cross without getting miserably muddy and wet they would be accomplishing something.

A lot has been said about this but almost nothing has been accomplished.

We need good streets, need them bad, let's at least make an attempt to do something.

Why not do something that will be worth while and charge it to the abutting property?

—A. N. CITIZEN.

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## WATCH PARTY AT W. E. SWEET HOME.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Sweet wound up an active social week for them, by a watch party on the last day of the week, month and year. Those present were, Messrs. and Mesdames, A. H. and C. L. Mershon, J. G. White, Gaston; Pilcher and Judge Foster. The time was made to pass quickly in a variety of ways until about midnight, when refreshments consisting of oyster soup, coffee and cake were served. Just as the party were seated at the tables, Judge Foster in a very neat little speech presented Mrs. Pilcher in behalf of the Choir of which most of those present were members, with a gold coin, in appreciation of her faithful services as accompanist. The company parted soon after midnight with best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year for the host and hostess and for each other.

## NOTES FROM EUCLID.

By Courier's Regular Correspondent

The Euclid school house is being removed to its last resting place under the supervision of Contractor Brann to a spot one-quarter of a mile south on Sec. 33.

For years the building has stood on land owned by N. J. Nielson in Sec. 28. The land had never been deeded to the county and to this fact is ascribed much of the discord that has prevailed among the people and the Board of Education, the latter claiming it had no jurisdiction because the land which had been donated for school purposes by Mr. Nielson, contained but one acre, while the law called for two acres. Efforts made by the local school board to purchase an additional acre and then deed it to the board of education were not received in the spirit intended and the subject was dropped.

In the interest of harmony, however a proposition to buy two acres of land from Mr. A. J. Gregson on Sec. 33 was made and adopted. The cash for the purchase was forth-coming, the contract for moving entered into and at this writing the building is enroute to its destination.

Once in place the house of learning will be surrounded with a wire fence; a new coat of paint inside and out will be added; the catalpas secured by former teacher Miss Brown, will be transplanted as wilj Major Jones' new flag pole; the children under the command of Miss Margaret Stelzenmuller wilj beautify the grounds with beds of flowers and the young idea will be given its first instruction in gardening. Then harmony will prevail in the district.

For some time a story has been in circulation in and around Fairhope over the contemplated doings of a certain man from Chicago over in the much advertised tobacco district east of us.

The story in a nutshell was that said man from the "Windy City" would at once build a big cane-sugar mill; that he had offered a guaranteed income of $100 per acre to all who would plant cane in a manner directed by him; that he would pay $7 a ton for all cane delivered at his mill, etc., etc.

Mr. E. Smith, the syrup king of the Eastern Shore, heard so much of the contemplated doings, that, when on his annual trip to the towns east of Fish River, endeavored to ascertain just how much truth there was in the rumors. To all his queries Mr. Smith received the same answer, "Never heard of it before." hence it must be concluded that an over-vivid imagination was responsible for the story.

Mrs. Elsa Landis is so much improved that Dr. Mershon has great hopes of her ultimate recovery.

Nine thousand gallons of lasses was made by Mr. E. Smith from cane grown on his place in Sec. 28. "Next year" he says, "I'll have thirty-five acres of cane." There has never been a failure in making good sugar cane, when the proper attention is given the cane in the growing season. Its the one crop that will surely make good and add dollars to any man's bank account who will plant it and treat it right.

There's a joke out on Charlie Schultz of River Park.

It seems that two members of his household who had been visiting a suburb of Fairhope, Mobile, notified Charlie that they would return home on a certain day and would meet him at the end of the burned pier.

Charlie was there when the boat arrived and so were the young ladies, but in the darkness neither party saw the other.

"Guess they concluded to stay over" quoth Charlie.

"Charlie must have been detained," the ladies said. "We'll have to hire a rig to take us home".. And that they did.

Charlie in the meantime was slowly wending his way to his fruit farm. When he had nearly reached his domicile he thought he heard a team approaching in the rear. He could not think of any one being away from his vicinity and held up his horses to satisfy his curiosity. The rig came up. Charlie didn't recognize it, but occupants recognized him and shouted in unison, "Why Charlie Schultz where did you come from?"

"Been to Fairhope to bring home my sisters," replied Charlie.

"We've been there too but failed to see you" said the new comers.

Then they went into secret session and decided that the reason for their non-meeting was because the captain of the Pleasure Bay declined to turn on the searchlight thro fear of accomodating Fairhope.

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A. M. Dealy acted as clerk of Colonial Inn during the absence of Mrs. McClintock and Mrs. Morgan at a house party at the Lossings on Dog River, Mobile County.

## SIXTEENTH ANNIVERSARY.

### Of Fairhope Celebrated by Pleasant Reception at Organic School.

The big hall of the Organic School building was thronged most of last Saturday afternoon by members and friends of the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation, attending the Corporation's reception celebrating its sixteenth anniversary of the founding of Fairhope.

Coffee, cocoa, and wafers were served throughout the afternoon by a bevy of pretty maidens of Fairhope.

The occasion seemed greatly enjoyed by all, though regret was expressed by many over the failure to have the usual annual banquet and speech-making.

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## SEATTLE LEARNS FROM VANCOUVER.

The Manufacturers Association of Seattle, appointed a committee on taxation and the same after visting Vancouver and other Canadian cities, said in a report.

"Inasmuch as radical changes in methods of taxation have been inaugurated in Canada, we desire to call your attention to what is being done by our neighbors and competitors across the British line. To anyone who investigates carefully and intelligenty, it is evident that Canadian communities, by changing antiquated methods of taxation are offering inducements that divert commerce from Seattle to Vancouver and draw draw farmers to Elberta, instead of eastern Washington. To satisfy ourselves we turned our attention to the Building Inspector's offices of these cities for the first seven months of 1909 and 1910 and the figures are certainly startling. In Spokane there was a decrease of sixteen per cent over last year, in Tacoma a decrease of twenty-four per cent, and in Seattle a decrease of twenty per cent while in Vancouver there was an increase of eighty-six per cent." In Vancouver buildings are not taxed. This encourages the building trades which in turn stimulate all lines of business and industry, thus attracting capital and population."

This committee seems to have investigated to some purpose.

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## A. J. WOLF WILL ADDRESS PROGRESSIVE LEAGUE

A. J. Wolf will address the Progressive League next Sunday upon the subject, "The Spirit of Christmas." Mr. Wolf regrets being a little late to speak upon this subject though it cannot indeed be other than an appropriate subject eat any date—but gave way on last Sun. to the League's desire to hear Mr. Randolph on tree culture and care during his short stay here. Mr. Wolf would like to have a good audience.

## COLD WAVE HITS BALDWIN

### Coldest in Years. Winter Gardens Discouraged. Satsuma Oranges not Believed to be Badly Injured.

Monday started out beautiful and warm as a spring morning, but before nine o'clock a "blue norther"—one with rain as well as wind—broke over us and the mercury in the thermomoter went tumbling. It didn't stop until it reached on Wednesday morning 14 degrees according to the Courier's "official thermometer" though the Mobile weather bureau only reported a minimum of 18, which was what was reported by several others here. During all of Wednesday the mercury remained below freezing in the shade and Thursday morning stood at 22 degrees at six o'clock.

This is very cold weather for this country. The mark of 14 is the coldest in many years.

It is not believed that serious damage has been done the Satsuma orange trees, though many of them were growing right up to the time of the freeze. It will be sometime before the extent of the damage can be accurately told.

Many water pipes were frozen about town and Mr. Paton was kept busy for a couple of days shutting off the water from premises and making repairs.

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## FROM BILOXI'S SOCIALIST ALDERMAN.

Writing and thanking the Courier for the mention of his election as a member of the town council of Biloxi, Sumner W. Rose adds:

"While my election is only remarkable because it indicates an advance in the cause I represent, and because I am the first to win on the Socialist ticket in Missisjppi, I hope that in the next four years such elections will become so common as to elicit but little comment.

"I do not know what a single man on the Biloxi City Council will be able to do for the cause, and I am inclined to smile at the possibilities of the case. Yet if opportunity offers, I hope to be found true to the interests of the common people in this little position to which they have called me.

"Am glad you have built up the Courier to its present size and importance. I remember your little paper and the job press of long ago, and know that you deserve much credit for your success won under many difficulties.

"Best regards to any and all friends that I have met in beautiful Fairhope."

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## WHOLESALE SUFFRAGE DEBAUCHERY

A deplorable story of political debauchery comes from West Union, O., where over 1000 persons including at least two ministers, have been indicted for either buying the votes of others or selling their own. It is claimed that in one school district, including a town, not one citizen remains unindicted. "It was the usual thing" was the excuse of almost all. It would be interesting to make a study of the causes which led to this deplorable condition. One cause must have been some with special privileges in view to tempt them to corrupt others. Another cause was disclosed by one woman who, pleading guilty to selling the vote of her son, said she "had to work for her living, and could not resist the temptation to take the money."

To "work for one's living" is the natural and honest way to make a living, but so many escape it by some form of special privilege that others have to work entirely too hard, and both are injured and led into crime.

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Circumstances and lawyers alter cases.

Anyway, the unwritten law seems to have a lot written about it.

We are a good deal happier because of a lot of things we don't know.

Without the shedding of blood there seems to be no way of conquering the air.

Brag about a girl to her female friends if you would discover her faults.

The Seine seems to have acquired the Ohio river habit in getting over banks.

If you can't get what you want why don't you quit wanting it? It is merely a state of mind.

When the doctor tells a man to diet, the patient proceeds to refuse all the things he dislikes.

A regular feature of the Monday morning papers is the list of dead and injured among Sunday autoists.

Laura Jean Libbey, who advocates the kissless courtship, is pushing the most unpopular propaganda on record.

It is alleged as proof of a New York man's insanity that he was no good at bridge whist. This is very Gothamesque.

Our idea of a strong minded woman is one who insists that she would rather have her clothes comfortable than fashionable.

A new card game popular in England is called "Dabbit." It should be explained that many Englishmen have chronic colds.

A boy committed suicide because he was compelled to give up school. It is not feared that there will be many cases of this sort.

Don't blame the faithful hen for rots, spots, leaks or specks. Her part of the work was all right. The storage companies did the rest.

A scientist who recently tried to hypnotize a dog was bitten by the animal. He should have begun by making the dog believe it had no teeth.

Doctor Wiley advises against cold-storage turkey. That is very well, but he should first break that handsome bird of indulging in the cold-storage habit.

An English peer is to marry an East Indian princess. This precedent once established, may introduce dangerous competition in the matrimonial title market for American heiresses.

A Chicago woman refuses to pay for photographs which she recently had taken, because she thinks they make her look too old. The photographer should hasten to get a new retoucher.

A tree trimmer who had to look up all the time in his work has gone insane. That ought to be a warning to those enthusiastic persons who spend most of their time on the aviation field.

With a string of aviators touring the country like a circus, possibly it won't be long before we see the sky fenced off with canvas and young hopefuls climbing in under the clouds to see the show.

A man says that he is going to start a paper in New York that will be free from the faults of the other journals there. It ought not to be hard to start one, but keeping it going is apt to be uphill work.

People ought to clean house oftener. Now here's a New York man had an old trunk kicking about the house for five years before he opened it and found that somebody had carelessly left a dead person in it.

English lords who object to the use of American dollars in the British campaign will have the full sympathy of French counts and German barons, who think American dollars should be devoted to the securing of personal pleasure only.

News from different portions of the Aleutian region indicates that there have been great volcanic activity and earthquake shocks in that quarter. The disturbances continued for four days. This information affords fresh evidence that the scientists are correct in regarding the neighborhood of Alaska as a center of remarkable seismic activity.

A big mackerel jumped aboard a schooner in Massachusetts waters and provided a good breakfast for the crew. The rivalry of the Ananias Club has apparently not hurt the vitality of the familiar fish-story tellers

The suggestion is made that a good way to conserve the forests would be to use cement and steel to build with instead of lumber. This might conserve the forests, but it would not conserve either the iron ore and coal supplies or the builders' bank accounts.

## In Black and White

AN EXQUISITE hat for high occasions is developed in black and white. The shape, of rich white felt, is faced with black velvet, perfectly fitted to the broad brim, with its graceful curves and flowing lines. Such hats are covered in factories devoted to making hats of a high class, and the velvet is steamed and stretched to the underbrim, turning up around the edge in a tiny cordlike finish.

Most hats of this character are very simply trimmed. A big spray of feathers, a curious novelty in gold, or a long curling ostrich plume are most often chosen. Big black hats with gold in a striking ornament and gold roses on the bandeau, resting against the hair, or such ornaments in tarnished brass effects, make superb millinery.

In the model shown delicate gauze roses surround the crown and cover the bandeau. Heron aigrettes are used here, but, as these are likely to fall into disuse on account of the crusade against them, and a growing public sentiment adverse to their use, it is best to make another selection. The feathers of the goura or crown pigeon are equally effective, and may be worn, with a clear conscience, or a comparatively clear conscience at least.

The wearing of heron, by the way, is prohibited by law in several states, and in July of next year it is said a law will go into universal effect prohibiting the buying, selling or wearing of these feathers. As they are very expensive, it is best not to invest in them. There are so many pretty feathers to choose from that cannot disturb the conscience or call down criticism, it would seem no hardship for a woman of taste to make another choice.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

## ATTRACTIVE TAFFETA WAIST

This very attractive waist is of old blue taffeta with sleeves cut in one piece with the body of the waist.

Sleeves and waist are tucked and trimmed with bands and straps of black taffeta, and with buttons and silk embroidery matching the blue silk.

### Reversible Cloak.

A useful and attractive garment, that can be made at home by any woman used to simple tailoring, is the reversible cloak, made semifitting, with kimono sleeves, and usually of broadcloth lined with soft satin. The broadcloth side is of some dark color or black, with plain light or white revers of satin; and it is used for afternoon wear. The satin side is in some light evening shade, with satin revers in a slightly darker color, and makes a charming wrap for the theater, etc. It is not nearly so hard to make as it sounds, and is extremely economical, being really two garments in one.

### Stripes in Millinery.

New modes of using stripes—black and white and blue and white—in smart millinery are being devised as the season advances. The striped material is generally satin, and it may have as the outer covering of a hat or as a facing over a border for a white brim. A fetching new model is a toque made entirely of black and white striped satin and trimmed with a little rose colored velvet ribbon. Numerous bows and other forms of decorations for hats are also shown in which a striped effect is produced by the use of alternate rows of black and white soutache.

## FLESHY WOMAN FINDS FAULT

**Has Not a Good Word to Say for Frocks or Millinery of This Season.**

It is interesting to note the animation with which women, or rather some women, attack the present styles. It is invariably the woman of flesh who is the most emphatic in disapproval. Not a good word is to be said by her for frocks or millinery of this season.

Hats are imprudently absurd, skirts immodestly cut, jackets trivial, and even the efforts of great dressmakers dubbed futile and unconvincing, as she tells it. It is a season, according to the woman whose hips refuse to remove themselves, of grotesque absurdities. The hysterical note is struck. So why argue?

Whether we argue or not, certain things must be acknowledged. The present fashions in some directions have reached such perfection that to condemn them is ridiculous, to ignore them impossible. So let us forget the fact that our too comfortable contours refuse brazenly to confine themselves within the slim limits of the present silhouette and see if we cannot judge of the fashions of the day with an unbiased eye, if not with entirely untrammeled hips.

In spite of criticism and caricature they may alone be called epoch making. Line and drapery have clothed themselves in such artistic grace; color and fabric have attained such perfection of combination and weave that they take their places with famous fashions of other days.

They are in a great measure revivals, yet revivals so skillfully adapted to our needs and environment that they are accepted with enthusiasm by the intelligent few. The lover of color and line rejoices in their existence, the beauty-loving eye revels in their softly woven and luxurious fabrics.

The great dressmakers have gathered from the Greeks and Romans, from Egyptians and Orientals, from the Alexandrian and first empire periods fashions, fabrics, and colors which, when combined and crystallized, place the styles of this season uniquely apart.

### Beavers This Year.

More fashionable than the long nap or furry beaver is the one that has shorter fur and is smooth and shiny. These are called silk beavers and very beautiful indeed they are. Sometimes the under part of the brim is of velvet, usually black, and the top part is another color, or may be black, as one prefers. This top part, however, is of this lustrous silk beaver, and the crown is usually composed of the same material.

These hats make charming picture hats, and are exquisite when trimmed with sweeping plumes.

## IMPROVE TEXAS SOIL

### Method for Bringing Orchard Into Better Fertility.

**Sowing Burr Clover Is Excellent Plan—Wornout Lands Can Best Be Restored by Planting Cowpeas and Turning Under.**

(By H. H. HARRINGTON, Texas Experiment Station.)

One of the best methods for bringing an orchard into better fertility is to sow burr clover in the early fall. This clover will grow and soon cover the ground during the winter and early spring. The burr clover will ripen its seed during the early part of the month of May, and should be then turned under and the land kept in clean cultivation until the next fall, when the clover seed left in the ground will germinate and give you another covering for the entire winter and early spring. The burr clover seed will not germinate during the summer, no matter how favorable the conditions may appear. It does not grow before cool weather of the fall, and it is not necessary in the spring to wait until the clover is all dead before plowing it under, only be sure that a goodly part of its pods have ripened sufficiently to reseed the land.

As a general thing, the Keiffer pear does not need much fertility. The same is true of the LeConte, since if well fertilized and well cultivated, their growth is liable to become strong and mature for fruit, and at the same time become much more liable to the blight. Apples should be pruned and fertilized with burr clover, as in the case of the peach.

One of the best crops that can be raised for forage is peanuts, as this crop comprises both grain and roughage of superior quality. Not even alfalfa is equal to good, clean peanuts, such as can be raised on sandy land, nor does this crop need any fertilizer, since frequently upon rich land they make more tops and less fruit, nor do they in any way impoverish the soil, but rather add to its fertility. Sorghum and Kaffir corn, and such crops, are very severe on the land, and the value of the crops upon poor land is decidedly less than the damage they do to it.

Fertilizers can be obtained in nearly all small towns from the local cotton seed oil company, and a great many merchants deal in fertilizers for the accommodation of their customers. Worn out sandy land can best be restored by planting it to cowpeas and turning them under, as soon as they have reached their full size and commence flowering, for green manure. By waiting longer to turn them under, there is a loss in the fertilizing value of the peavines, inasmuch as the materials of plant food become concentrated in the ripening of the peas. In improving poor land, crops of various kinds ought to be alternated with crops of cowpeas, which will soon vitally change both the chemical and physical condition of the land, forming humus, and thus making a stiff soil more loose, and a loose soil more compact. The humus formed will be a retainer of nitrogenous fertilizers which in less sandy soil are readily lost by leaching.

To begin with, it will be necessary to use commercial fertilizer on poor land, but this can be dispensed with, at least to some extent, as crops of cowpeas are returned to the land. Applications of 400 to 500 pounds of cottonseed meal, with about half that quantity of acid phosphate mixed with it, generally give fair results. If corn is planted, the cottonseed meal should not be applied until the corn is knee high, as otherwise it is likely that the meal will give rise to too large stalks and too small ears, because the cottonseed meal becomes early available and is after that readily lost by leaching rains.

### Pure Bred Best.

If the farmer is so situated that he can do better to produce beef than butter or cheese, then let him use the same care in selecting a pure-bred male of one of the beef producing breeds to head his herd and with all possible patience and skill seek to develop the characteristics that go to make the best beef animal.

### Winter Rations for Sheep.

Winter rations, for mutton sheep should consist of fine, well-cured hay, about four pounds of ensilage or roots, with a grain ration approximating the following: Two parts each of wheat bran, oats, corn, one part of oilmeal divided into two feeds a day.

### Feed for Hogs.

Where no grain is fed to growing hogs, bermuda grass is better than alfalfa, because it is more nearly a balanced ration, and there is not the excess of nitrogenous materials as is the case when alfalfa is pastured.

### Pessimist.

"Here's an editorial in the paper on married calm," remarked Mrs. Woppington.

"How long is it?" asked Mr. Woppington.

"Oh, it's very short."

"I thought it would be short," said Mr. Woppington, grimly.

### Decidedly Not.

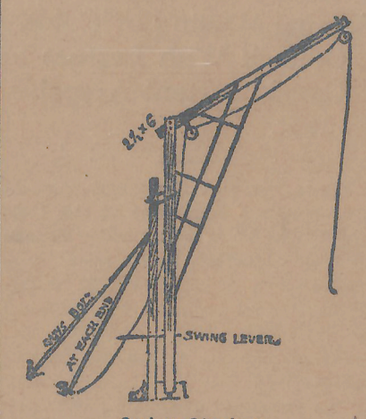
"Does this train stop at Willow Grove?"

"No, boss," replied the porter; "it don't even hesitate."

## BUILD HAY SWING STACKER

**Directions for Erecting Very Handy Machine to Be Operated by Three Men and Horse.**

To construct the stacker shown in the illustration take two large timbers 10 feet long. Set one of them in the ground and make solid with guys. The other is fixed on a block 18x36x8 in. Fasten the pulley and rope at top. Tie rope at middle pulley, put through pulley at top of pole in ground, then through a pulley on ground. Pull the load up with a good horse. Three men and a horse are needed for operating the stacker. The materials required are: 1 piece of 2x6 13 feet long for crane; 2 large timbers 16 feet long; 2 timbers of medium size 10




Swing Stacker.

feet long for guys; 1 pole, 15 feet long, faced on one side, for brace; 1 pole 10 feet long, faced on one side; and a 10-foot ladder. No. 9 wire can be used for collar.

## HAULING THINGS ABOUT FARM

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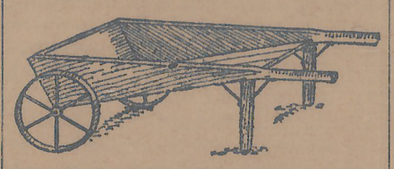
One of the handiest implements I have on the farm is a home-made barrow, says a writer in Farm and



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### When Chickens Thrive.

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## General Farm Notes

A pinch of salt and ashes will keep a horse from having colic.

Use carbolic acid as a disinfectant around troughs and sleeping quarters.

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Remove the milk promptly from the stable to a clean, dry room, where the air is pure and sweet.

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Do not forget that your laying hens are, or at least should be, growing every day and are constantly in need of more room.

In feeding aged steers quality and type are not so essential as in feeding calves, provided the purchased price is proportionate.

To have chickens or any other kind of young poultry grow well they must be fed all they will eat—and induced to eat more and more.

Some farmers allow their chickens to roost in the trees at all seasons of the year and then wonder why the hens don't lay more eggs.

The most thrifty pigs are those that are turned out to root in the pasture as soon as they are old enough.

Always cremate or bury deep the carcasses of all fowls that die from whatever cause, and especially if they die of a contagious disease.

Have plenty of windows in the dairy barn if you would keep the cows in good condition and reduce the number of bacteria that get into the milk.

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### SYNOPSIS.

At the expense of a soiled hat Herbert Orme saves from arrest a girl in a black touring car who has caused a traffic jam on State street. He buys a new hat and is given a five dollar bill with: "Remember person you pay this to," written on it. A second time he helps the girl in the black car and learns that in Tom and Bessie Wallingham they have mutual friends, but gets no further hint of her identity. In his rooms at the Pere Marquette he telephones Bessie Wallingham and agrees to golf at Arradale on the morrow. He discovers another inscription on the marked bill, which, in a futile attempt to decipher, he copies and places the copy in a drawer.

### CHAPTER II.

#### Senor Poritol.

When Orme answered the knock at the door a singular young man stood at the threshold. He was short, wiry, and very dark. His nose was long and complacently tilted at the end. His eyes were small and very black. His mouth was a wide, uncertain slit. In his hand he carried a light cane and a silk hat of the flat-brimmed French type. And he wore a gray sack suit, pressed and creased with painful exactness.

"Come in, Senor Poritol," said Orme, motioning toward a chair.

The little man entered, with short, rapid steps. He drew from his pocket a clean pocket handkerchief, which he unfolded and spread out on the surface of the table. Upon the handkerchief he carefully placed his hat and then, after an ineffectual effort to make it stand against the table edge, laid his cane on the floor.

Not until all this ceremony had been completed did he appear to notice Orme. But now he turned, widening his face into a smile and extending his hand, which Orme took rather dubiously—it was supple and moist.

"Oh, this is Mr. Orme, is it not?"

"Yes," said Orme, freeing himself from the unpleasant handshake.

"Mr. Robert Orme?"

"Yes, that is my name. What can I do for you?"

For a moment Senor Poritol appeared to hover like a timid bird; then he seated himself on the edge of a chair, only the tips of his toes touching the floor. His eyes danced brightly.

"To begin with, Mr. Orme," he said, "I am charmed to meet you—very charmed." He rolled his "r's" after a fashion that need not be reproduced. "And in the second place," he continued, "while actually I am a foreigner in your dear country, I regard myself as in spirit one of your natives. I came here when a boy, and was educated at your great University of Princeton."

"You are a Portuguese—I infer from your name," said Orme.

"Oh, dear, no! Oh, no, no, no!" exclaimed Senor Poritol, tapping the floor nervously with his toes. "My country he freed himself from the Portuguese yoke many and many a year ago. I am a South American, Mr. Orme—one of the poor relations of your great country." Again the widened smile. Then he suddenly became grave, and leaned forward, his hands on his knees. "But this is not the business of our meeting, Mr. Orme."

"No?" inquired Orme.

"No, my dear sir. I have come to ask of you about the five-dollar bill which you received in the hat shop this afternoon." He peered anxiously. "You still have it? You have not spent it?"

"A marked bill, was it not?"

"Yes, yes. Where is it, my dear sir, where is it?"

"Written across the face of it were the words, 'Remember person you pay this to.'"

"Oh, yes, yes."

"And on the back of it—"

"On the back of it!" gasped the little man.

"Was a curious cryptogram."

"Do not torture me!" exclaimed Senor Poritol. "Have you got it?" His fingers worked nervously.

"Yes," said Orme slowly, "I still have it."

Senor Poritol hastily took a fresh five-dollar bill from his pocket. "See," he said, jumping to the floor, "here is another just as good a bill. I give this to you in return for the bill which was paid to you this afternoon." He thrust the new bill toward Orme, and waved his other hand rhetorically. "That, and that alone, is my business with you, dear sir."

Orme's hand went to his pocket. The visitor watched the motion eagerly, and a grimace of disappointment contracted his features when the hand came forth, holding a cigar case.

"Have one," Orme urged.

In his anxiety the little man almost danced. "But, sir," he broke forth, "I am in desperate hurry. I must meet a friend. I must catch a train."

"One moment," interrupted Orme. "I can't very well give up that bill until I know a little better what it means. You will have to show me that you are entitled to it—and"—he smiled—"meantime you'd better smoke."

Senor Poritol sighed. "I can assure you of my honesty of purpose, sir," he said. "I cannot tell you about it. I have not the time. Also, it is not my secret. This bill, sir, is just as good as the other one."

"Very likely," said Orme dryly. He was wondering whether this was some new counterfeiting dodge. How easily most persons could be induced to make the transfer!

A counterfeiter, however, would hardly work by so picturesque and noticeable a method, unless he were carefully disguised—hardly even then. Was Senor Poritol disguised? Orme looked at him more closely. No, he could see where the roots of the coarse black hair joined the scalp. And there was not the least evidence of make-up on the face. Nevertheless, Orme did not feel warranted in giving up the marked bill without a definite explanation. The little man was a comic figure, but his bizarre exterior might conceal a dangerous plot. He might be a thief, an anarchist, anything.

"Please, my dear sir, please do not add to my already very great anxiety," pleaded the visitor.

Orme spoke more decisively. "You are a stranger, Senor Poritol. I don't know what all this mystery conceals, but I can't give out that bill unless I know more about it—and I won't," he added, as he saw Senor Poritol open his mouth for further pleading.

"Very well," sighed the little man. He hesitated for an instant, then added: "I do not blame you for insisting and I suppose I must say to you everything that you demand. No, I do not smoke the cigar, please. But if you do not object—" He produced a square of cigarette paper and some tobacco from a silver-mounted pouch, and deftly rolled a cigarette with one hand, accepting a match from Orme with the other. Closing his eyes, he inhaled the smoke deeply, breathing it out through his nostrils.

"Well—" he hesitated, his eyes roving about the room as if in search of something—"Well, I will explain to you why I want the bill."

Orme lighted a fresh cigar and settled himself to hear the story. Senor Poritol drew a second handkerchief from his pocket and mopped his damp brow.

"You must know, my very dear sir," he began, "that I come from a country which is very rich in the resources of nature. In the unsettled interior are very great mineral deposits which are little known, and since the day when the great Vega made the first exploration there has been the belief that the Urinaba mountains hide a great wealth in gold. Many men for three hundred years have risked their most precious lives to go look for it. But they have not found it. No, my dear sir, they have not found it until—But have patience, and you shall hear everything.

"A few days ago a countryman of mine sent word that he was about to die. He asked that I, his early friend, should come to him immediately and receive news of utmost importance. He was lying sick in the hotel of a small city in Wisconsin. He was a tobacco agent and he had been attacked by death while he was on a business trip.

"Filled with the heartbroken hope to see him once more before he died, I went even as I was, to a train and made all haste to his bedside."

"What was his name?" asked Orme.

"Lopez," replied Senor Poritol promptly; and Orme knew that the answer might as well have been Smith. But the little man returned quickly to his story.

"My friend had no strength left. He was, oh, so weak that I wept to see him. But he sent the doctor and the priest out of the room, and then—and then he whispered in my ear a secret. He had discovered rich gold in the Urinaba country. He had been trying to earn money to go back and dig up the gold. But, alas! now he was dying, and he wished to give the secret to me, his old friend.

"Tears streamed on my cheek." Senor Poritol's eyes filled, seemingly at the remembrance. "But I took out my fountain pen to write down the directions he wished to give. See—this was the pen." He produced a gold-mounted tube from his waistcoat.

"I searched my pockets for a piece of paper. None could I discover. There was no time to be lost, for my friend was growing weaker, oh, very fast. In desperation I took a five-dollar bill, and wrote upon it the directions he gave me for finding the gold. Even as I finished it, dear Lopez breathed his last breath."

Orme puffed at his cigar. "So the bill carries directions for finding a rich deposit in the Urinaba mountains?"

"Yes, my dear sir. But you would not rob me of it. You could not understand the directions."

"Oh, no." Orme laughed. "I have no interest in South American gold mines."

"Then accept this fresh bill," implored Senor Poritol, "and give me back the one I yearn for."

Orme hesitated. "A moment more," he said. "Tell me, how did you lose possession of the marked bill?"

The South American writhed in his chair and leaned forward eagerly. "That is the most distressing part of all," he exclaimed. "I had left Chicago at a time when my presence in this great city was very important indeed. Nothing but the call from a dying friend would have induced me to go away. My whole future in this country depended upon my returning in time to complete certain business.

"So, after dear Lopez was dead, I rushed to the local railroad station. A train was coming in. I searched my pocket for my money to buy my ticket. All I could find was the five-dollar bill!

"It was necessary to return to Chicago; yet I could not lose the bill. A happy thought struck me. I wrote upon the face of it the words you have seen, and paid it to the ticket agent. I called his attention to the writing and implored him to save the bill if he could until I returned, and if not, to be sure to remember the person he gave it to."

Orme laughed.

"It does seem funny," said Senor Poritol, rolling another cigarette, "but you cannot imagine my most frantic desperation. I returned to Chicago and transacted my business. Then I hastened back to the Wisconsin city. Woe is me! The ticket agent had paid the bill to a Chicago citizen. I secured the name of this man and finally found him at his office on La Salle street. Alas! he, too, had spent the bill, but I tracked it from person to person, until now, my dear sir, I have found it? So—" he paused and looked eloquently at Orme.

"Do you know a man named Evans?" Orme asked.

Senor Poritol looked at him in bewilderment.

"S. R. Evans," insisted Orme.

"Why, no, dear sir—I think not. But what has that to do—?"

Orme pushed a sheet of paper across the table. "Oblige me, Senor Poritol.

Senor Poritol was apparently reluctant. However, under the compulsion of Orme's eye, he finally took out his fountain pen and wrote the name in flowing script. He then pushed the paper back toward Orme, with an inquiring look.

"No, that isn't what I mean," exclaimed Orme. "Print it. Print it in capital letters."

Senor Poritol slowly printed out the name.

Orme took the paper, laying it before him. He then produced the coveted bill from his pocketbook. Senor Poritol uttered a little cry of delight and stretched forth an eager hand, but Orme, who was busily comparing the letters on the paper with the letters on the bill, waved him back.

After a few moments Orme looked up. "Senor Poritol," he said, "why didn't you write the secret on a timetable, or on your ticket, before you gave the bill to the agent?"

Senor Poritol was flustered. "Why," he said uncertainly, "I did not think of that. How can we explain the mistakes we make in moments of great nervousness?"

"True," said Orme. "But one more point. You did not yourself write your friend's secret on the bill. The letters which you have just printed are differently made."

Senor Poritol said nothing. He was breathing hard.

"On the other hand," continued Orme, turning the bill over and eyeing the inscription on its face, "your mistake in first writing the name instead of printing it shows me that you did write the words on the face of the bill." He returned the bill to his pocketbook. "I can't give you the bill," he said. "Your story doesn't hold together."

With a queer little scream the South American bounded from his chair and flung himself at Orme. He struck no blow, but clawed desperately at Orme's pocket. The struggle lasted only for a moment. Orme, seizing the little man by the collar, dragged him, wriggling, to the door.

"Now get out," said Orme. "If I find you hanging around I'll have you locked up."

Senor Poritol whispered: "It is my secret. Why should I tell you the truth about it? You have no right to know."

Orme retained his hold. "I don't like your looks, my friend," he said. "There may have been reason why you should lie to me, but you will have to make things clear." He considered. After all, he must make allowance; so he said: "Come back tomorrow with evidence that you are entitled to the bill, and you shall have it." He released Senor Poritol.

The little man had recovered his composure. He went back to the table and took up his hat and cane, refolding the handkerchief and slipping it into his pocket. Once more he was the Latin fop. He approached Orme, and his manner was deprecatory.

"My most abject apologies for attacking you, sir. I was beside myself. But if you will only permit me I will bring up my friend, who is waiting below. He will, as you say, vouch for me."

"Who is he?"

"A very, very distinguished man."

Orme pondered. The adventure was opening up, and he felt inclined to see it through. Bring him," he said shortly.

When Senor Poritol had disappeared Orme telephoned to the clerk. "Send me up a porter," he ordered, "and have him stand just outside my door, with orders to enter if he hears any disturbance." He waited at the door till the porter appeared, then told him to remain in a certain place until he was needed, or until the visitors left.

Senor Poritol remained downstairs for several minutes. Evidently he was explaining the situation to his friend. But after a time Orme heard the clang of the elevator door, and in response to the knock that quickly followed, he opened his own door. At the side of his former visitor stood a dapper foreigner. He wore a long frock coat and carried a glossy hat, and his eyes were framed by large gold spectacles.

"This is the Senor Alcatrante," explained Senor Poritol.

The newcomer bowed with suave dignity.

"Senor Alcatrante? The name is familiar," said Orme, smiling.

Poritol assumed an air. "He is the minister from my country to these United States."

Orme understood. This was the wary South American diplomat whose name had lately been so prominent in the Washington dispatches. What was he doing in Chicago?

"I am glad to meet you," said Orme.

Alcatrante smiled, displaying a prominent row of uneven teeth.

"My young friend, Poritol," he began, "tells me that you have in your possession the record of a secret belonging to me. What that secret is, is immaterial to you and me, I take it. He is an honorable young man—excitable, perhaps, but well-meaning. I would suggest that you give him the five-dollar bill he desires, accepting from him another in exchange. Or, if you still doubt him, permit me to offer you a bill from my own pocket." He drew out a fat wallet.

The situation appeared to be simplified. And yet Orme was dubious. There was mischief in the bill; so much he felt sure of. Alcatrante's reputation was that of a fox, and as for Poritol, he was, to say the least, a person of uncertain qualities. Orme could not but admire the subtle manner in which Alcatrante sought delicately to limit his doubts to the mere possibility that Poritol was trying to pass spurious money. He decided not to settle the question at this moment.

"This seems to be rather a mixed up affair, Senor Alcatrante," he said. "There is much more in it than appears. Call on me tomorrow morning and you shall have my decision."

Alcatrante and Poritol looked at each other. The minister spoke:

"Will you engage not to give the bill to anyone else in the interval?"

"I will promise that," said Orme. "It is only fair. Yes, I will keep the bill until tomorrow morning."

"One other suggestion," continued Alcatrante. "You may not be willing to give up the bill, but is there any reason why you should refuse to let Senor Poritol copy the writing that is on it?"

"Only my determination to think the whole matter over before I do anything at all," Orme replied.

"But the bill came into your hands by chance," insisted the minister. "The information means nothing to you, though obviously it means a great deal to my young friend, here. May I ask what right you have to deny this request?"

"What right," Orme's eyes narrowed. "My right is that I have the bill and the information, and I intend to understand the situation better before I give the information to anyone else."

"But you recognized Senor Poritol's handwriting on the bill," exclaimed the minister.

"On the face of it, yes. He did not write the abbreviations on the back."

"Abbreviations!" exclaimed Poritol.

"Please let the matter rest till morning," said Orme stubbornly. "I have told you just what I would do."

Poritol opened his mouth to speak, but Alcatrante silenced him with a frown. "Your word is sufficient, Mr. Orme," he said. "We will call tomorrow morning. Is ten o'clock too early?"

"Not at all," said Orme. "Doubtless I shall be able to satisfy you. I merely wish to think it over."

With a formal bow, Alcatrante turned to the door and departed, Poritol following.

Orme strolled back to his window and stood idly watching the lights of the vessels on the lake. But his mind was not on the unfolded view before him. He was puzzling over this mystery in which he had so suddenly become a factor. Unquestionably the five-dollar bill held the key to some serious problem.

Surely Alcatrante had not come merely as the friend of Poritol, for the difference in the station of the two South Americans was marked. Poritol was a cheap character—useful, no doubt, in certain kinds of work, but vulgar and unconvincing

Alcatrante, on the other hand, was a name to make statesmen knit their brows. A smooth trouble-maker, he had set Europe by the ears in the matter of unsettled South American loans, dexterously appealing to the much-overworked Monroe doctrine

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every time his country was threatened by a French or German or British blockade. But his mind was of no small caliber. He could hold his own not only at his own game of international chess, but in the cultured discussion of polite topics. Orme knew of him as a clever after-dinner speaker, a man who could, when he so desired, please greatly by his personal charm.

No, Alcatrante was no friend of Poritol's; nor was it likely that, as protector of the interests of his countrymen, he would go so far as to accompany them on their errands unless much was at stake. Perhaps Poritol was Alcatrante's tool and had bungled some important commission. It occurred to Orme that the secret of the bill might be connected with the negotiation of a big business concession in Alcatrante's country. "S. R. Evans" might be trying to get control of rubber forests or mines—in the Urinaba mountains, perhaps, after all.

In any event, he felt positive that the secret of the bill did not rightfully belong to Poritol. If the bill had been in his possession, he should have been able to copy the abbreviated message. Indeed, the lies that he told were all against the notion of placing any confidence in him. The two South Americans were altogether too eager.

Orme decided to go for a walk. He could think better in the open air. He took up his hat and cane and descended the elevator.

In the office the clerk stopped him. "A man called to see you a few minutes ago, Mr. Orme. When I told him that you were engaged with two visitors he went away."

"Did he leave his name?" asked Orme.

"No, sir. He was a Japanese."

Orme nodded and went on out to the street. What could a Japanese want of him?

### CHAPTER III.

#### The Shadows.

Orme walked north along the Lake Shore drive. As best he could, he pieced together the curious adventures of the day. The mystery of the five-dollar bill and the extreme anxiety of Poritol seemed to be complicated by the appearance of the Japanese at the Pere Marquette. Orme sought the simplest explanation. He knew that mysterious happenings frequently become clear when one definitely tries to fit them into the natural routine of every-day life. The Japanese, he mused, was probably some valet out of a job. But how could he have learned Orme's name. Possibly he had not known it; the clerk might have given it to him. The incident hardly seemed worth second thought, but he found himself persistently turning to one surmise after another concerning the Japanese. For Orme was convinced that he stood on the edge of a significant situation.

Suddenly he took notice of a figure a short distance ahead of him. This man—apparently very short and stocky—was also going northward, but he was moving along in an erratic manner. At one moment he would hurry his steps, at the next he would almost stop. Evidently he was regulating his pace with a purpose.

Orme let his eyes travel still farther ahead. He observed two men actively conversing. From time to time their discussion became so animated that they halted for a moment and faced each other, gesticulating rapidly. Every time they halted, the single figure nearer to Orme slowed down his own pace.

The oblivious couple came under a street lamp and again turned toward each other. Their profiles were distinct. Orme had already suspected their identity, for both had high hats and carried canes, and one of them was in a sack suit, while the other wore a frock coat. And now the profiles verified the surmise. There was no mistaking the long, tip-tilted nose of the shorter man and the glinting spectacles of the other. The two were Poritol and Alcatrante.

But who was the man trailing them? A friendly guard? Or a menacing enemy? Orme decided to shadow the shadow.

At a corner not far from the entrance to Lincoln park Poritol and Alcatrante became so apparently excited that they stood, chattering volubly for several minutes. The shadow stopped altogether. He folded his arms and looked out over the lake like any casual wanderer, but now and then he turned his head toward the others. He seemed to be indifferent to what they were saying, though he was near enough to them to catch fragments of their conversation, if he so desired. The South Americans were probably talking in that dialect of Portuguese which their nation has developed.

Meantime Orme also stopped, taking up a position like that of the shadow. He saw Poritol, with outstretched, questioning hands, his eyes fixed on the face of Alcatrante, who seemed to be delivering his orders. The flashing reflections of light from the minister's spectacles indicated his authoritative nods of the head.

After a time Alcatrante evidently completed his instructions. He removed his hat and bowed formally. Little Poritol echoed the salute and, turning, shot off down a side street with ridiculously rapid movements of his short legs.

When the South Americans separated, the shadow quickly came to life. He hesitated for an instant, as if in doubt which of the two to follow, then decided in favor of Alcatrante, who was moving in leisurely fashion toward the park entrance, his head bowed in thought. Orme found himself wondering what snaky plots were winding through that dark mind.

The procession of three silently entered the park. The shadow was about a hundred feet behind Alcatrante. Orme kept the same distance between himself and the shadow.

The minister was in no hurry. Indifferent to his surroundings he made his way, with no apparent interest in the paths he took. At last he turned into a dark stretch and for the moment was lost to sight in the night.

Suddenly the shadow darted forward. Orme hurried his own pace, and in a moment he heard the sounds of a short, sharp struggle—a scuffling of feet in the gravel, a heavy fall. There was no outcry.

Orme broke into a run. At a point where the path was darkest he checked himself for an instant. A little distance ahead a man lay flat on the ground, and bending over him was a short, stocky figure

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

# Fairhope Courier

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The Baldwin Times published the ordinance passed by the Bay Minette Town Council fixing the licenses to be charged for the year of 1911. The list is quite a formidable one, comprising 48 items and ranging usually from $5 to $15.

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"I certainly wish to renew my subscription to the Courier. We looked upon Fairhope as one of our homes and always received the Courier with more than a passing pleasure." So writes Mary Dana Hicks Prang, widow of Louis Prang.

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Th erecent articles on Fairhope by Miss Pope—now Mrs. Randolph—and Mrs. Alice Herring Christopher, have entailed a lot of extra work upon the secretary in giving the further information desired by scores of readers of the articles.

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The editor of this paper takes pleasure in recommending the law firm of Foster and Foster, Summerdale, to those in need of legal advice or desiring abstracts of land titles or other legal services. Long personal acquaintance warrants us in saying that prompt, honorable and efficient service may be depended upon by those applying to them.

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The publication of communications of correspondents, it will be understood carries no responsibility of this paper for their utterances. The correspondent signing himself "A. N. Citizen" in this issue, is rather more excited than the circumstances warrant, in our opinion, but we are glad of the evidence of his interest in the important subject and thus give his communication space in our columns.

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Secretary Gaston thought to be relieved of the writing of the usual annual Colony history, because of the substitution of a simple reception on New Year's day for the customary banquet and program. So many, however, have expressed the feeling that the history should at least be given for the benefit of distant friends and for a comparison with other years, that he has it in preparation and it will be given in the next issue of the Courier.

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## New Labor Journal.

We have received the initial number of life and Labor, a monthly magazine published by the National Women's Trade Union League, at Chicago. Much space is given in the first issue to the Garment Worker's strike in Chicago. It is a very neatly printed and illustrated publication with a mission to help in the movement for bettering the condition of working humanity.

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## Good for Com'r Dennett.

Commissioner Dennett of the General Land office in his annual report to the secretary of the interior, cites the need of development of Alaskan cold fields but says: "To throw this resource open so that the coal deposits ultimately would pass into the hands of the monopolies and trusts would be to render the conditions worse than they are at present. Congress, therefore, should carefully guard the enactment of legislation and see to it that the requisite control is retained in the United States, so that a combination for the purposes of unjustly advancing prices can be checked through government supervision."

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## Man a Land Animal.

As a man is neither a fish nor a bird but only a land animal it is from the land that he must produce his subsistence. All of the things that he produces, (brings forth) we call wealth. He brings them forth from the storehouse—the earth, air sea. In political science everything, outside of man himself, upon which he puts forth effort to produce wealth is termed land. The effort to bring forth wealth is called labor.

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## Mrs. Herring-Christopher's Letter Appreciated.

Alice Herring Christopher's article about Fairhope in the Boston Globe has been the means of arousing a great deal of interest in Fairhope and has caused the receipt of many inquiries by the secretary. Mrs. Christopher writes that she also has received many inquiries and that one prominent Boston Single Taxer was so pleased with it that he ordered a thousand copies of it printed for distribution.

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## The Cost of Living.

When you talk of the high cost of living did you ever stop to think that today it takes less energy and less labor time to produce a given result or a given article that at any other period of human history?

This is the real test of the "cost" of an article. Take the industries of this country. Twenty years ago a single sawyer with a Hanson shingle machine could make from forty to forty-five thousand shingles in a day, and as wages received $2.50 a day with board. But at present, a sawyer with the same machine which has been slightly improved by sawyers and filers (working men) a sawyer will make sixty to sixty-five or seventy thousand shingles a day and gets as wages $2.50 per day with board or $3.00 without board. Yet today his $2.50 will buy less shingles or less of anything else than his $2.30 would have purchased 20 years ago.

Eureka. Cal., Labor News.

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## News of Arden.

Number two of Arden Leaves is at hand. In it is published the assessment of land rentals for the year ending March 25, 1911. This list gives first the leaseholders' name, then location, of the land in square feet, rate per 1000 sq. ft. and rent. One unfamilar with the locations, is of course, unable to tell the character of the holdings. The lowest rate per 1000 ft. given is 35 cents and the highest 70 cents.

In a statement given with the assesment, it is stated that a leaseholder may terminate his lease by giving sixty days notice prior to January 25th; that rentals are payable in advance on March 25th but leaseholders temporarily unable to pay may pay one-half with a six months note at six per cent.

It is also stated that the trustees may terminate the lease of any leaseholder for non-payment on the date set and notice is given that every leaseholder who has not paid his rent by cash or note on March 25th will be sent a notice on March 26th that his lease is terminated.

The average rent of 121 parcels is just a fraction under $15, the average holding probably about a third of an acre.

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At the Oregon Development League in Salem we were told by the railroads to allow them to run their own business or they would visit hard times on the heads of the people. The railroads are too much inclined to run their own business and other people's as well A railroad is a public highway in possession of public highwaymen, who for the most part do not operate it as an industry but as a gigantic blood-sucking instrument All plunderers of the people want to be let alone to manage their business. No burglar likes to be interrupted by the people of the house when he is just collecting his swag.—Labor Press.

Eastern Shore people in the city, as well as the traveling public. The proprietors are always in personal attendance and their genial personalities and kindly courtesies have had very much to do with the popularity of their hosterly. If on going to the Windsor you mention that you are interested in Fairhope you might almost any day be put in touch with Fairhope people in Mobile for the day.

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The popular house of Bloch Bros. Mobile, dealers in wagons, carriages, automobiles, and vehicles of all kinds, as well as harness and accessories, presents its card in this issue of the Courier, as it has for more or less of the time for many years. This paper unqualifiedly recommends this firm to its readers needing anything in the line handled by it, and they may be assured of fair and liberal treatment.

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The Courier job office has put out for the Fairhope Sanitarium some very neat little pamphlets advertising it. They are so attractive that many are being sent out by residents and visitors to distant friends on their own initiative.

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In the Baldwin Times of Dec. 29, Mr. John S. Hunter said a graceful "good luck and good bye after a service of several months. No announcement was made of who would succeed him. Mr. Hunter intimated that he might continue to make Baldwin County his home.

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The force of men which have been at work in this county for the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company, rebuilding the line from Fairhope to Bromley, and building a new line from Bromley to Bay Minette, completed their work for the present, and returned to Mobile on Thursday morning. This company now has an excellent system covering the larger part of this county.

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Married, "under the Magnolia" at Fairhope, Alabama. December 31st. 1910, by the Reverend. H. R. Walker, Miss Anna Dickinson Pope of Great Barrington, Massachusettes and Fairhope, and Mr. John Randolph of Tarrytown, New York.


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FAIRHOPE. ALABAMA.


The editor's family is indebted to the F. L. Brown's for a generous portion of a fine hog of their own raising, killed one day this week. Brown, as we have before said, is one of our biggest farmers, as well as running his sawmill, brickyard etc. We understand the live stock on this place has been increased during the last few days by about 40 pigs and a calf or two These are what the country needs.

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Bellingham Washington has some taxes to raise and it was proposed to get the money by taxing honest industries. A meeting of business men called to decide what class of workingmen should be taxed was captured by some wicked working people who passed resolutions favoring the taxing of professional men and banks. It is dollars to doughnuts that a lot of vacant and shack-covered lots in that city are assessed at one-fifth the figures placed on them whenever somebody wants to use them. —Labor Press.

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The Mobile Commercial Club was so pleased with the success of its first county fair that it has decided to make it a regular annual feature. Though no admission was charged the margin of receipts over expenditures was over $1000.

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It is with genuine pleasure—not more for the financial consideration than for the information afforded its friends having to pass through Mobile, of the very best moderate-priced accomodations to be had in the city—that the Courier gives space to the attrctive ad of the Windsor Hotel and Cafe, to be found on the last page. The location is especially convenient, being within 3 blocks of the L. and N. depot, and on a direct street-car line from the Union Station. Since being taken charge of a few months since by Messrs. Reynolds and Brown, the Windsor has made a wonderful advance in popularity as a dining place for Mobilians and

## COLONY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Dec. 7, 1910

Meeting adjourned from Dec. 5, to consider rent appraisement. All members present.

Following motions passed:

Lot 85x165 ft., block 4, div. 4 on Summit street, from rear of Miss Chapman's lot, appraised at $12.00.

Lot 1, blk. 5, div. 1, J. E. Gaston reduced to $7.00.

$1.25 added for corner on J. R. Little lot, lot 4, block 14 F. div. 2, and extra frontage of 15 ft, 10 in. at same rate charged for original lot.

Fifty cents added to all lots on south side of blk. 31, div. 2, making inside lots $5 and corner lots $6.

That in no case shall corner lots in div. 2. be valued at less than $1 more than inside lots in same blk.

Dec. 9, 1910.

Adjourned meeting executive Council to consider rent appraisement.

Following motions prevailed;

That lot 4, block 3, div. 4 have added to it $1 for corner and for 19 feet frontage, above 66 ft at the same rate per front foot.

That lot 5, same block, have added charge for 19 ft. additional frontage at rate per front foot now charged (erroneously based on 66 ft. frontage)

That John McCarthy lot, corner Magnolia and Section street, be raised to same as M. L. Johnson lot opposite, (lot 5, in blk. 5 div. 1) $21.00.

Next lot east raised to $14.50.

All action by unanimous vote. Adjourned.

Dec. 19, 1910.—Regular meeting. All members present.

Wharf Company met with Council to consider the rebuilding of pierhead and warehouse destroyed by fire, Dec. 13.

Agreement with Wharf Company read.

It was moved and carried that Wharf Company be authorized to go ahead with the rebuilding as nearly as practicable the size and shape of former pierhead.

Following bills ajjowed.

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| R. L. Curtis, 2 hrs. on tel. maint. 14 hrs, on water-wks. con. (bell to ring at pump-house when tank is full) | .50 3.50 |
| Wm. Stimpson, lumber for repairing tower, and covering water mains, w. w. maint. | 4.99 |
| L. Tilson, collecting sand tickets | .26 |
| Jas. S. Paton, Dec. 6 to 12, covering water mains w. w. maint. | 5.25 |
| Tel. maint. 3 hrs. | .60 |

Moved and carried that secretary notify Miss Schramm that it was Council's understanding that she did not wish to cut timber on land leased by her, and if that is so, provision to that end is desired to be made in the lease contract. If, however, she wishes to clear the land the Corporation reserves the right to remove the valuable timber.

It was moved and carried that in view of the press of work on all, and the lack of assurance of the presence of any friends of prominence from abroad on the anniversary date, the same be observed simply by a reception during Saturday afternoon at which suitable refreshments be served.

Moved and carried that Council approve of Wharf Company paying for goods in its charge lost in burning of the warehouse.

J. F. Johnson reported, dimensions of lots as follows:

Rolland Curtis, lot (6 of blk. 3, div. 1) at 66 1-2 ft.x133 ft. 6 in.

Lot of W. W. Kile, cor. Summit St. and Magnolia Ave (15 of blk. 3, div. 1) 66 1-2x210.

H. W. Rucker, bakery, lot (7 of blk. 2, div. 1) 73 1-2 by 215.

Lot in rear of Rolland Curtis Lot 77x132 ft. fronting east on Summit St. appraised at $12.

Moved and carried to submit rent appraisement as made to lessees for complaints and criticism on Dec. 28 at 7:30 p. m. at Organic School building.

All action by unanimous vote. Adjourned.

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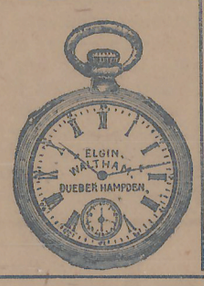


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# Personal and Local

Mrs. Turpen spent a part of the holidays here with her parents.

Wagons, Harness, collars, Pads etc. Mershon Merch. Co.

Mrs. Lacy and Mrs. Turpen of our Mobile lessees attended the Colony reception on last Saturday.

Any one caring to sell American Woman's League Debentures, at $20, see MRS. L. J. N. COMINGS.

The Fifth Thursday Club reception on Thursday of last week was a very enjoyable affair

FOR SALE. A new 150 egg Cyphers Incubator, cheap. J. G. White

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Randall and Mrs. Randall's mother, Mrs. Marshall of Montrose, were in town one day last week.

Fresh oysters at the Cafe or delivered at your home every day at 50 cents a hundred.

The School Improvement Society holds its regular monthly meeting at the Mayor's office next Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Mrs. Howland has a new lot of "Mapleine," the delicious maple flavor, 35 cents a bottle.

J. G. White has been elected by Wharf Company to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of W. S. Baldwin on account of leaving town.

5 cent tablet and pencil for five cents.—Fairhope Pharmacy.

Mrs. and Miss Armbruster, of Marshalltown, Iowa, are at the Wilson House. It is not their first visit as they were here several years ago.

Full line of drugs and patent medicines.—Fairhope Pharmacy.

Frank A. Lumsden one of the best-known steamboatmen in this section, and at times commanding boats in the Eastern Shore trade died in Mobile on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. T.W. Harris, of Chicago, arrived on Saturday evening and after spending a day or two at the Wilson House rented rooms of Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson. They expect to remain four or five months.

Miss Alice Patterson left last Saturday morning to resume her school work at Laurel, Miss., after spending a short vacation here with her mother and sister.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Mann, pioneer Fairhopers, arrived early in the week to spend the remainder of the winter here in their cottage on Section St. They are both looking and feeling well and were warmly greeted by their many friends.

Will all those who are renewing subscriptions to Magazines or the Woman's National Daily kindly allow it to go through the hands of some member of the A. W. L. All such subscriptions help the League to its income and will help sooner to get our Chapter House.
Frances R. Riley, sec.

John Armistead Collier entertained a few of his southern friends in "Eden" New Year's night, complimentary to Miss Moorman, of Birmingham. Selections from Thos. Nelson Page and other Southern authors were read and appropriate refreshments served.

Big Bologna.
Vienna Sausage,
Pig's Feet,
Breakfast Bacon,
Bacon Bellies,
D. S. Meat,
Sliced Ham,
These goods are all fine and will please you. Mershon Merch. Co.
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The Ladies' Aid Society gave one of its most successful luncheons at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Mershon on Wednesday afternoon. The pleasant rooms of this, one of Fairhope's pleasantest homes, were thronged throughout the evening.

Mrs. R. F. Powell and her parents and cousin are in the Powell residence on Church St. Mr. Tisdale, who is a farmer from the Texas Panhandle, will probably secure some land which he and his grandson will cultivate this season and see if results will make them feel like remaining permanently.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. McClintock, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hodges, and Mr. Hodges' brother were guests of the Lossings at their fine country home on Dog River, for a delightful house-party, from Sunday to Monday. It was a congenial company which had enjoyed many a good time at Fairhope and who enjoyed them,selves greatly over the bay.

Rev. F. L. Higgins was in Mobile from Monday to Thursday evening this week.

A protest meeting over Fred Warren's sentence will be held in Mobile, on Jan. 12th. Messrs. G. C. Streeter and J. A. Collier have been invited to go over from Fairhope and address the meeting.

Mrs. Robac was more severely injured last week in stepping into the old well near the corner by the Sanitarium than the Courier understood when mentioning it last week. She was confined to her bed for several days and is not yet able to do more than barely move out.

For Sale.—Barred Rock cockerels and hens, baled hay, shallu seed and canned figs. J. S. Gaylord,
tf Barnwell.

The ice plant has closed down for the winter but before shutting down a quantity of ice was frozen and placed in the cold storage rooms to be available for the winter demand. The creamery is still running.

Our old-time member of the F. S. T. C. Corporation, who became a member before ever the start was made from Des Moines for Alabama, Wm. Schemenour, was a Fairhope visitor during holiday week and is quite likely to locate with us.

Roy Fordush Hanaford and Terry Churchill Elmendorf, "the boys with the long names on the long walk," and who left New York on May 23rd last on a $ 2,000 mile walk through all the states in the Union were guests of Frank Stone at Bayminette for 2 or 3 days and by special invitation of Miss Ann ald, Pope, now Mrs. Randolph, were her guests at the Colonial Inn from Friday evening to Monday morning.

Mrs. George Nelson, formerly Miss Louie Shepherd, was taken suddenly ill on last Saturday and was prematurely delivered of a child. Her own life was despaired of for some time but a turn for the better was taken during Sunday night and it is now hoped that she will soon recover. Mrs. Nelson who grew up in Fairhope having come here with her parents when she was a little girl, was for a while clerk in the postoffice and is general favorit. Great anxiety was felt in the community over her illness and the hope felt by everyone that her promising young life would be spared.

As we go to press word is received of the death of Mrs. Nelson,


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## AT THE BAKERY, FRESH FROM THE OVEN

# FAIRHOPE BAKERY


Mrs. M. M. Crawford was over Thursday looking after her property. She found the water pipes bursted and the house being flooded.

New Piano for sale. I can give you $100 on the cost of a new piano. See me before buying.
Ila W. Coutant.

Mr. T. E. Clarke was over from Mobile Sunday with his two children looking after his property here, and was a caller on the secretary.

Miss Caroline Lossing returned on Monday evening with Mrs. McClintock and Mrs. Morgan and will be at the Colonial Inn until tomorrow evening,

BARRINGTON HALL.
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The Clover Leaf Bible Class gave a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Sweet on Thursday evening of last week. There was a large attendance of young people who enjoyed a delightful evening at this pleasant home.

Capt. W. B. Curran of Battles was in town on Tuesday and took Mr. Welch's place on the Irma on Wednesday, Mr. Welch expects to devote most of his attention for some time to getting the Lucile rebuilt and equipped with gasoline engines.

Paul Molyneux who is down on a vacation from Auburn, with his brother Marc and Warren Stearns as their guest, spent the year end at the family home "Lone Oak."
The boys report having spent a pleasant outing hunting and visiting Mr. E. T. Molyneux.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schaefer enjoyed a visit on Christmas day from Mr. and Mrs. O.A. Rowe, Mrs. Schaefer's parents, and their old Fish River friends, Mr. and Mrs. Jardine, who took dinner with them.

We have had some very rough weather recently, rough enough so that the Pleasure Bay—or the Carney which took up her run on Monday,—have gone by several times without landing, but the Irma has not failed to make the landing once.

Two squads of the Fairhope militia boys will go to Montgomery to attend the inauguration of Governor O'Neal. They expect to leave on Sunday afternoon, and join the Mobile militia men, leaving Mobile Sunday night and returning Monday night.

The January social of the Village Improvement Club will be given on next Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kiel, one of the most beautiful and spacious in Fairhope. This will be a "Guessing Contest." Everybody is invited, especially strangers in town. Come out and get acquainted.

Dr. Slosson has nearly completed a building on the rear of his home lot, which will be used for a garage, wash-house, shop and storeroom. It is a buildihg 24x26 extreme measurements, with two floors.

A spark from the chimney set fire to Capt. Joseph Lawrences' house on Wednesday afternoon. Fortunately it was seen almost at once by Alfred Pearson, a pupil of the Organic School who rushed over and told the Captain and it was put out with only the loss of two or three shingles, a ladder and water being handy. An alarm was turned in up town and the fire department made a quick start, but was halted just east of Section street by the welcome word that the fire was out.

## NEW CHURCH SERVICES.

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Miss Anna Dickinson Pope had a very good short articl on Fairhope in the last issue of Good Housekeeping. It has caused a great many inquiries for more information.

# What Is Happening On the Moon?—!—

FOR a generation astronomers, amateur and professional, have unquestioningly accepted the statement that the moon was nothing more than a burned-out world, a dead planet, without atmosphere, water or soil, alternately frozen in a cold more intense than any known to the earth, and sizzling in a heat greater many times than the burning atmosphere of Port Said, the world's most torrid spot. The pale disk had ceased to hold anything of interest for the men who sit at great eye-pieces of the great glasses that sweep the heavens nightly. The dead craters of the lunar volcanoes had all been mapped and located time after time. They were universally believed to be extinct. The moon was looked upon as an exhausted field for the astronomer.

The great astronomical societies are not so sure about the moon now as they were a few months ago. Away down on the lower limb of the big silver disk something is happening. Just what it is the astronomers do not know. There is a brilliant spot almost visible to the naked eye, an ominous glowing ulcer, that seems to be growing brighter. Years ago the great Herschel stoutly maintained that there was still volcanic activity on the moon's surface. Two great craters, old Proculus and the great Aristarchus, great holes in the battered surface of the moon, were pointed out by Herschel as examples of the wrath of internal, pent-up forces that might some day make the pale satellite an awful object in the heavens.

The moon was the subject of the first astronomical observations ever made by mankind. Even the red Indian counted his time by the waxing and waning of the shining disk. The moon of little leaves, of green corn, of falling leaves and the moon of snows were his names for the changing phases of the earth's satellite. The Babylonians, Chaldeans and Egyptians constructed their first rude calendar from the swinging of the moon in its sweeping, spiral path about the earth.

Modern telescopes have shown the seas and gulfs to be great depressions filled with dreary craters, reminiscent of a terrible volcanic activity. In case the indicated disturbances should develop into a general cataclysm the world's astronomers would be given a wonderful spectacle. Photographs of the moon, made through the great Lick and others of the world's biggest glasses, show a terribly scarred and battered surface. There is something inexpressibly dreary and desolate in a photograph of many of the regions of the moon. Great craters of unknown depth lie in the midst of mountain peaks that would stand shoulder high above the greatest peaks of the Andes or the Himalayas. The so-called "seas" were undoubtedly the beds of primeval oceans in the long ago, but they are bare as the Sahara at present, and have possibly been so for millions of years. They are not at all at the same level, but the beds of many of them seem to have been twisted and warped by some titanic force. There are far more craters than there are mountains over all its surface. They seem to be, for the most part, ruins of terrible fiery mountains, but some of them were undoubtedly the rim walls of molten lakes that have bubbled and seethed and steamed when the moon and its parent earth were young.

The true craters are remarkably similar to those of the Mediterranean volcanoes, having the same abrupt depths and sloping sides gradually rising from a level plain of cooled lava. Forty of the lunar peaks are higher than Mont Blanc, the highest mountain of Europe. The greatest peak in the Leibnitz mountains on the moon rises to the tremendous height of 41,600 feet. Mount Everest, in the Himalayas, earth's highest peak, pushes its way but 29,000 feet above the level of the sea. These lunar peaks have been measured with wonderful accuracy, as the clearness of the moon's atmosphere and the freedom of its surface from clouds and haze make the operation an easy and exact one with the aid of the micrometer.

All over the weird face of Luna are indications of a wonderful volcanic activity, and the astronomers of the earth are wondering if we are to witness the surface of our neighbor once again in a cosmic agony. Seams and cracks, ghastly evidences of a cataclysm more rending than any indicated on the surface of the earth, show something of the moon's travail in past ages. These cracks, tiny fissures in the field of view of the biggest telescopes, cross and recross the surface and zigzag along the beds of the primeval seas.

Craggy and irregular pyramids break the monotony of the moon's sky line, but an earth dweller wandering in these ancient sea beds would be stricken dumb with the utter desolation that would surround him. The worst of the waste places of the earth, the Bad Lands, the Clay Cliffs of western China, the windswept passes of the Tibetan mountains, the Sahara, Death Valley itself, would all be fertile and greatly to be desired areas in comparison with the chimneys of dead volcanoes set in a Miltonian region paved with cinders and scoria of long extinct craters.

If men should visit the moon, granting they were able to live for a moment in its wonderful atmosphere, they would find some weird conditions existing. Nothing could be seen unless the rays of the sun were falling directly upon the surface of the object. There would be no diffused light and the long twilights of the earth would be unknown. When the sun's rays faded from a peak or a rock, that instant the rock or the mountain top would be swallowed up in blackness. The instant a member of the party stepped into the shadow of a lunar crag he would be lost to view. Utter silence would brood over the face of the desolate country and no sound could be heard no matter how loud it might be. An avalanche, or the rolling of a rock down the mile-long wall of a lunar crater would not cause a sound.

The earth would loom up in the sky four times greater in size than the moon ever appears to the earth's lovers who marvel at its size on midsummer night. Its white polar caps of ice and snow would be plainly visible, the great dark oceans and the shifting cloud areas would be conspicuous on its glowing disk. The sun's rays reflected from the broad face of the earth would give a faint heat, but neither the reflected rays nor the direct beams of the sun himself would be able to warm the cold lunar rocks to a temperature approaching that of the earth.

The unknown side of the moon has always exercised a great power over the more imaginative of the astronomers. Theories have been advanced that on this unknown face entirely different conditions might be found, smiling areas in which the traces of lunar volcanoes and forgotten seas would be missing from the lunar landscape. The absence of air and water in any quantities on the earth side of the satellite has always led the students to the conclusion, however, that the moon's period of habitation, if it ever had such an era, was in the dim and remote past.

### Mistletoe Is Dangerous.

Few people who know mistletoe only as a desirable feature of Christmas decorations understand that the plant is a parasite dangerous to the life of trees in the regions in which it grows. It is only a question of time, after mistletoe once begins to grow upon a tree before the tree itself will be killed. The parasite saps the life of the infected branches. Fortunately, it is of slow growth, taking years to develop to large proportions, but when neglected, it invariably ruins all trees it reaches.

### English Women Smoke Pipes.

The latest fancy of the woman-smoker is a pipe—not the tiny affair that suffices for the Japanese, but a good-sized brier or a neat meerschaum. The pipe is boldly carried along with a gold card case and chain-purse. For some time now the cigarette has given place to a cigar, small in size and mild in quality. Women said they were tired of the cigarette, and wanted a bigger smoke. —London Mail.

### Cripple Rides Bicycle.

George Anstey, aged 12, a cripple, of Leicester, England, is one of the most remarkable cyclists in the country. Both his legs are withered and useless, but the Leicester Cripples' Guild has provided him with a two-wheeled pedalless machine, with a padded tube covering the axle bar. Across this he lies face foremost, and with wooden clogs strapped to his hands he propels himself along the streets and roads in a marvelously rapid manner. He has complete control of the machine, his hands acting as pedals, steering gear, and brake combined.

### Pretty Good Definition.

We hear some funny things in Fleet street sometimes, and the following definition of the height of aggravation, by a gentleman in rather shaky boots, whom we encountered in a well-known hostelry the other day, struck us as being particularly choice.

"The 'eight of haggravation, gentlemen," said this pothouse humorist, setting his pewter on the counter and looking round proudly, with the air of one about to let off a good thing, "the 'eight of haggravation—why, trying to ketch a flea out o' yer ear with a pair of boxin' gloves."—London Tit-Bits.

### An Alaskan Luncheon.

Runners of woven Indian basketry, with white drawnwork doilies at each of the 12 covers, were used on an oval mahogany table. The doilies were made at Sitka. In the middle of the table a mirror held a tall central vase of frosted glass, surrounded by four smaller vases, all filled with white spring blossoms. The edge of the mirror was banked with the same flowers. Four totem poles were placed on doilies in the angles made by the runners.

Place cards were water colors of Alaskan scenery. Abalone shells held salted nuts, and tiny Indian baskets held bonbons. The soup spoons were of horn, several of the dishes used were made by Alaskan Indians, and the cakes were served on baskets.

The menu was as follows: Poisson a la Bering Sea (halibut chowder), Yukon climbers (broiled salmon, potatoes Julienne), snowbirds avec auroraborealis (roast duck with jelly), Shungnak river turnips, Tanana beets, Skagway hash (salad), Fairbanks nuggets (ripe strawberries arranged on individual dishes around a central mound of powdered sugar), arctic slices (brick ice cream), Circle City delights (small cakes), Klondike nuggets (yellow cheese in round balls on crackers), Nome firewater (coffee). —Woman's Home Companion.

### Acknowledgment.

"You will admit that you owe a great deal to your wife?"

"I should say so," replied Mr. Cumrox. "I wouldn't be invited to any of her receptions or musicales if I wasn't married to her."

### Disqualified.

Her—My brother won first prize in that amateur guessing contest, but they ruled him out as a professional.

Him—A professional?

Her—Yes. He's employed in the government bureau, you know.

### Lightning Change.

The Manager—Can you make quick changes and double in a few parts?

The Actor—Can I? Say, you know the scene in "Love and Lobsters," where the hero and the villain are fighting, and a friend rushes in and separates 'em? Well, I played all three parts one night when the other two fellows were ill.

### Not Altogether Dead.

Mr. Robert Butler of Marlborough, England, has had the peculiar experience of hearing his death announced. He was attending the poor law conference at Exeter when one of the delegates moved that, in consequence of the death of Mr. Butler, which they all regretted, another gentleman, whom he named, should be appointed to fill his place as one of the representatives of Wiltshire on the central committee. Mr. Butler rose from his place on the platform and announced to the conference, amid much amusement, that, so far as he was aware, he was still alive and in good health, and would be pleased to continue in the office if the conference desired.

### Bankers and Bank Notes.

Four men, three of whom were connected with brokerage concerns in the Wall street district, were discussing United States paper currency and the disappearance of counterfeits. "We are so sure nowadays," said one of the party, "as to the genuineness of bills that little attention is paid to them in handling, except as to denomination." To prove his assertion he took a $10 yellowback from his pocket, and, holding it up, asked who could tell whose portrait it bore. No one knew, and by way of coaching the broker said it was the first treasurer of the United States. Again no one knew the name. "Why, it's Michael Hillegas," said the man proudly. "But in confidence, I'll tell you, I didn't know it five minutes ago."—New York Tribune.

### Vivid at Least.

Dr. Hiram C. Cortlandt, the well-known theologian of Des Moines, said in a recent address:

"Thomas A. Edison tells us that he thinks the soul is not immortal; but, after all, what does this great wizard know about souls? His forte is electricity and machinery, and when he talks of souls he reminds me irresistibly of the young lady who visited the Baldwin locomotive works and then told how a locomotive is made.

" 'You pour,' she said, 'a lot of sand into a lot of boxes, and you throw old stove lids and things into a furnace, and they you empty the molten stream into a hole in the sand, and everybody yells and swears. Then you pour it out and let it cool and pound it, and then you put it in a thing that bores holes in it. Then you screw it together, and paint it, and put steam in it, and it goes splendidly; and they take it to a drafting room and make a bluep rint of it. But one thing I forgot—they have to make a boiler. One man gets inside and one gets outside, and they pound frightfully; and then they tie it to the other thing, and you ought to see it go!' "

### Echoes of Munchausen.

It was an absent-minded traveler who had lately taken to ballooning.

"Yes," he observed impressively "It was a fearful journey. The machine, a thousand feet up, and no more ballast, headed straight for Siberia, and the rarefied air—well, you know as well as I do what effect that has on a balloon.. Yes, the peril was terrible." Then the old habit was too strong for him. "The wolves detected our presence. A desperate race ensued. We felt their hot breath on the nape of our necks."—London Globe.

### Largest of Whales.

The largest whale of its type of which there is scientific record was captured recently off Port Arthur, Tex. He measured sixty-three feet in length, and was estimated to be about three hundred years old. Captain Cob Plummer, mate of a United States pilot boat, sighted the monster in the shoals off the jetties, and the crew of his vessel captured the mammal. The huge body was towed ashore, exhibited and much photographed before being cut up.

### Rat Bounty Excites Merriment.

Seattle, fearing the introduction of bubonic plague by rats, has offered a bounty of ten cents a rat. This moves Tacoma, safe from infection from the sea, to raucous laughter, and the Ledger says that the bounty, "though not intended for rodents of Tacoma, Everett, Bellingham and other populous and busy centers, has been finding its way into the pockets of non-residents of Seattle for non-resident rats. But the joke would be on us if it were found that our rat population had found its way into the Seattle census."

### Two Very Old Ladies.

We have heard a great deal lately about long-lived people, but it is probable that the oldest two people in the world today are Frau Dutkievitz and another old lady named Babavaslika.

The former lives at Posem, in Prussian Poland, and was born on February 21, 1785. She is therefore one hundred and twenty-five years old. The latter, however, is nine months her senior, having been born in May, 1784.

She is still a fairly hale old woman, and for nearly one hundred years worked in the fields. Her descendants number close on 100, and these now make her a joint allowance. She lives at the village of Bavelsko, whose neighborhood she has never quitted during the whole of her long life. She remembers events which happened at the beginning of last century much more clearly than those of the last 40 years.—Dundee Advertiser.

### Too Ardent a Lover.

Georgotto Fontano, an embroiderer who lives in the Rue Sevres in Paris, has found herself condemned to a month's imprisonment for what seems to her a harmless act.

She was going home from a concert a few evenings ago when she decided she would like to see her fiance. As he happens to be a fireman whose station is in her own neighborhood it occurred to her it would be very easy to summon him to her side by breaking the glass of the fire alarm and sounding a call.

She did so anr in a few moments fire engines came from several directions, all laden with firemen, of course, but alas! her fiance was not among them, and more than that all the firemen were angry, and before she knew what had happened she was taken to a magistrate, who proceeded to make the course of true love run unsmoothly by sending her to prison for a month in spite of her tears and protests that she thought it would be a simple way of bringing her fiance to her side.

### The Bright Side.

Nebuchadnezzar was lurching in his accustomed style.

"All flesh being grass," he reflected, "this must be Beef a la Mowed."

And chuckling hoarsely, he took another chaw.—Puck.

### Kindly Intentions.

"A man who enjoys seeing a woman in tears is a brute."

"I don't know about that," replied Miss Cayenne. "One of the kindest husbands I know takes his wife to see all the emotional plays."

### Takes Himself Seriously.

Nicola Tesla, dining by himself in a hotel's great dining room, takes a table where he can be seen. Throughout his meal he wears a deeply studious, a completely absorbed, attitude. He may bring to the table a portfolio filled with papers. These he may scan with prolonged solemnity. In any event, he sits an eloquent tableau of profundity.—New York Press.

### Holidays in the States.

Washington's birthday is a holiday in all states. Decoration day in all states but Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas. Labor day is observed everywhere. Virtually every state has legal holidays having to do with its own special affairs—battle of New Orleans in Louisiana, Texan independence and battle of San Jacinto in Texas, Admission day in California, and so on. Mississippi is like the federal government in lack of statutory holidays, but by common consent Independence day, Thanksgiving and Christmas are observed. A new one is Columbus day in a few of the states.

### Planting Wedding Oaks.

Princess August Wilhelm, wife of the kaiser's fourth son, has set herself the task of reviving one of Germany's oldest customs, that according to which newly wedded couples immediately after the marriage ceremony plant a couple of oak saplings side by side in a park or by the roadside of their native town.

The town of Mulchausen, in Thuringia, is the first to respond to the princess' appeal. A municipal official appears at the church door after every wedding and invites the bride and bridegroom to drive with him in a carriage to a new road near the town and there plant oak saplings.

The tree planting idea was started by a former elector of Brandenburg with the object of repairing the ravages caused by the 30 years' war. The elector forbade young persons to marry until they had planted a number of fruit trees.

### An Unnecessary Confession.

A hearty laugh was occasioned at the Birmingham police court by a prisoner who gave himself away in a very delightful manner. The man was the first on the list, and the charge against him was merely one of being drunk and disorderly. He stepped into the dock, however, just at the moment when the dock officer was reading out a few of the cases which were to come before the court that morning, and a guilty conscience apparently led him to mistake these items for a list of his previous convictions.

He stood passive enough while the officer read out about a dozen drunk and disorderlies, but when he came to one "shopbreaking" the prisoner exclaimed excitedly, "That was eight years ago, your honor," Everyone began to laugh, and the prisoner, realizing the blunder he had made, at first looked very black indeed, but finally saw the humorous side of the matter, and a broad smile spread over his face. His blunder did not cost anything.—Birmingham Mail.


# That Suit for Libel

## Against the Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., Gave a Splendid Chance to Bring Out Facts

A disagreement about advertising arose with a "weekly" Journal.

Following it, an attack on us appeared in their editorial columns; sneering at the claims we made particularly regarding Appendicitis.

We replied through the regular papers and the "weekly" thought we hit back rather too hard and thereupon sued for libel.

The advertisement the "weekly" attacked us about claimed that in many cases of appendicitis an operation could be avoided by discontinuing indigestible food, washing out the bowels and taking a predigested food Grape-Nuts.

Observe we said MANY cases not all.

Wouldn't that knowledge be a comfort to those who fear a surgeon's knife as they fear death?

The "weekly" writer said that was a lie.

We replied that he was ignorant of the facts.

He was put on the stand and compelled to admit he was not a Dr. and had no medical knowledge of appendicitis and never investigated to find out if the testimonal letters to our Co. were genuine.

A famous surgeon testified that when an operation was required Grape-Nuts would not obviate it. True.

We never claimed that when an operation was required Grape-Nuts would prevent it.

The surgeon testified bacteria [germs] helped to bring on an attack and bacteria was grown by undigested food frequently.

We claimed and proved by other famous experts that undigested food was largely responsible for appendicitis.

We showed by expert testimony that many cases are healed without a knife, but by stopping the use of food which did not digest, and when food was required again it was helpful to use a predigested food which did not overtax the weakened organs of digestion.

When a pain in the right side appears it is not always necessary to be rushed off to a hospital and at the risk of death be cut.

Plain common sense shows the better way is to stop food that evidently has not been digested.

Then, when food is required, use an easily digested food. Grape-Nuts or any other if you know it to be predigested (partly digested before taking).

We brought to Court analytical chemists from New York, Chicago and Mishawaka, Ind., who swore to the analysis of Grape-Nuts and that part of the starchy part of the wheat and barley had been transformed into sugar, the kind of sugar produced in the human body by digesting starch (the large part of food).

Some of the State chemists brought on by the "weekly" said Grape-Nuts could not be called a "predigested" food because not all of it was digested outside the body.

The other chemists said any food which had been partly or half digested outside the body was commonly known as "predigested."

Splitting hairs about the meaning of a word.

It is sufficient that if only one-half of the food is "predigested," it is easier on weakened stomach and bowels than food in which no part is predigested.

To show the facts we introduce Dr. Thos. Darlington, former chief of the N. Y. Board of Health, Dr. Ralph W. Webster, chief of the Chicago Laboratories, and Dr. B. Sachs, N. Y.

If we were a little severe in our denunciation of a writer, self-confessed ignorant about appendicitis and its cause, it is possible the public will excuse us, in view of the fact that our head, Mr. C. W. Post, has made a lifetime study of food, food digestion and effects, and the conclusions are indorsed by many of the best medical authorities of the day.

Is it possible that we are at fault for suggesting, as a Father and Mother might, to one of the family who announced a pain in the side: "Stop using the food, greasy meats, gravies, mince pie, cheese, too much starchy food, etc., etc., which has not been digested, then when again ready for food use Grape-Nuts because it is easy of digestion?"

Or should the child be at once carted off to a hospital and cut?

We have known of many cases wherein the approaching signs of appendicitis have disappeared by the suggestion being followed.

No one better appreciates the value of a skilful physician when a person is in the awful throes of acute appendicitis, but "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

Just plain old common sense is helpful even nowadays.

This trial demonstrated Grape-Nuts food is pure beyond question.

It is partly predigested.

Appendicitis generally has rise from undigested food.

It is not always necessary to operate.

It is best to stop all food.

When ready to begin feeding use a predigested food.

It is palatable and strong in Nourishment.

It will pay fine returns in health to quit the heavy breakfasts and lunches and use less food but select food certainly known to contain the elements nature requires to sustain the body. May we be permitted to suggest a breakfast of fruit, Grape-Nuts and cream, two soft boiled eggs, and some hot toast and cocoa, milk or Postum?

The question of whether Grape-Nuts does or does not contain the elements which nature requires for the nourishment of the brain, also of its purity, will be treated in later newspaper articles.

Good food is important and its effect on the body is also important.

"There's a Reason"

**Postum Cereal Co., Ltd.,**

Battle Creek, Mich.

### Would Avoid Him.

Slopay—Here comes a man I don't care to meet. Let's cross over.

DeLong—Why don't you care to meet him?

Slopay—He has a mania for collecting bills.


### Roofing.

Galvanized Iron Corrugated and Crimp of best quality for barns, sheds, chicken houses and residences,—Fire and water proof, needs no paint, takes care of itself, will last for years. Get the best, all lengths, 5 to 12 feet. Full weight goods. Send this ad with order. Pidgeon-Thomas Iron Co., "The Roofing Folks," 94, 96 N. 2d St., Memphis, Tenn.


### He Knew.

A certain jurist was an enthusiastic golfer. Once he had occasion to interrogate, in a criminal suit, a boy witness from Bala.

"Now, my lad," he said, "are you acquainted with the nature and significance of an oath?"

The boy, raising his brows in surprise, answered:

"Of course I am, sir. Don't I caddy for you at the Country club?"—Success.

### Kept Umbrella Thirty Years.

A faithful old umbrella which has shielded the family of Dr. James A. Mullican of Greenwood avenue from the storms of 30 years, was stolen on Sunday. During the rain on that day the physician lent the umbrella to E. A. Seck, and while the latter was in a store some one stole it.

"The umbrella belonged to my father and has been in the family for more than thirty years," said Doctor Mullican the other night. "It has been covered several times.

"To persons who are unable to keep the same umbrella for more than thirty days this may seem incredible, but it is true," concluded Doctor Mullican with a smile.—Chicago Tribune.


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Boy—This is a good place for fish!

Angler—What can you catch here?

Boy—I don't know, but it must be a great place for fish, because I never seen any of them leave it.—Comic Cuts.

### The Modern Way.

A couple of young men on the Market street viaduct the other evening offered a new version of an old saw. After they had passed a couple of auburn-haired damsels one of the young men took his stand at the curb and gazed up and down the bridge.

"What are you looking for?" inquired his companion.

Pointing to the red-headed girls, the young man answered: "I'm trying to see a white automobile."—Youngstown Telegram.

### Of Course She Must.

"What time does the dance begin?"

"Nine o'clock."

"Then we must be there at 8:30."

"What for?"

"I must have at least an hour in the dressing room to rearrange my hair."


### WONDERED WHY.
#### Found the Answer Was "Coffee."

Many pale, sickly persons wonder for years why they have to suffer so, and eventually discover that the drug—caffeine—in coffee is the main cause of the trouble.

"I was always very fond of coffee and drank it every day. I never had much flesh and often wondered why I was always so pale, thin and weak.

"About five years ago my health completely broke down and I was confined to my bed. My stomach was in such condition that I could hardly take sufficient nourishment to sustain life.

"During this time I was drinking coffee, didn't think I could do without it.

"After awhile I came to the conclusion that coffee was hurting me, and decided to give it up and try Postum. I didn't like the taste of it at first, but when it was made right—boiled until dark and rich—I soon became fond of it.

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


# BUYING FAMILY MEAT

## MARKET CONDITIONS SHOULD BE CAREFULLY STUDIED.

### No Matter What Cut Is Selected It Can Not Be Utilized to Best Advantage Unless It Is Well Cooked.

The choice of meat cuts should correspond to the needs of the family and the preferences of its members. Careful consideration of market conditions is always useful not only to make sure that the meat is handled and marketed in a sanitary way but also to take advantage of any favorable change in price which may be due, for instance, to a large local supply of some particular kind or cut of meat. In towns where there is opportunity for choice, it may sometimes be found more satisfactory not to give all the family trade to one butcher; by going to various markets before buying the housekeeper is in a better position to hear of variations in prices and so be in a position to get the best values. Ordering by telephone or from the butcher's boy at the door may be less economical than going to market in person as the range of choice and prices is of course more obvious when the purchaser sees the goods and has a chance to observe market conditions. Each housekeeper must decide for herself whether or not the greater convenience compensates for the smaller range of choice which such ordering from description entails. No matter what the cut, whether expensive or cheap, it can not be utilized to the best advantage unless it is well cooked. Poorly prepared meat dishes are almost inevitably wasted at the table. As an illustration of the losses arising through unwise selection and poor cooking may be mentioned facts observed in dietary studies carried on by the experiment stations. In many families where the income was fairly good the table and other conditions were far from satisfactory. In such cases the marketing was quite commonly done by a child or someone without knowledge or experience. In a particular instance the selection was expensive steak, which later was so badly cooked that it was hardly possible to eat it. A cheaper cut well cooked would have been much more satisfactory as well as more economical.

There is sometimes an advantage in using canned meat and meat products, and, if they are of good quality, such products are wholesome and palatable.

### Old-fashioned Dumpling.

Chop into a quart of flour that has been sifted with a teaspoonful of salt and a teaspoonful cream of tartar one-quarter pound suet. Add one-half teaspoonful soda dissolved in a little hot water and enough cold water or milk to make the flour into a rather stiff paste. Roll out, handling as lightly as possible, cut into squares and put in the middle of each a fine juicy apple, peeled and cored. Fill the core cavity with sugar wet with lemon juice and a clove or a little marmalade, pinch the edges of the dumpling together and tie up in a small square cloth dipped in hot water wrung out and floured on the inside before the apple is put in. For this purpose many old-fashioned housekeepers have crochetted dumpling bags made from stout cotton. In them tie up the dumpling fast, leaving room for it to swell. Boil one hour. The water must be boiling when the dumplings go in and not stop boiling an instant until the time is up. Turn the bags several times during the boiling but keep them under water, as they must be covered all the time. Serve as soon as done, as they get heavy standing.

### Sweet Potatoes au Gratin.

Boil sweet potatoes and cut in slices after peeling. Butter a baking dish and fill with alternate layers of the potato, a little chopped green pepper and some cream sauce. Cover the bottom of the dish with the sauce, then alternate with the potato and chopped pepper, and every now and then a bit of butter. Have the upper layer very smooth and bake till brown. Take an egg and separate the yolk from the white. Beat the latter to a cream and place in a drift-like arrangement on top of the potato. Allow a place in the center and lay the yolk of the egg in this depression. Return to the oven, and leave there for seven minutes. The egg will be cooked through and the white ambush a delicate golden color.

### Pomona Rice.

Core, pare and bake six tart apples. Steam one cup of rice in two cups of salted water, three-fourths of an hour. With a fork stir in one large tablespoon of butter, a little cayenne and more salt if needed. Make a molasses sauce with one cup of molasses, one tablespoon each of vinegar and butter and a pinch of salt. Simmer ten minutes. Put the rice into a dish, lay the apples upon it and pour the sauce over them. Serve either hot or cold. We are very fond of this, especially used as an entree with roast pork.

### Maple Cream Candy.

Two cups of maple syrup, butter the size of a walnut, one-half cup of chopped walnut meats and figs, one teaspoonful of orange extract. Cook the syrup until it "hairs." Remove from the stove, add the butter and beat until creamy; add the nuts, figs and flavoring; pour into a buttered tin. Mark into squares and cut when cool.

### Stepmother of Mint Julep.

Romance and poetry have delighted to weave garlands with which to celebrate and perpetuate the glory of the blue grass in old Kentucky, famed for its fine horses, beautiful women and mint.

Kentucky has been designated as the home of the mint julep, and its colonels have become famous all over the world for the easy and graceful way in which they drink whisky with a little dash of sugar and a sprig or two of mint in order, chiefly, to overcome the necessity for a large amount of water in the beverage. The true Kentuckian doesn't want his whisky drowned.

It transpires, however, that the real home of the mint and the mint julep is right here in Missouri, whose crop of mint last year amounted to 7,653 pounds, or enough to make 1,224,320 juleps. This amount includes the marketed product only, no account having been taken of the countless thousands of juleps which were compounded during the year with a base of the undiluted moonshine whisky that never paid a cent of tax.—St. Louis Star.


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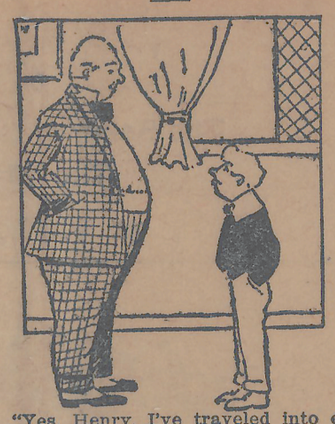


"Yes, Henry, I've traveled into every corner of the globe."

"The globe is a spherical body, uncle. Therefore it has no corners!"—Chips.

### When It Was Rougher.

Paul Withington, the Harvard coach, was praising the milder football of 1910.

"Football in the '90s was a terrible game," said Mr. Withington. "Bourget, you know, devoted a whole chapter of 'Outre Mer' to its horrors. Some of the stories of the football of '90 or '91 are, in fact, almost incredible.

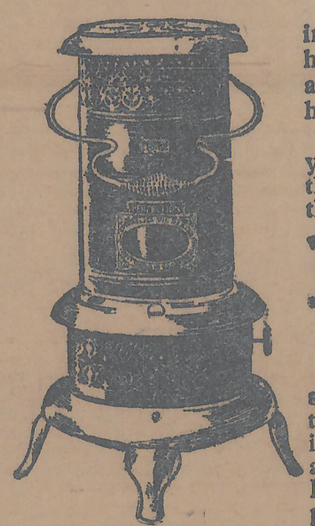
"A Philadelphia sporting editor returned one November Saturday from West Philadelphia with a pale, frightened face.

"'Many accidents at the game?' a police reporter asked him.

"'One frightful accident,' replied the sporting editor. 'A powerful mule from a neighboring coal dealer's entered the field, blundered into one of the hottest scrimmages and got killed.'"

The man who forgets that he was once a boy is almost as scarce as the woman who denies that she is still a girl.


# Fresh Air in Winter



In winter, it is hard to get fresh air in certain rooms. Some rooms in a house are usually colder than others, and if you open the windows it is hard again to heat the room properly.

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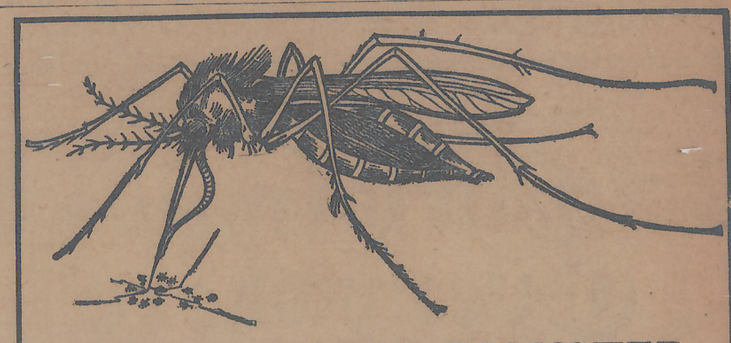

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At the time that the Holy Babe lay in the manger in Bethlehem to be the Christmas Babe for the Christian world the Romans were celebrating their Saturnalia and trimming willow wands, as we trim Christmas trees, of course with a difference. But just the same they were celebrating the midwinter festival. They danced and sang, gave gifts, and hung wreaths while across the Alps to the north the Wild Huntsman was chasing through the woods to be the terror of all naughty children.

The Christmas tree honored because it was evergreen gained fresh honors when adorned with tapers. The evergreen was eternal, and the lights shed glory around. How jolly is the raising of the Christmas tree! How the children love to talk about it before hand and to trim it, or to get the gifts from its overladen boughs.

In Germany the whole household goes to church. In many villages the church is left in darkness, and the worshipers carry lighted candles, coming in one by one, until it is a brilliant sight. When the season is over the old hymns are sung. "Es ist der Tag des Herrn," and Christmas greetings are heard on every side.

The Julafred, or peace of Christmas, is publicly proclaimed in Sweden and Norway. The churches are decorated, and the children are the first to enter in the gray of the early morning. No one is forgotten. The poor are remembered with food and clothing, and best of all the little brothers of the air, the birds, have a tree hung with a sheaf of wheat for Christmas cheer.

In Holland feasting prevails as it does everywhere. But the children set out their wooden shoes for gifts, and not one is forgotten. The practice of feeding pets and birds is general.

In Servia and in Bulgaria no one crosses a strange threshold if it can be avoided. Friends rejoice together, the little children dance and sing and gifts are exchanged. An ancient ceremony has to be performed by the head of every household. Before a mouthful of food is eaten early in the morning, corn is placed in a stocking and the chief of the family sprinkles a little before the householder, saying "Christ is born;" to which one of the family replies: "He is born indeed." Then the house-father has to "wish" and, advancing to the burning logs on the hearth, he strikes them until the sparks fly upward, with a good wish for the horses, another for the cattles, the calves, and the goats, and so on through the entire band of stock on the farm, concluding with a special prayer and an extra blow upon the embers of the logs for a plentiful harvest. In this manner the gods of nature are appeased. Then the ashes containing "the wish" are collected and buried secretly. As for the Yule logs, they are not permitted to burn entirely away, but the fire being extinguished the burnt ends are placed in the clefts of fruit trees so as to ensure a bountiful crop.

In out of the way corners of the world, the traveler has met processions going about on Christmas eve giving gifts to the earth, to the stream, to fruit trees, and the priest with a censor of incense invoking blessings on the harvests which are to come when the winter is over.

The receiving of gifts seems to be the passing of a later day. At Lyons in France the Foundlings Home has a beautiful custom. A handsome cradle is placed at the door and the forsaken infant laid therein is afterwards treated with great consideration as the gift of the Christ child at the blessed season.

The more playful customs of putting hats about for presents as French children do, of baskets which Italian children make, of gift boxes and the tour of St. Nick prevail everywhere. Even in the tropics Christmas is observed, as if the cold snow lay round about. Mexico has many beautiful customs, and Catholic countries never forget the feast of the Babe in the Manger in church.

L. M. McCAULEY.

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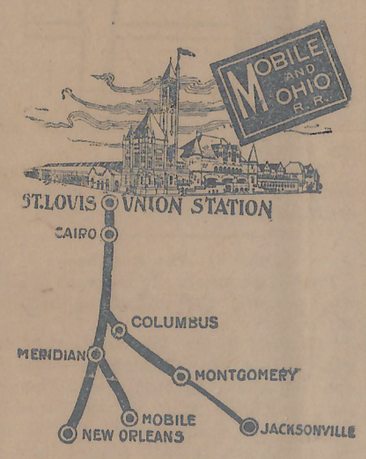


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**Where They Come From.**

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# FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX COLONY

Fairhope, to outward appearance, is like other towns, save for evidences of exceptional prosperity usually noted by the casual observer; but it is unique among the towns of this or any land.

It is a town "with a purpose." That purpose is to make a practical application of the teachings of Henry George upon the land question—as fully as possible under existing laws.

Henry George re-asserted the proposition that "all men are equally entitled to the use of the earth," and proposed to secure that right to all by equiring those who desire the exclusive use of any portion of the earth, to pay, for the benefit of all, the value which the common estimation attached to such portion. He proposed to take this as a tax for public purposes, in lieu of all other taxes—hence the name "Single Tax."

Those who founded Fairhope advocated, and still advocate, this as a reform in taxation; but they realize that its essential feature is the taking of land values for public use, and that the right to collect land values attaches to LAND OWNERSHIP under our present laws. So they hit upon the clever plan of securing by purchase, the right to collect land values, not as a tax but as rent, and administering these values not for their benefit as OWNERS in the usual way, but for the benefit of ALL who might by locating upon such lands contribute to their value.

Under this plan the title to the land is held by the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation, a corporation chartered under an Alabama statute, having a perpetual existence, and conducted by its members under its constitution and by-laws.

Lands are leased to individuals in quantities to suit, on ninety-nine year leases, subject to an annually appraised rental, collected and disbursed for the public benefit.

To make this really a "Single Tax," and to free its lessees from the blighting injustice of taxes upon improvements and personal property, the Corporation pays out of the rent not only the taxes upon the land, but upon the improvements and personal property of lessees.

All the rent fund remaining is expended locally for the public benefit in roads, schools, library, telephones, parks, bath-houses, etc., etc.

Absolutely no portion of this rent goes as interest, dividends, or profits, to the founders or members of the Colony, or any other persons.

The constitution forbids the granting of franchises to individuals or corporations for performing any public service, but requires that the Corporation shall, as fast as may be, provide the same and operate them in the common interest.

The Corporation thus owned and operated the wharf, at which land the steamers, by means of which communication is maintained with the outside world, and which yielded annually a very substantial addition to the public revenue, until that wharf was practically destroyed by the great storm of September 27, 1906. It has been rebuilt by acompany of citizens under contract by which they will manage it until the obligations incurred by them in the rebuilding are satisfied, when it will be turned back to the Corporation.

It owns a water-works system, (the only one in Baldwin county) with steam pumping plant and mains supplying the principal part of the town with water for domestic use and fire protection; and a local telephone system, with long distance connection.

The Fairhope policy eliminates the land speculator entirely; and for those who WANT LAND FOR USE, whether for residence, business, manufacturing or farming, it is easily shown to be far better and cheaper than owning.

Fairhope is delightfully located on the shore of Mobile bay, has excellent hotels, restaurants, stores schools ice-plant and creamery, blacksmith and butcher shops doctors, churches, fine bathing and fishing, and exceptionally intelligent and sociable people.

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## WHY BLACK BELT COUNTIES LOSE

### Booker T. Washington Gives Some Reasons Which Seem Good.

A variety of opinions have been, expressed regarding the causes for the decrease in population of the "black belt" counties of this state as disclosed by the last census.

Booker T. Washington of Tuskegee, Alabama, famous Negro educator, has a theory which seems very plausible. That is that the loss of population is at least considerably due to the lack of edcational facilities for negro children and to prevalence of mob law methods for dealing with alleged Negro law breakers.

Prof. Washington cites as proof of his theory that Macon county, in which his school is located, and where better protection of the law is afforded Negros charged with crime, is the one county of the "black belt" to show an increase in population instead of a decrease.

If Professor Washington is correct in his reasoning (and his arguments and citation of facts, seem to bear him out) the reasons for their leaving the black belt, are wholly to the credit of the Negroes.

Concluding an interesting interview reported in the Montgomery Advertiser, Prof. Washington said:

"I believe that the 'black belt' counties of Alabama will continue to lose in population unless some attention is given to building up good public schools in rural districts. It is just as easy to have a negro population that is contented and prosperous as to have one that is restless and dissatisfied because of poor schools and all such matters. I believe in this respect the two races can cooperate and in this way add to the prosperity and happiness of both."

## VALUE OF PROTECTION AGAINST FREEZES

Any one taking the trouble to glance over the editor's front fence at his cabbage patch can get a worth while lesson on the importance of a little protection for gardens from the cold snaps which are occasional visitors throughout the winter. A portion of these cabbage were lightly covered with pine straw during the last week's freeze and others were not. Those which were unprotected were all badly affected, some nearly if not quite killed, but those which were covered came through unscathed and are growing as finely as if there had been no freeze.

## BAY STEAMER BALDWIN PROVES UNPROFITABLE

Others have found the bay boat business unprofitable beside the Fairhope Improvement Company. The steamer Baldwin was sold at Mobile one day this week, being bid in by D. R. Dunlap, representing creditors, for $4,050.

## PAY YOUR POLL TAX

Get in shape to participate in political affairs during 1911, by paying your poll tax. No one knows what important measures may come before the people of this state or country during 1911. In all probability important amendments to the State Constitution will be submitted during the year. To be able to vote your poll tax must be paid before February first.

M. V. Watros writes to Laurence Tilson from Union City, Ind., that he is frozen up, up there, and he would like mightily to see "God's Country" again.

## GOOD WORK OF ROAD DRAG.

The Kansas Farmer tells of a road running west from Topeka for many miles as an almost ideal dirt road that has been made and kept in condition by the use of the road drag. When a rain or snow falls on this road it becom,es a little muddy on top but the mud is never deep and there are never any ruts or chuck holes in it.

This road is well crowned up and kept smooth by the use of the road drag, so that water falling on it immediately runs off, and it dries off almost immediately. Says the Farmer:

"This splendid road has taken the place of one that was almost impassible in bad weather and very rough in good. It cost the labor and expense of one dragging per month and was made possible by the activity of one man who interested his neighbors. Now, the neighbors would not willingly do without it. Such roads are possible in most neighborhoods in Kansas."

## CHRISTIANITY NOT PRACTICAL WITH LAND MONOPOLY

As the great underlying law and method of democracy, the policy outlined by Henry George is the Public's policy. We ask no one to leave his party or his church; but we say to them all, whether Democrat, Republican, Socialist or Prohibitionist, or religionst, those of them who are fundamental democrats, that they cannot realize their object, until the foundations are laid in what Henry George taught. No ideal can flourish practically, except that of organized charity, so long as the earth with its natural resources and physical environments is controlled by land monopoly. To control the planet is to control everything on the planet. With land monopoly abolished, all else is practicaly possible—even practical Christianity; with land monopoly permitted nothing else is possible but those mangificent charities for which land monopoly develops the need at one social extreme and at the other the "needful.' But the public is not a Single Tax organ. It stands for the rights of man even in a day when academic putterers say that man has no rights, and plutocratic plunderers respond with "Hear, hear!' or "Three cheers and a tiger!' Against the twaddle of the academic and the crimes of the plutocrat, The Public preaches in its fulness, the law of the rights of man. It makes no distinction of race, nation, religion sex or previous condition. —The Public.

## A "SINGLE TAX COLLEGE"

Miss Frances H. Lyon, of Brooklyn, the charming little lady who spent a winter at Fairhope and taught arts and crafts, in a recent letter says:

"I am always interested in Single Tax and in Fairhope, as the largest Single Tax college in the world. I think that one learns more about Single Tax there than in any other place, for it is the life of the town. I am thinking of spending next winter with you but have not made any plans so far."

## GORE ADMIRES HENRY GEORGE

Senator Thomas P. Gore, the famous blind senator from Oklahoma, writing recently and thanking the editor of the Courier for copy of the paper containing an article about the application of the Single Tax in Vancouver, B. C. said

"This is a subject to which I have given some attention and intend to give more. I have the profoundest admiration for Henry George as one of the greatest philosophers of this age or any other."

## NORTH RIVER PARK NOTES

By Courier's Regular Correspondent

Dr. H. Schmidt has sold his farm to Mr. Dedikin who has taken possession. The Dr. has not made up his mind as to his future but will probably locate in or near Fairhope.

H. H. Sheldon, of Roscoe, Baldwin County, who has been visiting with his son C. B. for thepast week returned home today.

Mr. C. W. Cady of Chicago has had his land put in shape to raise crops and intends to be with us again the coming summer.

Mr. C. Anacker, J. H. Deyman, John Miller and C. B Sheldon intend setting out a few Satsuma oranges this spring.

Edwin Butgereit who was very sick is now able to be around again but is unable to attend school yet.

Emil Leiser who has been working in Chicago for the past year has been visiting with his mother for the past month and intends staying for some time. He is putting in his time plowing and doing other farm work on his mother's farm.

Rev. E. A. Wendland held religious services at the school house Sunday.

County Commissioner C. M. Nelson has got as far as our settlement with his big county road grading machine and the road from here to Fairhope is now a fine graded boulevard which is indeed a blessing to our settlers.

The farmers are now turning their attention to spring crops. and several of them intend to plant Irish potatoes next week.

## DEATH OF MRS. GEORGE NELSON

Just as the Courier went to press last Friday news was received of the death of Mrs. George Nelson.

The community as well as the family had been buoyed up with hope that she was to recover from the illness which had been followed with so much solicitude, but complications arose with which the skill of physicians was unable to cope.

Her death occurred at 2 o'clock, Friday, Jan 6, 1911 and she was buried in Fairhope cemetery on the afternoon of the day following.

Louie Shepherd was born at Carney, Neb., was the second daughter and third child of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Shepherd. She came with her parents to Fairhope from Ruskin, Ga., in Oct. 1900 a little girl of twelve and grew to useful and attractive womanhood here.

She was for two years chief clerk in the Fairhope post-office where she became known to every man, woman and child in the neighborhood and was a favorite of all.

She was married a year ago to Mr. George Nelson of Point Clear, and she and her husband made their home until her death with her parents.

The funeral was from the home Rev. A. E. Shupe officiating and music being furnished by a choir composed of Mesdames W. E Sweet, A. H. Mershon and Messrs. A H. Mershon and W. E. Sweet. Miss Frances Gaston and Mrs. W. E Sweet also singing a duet, "Sister Thou Wer't Sweet and Mild."

The following acted as pall bearers: Edward Roberts. James Gaston, Arthur Atherton, Tom Wilson Orrie Keller and Al Oberg.

The funrale was very largely attended many of the friends and relatives of the bereaved husband from about Point Clear were present as well as the people ofFairhope.

In their deep sorrow the bereaved husband, parents, brothers and sister are assured of the most sincere, heartfelt sympathy of the entire community.

## NOTES FROM EUCLID.

By Courier's Regular Correspondent

Euclid is a mere speck on the map of Baldwin County.

It was named by a party of enthusiastic citizens of Cleveland, after a famous street in that Ohio city. It had besides a post-office and small store, great expectations. No locality was more talked of than was Euclid. It is said that Capt. Atwood praised the new Eldorado higher even than David Holt did in his recent address at Chicago on what he had seen while on a trip to this county.

But somehow—but that's another story. Its early life is a matter of local history; let it rest.

It's the year nineteen hundred and eleven we want to talk about. It, the year, promises greater results than ever for doings that will create a name for the labors of a new club, recently organized The purpose of the club is to grow cane on a large scale, to raise early cucumbers and snap beans galore.

The scheme is a pet one of Mr. E. Smith. He has talked on the possibilities and probabilites for months, and he is thoroughly in earnest. He believes that when the year has ended Euclid will be known outside the eastern shore, and that buyers will be anxious for the privilege of getting stuff of its raising.

With Mr. Smith are associated Mr. A. J. Gregson and Mr. Bowers Mrs. Dr,. Mershon's brother.

The triumvirate will begin operations early. Fifteen acres will be planted with cucumbers in between the rows of last year's cane; five acres will be planted with snap-beans. And from 20 to 30 acres will be planted with velvet beans . When the latter are matured some will be cut for hay and the balance will be turned under preparatory to seeding with cane next year.

Mr. Gregson has a ten acre field now in oats, a part of which will be cut for hay and the rest plowed under. On the tract when the oats grow, velvet beans will also be sown. Cane will follow the beans and unless something intervenes there will be something doing in Euclid in1912, and thereafter the name will appear on the map in bold black type.

When the Euclid schoolhouse had reached its last resting place in Sec. 33, late Saturday last, Mrs. William Stelzenmuler and Mrs. Martin Lowell appeared on the scene together with several young ladies all carrying packages and a pail. The parcels consisted of cake and the pail held lemonade al of which was passed around among the men who had assisted in moving the house of learning.

Mrs. Goldie Griffith of Columbus Ohio, is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Z. J. Tiffany.

Elder A. E. Shupe was obliged to again assume his religious work at Rosinton, Loxley and Summerdale owing to the unsatisfactory work of the man recently installed at those points.

## HEAVY COST OF RAILROAD WRECKS

According to a careful analysis of the Inter-State Commerce Commission's report of the factors which go to make the grand total of a billion dolars a year of railroad expenses of which Louis Brandeis, representing the shippers, claimed 30 per cent, could be saved by scientific management, the cost of wrecks amounts to one quarter, or $250,000000.

The railroad managers contend that no practical means for preventing these wrecks has yet been devised, but it is a notorious fact that in no other first-class country is the loss anything like so great.

## NOTES FROM THE COLLEGE TOWN

Not since the establishment of the Daphne Normal has such activity and enthusiasm been experienced among the citizens of Daphne as at present. The fight for the appropriation of $10,000 annually for the school is at its highest $and the promoters of the project seem very optimistic. The friends of education in South Alabama if not before are now believers in the school; some of the leading figures in the coming administration ar elending their assistance toward the passage of the bill and some of the best lobbyists in the state will be in Montgomery for that purpose.

In the bill to be entered at the coming session of the legislature provision is made for $7,500 to be used as salary of teachers and $2,500 each year for four years to be used for the erection of proper buildings and the purchase of necessary grounds for the school.

President Baker is requesting all those who favor the advancement of educational facilities to sign the proposed bill. That Daphne Normal has increased twenty per cent every year since its establishment is the only normal in the southern third of the state, that the location is ideal, that a student may be maintained one fourth cheaper than at other normals, is sufficient proof that an appropriation should be allowed not only for its maintenance but for its proper development.

On January 7th the preliminary contest for the selection of the six contestants for the Maude E. Truitt Diamond Medal was held. From the twelve contestants the judges gave the following the honor: Marion Hunt, William Randall, Hudson Tapia, Florence Dolive, Leona Foreman and William Hunt. This oratorical contest will be one of the features of commencement week. This medal was first offered by Mrs. Truitt, Director of Public School Music of Mobile county, last year for the encouragement of public speaking among the students of the Normal.

Daphne Normal began its baseball season on Monday, Jan. 14, by defeating a team from Fairhope by a score of 9 to 0, on the college campus. The game was without sensational plays from start to finish, but was very good for the time of year and lack of practice of each team. Neither team had its regular players and Fairhope was minus its pitcher and one man. Stapleton pitched for Daphne, allowed no hits, struck out fourteen and gave two men bases on balls. From the outlook at present the Normal will have a better team than it has ever had in spite of the fact that many of the veterans failed to return this year. It is planned to fix the diamond next week, the money from the school store going for that purpose.

The School Improvement Association met Jan. 7th and elected officers for the coming year. The association showed its appreciation of the work done by the officers of last year by re-electing each one for the coming year. Jan 28th a chicken pie supper will be given by the association at the school building.

The Lee Literary Society met on Saturday night and the audience was unanimous in saying it had the best program given this season by either the Washington or the Lee. At the next meeting the Society elects officers for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Burnham arrived on Tuesday evening of last week and are at home in the cottage recently purchased by them on the corner of Fels Ave. and Church St. They are here to make a reasonable trial of how well they like Fairhope, in healthfulness and otherwise, and we hope will be so pleased that they will stay right along.

## SUCCESSFUL PRODUCER'S ORGANIZATION.

The annual meeting of the Baldwin County Producers Corporation which has its headquarters at Foley was held last Saturday at that place, at which time the work of the past year was reviewed and officers elected, and plans perfected for the coming year. The corporation is the largest in the county and has been built up by the farmers near Foley during the past two years, starting with a mere handful. The past year has been one of the most successful, the work of the corporation and ability of the officers to find good markets for the crops of the farmers, was far beyond the expectations of the members. Over 150 farmers in that community are members of the corporation.

Frank Fesler, editor of the Onlooker who has been one of the moving spirits in the organization was reelected president.

## VALUABLE ADVERTISING FOR VANCOUVER.

Mayor Taylor of Vancouver, B. C., through whose efforts largely, the tax on improvements was abandoned, is in the midst of a hot campaign for re-election. In a recent issue of the World, reference in one of his campaign speeches to the subject was reported as follows:

"The mayor emphasized in passing, the world-wide advertising which the exemption of taxation on improvements had given Vancouver. Before this measure was passed the man on the vacant lot was getting the unearned increment—now it was different. This measure led to the larger questions of exemptions of poll tax, income tax and personal property tax. Portland and Tacoma were watching Vancouver closely. Recently a man was sent to Vancouver from a city in Oregon to investigate the question. The United Press sent a man in the summer to investigate the question and the article he wrote was syndicated to all the papers in the United States. Nothing had drawn the attention of investors manufacturers and men who were seeking to broaden out in social economics to Vancouver so much as this single tax question."

## WOMAN'S NATIONAL SINGLE TAX LEAGUE TO MEET

The Woman's National Single Tax League will hold its annual convention in Washington, D. C. on February 6, 7, and 8. The sessions will be held at the Ebbitt House corner F and 14th streets, N. W.

ways shown much friendship for

The Woman's League has al-

Fairhope and would like very much to have a representative from Fairhope attend its convention

## PUBLIC SCHOOL NOTES

After quite a long vacation, which was much enjoyed by all, our school work is again in normal condition.

Harry Stradling, Mamie Bishop, Pearl Bishop and Gertrude Dalby have been enrolled as new pupils recently. Mrs. Stearns and Mrs. Haswell were welcome visitors this week. Parents and other visitors are always welcome and we hope to have more visitors in the future than in the past.

## BUSINESS INCREASES FOR BELL TEIEPHONE CO.

The business of the Southern Bell T. and T. Co., in this county has so increased that Miss Millie Beckner, who has been the very efficient operator for about three years, is to have an assistant. This will be Miss Hilma Littlegreen, who will go on duty February first.

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Charity—which is love for humanity—is still the greatest of the three virtues.

London is reinforcing its meat supply with refrigerated monkey carcasses from Peru.

British medical experts want insanity made the basis for divorce. And some will say "ain't it great to be crazy!"

With aeroplanes falling from the clouds, and automobiles blowing chauffeurs into trees, this is truly an unsettled time.

Natural ice has been almost entirely absolved of the charge of harboring fever germs. These little pets detest cold feet.

Somehow we can't get real good and scared over the announcement that a new counterfeit $100 bill is in circulation.

It cost an Ohio farmer $14.25 for attempting to kiss his neighbor's wife. Near kisses are as costly as one sealed and delivered.

The population of New York state is nearly 10,000,000, but there is still plenty of room to get around there without touching elbows.

Notwithstanding the fact that upper berths are to be lower, it will be necessary to use a ladder for the purpose of getting into one of them.

Japan is going to buy herself a $12,000,000 warship. This ought to precipitate another war scare among the nervous contingent.

The fight which a Pennsylvania lumber buyer had with a bear may invite recognition of Bruin as one of our leading conservationists.

There is one merit which the airship can boast. It leaves the streets clear for pedestrians to walk without fear of being run down by speeders.

A man in New York, fired upon on the street, was saved by the opal pin in his necktie. This ought to lift the ban of ill luck from that unlucky stone.

There are indications that the record for hunters who were mistaken for deer will be broken this year. It is a remarkable year for broken records.

More people would be satisfied to take things as they come, were it not for the fact that most of the things that come are not worth waiting for.

New York is erecting a building 13 feet higher than the Singer building. If this goes on, aeroplanists are going to protest against the obstruction of traffic.

It is announced that the government is going to substitute dollar bills for bills of $20 and more. That's good; it will make it easier to flash a large roll.

When the ocean liners take something of their size for collision purposes the results are different from those achieved when they run into fishing smacks.

A schoolboy was directed to write an essay about cotton, and he began it by saying "it is chiefly used in making woolen goods." That boy keeps his eyes open.

Hobble skirts hinder business, is the conclusion of the Atlantic City shop keepers. Maybe the Atlantic City girls can show speed in other ways than walking.

An Ohio man offers $5,000 for an airship ride. If that sum is to be established as the regular fare the atmosphere will not be crowded for a long time to come.

A Wellesley student has been expelled for getting married. It was probably decided that she took an unfair advantage of the many Massachusetts spinsters who are looking for men.

Still another biggest-yet and most luxurious steamship is planned. Eventually, we suppose, no passenger vessel will be complete without a golf course, a portecochere and outdoor sleeping porches.

The councilmen of several of the cities are legislating against the long hatpin. If they were wise they would issue their commands to their own wives first, to ascertain what measure of submission they are likely to meet with.

The school board of Pocahontas, Va., has issued a rule forbidding the schoolma'ams of that place the right to attend dances. What has become of southern chivalry?

Prince Henry of Prussia has made several flights in an aeroplane. But the prince had convinced Americans some years before the aeroplane that he was a pretty high flyer.

All cities that have aviation meets soon discover that none of the birdmen are flying for their health.

# Decoration for Fur Hats

THE home milliner has been able to find a turban covered with fur of almost any description and almost any shape. The matter of trimming it at home is a problem of easy solution. Fur turbans are not exactly trimmed—they are decorated. The soft shapes, made without wire, carry bows, rosettes or motifs, applied flat to the body of the hat; or tinsel and silk roses, a smart cockade or an aigrette fastened on with an ornament, all easy to procure and the trimming easy of accomplishment. Fashion permits the trimming to be placed anywhere, from back to front, at the sweet will and sense of style possessed by the wearer.

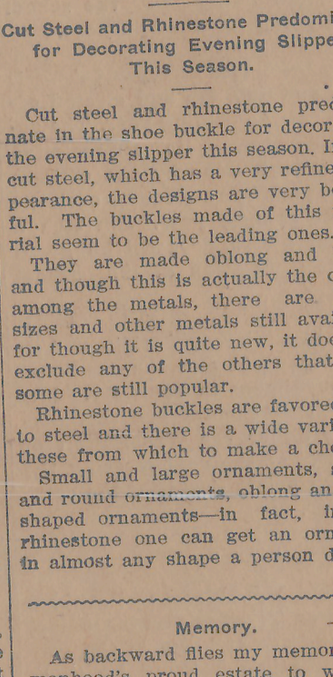
Where the turban is made by covering a buckram shape with fur, plumes and fancy feathers, wings and ribbons are all available. The soft caps are more simply trimmed.

Soft caps of fur or fur fabrics are easily made at home. The crown is in four sections, like a boy's jockey cap, and the brim a slightly curved collar, which is wide enough to turn up about the crown. This is lined with silk or satin. A fine wire may be introduced in the outside brim edge to advantage. It should be put in between the fabric and the lining, and will serve to keep the hat shapely.

Such hats of plush or fur are very comfortable—a real protection to the head, and the becomingness is a new discovery. It is all in adjusting the right shape to the head in the right way.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

## CHECKED SILK WAIST.



This most attractive waist is of checked old blue and white foulard, with pretty yoke of old blue cashmere. The guimpe, undersleeves, and frills are of white tulle. The girdle is of plain blue liberty.

## THE NEW SHOE BUCKLES

**Cut Steel and Rhinestone Predominate for Decorating Evening Slipper This Season.**

Cut steel and rhinestone predominate in the shoe buckle for decorating the evening slipper this season. In the cut steel, which has a very refined appearance, the designs are very beautiful. The buckles made of this material seem to be the leading ones.

They are made oblong and large, and though this is actually the choice among the metals, there are other sizes and other metals still available, for though it is quite new, it does not exclude any of the others that with some are still popular.

Rhinestone buckles are favored next to steel and there is a wide variety of these from which to make a choice.

Small and large ornaments, square and round ornaments, oblong and star-shaped ornaments—in fact, in the rhinestone one can get an ornament in almost any shape a person desires.

## CONCERNING USE OF PLUMES

**Newest Trimming in Millinery Shows Styles Such as Our Mothers Never Dreamed Of.**

The newest trimming in millinery emphasizes the use of plumes. Such plumes! The word conjures up an infinite variety of styles of which our mothers or grandmothers knew nothing, and fair women of today can be doubly grateful for the efforts of milliners.

Garlands of plumes are used on broad, low hats. They are spotted and flecked with color, and some are made of layers of different shades, giving a wonderfully irridescent effect.

On velvet turbans the use of a single plume attached at the front, and extending toward the back in a slanting line, is quite evident. This line for the plume is used on large hats as well. And speaking of the wide, flat shapes leads us to the introduction of ostrich feathers to edge the brim. Two successful Paris milliners have done this with great effect.

Feather rosettes are made of ostrich plumes. Concentric circles of cut feathers are placed around a jeweled center. At the side of a turban or on the upturned brim of a large velvet hat this new type of ornament is extremely chic.

A feather band is being used on many large hats. Black and white plumes are favored for these ornaments. They are detachable, hooking at one side. This idea is attractive, for a change of trimming means a change of hat.

### Cretonne Lampshades.

The very newest and prettiest thing in home decoration is the lampshade of shirred cretonne or flowered silk. For these, heavy wire frames are purchased, the round shape being the best. The cretonne or silk is then shirred tightly under this frame, and clamped or glued to it. A narrow border of furniture gimp conceals the joining place.

In tapestry, this variety of lampshade becomes really gorgeous. The idea, of course, can be applied in any of these materials to candleshades as well.

### Divided Skirt Practical.

Frocks of velvet have been so much worn that little costumes of tweed, serge or other woolens are a trifle more novel. The divided skirt worn in Paris is certainly practical and might well be adopted for hard wear.

### Memory.

As backward flies my memory from manhood's proud estate to when I swung my lover form upon my lady's gate, there rises in my throat a lump that will not get away—a lover's recollection of a little girl named May!

As sweet a little maiden as was ever put on earth, whose freckled face was wrinkled in an ecstasy of mirth; who when she wept was wonderful—entrancing when she sighed! How many thousand times I'd sworn that she should be my bride!

But there's that lump! Ah, me, that lump that will not go away! I've had a photo from the girl I used to know as May. Her name is Mrs. Sniggle-fritz—she's fat and frowsy, too! She still retains her freckles and her tilted nose is blue!

She writes that seven children is the reckoning to date, and they keep their mother worrying from early morn till late. And, by the way, the lump I've got—it took its form and shape with the gasp of glad thanksgiving for my harrowing escape!

## HINTS ON COOKING GAME

**Success Is Sure if the Cook Will Follow These Simple Directions.**

Never wash game inside or out; merely wipe it with a cloth wrung out in hot water.

Badly shot birds should not be hung long.

The length of time a bird is hung must depend on the weather, the state of the bird and individual taste.

Snipe, woodcock and plover should never be "drawn."

Tie the birds, if possible, with string, instead of using skewers, for the latter make holes through which the juices escape.

Tie a slice of fat bacon over the breast of each bird to keep it from drying.

Baste all game very thoroughly; otherwise it will become dry and shriveled.

Game, except partridges and pheasants, is usually liked slightly underdone. This is especially the case with teal and wild duck.

Never pour gravy over game, but serve it separately in a hot tureen.

The correct accompaniments to all game are bread sauce, fried crumbs, good gravy and potatoes fried in any fashion.

## NOVEL AND USEFUL BRACKET

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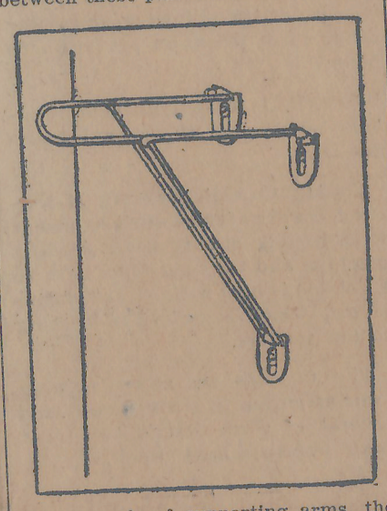
To those who have to make the most of every inch of space in home or office the bracket devised by a New York man will appeal strongly. The bracket consists of two heavy wire arms, shaped like a letter "U" and having lateral extensions at the ends which fasten in two plates that are screwed into wall or door. Below and between these plates is a third, which



holds a pair of supporting arms, the ends of which fasten in circular loops in the longitudinal arms and hold them upright. The whole apparatus can be put up anywhere in a few minutes and taken down as easily. When not in use the supporting arms can be slipped out of place and the bracked folded against wall or door. A board can be placed across the top of needed.

### Mother's Fried Cakes.

Stir to a cream two cups of sugar and four tablespoonfuls of softened butter or drippings. Add one cup each of milk and water, two well beaten eggs, four teaspoonfuls of baking powder sifted in four cups of flour, a teaspoonful of salt and cinnamon or nutmeg to flavor. Add enough more flour to make a soft dough, cut in rings or twists and drop into a kettle of boiling fat. When the cakes rise and brown on one side turn deftly on the other without piercing the cruller, then as soon as browned lift out on brown paper. When nearly cool roll in powdered sugar if desired.

### Sweet Pickled Apples.

A delicious pickle is thus, made from sweet apples. Cut in halves through the stem, leaving the core in and the skin on. Put three cloves in each half as in pickling peaches, then make a sirup, allowing for every pound of apples three pounds of sugar and a pint of vinegar. Add a few cassia buds or pieces of stick cinnamon, put the fruit in and cook it until it can be pierced with a splint. Pack the apples in jars, cook the sirup a little longer until thickened and pour over the fruit.

### Molded Snow.

Mix three tablespoons cornstarch with cold water to pour, add to one pint of water, and cook ten mintues; add two tablespoons sugar, juice of lemon and the whites of two eggs beaten stiff.

Custard Sauce for Same.—Scald one pint of milk; mix four tablespoons sugar, two teaspoons cornstarch, add the yolks of the two eggs, quarter cup of cold milk. Stir in scalded milk, and cook five minutes.

### Good, Soft Gingerbread.

Four cups of flour, one-half cup of butter or lard, one cup of molasses, one cup of milk, one teaspoon of soda and the same of ginger. Heat the molasses and add the shortening and milk. Sift the soda and flour together, while dry. Have a buttered pan ready and add the liquid to the flour by degrees, stirring as you pour. Bake in a hot oven.

### Iron Rust.

To remove iron rust, dampen cloth, rub on cream of tartar, rub well, and let stand an hour, then wash.

## ONE REDEEMING FEATURE

**When Papa Hears It He Urges Only Son to Get Girl Quick.**

The only son had just announced to the family his engagement.

"What, that girl!" remarked his mother. "Why, she squints."

"She has absolutely no style," commented his sister.

"Red-headed, isn't she?" asked auntie.

"I'm afraid she's flighty," was grandma's opinion.

"She hasn't any money," said uncle.

"And she doesn't look strong," chimed in the first cousin.

"She's stuck up, in my opinion," asservated the second cousin.

"She's extravagant," was the opinion given by the third cousin.

"Well, she's got one redeeming feature, at any rate," remarked the only son, thoughtfully.

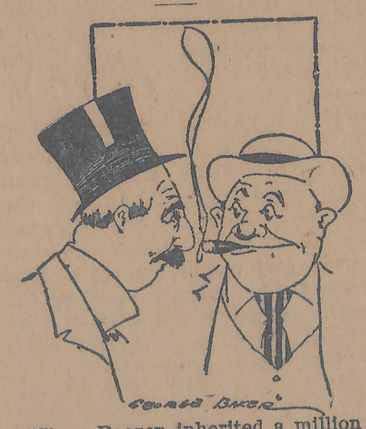
What's that?" chorused the charitable band.

She hasn't a relative on earth."

Papa had not yet spoken, but now he did.

"Grab her, my boy, grab her," he said.

### MONEY DID IT.



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SYNOPSIS.

At the expense of a soiled hat Herbert Orme saves from arrest a girl in a black touring car who has caused a traffic jam on State street. He buys a new hat and is given a five dollar bill with: "Remember the person you pay this to," written on it. A second time he helps the girl in the black car and learns that in Tom and Bessie Wallingham they have mutual friends, but gets no further hint of her identity. He discovers another inscription on the marked bill, which in a futile attempt to decipher it, he copies and places the copy in a drawer in his apartment. Senor Poritol, South American, calls and claims the marked bill. Orme refuses, and a fight ensues in which Poritol is overcome. He calls in Senor Alcatrante, minister from his country, to vouch for him. Orme still refuses to give up the bill. He learns that a Jap has called for him. Orme goes for a walk and sees two Japs attack Alcatrante.

CHAPTER III.—Continued.

Orme leaped forward and swung his cane. The stick was tough and the blow was hard enough to send a man to earth, but the robber had heard Orme's approach, and looked up from his victim just in time. With a motion indescribably swift, he caught with one hand the descending cane and wrenched it from Orme's grasp. Then he crouched to spring.

At this instant Orme heard footsteps behind him. A turn of the head showed a threatening figure at his back. There had been four men in that procession through the park!

By a quick leap to one side, Orme placed himself for the moment out of danger. His two assailants, moving too fast to stop, bumped together. They faced about for another spring at him. And then there was a short scratching sound, and in the hand of the man on the ground flared a match.

"Ha!" exclaimed the prostrate Alcatrante, "I thought so!"

Orme found himself looking into the contorted faces of two Japanese.

Discovery was evidently the last thing the hold-up men desired, for they disappeared like a flash, diving through the shrubbery behind them. Orme, dazed and breathing hard, attempted no immediate pursuit. He stepped quickly to Alcatrante and helped him to his feet.

"I am not hurt," said the South American. "When the man threw me to the ground, I feigned that I was stunned. It is wiser not to resist a thug, is it not so?" He brushed the dust from his clothing with his handkerchief. Orme handed him his hat, which had rolled to one side. The minister rubbed it carefully with his coat sleeve. "See," he laughed, nodding at the ground, "my cane is broken. I must have fallen on it."

"Since you're not hurt," said Orme, "we'd better get after the thieves."

"Bah!" replied Alcatrante. "What is the use? They are already far away—and they got nothing." He laughed. "Is it not always better to avoid notoriety, Mr. Orme?"

"As a rule, no doubt—but in this instance—"

"No," said Alcatrante, firmly, "I really must insist that we let the matter drop. As for me, I shall return to my hotel. Perhaps you will walk along with me."

Orme hesitated. "I don't like those thieves to get off without a chase, senor."

"But, my dear Mr. Orme, they did me no harm."

Orme shrugged his shoulders. "You forget that there was one after me as well as one after you."

"No, I don't forget that. But don't you see, Mr. Orme? These two men were not after our valuables."

"Indeed?"

"Not at all. What they would like is my little friend Poritol's secret."

"But why Japanese?" Orme was puzzled.

"Why, indeed? A cunning Japanese might as easily have got wind of it as anyone else."

"But why did you say, 'I thought so?'" persisted Orme.

"Did I say that? It must have been because I suspected that only a Japanese could be so agile as my assailant. But all this is immaterial. I should have warned you that Poritol's secret is dangerous. You should not have left your apartments."

"Well, this certainly is a queer kettle of fish," muttered Orme. He was beginning to feel disgusted with the situation. He did not like Alcatrante's oily smoothness, and he wondered whether it would not have been better to hand the bill over to Poritol at the first demand. But it came to his mind that in a certain degree he stood committed to continue the policy he had adopted. He had sought adventure; it was coming to him in full measure.

Together they walked back toward the park entrance. The minister seemingly exerted himself to regain the ground he had lost with Orme. He proved an interesting conversationalist—keen, slightly cynical, but not without an undernote of earnestness.

"You have seen me much abused by your press, Mr. Orme," he said. "That is natural. I have the interests of my own country to protect, and those interests are of necessity sometimes opposed to the interests of other countries. But if your people would be even more patient with us—all we need is time. There is reason for our persistent tomorrow; for we are young, and it is a slow process to realize on our resources. That is why we do not pay our debts more promptly."

Orme said nothing, but thought of looted South American treasuries, of exiled presidents squandering their official stealing at Paris and Monte Carlo, of concessions sold and sold again to rival foreign companies.

They had now reached the park entrance. "There is a cab," said Alcatrante. "You will ride with me as far as your hotel?"

"Thank you, no," said Orme. "I rather need the walk."

Alcatrante smiled persuasively. "Permit me to urge you. If you should be robbed, my little friend might lose his precious secret. Poor boy!" he added. "His father was my friend, and I cannot refuse him a service."

The cab had swung around to the curb beside them. Orme had no fear of robbery on the lighted drive, but since Alcatrante was so insistent he felt inclined to yield. He might as well ride; so he permitted the minister to bow him into the cab, and presently they were whirling along southward. There was a period of silence. Then Alcatrante spoke meditatively.

"You see how it happened, I suppose," he said. "Those Japanese were waiting outside your hotel. When Poritol and I came out, one of them followed us, while the other remained on guard. Then you started on your stroll, and the man who remained on guard set out after you."

"Yes," said Orme, "but I don't see how the fellow could have known who I was."

Alcatrante laughed. "Oh, he could have placed you in a number of different ways. He may have got your description from one of the servants—or from the clerk. But it is enough that he did know you."

"Well," said Orme, "this is beyond me. That five-dollar bill seems to be very much desired by different groups of persons."

Alcatrante nodded. "I am not sure," he said slowly, "but that it would ease young Poritol's mind if you would place the bill in my hands for safekeeping. Not that he mistrusts you, Mr. Orme, but he imagines that you may not realize how important it is to him, and you might not guard it carefully."

"I agreed to keep it until tomorrow," said Orme, quietly. "As for thieves, my apartment is on the tenth floor, pretty well out of their reach. The only danger of robbery lies between the cab and the hotel office."

"I know, I know," chuckled Alcatrante. "It is, of course, as you will. I was merely thinking of my young friend's peace of mind. I am his fellow countryman, you see, and his confidence in me—" he stopped, with another chuckle. "Singular, is it not, how impressionable are the young?"

Orme said nothing. He did not enjoy this fencing.

"Look at the lake," Alcatrante suddenly exclaimed. "How beautiful an expanse of water. It has so much more color than the sea. But you should see our wonderful harbor of Rio, Mr. Orme. Perhaps some day I shall be permitted to show you its magnificences."

"Who knows?" said Orme. "It would be very pleasant."

"As to the bill," continued Alcatrante quickly, "do you care to give it to me?"

Orme felt himself frowning. "I will keep it till the morning," he said.

"Oh, well, it is of no consequence." Alcatrante laughed shortly. "See, here is your hotel. Your company has been a pleasure to me, Mr. Orme. You arrived most opportunely in the park."

Orme jumped to the curb and, turning, shook the hand that was extended to him. "Thank you for the lift, Senor Alcatrante," he said. "I shall look for you in the morning."

"In the morning—yes. And pray, my dear sir, do not wander in the streets any more this evening. Our experience in the park has made me apprehensive." The minister lifted his hat, and the cab rattled away.

The entrance to the Pere Marquette was a massive gateway, which opened upon a wide tunnel, leading to an interior court. On the farther side of the court were the doors of the hotel lobby. As a rule, carriages drove through the tunnel into the court, but Orme had not waited for this formality.

He started through the tunnel. There was no one in sight. He noted the elaborate terra-cotta decorations of the walls, and marveled at the bad taste which had lost sight of this opportunity for artistic simplicity. But through the opening before him he could see the fountain playing in the center of the court. The central figure of the group, a naiad, beckoned with a hand from which the water fell in a shower. The effect was not so unpleasing. If one wished to be rococo, why not be altogether so? Like the South Americans? Was their elaborate ornamentation plastered on to an inner steel construction? Orme wondered.

Midway of the tunnel, and at the right as one entered, was a door leading into the porter's office. This door was shut, but as Orme approached it, it noiselessly opened out. He expected to see a porter appear, and when no person stepped over the sill, he inferred that the door had been blown open by an interior draft.

Just as he was turning out to go around the door—which shut off all view of him from the inner court—a figure shot through the opening.

Before Orme could dodge, he was seized firmly by the shoulders and jerked into the room, with a force that sent him staggering. He tripped over a chair and went to the floor, but quickly scrambled to his feet and wheeled about.

Two men stood between him and the door, which had been closed silently and swiftly. They were short

"I, Too? Has—Anybody Else—?"

and stockily built. Orme exclaimed aloud, for the light that filtered through a window from the street showed two faces unmistakably oriental.

If this was an ordinary robbery, the daring of the robbers was almost incredible. They ran the risk that the porter would return—if they had not already made away with him. Only the most desperate purpose could explain their action.

"What do you want?" demanded Orme.

"Your pocket book," replied one of the men—"queek!" He smiled an elusive smile as he spoke.

"What if I refuse?" said Orme.

"Then we take. Be queek."

A call for help would hardly bring anyone; but Orme gave a loud cry, more to disconcert his enemies than with any hope of rescue.

At the same instant he rushed toward the door, and struck out at the nearer Japanese.

The blow did not land. His wrist was caught in a grip like an iron clamp, and he found himself performing queer gyrations. The Japanese had turned his back toward Orme and swung the imprisoned arm over his shoulder. A quick lurch forward, and Orme sailed through the air, coming down heavily on his side. His arm was still held, and in a few seconds he was on his back, his assailants astride him and smiling down into his face.

Orme struggled to free himself, and promptly felt a breaking strain on his imprisoned arm. The knee of the Japanese was under the back of Orme's elbow. A moderate use of the leverage thus obtained would snap the arm like a pipe stem. This Orme realized, as he ceased struggling. The strain on his arm relaxed slightly, but the grip was maintained.

"Jiu-jitsu," explained the Japanese in a tone that sounded gently apologetic.

The other robber now stooped and ran his hands over Orme's coat. Finding the pocket book, he took it from its inside pocket and went swiftly to the table. He produced from his own pocket a little electric hand lamp, by the light of which he took rapid count of Orme's money.

His eyes glittered; a wide scar on his forehead stood out whitely. Suddenly he gave a little cry and held up a single bill. He jabbered excitedly to his companion for a moment, then spoke quietly to Orme.

"This all we want," he said. "We are not thief, see—I put other five-dollar bill in its place and leave pocket book here."

He thrust the selected bill into his pocket, put the fresh bill in the pocket book, and laid the pocket book on the table.

"See here," said Orme, still prone, "what's the meaning of all this?"

"Don't say." The Japanese smiled. He went over to the door. "Come," he said. The man astride Orme released his hold and sprang to his feet. Like a flash, both the Japanese disappeared.

Orme jumped up. Seizing his pocket book and his hat, he darted after his assailants. At the street entrance to the tunnel, he looked quickly in both directions, but his men were not in sight.

Pursuit was futile. Slowly he turned back. He thought of notifying the police, but, after all, he was none the worse off—except for his promise to Poritol and Alcatrante, now involuntarily broken. He must explain to them as best he could. The marked bill had been of no consequence to him except as a focus of adventure. And he had had about as much adventure as he could expect for one evening.

But the secret of the bill still tantalized him. Blindfolded, he had played in a game at which the others saw. It seemed unfair—as if he had some right to know the meaning of all these mysterious incidents. Why had Poritol wanted the bill so badly? Why had the desire to possess it driven the two Japanese to such extreme measures?

Orme crossed the court and entered the lobby. The clerk looked at him curiously.

"Mr. Orme," he said, "there is a young lady in the reception room, waiting to see you."

"Me?" Orme looked his surprise.

"Yes, sir. She gave no name."

"Has she been waiting long?"

"Nearly an hour."

Without further questioning, Orme turned to the door of the little green-and-gold room. At the threshold he paused in bewilderment. Arising to meet him, smiling frankly, was the girl of the car.

CHAPTER IV.

The Girl of the Car.

"Oh," she said, with a little gasp of recognition, "are you Mr. Orme?" Her cheeks flushed softly.

He bowed; his heart was beating furiously, and for the moment he dared not try to speak.

"Then we do meet again," she exclaimed,—"and as usual I need your help. Isn't it queer?"

"Any service that I—" Orme began haltingly "—of course, anything that I can do—"

The girl laughed, a merry ripple of sound; then caught herself and changed her manner to grave earnestness. "It is very important," she said. "I am looking for a five-dollar bill that was paid to you today."

Orme started. "What? You, too?"

"I, too? Has—has anybody else—?" Her gravity was more intense.

"Why, yes," said Orme— "a little man from South America."

"Oh—Mr. Poritol?" Her brows were knit in an adorable frown.

"Yes—and two Japanese."

"Oh!" Her exclamation was apprehensive.

"The Japanese got it," added Orme, ruefully. That she had the right to this information it never occurred to him to question.

The girl stood rigidly. "Whatever shall I do now?" she whispered. "My poor father!"

She looked helplessly at Orme. His self-possession had returned, and as he urged her to a chair, he condemned himself for not guessing how serious the loss of the bill must be to her. "Sit down," he said. "Perhaps I can help. But you see, I know so little of what it all means. Tell me everything you can."

With a sigh, she sank into the chair. Orme stood before her, waiting.

"That bill tells, if I am not mistaken," she said, wearily, "where certain papers have been hidden. My father is ill at our place in the country. He must have those papers before midnight tomorrow, or—" Tears came into her eyes. Orme would have given much for the right to comfort her. "So much depends upon finding them," she added—"more even than I can begin to tell you."

"Let me help," said Orme, eager to follow those papers all over Chicago, if only it would serve her. "Hear my story first." Rapidly he recounted the adventures of the evening. She listened, eyes intent, nodding in recognition of his description of Poritol and Alcatrante. When he came to the account of the fight in the porter's office and spoke of the Japanese with the scar on his forehead, she interrupted.

"Oh! That was Maku," she exclaimed.

"Maku?"

"Our butler. He must have overheard my father and me."

"Then he knew the value of the papers?"

"He must have. I am sorry, Mr. Orme, that you have been so roughly used."

"That doesn't matter," he said. "They didn't hurt me in the least. And now, what is your story? How did you get on the trail of the bill?"

"We came back from the east a few days ago," she began. "My father had to undergo a slight operation, and he wished to have it performed by his friend, Dr. Allison, who lives here, so we went to our home in—one of the northern suburbs.

"Father could not go back east as soon as he had expected to, and he had the papers sent to him, by special arrangement with the—with the other parties to the contract. Mr. Poritol followed us from the east. I—we had known him there. He was always amusing company; we never took him seriously. He had business here, he said; but on the first day of his arrival he came out to call on us. The next night our house was entered by a burglar. Besides the papers, only a few things were taken."

"Poritol?" exclaimed Orme, incredulously.

"It happened that a Chicago detective had been in our village on business during the day," she went. "He had recognized on the streets a well-known thief, named Walsh. When we reported the burglary the detective remembered seeing Walsh, and hunted him out and arrested him. In his pockets was some jewelry belonging to me, and in his room the other stolen articles were found—everything except the papers."

"Did you tell the police about the papers?"

"No, it seemed wiser not to. They were in a sealed envelope with—with my father's name on it, and would surely have been returned, if found with the other things. There are reasons why they would have—would try to please my father. We did not let them know that an envelope containing something of value had not been recovered, and told them to make a thorough search.

"The afternoon after the burglary the news of Walsh's arrest was telephoned out to us from Chicago. I talked with my father, who was not well enough to leave the house, and it seemed best that some one should go to the county jail and see Walsh and try to get the papers. My father had reasons for not wishing the loss to become known. Only he and I were acquainted with the contents of the envelope; so I insisted on going to Chicago and interviewing the burglar."

She laughed, intercepting Orme's admiring look. "Oh, it was easy enough. I planned to take our lawyer as an escort."

"Did you?"

"No, and that is where my troubles really began. Just as I was preparing to go, Mr. Poritol called. I had forgotten that we had asked him out for an afternoon of golf. He is such a funny player.

"As soon as I told him I was going to the Chicago jail to interview a burglar about some stolen goods, he insisted on acting as escort. He was so amusingly persistent that I finally agreed. We set out for the city in my car, not waiting to take a train.

"When we reached the jail I presented a letter which my father had written, and the officials agreed to let me have a private interview with Walsh."

Orme opened his eyes. The girl's father must have considerable influence.

"It is a horrid place, the jail. They took us through a corridor to Walsh's cell, and called him to the grating. I made Mr. Poritol stand back at the other side of the corridor so that he couldn't hear us talk.

"I asked the man what he had done with the papers. He insisted that he had seen none. Then I promised to have him freed, if he would only return them. He looked meditatively over my shoulders and after a moment declined the offer, again insisting that he didn't understand what I was talking about. 'I took the other things, miss,' he said, 'and I suppose I'll get time for it. But so help me, I didn't see no papers.'"

The girl paused and looked at Orme. "This seems like wasting minutes when we might be searching."

Orme was pleased to hear the "we."

"Well," she went on, "I knew that the man was not telling the truth. He was too hesitant to be convincing. So I began to promise him money. At every offer he looked past my shoulder and then repeated his denials. The last time he raised his eyes I had an intuition that something was going on behind me. I turned quickly. There stood Mr. Poritol, extending his fingers in the air and forming his mouth silently into words. He was raising my bids!

"It flashed upon me that the papers would be of immense value to Mr. Poritol—for certain reasons. If only I had thought of it before! I spoke to him sharply and told him to go outside. It always seemed natural to order him about, like a little dog."

"However, little dogs have the sharpest teeth," remarked Orme.

"That is true. He replied that he couldn't think of leaving me alone in such a place. So there was nothing for me to do except to go. I would have to return later without Mr. Poritol. 'Come along,' I said. 'My errand is done.'

"Mr. Poritol smiled at me in a way I didn't like. The burglar, meantime, had gone to a little table at the back of his cell. There was an ink bottle there and he seemed to be writing. Looking into the cell, Mr. Poritol said: 'The poor fellow has very unpleasant quarters.' Then he said to Walsh: 'Can't we do something to make your enforced stay here more comfortable, my dear sir?'"

Orme smiled at the unconscious mimicry of her accent.

"Walsh came back to the grating. He held in his hand a five-dollar bill—the one that has made so much trouble. It had been smuggled in to him in some way. 'You might get me some "baccy,"' he said, thrusting the bill through the bars and grinning.

"Now I understood what was going on. I reached for the bill, as though it were intended for me, but Mr. Poritol was quicker. He snatched the bill and put it in his pocket.

"I didn't know what to do. But suddenly Mr. Poritol seemed to be frightened. Perhaps he thought that I would have him arrested, though he might have known that there were reasons why I couldn't. He gave me a panicky look and rushed out of the corridor. Afterward I learned that he told the guard I had sent him on an errand.

"Well"—she sighed—"of course, I followed, after a last glance at Walsh, who was peering through the grating with a look of evil amusement. He must have been well paid, that burglar. But then," she mused, "they could afford it—yes, they could well afford it.

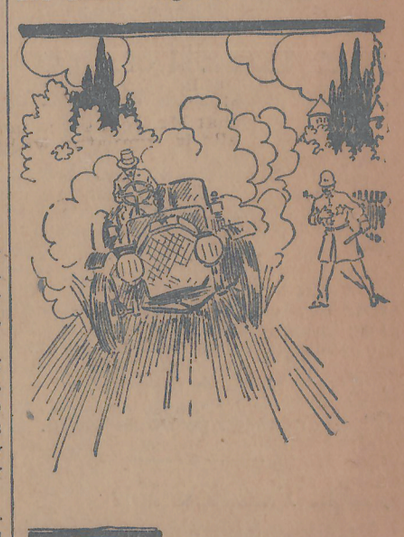
"When I got to the street, Poritol was just disappearing in my car! I can only think that he had lost his head very completely, for he didn't need to take the car. He could have mixed with the street crowd and gone a-foot to the hotel where—"

"Alcatrante?"

"Yes, Mr. Alcatrante—where he was stopping, and have waited there. But Mr. Alcatrante was playing golf at Wheaton, and Mr. Poritol seems to have thought that he must go straight to him. He cannot escape from being spectacular, you see.

"He ran out through the western suburbs, putting on more and more speed. Meantime I set a detective on the track of the car. That is how I learned what I am now telling you. As for the car, Mr. Poritol sent it back to me this morning with a hired chauffeur. He wrote a note of abject apology, saying that he had been beside himself and had not realized what he was doing.

"After setting the detective at work, I went out to our place by train. I dreaded confessing my failure to father, but he took it very well. We had dinner together in his study.



Putting on More and More Speed.

Maku was in the room while we were talking. Now I can see why Maku disappeared after dinner and did not return."

"But how did Poritol lose the bill?" asked Orme.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

To remove paint take two pounds of salsoda, one-half pound of lime, one gallon hot water. Stir all together and apply while still warm to the old paint. The mixture will soon loosen the paint so you can easily scrape it off.

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There are 13 blocks of land in Portland assessed on the land alone more than all the farm lands are assessed for in seven counties of this state.
Labor Press.

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Pay your poll tax! It is an outrage, in our opinion, to impose any such qualifications to the right to vote but we have poor opinion of the man who will let a measly $1.00 stand between him and the exercise of this important right.

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The Jenne Pit Acetylene Gas Generator, for which our Mr. J. G. White is general Southern agent, seems to be far and away the best apparatus for furnishing this excellent light—the nearest approach to sunlight of any light which science yet knows.

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A. J. Wolf read a carefully prepapred paper before the Progressive League last Sunday on "The Spirit of Christmas." It was so much appreciated that a desire for its publication was expressed and it will be given in the Courier next week.

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Lessees of Fairhope Single Tax Corporation are reminded that the Corporation accepts from its lessees receipts for poll taxes, on rent the same as receipts for taxes on improvements and personal property. So they have less excuse than any others for failing to pay the same.

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One of the Colony's neighbors, Mr. Gould, an excellent gentleman, has had the Single Tax presented to him recently in a light which appealed greatly to him. That was as a system avoiding the temptation to dishonest returns of property inherent in the system of taxing personal property where the word of the taxpayer must be relied upon. This is one of the strong points of the Single Tax.

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That commission form of government for cities is going to occupy much of the attention of the coming legislature is evident from the number of bills providing for the same reported in preparation by members of both houses. The greatest benefits of this form of municipal government are found in the initiative, referendum and recall features and there is no reason why these should not be made applicable to even the smallest towns.

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The last issue of Farm and Fireside contains the second of a series of articles by "H.F.R." who is none other than our H. F. Ring. The second article is entitled, "The Magic of the Velvet Bean." In a note the editor says: "This is the second of a series of letters from one of the most interesting dairy farms in America."
The letter is very entertainingly written and is given very pretty setting by Farm and Fireside's expert printers.

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By their labors and improvements the farmers of Oregon have added values to their fields of over a hundred millions of dollars. This is called land values by the assessor and represents that much over what the bare land of equal fertility and situation alongside is worth. The taxes on this hundred millions of dollars is paid by the farmers to help out the land speculators in addition to the taxes levied on the farmer's improvements and personal property. No wonder the associated tax dodgers of Oregon are afraid the people may take taxes off improvements now that they can do so.

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## Much Expected of Representative Jenkins

In the coming session of the Alabama Legislature we hope to see Baldwin County's representative the Hon. S. C. Jenkins take a prominent part in progressive legislation. No member of the house will represent a county in which public sentiment is more progressive and we have reason to believe that Mr. Jenkins is himself personally in sympathy with many of the progressive ideas held by his constituents. We shall watch his course with much interest and we hope to be able to applaud him for many advanced positions taken.

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## Local Taxation For Schools in Kansas

Kansas is famous for its splendid public school system and heads the list of states or did recently, for low illiteracy, yet it is the one state in the Union which does not give any state aid to its common schools. These are supported entirely by local taxation save for about 80 cents per pupil per year from interest on the school fund a donation from the federal government and which is not enough to buy the coal necessary to heat the ordinary school room.
Yet the Rockford Chronicle opposes Congressman Hobson's advocacy of local option in school taxation and insists that school taxation be a state prerogative.

## Bonds Voted But How to Pay Them

The proposition to issue bonds in Mobile County for good roads earned at the November election, but there are indications that to provide for the interest and sinking fund for the bonds is going to be a difficult matter.

According to County Commissioner Hagan in a letter to the Register, county receipts fell short of disbursements in 1909, over $9000 while during 1910 the banks were called upon to pay bills to the amount of $100,000, on which the county paid interest at the rate of $6,000 yearly and the 1910 deficit will amount to fully $40,000.

Here is where the plan proposed at a meeting of good roads advocates at Fairhope and approved by the Courier and Onlooker and by Representative Jenkins, of assessing the cost of road improvement to the abutting property as is done in cities, would come in to relieve the situation.

The county would issue bonds but instead of relying upon present insufficient revenues or imposing additional taxes, which, if within the legal power of the county would probably be opposed by the taxpayers, for getting the money to take care of bonds and interest, would get it from special assessments upon the property immediately benefitted.

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## A Seeming Benefit Only

The increase in value of the farms of this country from 20 billions to 50 billions in the last decade sounds big and to some it may sound comforting, but is it more than a seeming benefit to the average farmer? To the man who owns and operates his farm this increase represents no benefits and if he be a renter the case is worse. If the farmer desires to sell his land or moves to town and rents it of course he benefits largely, but if he continues to live upon and operate his farm he simply suffers from increase in taxation. His farm is probably not more valuable as a producer of wealth than it was ten years ago. Indeed it may be much less valuable in fertility, and yet the increased value of the land not only compels higher taxes but more intense cultivation in order to make it pay a fair interest on the investment.
—Kansas Farmer.

There is a world of philosophy in the foregoing little item.

The owning and using farmer is not benefitted by the increase in value of his farm unless it be by sharing in increased advantages arising from the increase of neighbors and public improvements made possible by increased public revenue derived from land values.

So far as the increasing selling value of the land is concerned it does not benefit him unless he sells and what he then gains measures the burden imposed upon the working farmer who takes his place either as owner or tenant.

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## Motor Boats the Thing

A properly designed and sufficiently powered motor boat would seem to be the ideal boat for bay boat service, at any rate the regular daily traffic. A recent dispatch from New York says that a steamship line plying between that port and Russia will put into commission next September an 11,000 ton trans-Atlantic motor boat with accommodations for 400passengers. One of the German lines according to the same item has building two 800 ton motor-driven boats.

There are some great advantages of motor-driven over steam-driven boats, one of which is especially true of boats on short runs, and that is that it requires no burning up of fuel for a long time before the boat is ready to go. On a steamboat running for instance to Mobile from Fairhope it requires nearly as much fuel to get the boat ready to go as to make the trip.

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## Striving for the Impossible.

Hon. Judson Harmon, governor of Ohio, in his recent message to the state legislature which we got in full in one of our Ohio exchanges, makes some exceedingly practical and businesslike suggestions, especially with regard to economy in regard to the conduct of public institutions, but we regret to see that he is inclined to follow in taxation method the antiquated, unjust and as repeatedly demonstrated, impossible of enforcement, policy of asking each citizen to pay his share "according to his possessions." Governor Harmon seems to hope for a reform in the way of fairer assessments in personal property, though practically every tax commission appointed within the past ten years has condemned personal property taxation as impossible of fair enforcement.

Mr. Harmon himself gives some glaring instances.

For instance; The state auditor shows from reports of banks (many private banks not included) deposits in banks and trust companies during 1909, of 603,601203 while money in possession as well as on deposit was returned for taxation to the amount of $58,003,194 or less than one-tenth the deposits alone.

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## Christmas Morning

The following beautiful poem by the Single Tax Poet of the Pacific Coast, Frances Margaret Milne, appeared in the San Francisco Star.

Upon the evil and the good,
The praying and the scorning,
Shines bright, in pledge of brotherhood,
The sun of Christmas morning.

It tells the weary heart, and sad
The old immortal story,
And gives to childhood's spirit glad,
A sweeter, tenderer glory.

Pale Anguish, on her couch of pain
Smiles soft; its dawn beholding;
And haggard want sees once again
The day of hope unfolding.

The wild revolt of human wrong
Is stilled, beneath its blessing;
And loving hearts beat full and strong
For comfort and redressing.

Oh Babe of Hope! We dare not voice
Our sin and strife before thee;
And if we grieve, or if rejoice,
In silence we adore Thee.

"Peace, peace on earth; good will to men;"
From out the heavenly spaces,
We hear the angels' song again,
With veiled and stricken faces.

No more for us the glory gleams,
That simple shepherds ravished;
Yet full and clear the morning beams.
And God's good gifts are lavished.

But selfish hand and hardened heart
The Father's will defying.
Have robbed his children of their part—
Their singing turned to sighing.

But never Love hath vainly wro't
Her purposes immortal,
Tho' still thro night of travail bro't
She wins the heavenly portal.

"Peace, peace on earth," it yet shall be,
Whatever eyes behold it;
And man to man, as brothers, see
Good-will alone behold it.

Oh, far and high, the skies they glow
With glorious signs of warning;
The promise and the hope we know—
The sun of Christmas morning!

## Mrs. Howland's Letters

January 3rd. I said this had been an exciting week. It certainly has for me. On Saturday night about six oclock while I was getting into my clothes after my bath I heard a voice at my bedroom door. I answered asking the caller to go into the next room and wait a few minutes. She did not do so, but kept talking to me tho I could not understand a word. "Why do you annoy me?" I said, "I cannot see you till I am dressed."

I then perceived that the voice was a strange one. It was weak, difficult and pitched in a high key.

I hurried on a dressing gown and opened the "old library" door, Wholly unexpected, there stood Mrs. White of Iowa. She had ridden up from the boat but was so fatigued that she was nearly ready to drop. She has a heart trouble and having been with me before, had obeyed an impulse to come to me. This was doing me a great compliment; for tho she had written about coming here to Mrs. Wolf, there had been no further word about it. This is her third visit to Fairhope. She told me that the effect of the severe cold of Iowa upon her heart convinced her that she must go south or perish. Going South, meant Fairhope which suits her health better than any place she has ever been in. The guest room was not ready. It was doing duty as a sort of store room for Wonder lamps Mapleine, etc. However, I did the best I could, and when I tucked her up in bed with a hot brick at her feet she thought it was "heevenly" compared to what she had gone htro for the last two days. She has been in bed most of the time since she came and she looks better already.

All the friends of the library who do not take the Montgomery Adveriser will be glad to see the issue of the 25th ultimo which gives most of its space to the Libraries of Alabama, three of which only are independent of the benificence of Mr. Carnegie, our library and two others, Mr. Thomas M. Owen, Director, to whom the state is indebted for this most admirable, descriptive summary of our libraries, has spared no pains nor labor in getting together the statistics, the photographs and the fine literary matter of the article.

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Robert Seibert, an ardent Single Taxer, of St. Paul, and a friend of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Johnson arrived last Saturday evening to spend some time here.

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The Colony secretary did not complete the history of 1910, which he thought to give in this issue of the Courier.


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The Human Concert, postponed from December, on account of illness of Miss Human, will be given in the near future.

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Mr. C. J. Blanchard, of Woodlawn, Ala., near Birmingham who visits Fairhope frequently, is here and may decide to locate.

Any one caring to sell American Woman's League Debentures, at $20, see MRS. L. J. N. COMINGS.

The Henry George Club will meet with Mrs. Comings on Thursday afternoon, Jan. 19. Everyone is invited to attend especially the visitors.

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Judge W. A. Foster preached two excellent sermons to large audiences at the Christian Church last Sunday. He is a very pleasant speaker and makes friends of all who meet him.

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Oswalt Forster is about again after being laid up at home for several days with a very painful affliction.

FOR SALE. A new 150 egg Cyphers Incubator, cheap. J. G. White

Misses Grace Conroy and Maud Wilson spent from Monday morning until Tuesday evening in Mobile the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Wilson.

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Get your horses ready for spring work. Give them Le Gear's stock food. Fairhope Pharmacy.

Mr. J. R. Cross and Mr. Axil Johnson will each put out an acre of Satsuma oranges. They will plant them 18 feet apart which will give 130 trees to the acre.

A good young Jersey cow, for sale cheap. Oswald Forster.

Pay your poll tax! Remember if not paid before February first you will be unable to vote at any election during the year 1911.

FOR SALE CHEAP.—A new range, Jewell make, never used. Come and see it. E. W. Jefferson

Mr. W. H. Stapleton caught a 25 pound wild cat in a trap set on Fish River, on Tuesday night and exhibited it in Fairhope on Wednesday. It was certainly a formidable looking creature.

Word has been received from Miss Vera Mershon, that her aunt Mrs. J. H. Williams, is very low. This news will be heard with regret by the many friends of the Williamses here.

New Piano for sale. I can give you $100 on the cost of a new piano. See me before buying.
Ila W. Coutant.

Mr. Francis Starks, a cousin of the Messrs. Wheeler, from Adams, Mass., is a recent arrival and will probably spend the winter, and perhaps longer here. The Messrs. Wheeler are also expecting some other of their relatives.

E. H. Alyea wife and 2 children, C. J. Alyea and wife and W. A. Urnston and wife all of Champaign, Ill., arrived on last Saturday evening to spend three or four month here. They are a jolly party of young people.

BARRINGTON HALL.
Yes, we have a fresh supply of Barrington Hall Baker-ized Coffee. Mershon Merch. Co.

Miss Leslie Henries the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Henries, who has just undergone a very serious operation at the Inge-Bondurl ant Sanitarium, where she was nursing, spent New Year's with her parents returning on Friday to report for duty.

We have a customer desiring to exchange property in Elberta for property in or near Fairhope. If you are interested write us for particulars. Gaston & Son.

Mrs. Hodges entertained on last Friday in honor of Miss Caroline Lossing who was a guest of the Inn for several days. Those who enjoyed this very pleasant event were Mesdames McClintock and Morgan and Misses Celina Roberts Vera Smith, Caroline Lossing and Frances and Leah Gaston.

For Sale.—Barred Rock cockerels and hens, baled hay, shallu seed baled hay, Celeste fig trees 4 to 5 ft. preserved figs in glass or tin cans, one or two mules. Two improved farms. J. S. GAYLORD Barnwell, Ala.

Our former Fairhoper L. E. Page, now pastor of the Christian Church at Knox, Ind., renewing his subscription to the Courier, says: "We cannot get along without the news from home." He and Mrs. Page sent regards to their friends at Fairhope.

Colonel and Mrs. Daniels left on last Friday morning for Alhambra, California, where they will visit their youngest daughter. She is a widow and they hope to persuade her to come east, perhaps to reside with them at Fairhope. The Colonel has disposed of a portion of his Virginia property and there is excellent prospect of his locating here.

Mr. Henry Bishop moved his family up from Barnwell last Saturday into the Mrs. Lacy cottage on Magnolia Ave. Mr. Bishop has put a 20 horse power gasoline engine in his schooner, Carrie, and is doing a good business carrying freight—especially lumber, lath, shingles, etc.—between the Eastern Shore and Mobile.

Will all those who are renewing subscriptions to Magazines or the Woman's National Daily kindly allow it to go through the hands of some member of the A. W. L. All such subscriptions help the League to its income and will help sooner to get our Chapter House.
Frances R. Riley, sec.

Foley's Honey and Tar cures coughs and colds.
Fairhope Pharmacy.

Under the auspices of the Organic School, a concert will be given by Mrs. Morehead, sprano, and Miss Nellie Slosson, violinist, at the auditorium on Thursday evening, January 26th.

It is believed from recent reports that the C. B. & Q. R. R. is come into Mobile soon over the New Orleans, Mobile and Chicago line—formerly the M. J. & K. C. There is no room to doubt great development at Mobile in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rathje were surprised by a party of their friends on Tuesday evening, who came in on them unannounced and all had a very pleasant evening. Music dancing and various games were indulged in, the party comprising both old and young.

Fine line of fountain pens cheap.
FairhopePharmacy.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ehlers arrived on Tuesday evening from Chicago and expect to spend a few months here during which they will make some improvements on land which they have purchased east of G. B. Griffins. They will go back to Chicago for the summer but expect to return next fall to stay.

For writing materials, candy and cigars go to Fairhope Pharmacy.

Work was begun on Tuesday on the new cottage of Mr. D. A. Russell on Fairhope Avenue. A. L. Stearns has the contract and is being assisted by Frank Troup and F. G. Danenhower as well as young Warren Stearns. It will be one story 26x28, with wide gallery in front.

A jolly party of young people, from Fairhope, went on a "hayride" to Battles on Monday night to attend a dance given by the young ladies of that town in the Pagoda. Refreshments were served and all enjoyed a delightful evening.

Mr. E. G. Darrow, wife and daughter arrived on last Saturday evening from Springfield, Mo, They have been readers of the Courier for a couple of years are greatly interested and will probably decide to locate, though that will depend much upon how the climate benefits Mrs. Darrow, who has been a sufferer from rheumatism for many years.

We have several hundred copies yet of "Whose Land?" one of the most effective Single Tax tracts in print, which we can sell in small lots at 2 cents; 50 or more at 1 ct. each postpaid. Handy to pass out to friends or enclose in letters.

One way of getting rid of mites and lice. Use Le Gear's Dip and Liquid lice killer.
Fairhope Pharmacy.

Mr. Stewart a late arrival from Pittsburg, is reported to have purchased the Mackintosh tract, and is having the same platted preparatory to putting it on the market. We understand, however, that the papers have not actually passed yet. It has a lot of beautiful bay frontage and if the deal goes thro it will be interesting to see how rapidly it will move in contrast with the Colony's property.

A barge with a powerful power hoisting apparatus, was towed over from Mobile yesterday, by a tug, and is at work today, to recover the boiler and other machinery from the burned General Lee, and will also endeavor to get the old hull out of the way. We understand this work is being done by Mr. Welch, with the consent of the insurance company and without prejudice to the interests of either party, a full agreement not yet having been reached regarding the insurance. Engineer Harry Locke late of the Lee, has charge of the work.

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## NEW CHURCH SERVICES.

In the New School Auditorium
Rev. F. L. Higgins, Minister.
Subject for Sunday, Jan. 15, at 3 p. m. "The message of the Stars." Psalm 8; 1-4. All are cordialy invited.

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## NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between J. R. Cross and H. F. Ring lately engaged in business under the firm name of J. R. Cross and Company, has been dissolved by mutual consent. H. F. Ring being the owner of all the property and assets of the firm and having assumed the payment of all liabilities against said firm.
J. R. CROSS.
H. F. RING.

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## Card of Thanks.

We desire to express our thanks to our many friends for their kindly support and assistance through our recent bereavement.
Mr. and Mrs. D. Shepherd, and family,
George Nelson,

## COLONY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Colony Council met in special session on Friday evening, Jan., 6, postponed from Monday evening on account of the weather.

All members present but J. F. Johnson. G. W. Wood elected as chairman pro tem.

Minutes read and approved of meetings of Dec. 5, 7, 9; 19 and 25

Treasurer's report for December read as follows:

| | Rcts. | Disb. |
|---|---|---|
| Rent | $365.64 | |
| Penalty | 11.45 | |
| Stumpage | 10.10 | |
| Tel. operation | 14.25 | |
| Waterwks. cons. | 1.15 | |
| " operation | 22.10 | |
| Sale of improvements | 10.00 | |
| Toll on sand | 1.00 | |
| Taxes of tenants | | $200.92 |
| Town taxes of Corp. | | 106.27 |
| Tel. operation | | 24.65 |
| Waterwks con. | | 5.30 |
| Waterwks operation | | 48.25 |
| Highways | | 4.90 |
| Salaries | | 25.00 |
| Postage and printing | | 1.51 |
| Second payment on safe | | 35.70 |
| | 435.69 | 452.50 |
| On hand Dec. 1, | 457.48 | |
| On hand Dec. 31; | | |
| Water certs | $ 28.00 | |
| Assn. certs | 110.25 | |
| Cash | 302.42 | |
| | 893.17 | 440.67 |
| | | 893.17 |

Also for year 1910 as follows:

| | Rcts. | Disb. |
|---|---|---|
| Rent | $3,907.28 | |
| Penalty | 44.40 | |
| Stumpage | 207.42 | |
| Tel. cons. | .10 | |
| Tel. operation | 157.18 | |
| Waterwks. con. fee (paid for connection) | 507.05 | |
| Waterwks. operation | 194.20 | |
| Toll on sand | 38.50 | |
| Cemetery | 19.00 | |
| Sundries | 12.50 | |
| Taxes; Corporation | | $ 619.13 |
| Lessees | | 1999.57 |
| Tel. cons. | | 58.05 |
| Tel. operation | | 299.19 |
| Waterwks. con. | | 248.96 |
| Waterwks operation | | 691.04 |
| Highways | | 240.46 |
| Salaries | | 375.00 |
| Postage & Printing | | 155.27 |
| Expense (71.25 for safe) | | 103.30 |
| Library | | 4.95 |
| Pub. School bldg. | | 260.00 |
| pupils | | 149.00 |
| Org. school bldg. | | 1.90 |
| Land (abstract of title) | | 5.00 |
| Water certs. cancelled and burned | | 421.00 |
| Sundries | | 23.65 |
| | 5057.63 | 5655.49 |
| On hand Jan. 1; | 1008.53 | |
| On hand Dec. 31; | | |
| Water certs. | $ 28.00 | |
| Ass'n. certs | 110.25 | |
| Cash | 302.42 | |
| | | 440.67 |
| | 6096.16 | 6096.16 |

I recommend that the trustees destroy the water certificates on hand ($28) as they destroyed those on hand a year ago ($421).
G. W. WOOD, Treas.

It was moved and carried that water certificates on hand reported by treasurer be destroyed or cancelled and disposed of as souvenirs if desired.

Following bills passed:

| | |
|---|---|
| Exp. of anniversary refreshments: Mershon Merch Co. sunds. | 3.85, |
| H. F. Ring cream and milk help .75 total | 1.05, 5.68 |
| E. B. Gaston, postage, Dec. 3.32, 200 env. 35 cts., ptg. 200 letters accompanying rent list 1.25, total | 4.92 |
| C. L. Mershon, 8 dry batteries for bell to ring at pumphouse, waterwks con. | 2.40 |
| R. Curtis putting in switch at waterwks con. | .50 |
| Fairhope School Board, inc. fee 52 pupils, Nov. and Dec. | 52.00 |
| G. M. Bancroft, serv. surveying, showing lands etc. Aug. 19 to Dec. 28, inc. | 3.50 |
| G. W. Wood treas., salary last qr. 1910 and postage | 27.00 |

Secretary reported obeying instructions in regard to notice to Town Council and Miss Schramm, but without receiving any replies.

Applications and transfers of land acted upon as follows:

Transfer J. A. Hagstrom to Franklin Rockwell of ne. 1-4 of nw. 1-4 of sw. 1-4 of sec. 15 approved.

Appn. J. S. Paton for 132 ft. from east side of nw. 1-4 of se. 1-4 of sw. 1-4 of sec. 17 accepted.

Application of Leonard Payne for sw. 1-4 of nw. 1-4 and n. 1-2 nw. 1-4 of sw. 1-4 of sec. 22 accep-

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Built for service and they wear. For the whole family.
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Via The New Ocean Route From Mobile
MALLORY STEAMSHIP COMPANY
To TAMPA Fares ONE WAY $17.50 ROUND TRIP $32.50
*Close connections at Tampa for St. Petersburg, Manatee River Points and Florida West Coast Resorts*
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To NEW YORK Fares ONE WAY $30.00 ROUND TRIP $50.00
*Passengers for New York are afforded short stop-overs at both Tampa and Key West, Fla., during steamer's call at these ports*
Steamers Sail from Mobile EVERY SATURDAY for All Ports
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General Office Pier 36, N. River, New York.
Note. Sailing day from Mobile now Tuesday instead of Saturday

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Nos. 9 and 11 N. Water St., Mobile, Ala.
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Write for particulars.

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*MOBILE'S LEADING LAUNDRY.*
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GENTLE READER,—Have you ever heard of the famous OAKS under which OLD HICKORY camped, or the biggest GRAPEVINE in the world.

DON'T you remember reading in your HISTORY of the U. S., how BUCHANAN and FARRAGUT chased each other around MOBILE BAY, and the fighting above DAPHNE?

DO YOU ever hear of SHONTS or of BALDWIN COUNTY or of TOBACCO? THEN if you HAVE heard of the OAKS, the GRAPEVINE or of BALDWIN COUNTY, or REMEMBER your history, YOU are the ONE that I WANT to TALK to.

3400 feet of WATER FRONT on upper Mobile Bay, just above the Shonts' Place on a bluff fifty feet and over high. And on the 350 acres of land that go with this water front the OAKS and the GRAPEVINE. Likewise a beautiful spring. This land is especially adapted to Satsuma oranges, pecans, grape fruit, and vegetables of all kinds.

FOR SALE, for a short time, ONLY, by C. C. MECHEM, Box 375, 67 St. Francis St. Mobile Ala. Price $17,000.00.

# Is Life Imprisonment Worse than Death?

THERE are times when a hush, a stillness that is awful in its intensity, falls over a courtroom. The trial has dragged out its painful length, the evidence is in, the pleas have been made and the jury has returned a verdict expressed in that one short Anglo-Saxon word, "Guilty." The convicted murderer rises to his feet at the command of the judge. He stands up to receive the measured sentence of the law. Every eye in the courtroom is turned upon him and every ear is strained to catch the words that will mean life or death to the unfortunate who stands upright to meet the blow. If you stood in his place would you hope for those ominous words, "Hanged by the neck until dead," or would you welcome a sentence of "life imprisonment?" If you knew that "life imprisonment" meant just what it is supposed to mean and that there was no hope of escape, no hope of pardon, nothing but the long months reaching into drab monotonous, loathsome years of loneliness, would you still choose to cling to the life that was in you?

The legal world was shocked and the public was horrified by the plea of Albert A. Patrick, convicted murderer of the millionaire, William Marsh Rice, who demanded death rather than life imprisonment. In a remarkable document he tried to reject clemency that saved him from the electric chair, giving him life imprisonment in the place of death. His petition recited this, as his principal reason: "Life imprisonment is a far severer punishment than death in any form." This action of his has no parallel in the court records of the United States. It was a remarkable assertion made by a remarkable criminal. It caused many jurists to wonder if, after all, the deprivation of liberty ought to be allowed to take the place of the death penalty.

### Judge Kavanaugh's Opinion.

A Chicago courtroom listened recently to a strange address made by Judge Marcus Kavanaugh, Joseph Welcome, the prisoner at the bar, had pleaded "guilty" to the charge of murder. It was a crime of peculiarly aggravating circumstances. Welcome had driven his wife from home. He followed her to the boarding house of Mrs. Mary McLean and a quarrel ensued. Enraged by her avowed intention of quitting him forever, he drew a revolver and shot her down. In attempting to save the life of the unfortunate woman Mrs. McLean was killed by a bullet from the degenerate's weapon. Moved by the plea of guilty and his appeal for the mercy of the court, the jury fixed Welcome's punishment at life imprisonment.

When the prisoner rose to receive the sentence, Judge Kavanaugh said:

"Welcome, you committed a terrible crime. Your punishment is to be more terrible still. When your wife sought to escape you shot her. It was no fault of yours that she lived and that you, in fact, then killed another woman who was making useful way in the world. You could hardly get twelve men in the box who would not inflict the death penalty upon you, yet it is the policy of the law to regard a plea of guilty in some measure of itself a mitigation.

"The instinctive, unreasoning horror of mankind regards death as the most severe punishment. This idea is not correct. You are now to receive a sterner punishment. Your victim died but once. You will die a hundred times. You will suffer more the day you put on your prison clothes than she did in her death.

"After that there will be only the hopeless, painful years, from day to day, from month to month, stretching out forever and in agony. In four or five years the eternal solitude and silence will begin to crush in upon you like an iron weight.

"You are so elated now at the thought of saving your life that you don't realize all this. I want you and the others here in this courtroom to understand it. You are not sorry yet for your crime. You have only a great self-pity.

"There will be few worse men than you in that big prison, but I may say the law has taken its full and ample revenge upon you."

Welcome has now entered upon the monotonous round of the "Living Death" that Judge Kavanaugh described. He is now a "thing" in striped clothes, a number that has its home in the heart of a great mass of stone and steel and concrete, watched by riflemen on forbidding walls, the great state prison at Joliet. It is possible that he has already glimpsed something of the punishment that is to be his, so long as breath and reason remain within his body.

Was Judge Kavanaugh right? Is it true that life imprisonment is a more terrible punishment than the extinction of the criminal? Do men die a hundred deaths where their victims died but one? His pronouncement is new, so far as the bench is concerned. It has been debated, however, for generations by philosophers and students. Cold reason tells the human mind that death would be preferable to a life lived in the narrow confines of steel cages and stony corridors, but every criminal welcomes the alternative of imprisonment all his days when actually confronted by the gallows or the electric chair. Judge Kavanaugh's speech to the condemned man serves to awaken interest in that last and greatest of the powers of the state, the right to take human life.

In all civilized countries in the world, with one exception, the death penalty is exacted of the murderer and the traitor. Italy is the single exception, but there is rarely an attempt to secure the commutation of a murder's sentence in that country. When he is finally sentenced, it is the end, for there is no hope of pardon except in the most undoubted cases of innocence, and thus far the prison gates of that country have never swung open to release a murderer. In America there is always hope so long as there is life.

PRONOUNCING THE LIFE SENTENCE

### One From the Cashier.

The harmless customer leaned across the cigar counter and smiled engagingly at the new cashier. As he handed across the amount his dinner check called for he ventured a bit of aimless converse, for he was of that sort.

"Funny," said he, "how easy it is to spend money."

"Well," snapped the cashier as she fed his fare to the register, "if money was intended for you to hold on to the mint would be turning out coins with handles on 'em."

### Had Money in Lumps.

Charles H. Rosenberg of Bavaria had lumps on his shoulders, elbows, and hips when he arrived here from Hamburg on the Kaiserin Auguste Victoria. In fact, there was a series of smaller lumps along his spine, much like a mountain range, as it is presented on a bas-relief map.

The lumps were about the size of good Oregon apples, and as Rosenberg passed before the immigration doctor for observation, the doctor said softly to himself, "See that lump." Then he asked Mr. Rosenberg to step aside.

"You seem like a healthy man," said the doctor, "but I cannot pass you until I know the origin of those lumps on your body." "Ah, it is not a sickness," laughed the man from Bavaria. "Those swellings is money."

Taking off his coat he broke open a sample lump and showed that it contained $500 in American bank notes. He informed the doctor that he had $11,000 in all, with which he was going to purchase an apple orchard in Oregon.

He was admitted to the country.—New York Tribune.

### Why He Laughed.

Miss Mattie belonged to the old south, and she was entertaining a guest of distinction.

On the morning following his arrival she told Tillie, the little colored maid, to take a pitcher of fresh water to Mr. Firman's room, and to say that Miss Mattie sent him her compliments, and that if he wanted a bath, the bathroom was at his service.

When Tillie returned she said:

"I tol' him, Miss Mattie, en' he laughed fit to bus' hisself."

"Why did he laugh, Tillie?"

"I dunno."

"What did you tell him?"

"Jus' what you tol' me to."

"Tillie, tell me exactly what you said."

"I banged de doah, and I said, 'Mr. Firman, Miss Mattie sends you her lub, and she says, 'Now you can get up and wash yo'self!'"—Lippincott's Magazine.

### Where He Was Queer.

The negro, on occasions, displays a fine discrimination in the choice of words.

"Who's the best white-washer in town?" inquired the new resident.

"Ale Hall am a bo'nd a'tist with a whitewash brush, sah," answered the colored patriarch eloquently.

"Well, tell him to come and whitewash my chicken house tomorrow."

Uncle Jacob shook his head dubiously.

"Ah don' believe, sah, ah'd engage Ale Hall to whitewash a chicken house, sah."

"Why, didn't you say he was a good whitewasher?"

"Yes, sah, a powe'ful good whitewasher, sah; but mighty queer about a chicken house, sah, mighty queer!"—Mack's National Monthly.

### MAKE UP YOUR MIND.

If you'll make up your mind to be
Contented with your lot
And with the optimists agree
That trouble's soon forgot,

You'll be surprised to find, I guess,
Despite misfortune's darts,
What constant springs of happiness
Lie hid in human hearts;

What sunny gleams and golden dreams
The passing years unfold,
How soft and warm the lovelight beams
When you are growing old.

### Acted Like the Genuine.

"The landlady says that new boarder is a foreign nobleman."

"Bogus, I'll bet."

"Oh, I don't know. He may be the real thing. He hasn't paid her a cent as yet."

### More Human Nature.

Grouchly—By denying myself three ten-cent cigars daily for the past 20 years I figure that I have saved $2,190.

Moxley—Is that so?"

Grouchly—Yes. Say, let me have a chew of your tobacco, will you?

### Thanks to Burnt Cork.

"Gosh! But the colored race is a-comin' to the front fast!" whispered innocent Uncle Hiram, at the vaudeville show, as the black-face comedian was boisterously applauded.

"Yes, indeed," smiled the city man; "anyone can see that that fellow is a self-made negro."

### Lo, the Rich Indian.

The per capita wealth of the Indian is approximately $2,130, that for other Americans is only a little more than $1,300. The lands owned by the Indians are rich in oil, timber and other natural resources of all kinds. Some of the best timber land in the United States is owned by Indians.

The value of their agricultural lands runs up in the millions. The ranges which they possess support about 500,000 sheep and cattle, owned by lessees, bringing in a revenue of more than $272,000 to the various tribes besides providing feed for more than 1,500,000 head of horses, cattle, sheep and goats belonging to the Indians themselves. Practically the only asphalt deposits in the United States are on Indian lands.—Red Man.

### No Slang for Her.

"Slip me a brace of cackles!" ordered the chesty-looking man with a bored air, as he perched on the first stool in the lunchroom.

"A what?" asked the waitress, as she placed a glass of water before him.

"Adam and Eve flat on their backs! A pair of sunnysiders!" said the young man in an exasperated tone.

"You got me, kid," returned the waitress. "Watcha want?"

"Eggs up," said the young man. "'E-g-g-s,' the kind that come before the hen or after, I never knew which."

"Why didn't you say so in the first place?" asked the waitress. "You'd a had 'em by this time."

"Well, of all things——" said the young man.

"I knew what he was drivin' at all the time," began the waitress as the young man departed. "But he's one of them fellers that thinks they can get by with anything. He don't know that they're using plain English now in restaurants."

### The League of Politeness.

The League of Politeness has been formed in Berlin. It aims at inculcating better manners among the people of Berlin. It was founded upon the initiative of Fraulein Cecelie Meyer, who was inspired by an existing organization in Rome. In deference to the parent organization the Berlin league has chosen the Italian motto, "Pro gentilezza." This will be emblazoned upon an attractive little medal worn where Germans are accustomed to wear the insignia of orders. The idea is that a glaance at the "talisman" will annihilate any inclination to indulge in bad temper or discourteous language. "Any polite person" is eligible for membership.

### The "Country Churchyard."

Those who recall Gray's "Elegy in a Country Churchyard" will remember that the peaceful spot where "the rude forefathers of the hamlet sleep" is identified with St. Giles', Stoke Poges, Buckinghamshire. In the prosaic pages of a recent issue of the Gazette there appears an order in council providing that ordinary interments are henceforth forbidden in the churchyard.

### How She Learned.

The mother of a family of three small children was discussing their comparative precocity with a friend. "John was very slow at everything," she said, referring to her oldest. "Tom was a little better, and Edith, the baby, is the smartest of all. She picks up everything quick as can be."

Master John, who had been listening, now contributed his share of the conversation.

"Humph!" he exclaimed. "I know why her learns so quick. It's 'cause her has us and we didn't have us."

### Economy.

The late former Governor Allen D. Candler of Georgia was famous in the south for his quaint humor.

"Governor Candler," said a Gainesville man, "once abandoned cigars for a pipe at the beginning of the year. He stuck to his resolve till the year's end. Then he was heard to say:

"'By actual calculation, I have saved by smoking a pipe instead of cigars this year $208. But where is it?'"

### Moslem Traditions.

Ramadan is the month exalted by Moslems above all others. In that month the Koran—according to Moslem tradition—was brought down by Gabriel from heaven and delivered to men in small sections. In that month, Mohammed was accustomed to retire from Mecca to the cave of Hira, for prayer and meditation. In that month Abraham, Moses and other prophets received their divine revelations. In that month the "doors of heaven are always open, the passages to hell are shut, and the devils are chained." So run the traditions.—The Christian Herald.

### A Medical Compromise.

"You had two doctors in consultation last night, didn't you?"

"Yes."

"What did they say?"

"Well, one recommended one thing and the other recommended something else."

"A deadlock, eh?"

"No, they finally told me to mix 'em!"

### Hard on the Mare.

Twice, as the bus slowly wended its way up the steep Cumberland Gap, the door at the rear opened and slammed. At first those inside paid little heed; but the third time demanded to know why they should be disturbed in this fashion.

"Whist," cautioned the driver, doan't spake so loud; she'll overhear us."

"Who?"

"The mare. Spake low! Shure, Oi'm desavin th' crayture. Everry toime she 'ears th' door close, she thinks won o' yez is gettin' down ter walk up th' hill, an' that sort o' raises her sperrits."—Success Magazine.

### Exaggeration.

On her arrival in New York Mme. Sara Bernhardt, replying to a compliment on her youthful appearance, said: "The secret of my youth? It is the good God—and then, you know, I work all the time. But I am a great-grandmother," she continued, thoughtfully, "so how can these many compliments be true? I am afraid my friends are exaggerating."

Mme. Bernhardt's laugh, spontaneous as a girl's, prompted a chorus of "No, no!"

"Yes," said the actress, "unconscious exaggeration, like the French nurse on the boulevard. Our boulevards are much more crowded than your streets, you know, and, although we have numerous accidents, things aren't quite as bad as the nurse suggested.

"Her little charge, a boy of six, begged her to stop a while in a crowd, surrounding an automobile accident. 'Please wait,' the little boy said, 'Want to see the man who was run over.' 'No; hurry,' his nurse answered. 'There will be plenty more to see further on.'"

### A Retraction.

"You shouldn't have called that man a pig," said the conciliatory man.

"That's right," replied the vindictive person. "There is no sense in implying that he's worth 40 cents a pound to anybody."

### Blissful Ignorance.

"Were you nervous when you proposed to your wife?" asked the sentimental person.

"No," replied Mr. Meekton; "but if I could have foreseen the next ten years I would have been."

### Economy in Art.

"Of course," said Mr. Sirius Barker, "I want my daughter to have some sort of an artistic education. I think I'll have her study singing."

"Why not art or literature?"

"Art spoils canvas and paint and literature wastes reams of paper. Singing merely produces a temporary disturbance of the atmosphere.

### Home Thought.

"It must have been frightful," said Mrs. Bossim to her husband, who was in the earthquake. "Tell me what was your first thought when you awakened in your room at the hotel and heard the alarm."

"My first thought was of you," answered Mr. Bossim.

"How noble!"

"Yes. First thing I knew, a vase off the mantel caught me on the ear; then a chair whirled in my direction, and when I jumped to the middle of the room four or five books and a framed picture struck me all at once."

Even after saying that, he affected to wonder what made her so angry for the remainder of the evening.—Mack's National Monthly.

### New Process of Staining Glass.

The art of coloring glass has been lost and refound, jealously guarded and maliciously stolen so many times in the history of civilization that it seems almost impossible to say anything new on glass staining. Yet a process has been discovered for making the stained glass used in windows which is a departure from anything known at the present time. What the Venetians and the Phoenicians knew of it we cannot tell.

The glass first receives its design in mineral colors and the whole is then fired in a heat so intense that the coloring matter and the glass are indissolubly fused. The most attractive feature of this method is that the surface acquires a peculiar pebbled character in the heat, so that when the glass is in place the lights are delightfully soft and mellow.

In making a large window in many shades each panel is separately moulded and bent and the sections are assembled in a metal frame.

### Our Voices.

I think our conversational soprano, as sometimes overheard in the cars, arising from a group of young persons who have taken the train at one of our great industrial centers, for instance, young persons of the female sex, we will say, who have bustled in full dressed, engaged in loud, strident speech, and who, after free discussion, have fixed on two or more double seats, which having secured, they proceed to eat apples and hand round daguerreotypes—I say, I think the conversational soprano, heard under these circumstances, would not be among the allurements the old enemy would put in requisition were he getting up a new temptation of St. Anthony.

There are sweet voices among us, we all know, and voices not musical, it may be, to those who hear them for the first time, yet sweeter to us than any we shall hear until we listen to some warbling angel in the overture to that eternity of blissful harmonies we hope to enjoy. But why should I tell lies? If my friends love me, it is because I try to tell the truth. I never heard but two voices in my life that frightened me by their sweetness.—Holmes.


# What About Brain Food?

## This Question Came Up in the Recent Trial for Libel.

A "Weekly" printed some criticisms of the claims made for our foods. It evidently did not fancy our reply printed in various newspapers, and brought suit for libel. At the trial some interesting facts came out.

Some of the chemical and medical experts differed widely.

The following facts, however, were quite clearly established:

Analysis of brain by an unquestionable authority, Geoghegan, shows of Mineral Salts, Phosphoric Acid and Potash combined (Phosphate of Potash), 2.91 per cent of the total, 5.33 of all Mineral Salts.

This is over one-half.

Beaunis, another authority, shows "Phosphoric Acid combined" and Potash 73.44 per cent from a total of 101.07.

Considerable more than one-half of Phosphate of Potash.

Analysis of Grape-Nuts shows: Potassium and Phosphorus, (which join and make Phosphate of Potash), is considerable more than one-half of all the mineral salts in the food.

Dr. Geo. W. Carey, an authority on the constituent elements of the body, says: "The gray matter of the brain is controlled entirely by the inorganic cell-salt, Potassium Phosphate (Phosphate of Potash). This salt unites with albumen and by the addition of oxygen creates nerve fluid or the gray matter of the brain. Of course, there is a trace of other salts and other organic matter in nerve fluid, but Potassium Phosphate is the chief factor, and has the power within itself to attract, by its own law of affinity, all things needed to manufacture the elixir of life."

Further on he says: "The beginning and end of the matter is to supply the lacking principle, and in molecular form, exactly as nature furnishes it in vegetables, fruits and grain. To supply deficiencies—this is the only law of cure."

The natural conclusion is that if Phosphate of Potash is the needed mineral element in brain and you use food which does not contain it, you have brain fag because its daily loss is not supplied.

On the contrary, if you eat food known to be rich in this element, you place before the life forces that which nature demands for brain-building.

In the trial a sneer was uttered because Mr. Post announced that he had made years of research in this country and some clinics of Europe, regarding the effect of the mind on digestion of food.

But we must be patient with those who sneer at facts they know nothing about.

Mind does not work well on a brain that is broken down by lack of nourishment.

A peaceful and evenly poised mind is necessary to good digestion.

Worry, anxiety, fear, hate, &c., &c., directly interfere with or stop the flow of Ptyalin, the digestive juice of the mouth, and also interfere with the flow of the digestive juices of stomach and pancreas.

Therefore, the mental state of the individual has much to do (more than suspected) with digestion.

This trial has demonstrated:

That Brain is made of Phosphate of Potash as the principal Mineral Salt, added to albumen and water.

That Grape-Nuts contains that element as more than one-half of all its mineral salts.

A healthy brain is important, if one would "do things" in this world.

A man who sneers at "Mind" sneers at the best and least understood part of himself. That part which some folks believe links us to the Infinite.

Mind asks for a healthy brain upon which to act, and Nature has defined a way to make a healthy brain and renew it day by day as it is used up from work of the previous day.

Nature's way to rebuild is by the use of food which supplies the things required.

**"There's a Reason"**

**Postum Cereal Co., Ltd.,**

**Battle Creek, Mich.**

## BREEDING FOR SUMMER EGGS

**Farmer Who Has Part of Flock Laying in Winter and Rest in Hot Weather Makes Money.**

(By M. C. CLINTON.)

Nearly everybody wants winter eggs, but why not have our hens lay through the summer months as well? Chickens of a good many breeds hatch in February, and ought to begin laying the latter part of June or early in July, just when the winter layers are going off the job.

Pullets that commence laying about this time are not likely to moult very heavily the first year, and if they are well cared for they will lay right along through the summer months and well into the winter.

Of course, the demand for eggs is much heavier in the winter than the summer, but then, too, the supply is greater. The farmer's wife who will have part of her flocks laying during the summer months, will find she can arrange with customers in town to supply them with eggs all the year around at a fixed price.

This is the kind of egg business which pays best. The greatest profits are made by selling direct to the customer always, but to do this one must have a supply all the year around, and chicks hatched in April and May do not begin to lay until late in the fall, and then usually stop laying early in the summer.

Of course, in the northern climate it is not as easy to raise young chicks in the late winter months, but if a warm brooder house is provided and special attention is given them, the youngsters will grow about as well as though hatched in late spring.

In the south the chickens may easily be raised earlier.

An abundance of litter should be provided, and a large box filled with dry earth and sand should always be available for the youngsters to exercise their scratching propensities.

A good plan for winter hatched chicks is the deep feeding method. This method consists of strewing a litter of fine chaff on the floor or in a comparatively thick layer, and scattering a layer of chopped corn and wheat, then another layer of chaff, and alternating until the mass is five or six inches deep.

Placed in a warm, sunny corner of the brooder house, the young chicks will find plenty of exercise in digging for this feed, and experiments have shown that results obtained from this method are excellent.

When spring comes along, the young chicks can be turned on the range until they have acquired full strength and plumage, and by the middle of June will be in excellent laying condition.

For this method of producing summer eggs, the best laying breed should be selected.

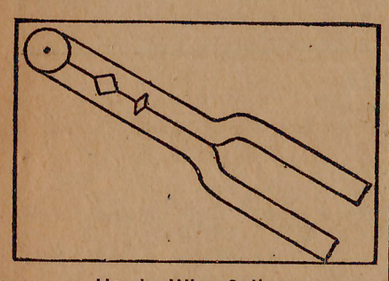
Within our knowledge a young woman in Illinois adopted this plan with three settings of white Plymouth Rock eggs which hatched February 10th. The pullets began laying June 25th, and produced the regular supply of eggs all through the summer months. They wintered in very good condition and laid regularly up to May 1st, the next spring, when they began to fall off.

The next winter, however, they began laying the early part of October, and made as good records as any other birds on the place.

## HANDY FOR SPLICING WIRE

**Convenient Little Tool May Be Made From Side Arm of an Old Buggy Top as Shown.**

A handy wire splicer may be made from the side arm of an old buggy top, as shown in the accompanying illustration, by cutting the ends of the arm of about ten inches from the elbow. Then bend the ends of the handles out so as to allow free use



Handy Wire Splicer.

of the splicer without pinching the hand. Then with a three-cornered file make several notches of different sized wire. This is equally handy for holding smooth or barbed wire while being spliced.

## Feed and Breed.

Feed is a great point in sheep growing, but breed capabilities is a greater. Some breeders are capable of producing a high quality of wool at a profit, but cannot be considered profitable mutton producers. The American merino is one of these breeds, but with all their many excellencies one would no more think of keeping merino sheep to produce mutton at a profit than one would to keep Jersey cattle to produce beef at a profit.

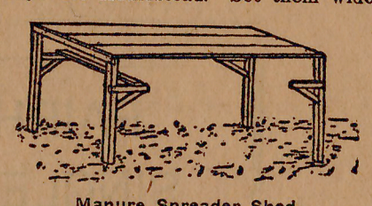
## Fattening Animals.

Fattening animals will make the greatest gains on pasture with a liberal allowance of grain. Steers and hogs will make good net profits from grain on pasture. Keep them growing and developing at their heighest speed, for therein lies the secret of "topnotchers" to bring highest market price.

## SHED FOR MANURE SPREADER

**Useful Contrivance to Be Used for Storage When Wagon Trucks Are Needed Elsewhere on Farm.**

A contrivance to unload the "wagon box manure spreader" when the trucks are wanted for other purposes, and which makes a very good shed for the spreader box when not in use, is made as follows: Set four good posts, or 4x4's, in the ground as illustrated, says the Homestead. Set them wide



Manure Spreader Shed.

enough apart so as to drive between neatly. Make the contrivance about a foot longer than the wagon box spreader, and high enough to allow the box to be raised clear of the standards when unloading. The top should be boarded over tight, and can be covered with roofing. The sides can be boarded up tight, or they can be boarded down from the top just far enough to protect the box from the sun. To unload, drive under the shed and use a patent hoister, or a block and tackle, and swing the box to the top, raise the front end first and place a 2x4 across under it on the brackets provided. Raise the rear end in the same way, placing the 2x4 in position, and the box is safe till you want to load it on the wagon again, when the trucks are run under and the box let down on them.

## GUINEAS DEVOUR MANY BUGS

**Enjoy Better Reputation as Insect Destroyers Than Thieving Crow—Good Egg-Layers.**

(By A. J. LEGG.)

Some people object to the noise which guineas make and their wild nature, but as summer egg-layers, guinea hens are hard to beat.

We have three guinea hens and a cock that have the range of the fields, and they are the best insect destroyers that we can have on the farm. They have a better reputation with us as insect destroyers than the thieving crow which some writers commend so highly for the bugs and worms they eat, and they also pay a handsome profit in eggs for any grain they may eat.

The guinea hens lay an egg each day for several months at a time.

We have a brood of young guineas that are growing nicely—they are a cross between the pearl and the white guinea, and are growing better than we ever got either full blood to do.

I never liked the idea of crossing breeds, but a cross seems to increase the vitality of the guinea.

Some have trouble finding the guinea nests, but our guineas have never gone far from the house to make their nests. Sometimes they lay in the hen nests in the poultry house.

They range long distances from the house during the day in search of food, but come near the house to lay.

## Yearling Beef.

High-grade, blocky, early maturing beef calves showing both breeding and quality are necessary in making yearling beef.

## General Farm Notes

Orange boxes make good nests for pigeons.

Sheep and lambs require a good shelter in the pasture.

A good average grade cow will produce about 250 pounds a year.

Never buy pigeons unless the dealer guarantees that they are mated.

It pays to test a cow's milk before you buy her if you have the chance.

Hogs, especially brood sows, should have salt where they can get to it at any time.

The fruit of careful feeding and housing is young stock ready for market while prices are good.

Cleaning the team after work and before bed keeps the work team from running down.

Study the nature and disposition of your animals. They are like men in this respect—generally differ.

If you persist in allowing your horses to stand in manure all the time you can never expect them to have good feet.

The percentage of fat in the milk of a cow is evidently fixed by two things, viz., breed and individuality.

Roots and vegetables or clover hay generally have a beneficial effect upon the digestive organs of the hog.

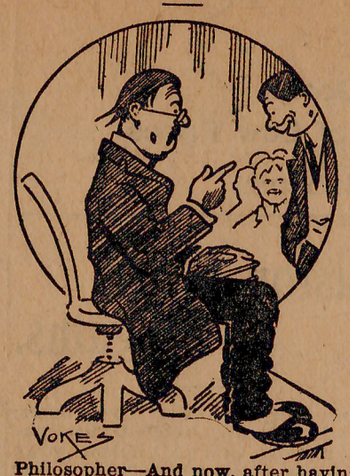
Ropy milk is, so far as known, in no way detrimental to health. The famous Edam cheeses are nearly all made from milk which has undergone this fermentation.

Don't allow rubbish to accumulate about the poultry yards or runs, to become the breeding place for lice or disease germs.

The old setting hen is gradually going out of business, with several hundred manufacturers of incubators and brooders as competitors.

Don't allow your chickens to roost anywhere outside these cool nights, or you'll be wondering why there are no eggs in the basket and be making a reply similar to the above.

### AND GO AHEAD SLOWLY.




Philosopher—And now, after having reviewed all philosophy with you, there is only one law that I can lay down for your guidance.

Student—What is that?

Philosopher—When you are sure you are right, you should suspect that you are wrong.

## HIRAM CARPENTER'S WONDERFUL CURE OF PSORIASIS.

"I have been afflicted for twenty years with an obstinate skin disease, called by some M. D.'s. psoriasis, and others leprosy, commencing on my scalp; and in spite of all I could do, with the help of the most skilful doctors, it slowly but surely extended until a year ago this winter it covered my entire person in the form of dry scales. For the last three years I have been unable to do any labor, and suffering intensely all the time. Every morning there would be nearly a dustpanful of scales taken from the sheet on my bed, some of them half as large as the envelope containing this letter. In the latter part of winter my skin commenced cracking open. I tried everything, almost, that could be thought of, without any relief. The 12th of June I started West, in hopes I could reach the Hot Springs. I reached Detroit and was so low I thought I should have to go to the hospital, but finally got as far as Lansing, Mich., where I had a sister living. One Dr. —— treated me about two weeks, but did me no good. All thought I had but a short time to live. I earnestly prayed to die. Cracked through the skin all over my back, across my ribs, arms, hands, limbs; feet badly swollen; toe-nails came off; finger-nails dead and hard as a bone; hair dead, dry and lifeless as old straw. O my God! how I did suffer.

"My sister wouldn't give up; said, 'We will try Cuticura.' Some was applied to one hand and arm. Eureka! there was relief; stopped the terrible burning sensation from the word go. They immediately got Cuticura Resolvent, Ointment and Soap. I commenced by taking Cuticura Resolvent three time a day after meals; had a bath once a day, water about blood heat; used Cuticura Soap freely; applied Cuticura Ointment morning and evening. Result: returned to my home in just six weeks from the time I left, and my skin as smooth as this sheet of paper. Hiram E. Carpenter, Henderson, N. Y."

The above remarkable testimonial was written January 19, 1880, and is republished because of the permanency of the cure. Under date of April 22, 1910, Mr. Carpenter wrote from his present home, 610 Walnut St. So., Lansing, Mich.: "I have never suffered a return of the psoriasis and although many years have passed I have not forgotten the terrible suffering I endured before using the Cuticura Remedies."

### He Won.

Ex-Gov. Bob Taylor of Tennessee was once entertaining a northern guest, who was rather skeptical about the prevailing dialect in stories of southern negroes. He thought it overdrawn. To disprove the contention, Mr. Taylor laughingly made a wager with his guest that the northerner would be unable to interpret the language of the first negro they met. Accordingly, they set out and presently came upon a black man basking indolently in the sun. Telling his friend to pay close heed, Mr. Taylor stepped up to the negro and demanded suddenly:

"Weh he?"

The negro blinked his eyes stolidly, and then answered in a guttural voice:

"Wah who?"—Everybody's.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Vance—I think Ferdie ranks with Edison as an inventor and benefactor of man.

Luella—What did he invent?

Vance—He invented a device to pwevent cigawette papers fwom blowing away in a stwong bweeze.—Scraps.

### Truly Spoken.

What a narrow, circumscribed life the woman must lead to whom a wrinkle is a tragedy!

## PRAYER WITHOUT RESULT

**Boy's Patience Is Exhausted After Frequent Petitions to Throne of Grace.**

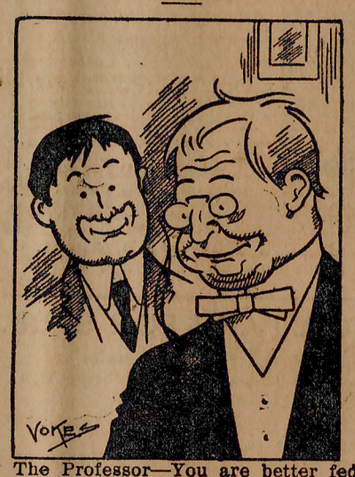
A young man who is prominent in church work in Philadelphia tells this about his nephew:

Harold is the youngster's name, and next door lives another boy by the name of Dewey. They are each seven years old, and, like most children of their age, are disposed to get into mischief as often as possible. Several days ago they found a man's coat lying on the front pavement while the owner was fixing a gas main. From the pockets of the coat the two boys abstracted several tickets, and when Harold's mother found it out she made him return the tickets and explained the sin which he had committed, warning him to pray that he be forgiven that night. He obeyed, and while on his knees added a prayer for Dewey as well.

The next night Harold's mother was in the next room when he said his prayers, and she heard him ask God to forgive Dewey for stealing a piece of cake. On the following evening he again was moved to ask forgiveness for his friend, this time for stealing three pieces of candy. Apparently his patience was exhausted, for the next evening his mother was in the adjoining room when he offered his evening prayer, and this is what she heard:

"Gosh darn it, God, I have done the best I can for Dewey. I guess you will have to watch him yourself."—Philadelphia Record.

### THE EXPLANATION.




The Professor—You are better fed than taught.

The Stout Student—I reckon you're right. You teach me, but I feed myself.

### The Great Art of Dying.

To die without rebellion and without weakness is the masterpiece of a man. A mountain guide—whose name the London Daily News does not mention in narrating the story of his heroism—with two others, was leading a party over one of the most dangerous passes of the higher Alps.

The men, as is usual, were tied together by a long rope. As they scaled a wall of ice they slipped on the edge of a frightful chasm. The guide was at the end of the rope.

Without his weight there was a chance for the others to regain their footing; with it, his experienced eye told him, there was none. With instant courage he drew his knife from his belt and said quietly to the man next him:

"Tell mother how it happened, Edmond."

He cut the rope and fell, never to be seen again.

### Mrs. Roosevelt an Economist.

Mrs. Roosevelt is said to have kept her gowns from one year to the next and even the third year, and yet was always beautifully dressed. The best-dressed woman in London is said to be Mrs. Keppel, who wears her gowns more than one season, having them made over for the second year, as her income does not allow of a great variety of gowns.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### The Victor.

Cassidy—Harrigan was around th' day braggin' about th' b'atin' he gev Finnegan last Monda'.

Casey—Last Monda'? Sure, that's near a week ago. 'Tis a wonder he wasn't around sooner.

Cassidy—Aye! but it seems he only recovered from it this mornin'.

### A Shiver Figure.

"Now, Arthur," said his father, "you've been going to school long enough to write decently. Don't you know how to make a figure three?"

"Sure," said the boy. "You put your pencil on the paper and then you shiver."


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It is often a shorter way, and more useful, to fashion ourselves to others than for them to adjust themselves to us.—La Fontaine.


## No Man is Stronger Than His Stomach

A strong man is strong all over. No man can be strong who is suffering from weak stomach with its consequent indigestion, or from some other disease of the stomach and its associated organs, which impairs digestion and nutrition. For when the stomach is weak or diseased there is a loss of the nutrition contained in food, which is the source of all physical strength. When a man "doesn't feel just right," when he doesn't sleep well, has an uncomfortable feeling in the stomach after eating, is languid, nervous, irritable and despondent, he is losing the nutrition needed to make strength.

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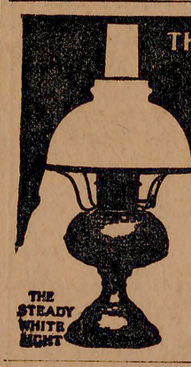

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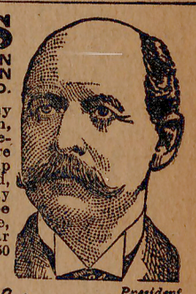

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**Mild Mannered Little Man Has Very Embarrassing Experience on Street.**

He was a mild mannered little man, short, with gray hair and spectacles. It was noon on Washington street, and as usual the crowds were shoving and pushing to get somewhere. The little man was trying to worm his way through the crowds.

A well-dressed woman accompanied by a small boy was mixed up in the crowd. She wanted to cross the street. The boy stopped to look in a window.

The lady reached down and grasped a hand, saying: "Take my hand, dear."

"Not right here on the public street," she was startled to hear some one reply.

Looking down she saw that she was clasping the hand of a very inoffensive little man, who seemed to be much confused and embarrassed.

"Sir!" said she, haughtily, "I don't want you; I want my son."—Boston Traveler.

### The Significant Wink.

"I think," said the weary stranger, "that I'll go somewhere and take 40 winks."

The hack driver looked puzzled.

"What's the trouble?"

"I was wondering whether you wanted me to drive you to a hotel or a drug store."


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ted subject to usual rules. Superintendent lands and highways being directed to appraise timber.

App'n. of A. H. Koehler accepted for ne. 1-4 of nw. 1-4 of nw. 1-4 of Sec. 22.

It was moved and carried that a road 66 ft. wide be established east and west through center of sec. 22 and that 33 feet be left fromwest side of sec. 22 for road purposes and that such reservations be provided for in leases made.

Application for membership of Jennie L. Munroe, of Washington, D. C. referred to committee composed of Bancroft Paton and Stimpson. Committee reported recommending the acceptance of Mrs. Munroe's application. It was moved and carried that report of committee be adopted and Mrs. Munroe's application accepted.

Offer of Mrs. Alice Herring Christopher to furnish 500 copies of reprint of her recent article on Fairhope in Boston Daily Globe, at not to exceed $5 was accepted.

Letter to Council from R. F. Powell read, suggesting preparation of short statement setting forth the plans and purposes of the Colony to accompany the final rent appraisement and printing several thousand copies of same, read but no action taken.

Moved and carried that superintendent lands and highways get bids on moving old Arts and Crafts building from its position in street on to lot in the rear of the Mrs. Bemis lot.

All action by unanimous vote.

Adjourned.

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Dec. 10, 1911.

Colony Council met in adjourned session, with all members present. G. W. Wood chairman pro tem presiding.

Moved and carried that tile be used for drain over bank into gully on Bay View Ave., and same be ordered so that work can proceed as soon as possible.

Bill of Home Tel. Co., for 300 ft. R. C. copper wire, was allowed $6.

Bill of J. R. Edmiston for one and three-quarters days on turning water from Nelle Lee place on Bay View Ave. allowed $2.63.

Moved and carried that secretary notify Colonial Inn proprietors of complaint of offensive and unsanitary conditions at discharge of sewer from Inn and that same must be abated.

Rent appraisement taken up and following motions thereon carried:

To make increase on lots in blk. 6, div. 2, 10 per cent instead of 20 per cent.

That after hearing complaint of Mrs. Wolf, by Mr. Wolf, regarding increase in her lot, Council does not deem her complaint well taken.

Same as to complaint of Mrs. Comings, as regards comparative assessments against herself and Messrs. N. Mershon and A. O. Berglin.

That allowance be made for land taken for roads where now charged to holders of farm lands.

In regard to complaint of G. R. Cain of charge on his lot asa corner lot, it was shown that his lot was a corner lot according to plat and their being streets open on south and north sides of same the rent was left as fixed.

It was moved and carried that with changes stated and a few corrections of purely clerical errors, the appraisement stand and be published as the appraisement for year 1911.

All action by unanimous vote.

Adjourned.

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## Fitch Hotel Notes

The following are late arrivals: H. Harris and John Whitfield, Birmingham, Ala., Judge John Cooper and Miss Lindsay Cooper, Trenton, Tenn., John Fleming Chicago Miss Bessie Moffet and Miss Linanger, Mobile. Mr. Charles H. Moorman spent Sunday at the hotel. Mrs. Pettus, trained nurse, has been with Mrs. Genevieve Van Deusen for about a week.

## MAJORITY FAVORS RECALL OF JUDGES

Phoenix, Ariz., Jan. 6.—The drafters of the constitution for Arizona believe they discovered the weak spot in the make-up of Privileged Plunder.

In their effort to form an instrument which would keep the law, its enactment, its enforcement and its meaning in the hands of the governed, they propose that the courts of the state shall be led not into temptation.

To accomplish this they placed judges on the same level with the governor, the legislators, and the sheriff. They have provided that the people may recall a judge if he offends the moral sense of the community.

On this point the "conservative" office holders who were named at Washington have joined hands with the attorneys for the railroads and the great mining interests in an effort to defeat the document. They are horrified beyond measure. They are calling upon all traditions of reverence for courts of inherited complacency with things "as they are" with a cry that the masses—to whom, with unconscious humor, their zeal is directed—would coerce judges to acts of injustice.

Listen, then, to the answer of George W. P. Hunt, the president of the constitutional convention. Hunt might be expected to be leading the hue and cry. He has money. He is accounted one of the leading merchants of Arizona. He is no "red-shirted anarchist." He says:

"We yield to no men in our reverence for courts. But whatever dignity may rest in courts as institutions, does not extend to judges. They are human.

When the recall was made a part of the constitution the agents of the corporations made their last visit to the convention. They raised for the last time the threat that such a document would never be approved by President Taft. His long years of service on the bench were pointed to. They tossed aside their appeals to drop the initiative and referendum, they stoppe'd their lobbying against a railroad commission with ample power to protect the public, they pleaded only that judges be excluded from the provisions of recall.

In the face of these appeals the men who wrote the constitution stood firm.

"I wont sign unless it's there," declared Albert Jones, rich cattleman and a leader. The others were equally emphatic. At the last just one of the majority in that convention, an attorney for the copper interests refused to sign the document.

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Messrs. Dan and Emmet Shepherd came over on Sunday before last and remained until Wednesday morning on account of the critical illness of their sister, Mrs. George Nelson. They left with the hope that she was started on the road to sure recovery but were summoned home on Saturday to attend her funeral.

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A good mule, harness and brand new wagon for sale by Dan Thomas, Mobile for $150. See him on arrival of boat.

## Winter Temperature

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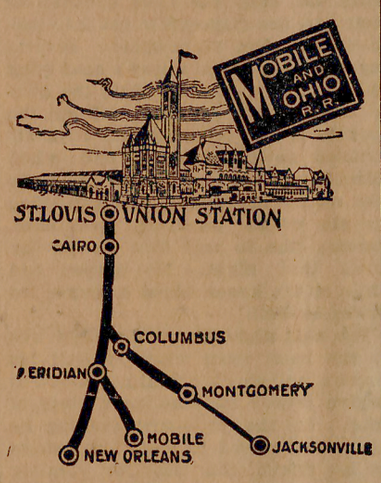


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Where They Come From.

Guest (dining at merry Christmas party)—"Tommy, where do turkeys come from?"

Tommy (pointing to that on the table)—"Dunno; but ma got this one from a tramp for a shilling, 'cause he said he stole it. Didn't he, ma?"

Gaston & Son Bargains.

One story house of five rooms, centrally located, ceiled throughout, cistern, sink in kitchen, large porch on front and south. One lot, more room can be had if desired. Several satsuma orange and kumquat trees, some other fruit. Chicken house and yard. $325.00. Or will rent to good tenant.

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We have just had placed in our hands several most desirable properties in Fairhope, all well located, in thorough repair, good propositons each, for a home or an investment. They range in prices from $850 up. Write us for description stating about what you desire as to price.

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Owing to his purchase of down town property and intention to move into same, J. G. White has authorized us to offer for sale his suburban property, formerly the Dr. Borst place. This is only half a mile from the postoffice, has good two-story house, considerable fruit, barns, chicken-houses, etc., and nearly 7 acres of land. It is an ideal place for a suburban home or chicken ranch and is cheap at the price asked. $1600..

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It is a town "with a purpose." That purpose is to make a practical application of the teachings of Henry George upon the land question—as fully as possible under existing laws.

Henry George re-asserted the proposition that "all men are equally entitled to the use of the earth," and proposed to secure that right to all by requiring those who desire the exclusive use of any portion of the earth, to pay, for the benefit of all, the value which the common estimation attached to such portion. He proposed to take this as a tax for public purposes, in lieu of all other taxes—hence the name "Single Tax."

Those who founded Fairhope advocated, and still advocate, this as a reform in taxation; but they realize that its essential feature is the taking of land values for public use, and that the right to collect land values attaches to LAND OWNERSHIP under our present laws. So they hit upon the clever plan of securing by purchase, the right to collect land values, not as a tax but as rent, and administering these values not for their benefit as OWNERS in the usual way, but for the benefit of ALL who might by locating upon such lands contribute to their value.

Under this plan the title to the land is held by the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation, a corporation chartered under an Alabama statute, having a perpetual existence, and conducted by its members under its constitution and by-laws.

Lands are leased to individuals in quantities to suit, on ninety-nine year leases, subject to an annually appraised rental, collected and disbursed for the public benefit.

To make this really a "Single Tax," and to free its lessees from the blighting injustice of taxes upon improvements and personal property, the Corporation pays out of the rent not only the taxes upon the land, but upon the improvements and personal property of lessees.

All the rent fund remaining is expended locally for the public benefit in roads, schools, library, telephones, parks, bath-houses, etc., etc.

Absolutely no portion of this rent goes as interest, dividends, or profits, to the founders or members of the Colony, or any other persons.

The constitution forbids the granting of franchises to individuals or corporations for performing any public service, but requires that the Corporation shall, as fast as may be, provide the same and operate them in the common interest.

The Corporation thus owned and operated the wharf, at which land the steamers, by means of which communication is maintained with the outside world, and which yielded annually a very substantial addition to the public revenue, until that wharf was practically destroyed by the great storm of September 27, 1906. It has been rebuilt by acompany of citizens under contract by which they will manage it until the obligations incurred by them in the rebuilding are satisfied, when it will be turned back to the Corporation.

It owns a water-works system, (the only one in Baldwin county) with steam pumping plant and mains supplying the principal part of the town with water for domestic use and fire protection; and a local telephone system, with long distance connection.

The Fairhope policy eliminates the land speculator entirely; and for those who WANT LAND FOR USE, whether for residence, business, manufacturing or farming, it is easily shown to be far better and cheaper than owning.

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## DASTARDLY ATTEMPT.

### To Wreck Louisville and Nashville Train Near Bay Minette Discovered in Time.

Bay Minette, Ala., Jan 18.—An attempt was made by some unknown parties to wreck some of the trains of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad near this town shortly before daylight yesterday morning. The persons with the evil intent broke the lock on the switch about a quarter of a mile north of town and threw the switch out and clogged the space between the rails with slag. The parties who did the work between the hours of 5 and 6 as the switch tampered with was discovered by Ned Dolive in coming to town yesterday morning and the special conveying the soldiers from Montgomery to Mobile had passed over the switch shortly after 5 o'clock.

Investigations have been made and a number of officials oj the road are looking into the matter. The lock to the switch was found about fifty feet rom the switch badly battered and broken. The switch was then moved over to the left leaving the track open only to one of the side tracks, where a sudden turn of the engine on a fast moving train would probably have wrecked the entire train. It is thought that some one was desirous of derailing and wrecking one of the specials from Montgomery.

## WHY NOT INDEED?

If commission government is economical for cities, why should it not be just as economical if applied to county government?

If Senator Screws wishes to be fair to the electors of the state as he says he does, why does he not draw his commission government bill broad enough so that it can be applied either in county or city government?

Why the necessity of restricting the bill to certain sized cities?

Does he wish to imply only cities of a certain size need such a form of government or does he wish to insinuate that only cities of a certain size are qualified for such a step?

As we understand it, the commission form is supposed to be not only more efficient but more economical than the present form, if that is a fact or even a plausible theory, why not give all divisions of the electorate a chance to try it if they see fit?

## DEATH OF MRS. A. B. GASTON

A marked copy of the Cochranton, Pa., Times brings news of the death of Mrs. A. B. Gaston of that place. Mr. and Mrs. Gaston visited Fairhope winter before last and made many friends here, both being exceedingly pleasant people. The cause of death was apoplexy. Mr. Gaston was in Florida at the time.

An interesting account was given in the Register of Wednesday, about "Gonda" cheese a special cheese, very popular in Holland, and which Mr. W. F. Meder, the Hollander who recently established an extensive dairy plant at Foley is preparing to put upon the market. Mr. Meder is reported to be very much pleased with results obtained at his dairy so far.

The Concert on Thursday evening next, promises to be a rare treat for music lovers. Mrs. Morehead is a singer of National reputation and Miss Slosson's playing always pleases.

The V. I. C. meets with Mrs. Comings at Cottage Content next Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

## FATAL SHOOTING AFFRAY.

### Will Kennedy Fatally Shoots Joe Campbell. Is Himself Badly Cut.

$ Last Saturday night at about 11 o'clock Joe Campbell, a young Point Clear negro, was shot thro the abdomen by Will Kennedy also colored, and died from his wounds on Monday afternoon about 5 o'clock. Doctors Schowalter, Mershon and Sheldon, all assisted in giving surgical attention to the wounded man, but his intestines were perforated in eight places and the case was a hopeless one.

The shooting occurred at the home of Sylvester Henry about a mile south of Fairhope where Henry lives and runs a small store. It is alleged that he keeps a blind tiger" there but whether this is true or not the presence of liquor was in part at least responsible for the shooting.

Kennedy was himself badly beaten and cut up, sustaining a big razor or knife cut on the head, just missing a large artery and several body wounds, which Dr. Sheldon dressed on Tuesday. He claims to have acted in self defense.

## OREGON POINTS THE WAY.

The following from the Register of Tuesday is good for its endorsement from three such sources, of the principle of popular rule.

While many Easterners are disposed to make light of constitutional innovations in Oregon, believing that the last word in the evolution of the forms of government was spoken when our representative system was brought into being, Governor Woodrow Wilson, whose scholarly attainments are very great, is disposed to believe that Illinois would not have obtained its unenviable repute as shown by the Lorimer case had that state possessed laws like those of Oregon. He says:

"I believe the Oregon system of popular government laws has brought a fundamental reform of previous corruption and has brought to the people of that state truly representative government in the place of fragrantly misrepresentative government. I believe the system which has been evolved there contains the essentials of a body of laws and constitutional amendments which the people of other states should study carefully with a view to procuring for the people the manifest benefits which have been derived for the people of that State."

The Washington Herald, commenting upon this farseeing man's opinion says: "If the late campaign, so free from partisan significance, and in which party lines were ruthlessly broken, made one thing clear it is that the country is insistent upon popular government—a government representative of and responsive to the people's will. Oregon pointed the way. Her system is not an unproved theory—it is a demonstrated fact, potent for public good."

## ENTERTINMENT AT BATTLES A SUCCESS

The entertainment at Battles on Saturday night for the benefit of St. Luke's Episcopal Church was very much of a success. The program was as follows: A. M. Dealy, song; Irene Bell, recitation; Wm. Dealy, song; Grace Hutchings, recitation; Frances Gaston, song; Mrs. teare, recitation, and a black face sketch by Dealy Brothers.

After the program the ladies of the church served refreshments and dancing was indulged in.

Fairhope people were very much in evidence two parties going down on hay-rides besides other conveyances.

## LESPEDEZA POPULAR IN LOUISIANA.

Lespedeza or Japanese clover is being grown to such an extent that a state Lespedeza Growers' Association as been organized in Louisiana. It is rapidly becoming an important hay crop in that state and no other plant it is said is so suitable for hay production.

## GOOD FOR METHODISTS.

The Methodist conference at Toronto, Canada, have adopted the report of the General Committee on Sociological questions of which the following was a part: "Your Committee have considered the memorials on the land question submitted to it. Believing that the 'The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof,' and that under the providence of God the state is the trustee whose duty it is to enact the conditions under which these divine gifts should be used for the benefit of all, we thereore condemn the handing over of large tracts of land to individuals and corporations without attaching conditions which would prevent any being held for speculative purposes only. Whenever vested rights are not interfered with, we recommend legislation which will prevent any individual or corporation from profiting hereafter rom the unearned increment in the value of land. We note with pleasure the experiments which are now being made in Great Britain, and by the city of Vancouver and other western towns, in organising finances on the basis of a Single Tax on land values. We shall have a chance to determine experimentally how far this method of taxation may prove to be a panacea for economic ills."

## MR. KILE SELLS OUT.

W. W. Kile closed a deal early this week for the transfer of all his property interests here; the purchaser being Mr. A. N. Whittier.

Mr. and Mrs. Kile will return to Dayton, Ohio. their former home, probably about April first.

The latter will be very unappreciated news to the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Kile here. They have been very helpful citizens and appreciated members of the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation.

While we are sorry that Mr. Kile has closed out his investments here we are glad that another of our citizens, Mr. Whittier, after a residence of a year, is ready to take up what Mr. Kile lays down. It means the "fixing" of the Whittiers and their son-in-law Mr. Jack Galbraith, the latter of whom has been in charge of the Fairhope Pharmacy during the last six months and we doubt very much if Mr. and Mrs. Kile having lived for several years in Fairhope's climate can tolerate again that of Ohio.

## SALVAGING LEE'S MACHINERY

Engineer Harry Locke, in charge of the work of salvaging the machinery of the General Lee succeed in getting the boiler out on Saturday last, but had to secure the aid of another barge with derrick to lift it. In recovering the engines he had to call an experienced dynamiter to his assistance and numerous charges were exploded on Tuesday and Wednesday to tear the hull to pieces. The work was witnessed by a large crowd of interested spectators.

The water would be thrown high in the air by the explosions, and numerous fish were brought to the surface killed or stunned and picked up by boys with skiffs.

## OYSTER LAW VIOLATED.

From Register of Jan. 17th.

Commissioner Patterson from Baldwin County reported a violation of the dredging law on the Eastern Shore Monday. The commissioner advises that he will have the guilty party arrested and bound over to await the action of the next grand jury. This violation occurred on what is known as Shell Bank reef, in the interest of which the commission has exerted itself on several occasions. This reef was closed during a good portion of last season, but at the solicitation of several oystermen on the Eastern Shore it was opened, and an inspector appointed that it might not be entirely skinned as had been done heretofore. The condition on the reef was made the subject of a special report by the bureau of fisheries several years ago, and the condition was clearly set forth by the party who made the survey. The literal language was, "This reef has been skinned, not only of oysters but of clutch as well."

## VELVET BEAN ENTHUSIASTS

Two velvet bean enthusiasts the editor encountered going to Mobile on the Irma the other day were Mr. Robinson of Belforestand Mr. J. A. Folmar of Bromley. Mr. Robinson does not think much of them for hay. He don't deny their value in that respect but he prefers to get his hay from crops easier cured and handled for the purpose. He prefers to let his stock harvest the velvet bean crop for themselves and this is undoubtedly the line of least resistance; and he is very enthusiastic over their values as soil enrichers. Mr. Folmar, however, cuts and cures quantities of velvet bean hay and finds it very satisfactory for all kinds of stock.

## PUBLIC SCHOOL NOTES

Visitors during the past week were Mrs. A. H. Mershon, Mrs. J. G. White, Mrs. Heuston, Mrs. Kelly Mrs. G. W. Wood and Mr. Adolphus Wilson.

Those who were sick have been missed. Among the absent are Gertie Creamer, Harry Stradling, and Pearl Bishop.

George Harvey has returned to school after a visit to Chicago.

During the past week Mrs. Sweet has related the story of Ben Hur at the morning exercises. This story has been related in a charming manner and has been enjoyed by all who heard it. She will next tell a story of the Eskimos. The snow is not here but the story will be interesting.

George and Harry Fellowes are among the new pupils this week.

## HENRY GEORGE CLUB TO MEET.

The Henry George Club, will give its first evening social of 1911 at the home of Mrs. L. A. Powell, on Friday evening of next week, the 27th. A large attendance is hoped for at this spacious and pleasant home. Light refreshments will be served and a collection taken.

## TOWN TO GET HALF OF ROAD AND BRIDGE TAX

The law providing that half the road and bridge tax collected by the county from the property with in municipalities, shall be paid to the municipal authorities has been declared constitutional by the Supreme Court of the state.

This should bring quite a little sum to Fairhope to assist in bridge building and no doubt the town government will call for it prompt-Payment has been refused on account of validity of the law being questioned.

Do not fail to attend the Concert on Tuesday evening next.

## MRS. CHRISTOPHER STILL WORKING FOR FAIRHOPE

Mrs. Herring-Christopher's article in the Boston Globe led to, an invitation from the president of the Eclectic Club of Boston to address the regular meeting of the club last Sunday. She writes that there was great interest shown, even to the extent of asking definite information about railway fare and routes and one of Boston's most enthusiastic Single Taxers, Mr. C. S. Mitton asked her to order him one hundred copies of the Courier to give out.

## HOW MANY MEN WITHOUT MONEY

It is astonishing—or would be did not we know the hard conditions whcih prevail—the number of inquiries for information about Fairhope from well educated men who ask about the chances here for "men without money." One just received is from a man who was "brought up on a farm, received a college education and master's degree at Harvard University," with a good position in an Indiana academy, but who wants to know if "a man without money can do anything at Fairhope." It is very difficult to answer such inquiries.

The right man, even without money could get along at Fairhope, and in time get a home and be his own employer, but it would unquestionably require lots of grit industry and self denial to do so. Still, we know of no place where the conditions are more favorable all things considered.

## THE LEASE FOR "FREE ACRES"

We are indebted to Bolton Hall for a copy of the form oj lease adopted for "Free Acres" the new Single Tax colony in New Jersey near New York City. The form is very simple,

We were interested to note the provision that "all rentals so collected from any leaseholder shalj be expended first in the payment of all direct taxes, so far as said rentals will suffice so that alj the leaseholders shall be exempt from all direct taxation to that extent."

This is following the line of Mr. Ring's argument made here some time ago. At that time Mr. Hall wrote that the proosition seemed to him bad business. Probably the majority of his associates in Free Acres did not agree with hisview. The question of course only arises because of the effort through a colony to apply the Single Tax under multiple tax laws, which the colony cannot control. There is never any difference of opinion among Single Taxers anywhere that taxes on improvements should not be levied.

## BLANGHARD PURCHASES PLACE

Mr. C. J. Blanchard while here last week concluded a purchase of the Herman Stemerdink improvement on ten acres of Colony land beyond Homecroft Gardens. He expects to be down with his family to occupy it about April first. Mr. Blanchard is an inspector for a boiler insurance company, and is on the road most of the timebut wants to get a home of his own and looks forward to giving up the road.

The Colonial Inn has been unable to accommodate all the guests drawn by its superior attractions, but has now secured the large two story house of Mrs. Crawford, across the park and will be able to take care of the overflow there, for the present at any rate.

David Holt, the well known newspaper man, is in Montgomery writing up the news of the legislature for a group of Alabama papers.

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## THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

### Address of A. J. Wolf Before Progressive League, Sunday, Jan. 8.

I am going to speak to you today simply as a man to his fellow men, without regard to individual beliefs on any subject, but simply in the interest of the truth as it appears to me. In the words of Wm. Lloyd Garrison in the first number of the Liberator, "I shall be as harsh as truth and as uncompromising as justice."

The memory of a man who has powerfully stirred the minds and consciences of his fellows by appeals to their highest conceptions o justice and righteousness and who, by his utterances has drawn to himself a following of earnest admirers, tends, with the lapse of time and with the swelling of a handful of anxious souls to a multitude, to become idealized. With the march of time, as his teachings spread among the nations and a great cult arises, this idealistic conception becomes amplified and refined until a picture remains of a being whom men worship as one who has possessed intellectual and spiritual perfections beyond the reach of other mortals and almost beyond their capacity to fully comprehend. All that seems possible to his disciples is to try to adapt their lives to the standards which he has set. In this manner has evolved the conventional Christian conception of Jesus. Much of his teachings, as they have come down to us, frequently through doubtful means of transmission, were based upon an intuitive recognition by the average man of their innate soundness. This is evidenced, after the passage of nearly twenty centuries, by their acceptance by a large proportion of the inhabitants of our planet.

If we are correctly informed, Jesus taught humility in the presence of that awful and unknown power which is the life and motive of the universe, and which men commonly call God. He insisted upon a recognition of the absolute equality of every human being before this supreme and all pervading force. Over and above all, he taught the supreme desirability of peace and good will among men. That his message has been distorted by hierarchies and subordinated to the ambitions of rulers and priviliged classes is a matter of recorded history. That the story of his life, actions and sayings has been altered and exaggerated by forgeries interpellations, and important omissions, is proved by modern historical criticism and by the half hearted attempts at revision by conclaves of his followers. Superstition has become so entwined in the minds of a host with their belief that to them it has become their very warp and woof. This, indeed, was to be expected when we consider the soil of ignorance and self interest through which the narrow streamlet of truth has been compelled to meander its slow and deviousway.

Now however, when, at last, we have begun to know with accuracy and certainty some of the more palpable facts of nature and, to a slight degree, to understand the close correlation of all natural phenomena we perceive that the cause and possibility of our own existence on this whirling sphere, the earth, so comparatively insignificant in size, is the reign of natural law everywhere throughout the illimitable and immeasurable universe. Laws which are as the very breath from the nostrils of God and the only reliable manifestations which we possess of His being. The sole method by which these laws can be discovered and classified is that pursued in scientific investigation. This method precludes the mere gratification of personal vanity, and ignorance is its deadly foe. Before it is begun, doubt must have full sway and liberty of action; doubt of every statement and of every theory until it is proved beyond question. When its results are proclaimed they are subject to the doubt and

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There is still a place for the horse in this auto-flying age.

Progressive farmers are now plowing by gasoline, thus having more hay to sell.

Will the international school of peace organize a football team and go out after the championship?

A Winsted (Conn.) farmer has trained a rooster to ride a bicycle. This is something to crow about.

A Swiss doctor says that drunkards live longer than total abstainers. Still, even this is no excuse for being one.

It is planned to unionize the hoboes. Excellent. And then stop them from working other people after union hours.

Montenegro is a kingdom now instead of a mere principality. Over in Montenegro there are people probably who think we care.

The man who introduced moving pictures into this country is dead, but whether he died remorseful or unrepentant the dispatches do not say.

That New York professor who declares college women have not "made good" cannot successfully maintain that they have not made good fudge.

A hobble skirt in which a disguised burglar tried to escape assisted greatly in his capture. Thus we see that even the hobble skirt hath its uses.

Meat prices have come down, according to market reports, but some of the local dealers evidently don't read the papers. Somebody ought to tell 'em.

While it is true that one makes acquaintances with queer people on one's vacation, it is not always necessary to go on a vacation to achieve that end.

The latest thing at Newport is a rag-time bear dinner. A bull and bear dance would look pretty lively, only it would be unpleasantly suggestive of "shop."

A motorcycle ran against the rear end of an Indiana mule the other day, and it is reported that two or three pieces of the machine were afterward found almost intact.

One of the Harvard professors pathetically declares that Yankee blood is dying out. We suspect that the trouble with him is that he hasn't been away from a big town lately.

A man in New York bet six months in jail on the election and lost. Now, despite his efforts, he can't break into jail to pay the debt. A worse hard luck tale could scarcely be told.

A banknote that had been washed and ironed by a fastidious woman was pronounced a counterfeit. The public, evidently, is familiar only with filthy lucre.

That Long Island judge who ruled that $8,000 a year is enough for the education of a sixteen-year-old girl doubtless had in his crude masculine mind only the useful things. Other kinds cost more.

A Chicago woman, in suing for divorce, declares that her husband's stenographer looked at him "longingly, lovingly, sweetly and invitingly." That stenographer certainly must have been a good looker.

A Mississippi man who put a stick of dynamite in his pocket and then fell down with it will recover from his injuries. A man so favored by pure "dumb luck" as this ought to be in steady demand as a mascot.

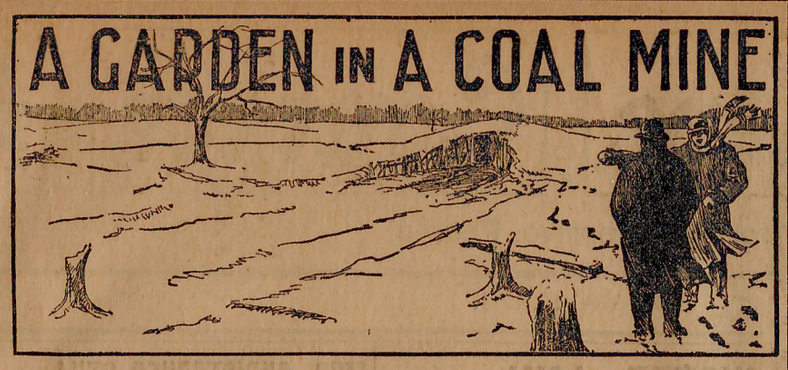
The story from New York that loans to the aggregate of $50,000,000 have been negotiated abroad indicates that American credit is excellent, and also that the money is likely to be put where it will do the most good in promoting American enterprises. Incidentally it is proof that the money market is by no means as "hard" as had been supposed.

California is one of the western states which shows rapid growth. The census figures just announced give California a population of 2,377,549, a gain of 60.1 per cent over 1900. This is the largest increase made by any state from which the final census returns have yet been received, and shows that "the glorious climate of California" and other allurements are attracting settlers quite as numerously as did the gold fever of '49 and later.

If shoveling in coal and carrying out the ashes were all there is to running a furnace it would be excellent exercise. But many a man becomes dangerously fatigued when it comes to writing out checks for the coal merchant.

An Indiana man died recently after having lived for ninety years without ever having had his face shaved or his hair cut, so he claimed, but the story seems incredible. Surely his mother must have cut his hair when he was too young to put up a fight.

# A GARDEN IN A COAL MINE



SUMMER ATMOSPHERE WITHOUT THE SUN

WHOEVER heard of a luxuriant garden flourishing in the bowels of the earth—a subterranean paradise, where beautiful, sweet-scented flowers bloom and tasty vegetables for the dinner table mature while icy winds and jack frost reign with despotic power on the surface above?

Whoever imagined that the soil of a dark, damp coal mine—after its black treasures of carbon had been exhausted to keep factory wheels in motion and houses warm—could be utilized for flower raising and truck gardening?

It has remained for an enterprising Indianian—a Hoosier—to at least experiment, with a measure of success, along floricultural and horticultural lines in the bowels of the earth, at a depth where sunshine and rain never penetrate. Frank B. Posey of Poseyville, Posey county, Indiana, is the man who rivals Burbank the wizard, and who has triumphantly realized a life-long dream. These names of city and county in the extreme southwestern corner of the rich and fertile Hoosier state, along the north bank of the Ohio river, stand as the immortal tributes paid to the Posey family by the hardy pioneers who braved the scalping "redskins" to cultivate the Indiana wilderness more than a century ago.

Mr. Posey is a worthy descendant of that sire of mysterious lineage for whom Posey county and Poseyville were named. He has won renown on his own account and accumulated ten talents by judicious use of the one his progenitors bequeathed him—foresight.

The location of the Posey innovation in floriculture and gardening is between Poseyville and Boonville. It is an abandoned coal mine that had been given up as serviceable only for the habitation of green lizards and other slimy denizens of dark, damp recesses. During the winter of 1909-1910 the Posey plants thrived in the old colliery. Did Mr. Posey desire a tulip or a carnation with which to add a touch of nature to the decorations of his drawing-room, he merely went to the lift of his mine, decended and picked the blossom. If his appetite needed a stimulant he brought up a radish, a green onion or a dainty bunch of lettuce, endive or celery, crips, juicy and sweeter than any ever grown in a hothouse. Does this seem like an improbability?

**Origin of the Mine Garden.**

And how did the mine garden come about? It is an interesting little story. Several years ago Posey, having arrived at the conclusion that "Asia is for the Asiatics and China for the Chinese," began to wonder if Indiana should not be to the Hoosiers. It took him only a short time to decide that question for himself.

Then Posey got busy and soon was hard at work with some laborers. He cleared away the ruins on the surface, erected a frame building over the shaft and installed heating apparatus. He put in simple ventilating machinery, constructed a small elevator and descended to complete his exploration of the mine and begin the laying out of his "garden." Far below the surface lay the base of the shaft, enlarged to the size of perhaps a fourth of a city double lot. Giant oak and maple timbers, rough hewn, stood upright, formed a solid wall of wood around this big room, except where the tunnels, whence the coal had been extracted, branched off in several directions. The natural rock of the "room" was supported with huge wooden beams to prevent the fall of slate. Away from the shaft ran the caverns, dark as pitch, for miles, perhaps. Cross sections, dug with mathematical precision, led into rooms 25x100 feet in dimensions, where thousands of tons of coal had been mined.

"Fine!" cried the subterranean gardener when he observed how the miners had left the "rooms" intact with supporting columns and walls reenforced by heavy timbers. If he had dug into the buried treasure house of a grandee of Pompeii or Herculaneum he could not have been more delighted. In those "rooms" stretching side by side, he knew not how far, he believed he could ultimately cultivate enough flowers and vegetables to make it—so far as concerned vegetation—eternal spring and summer in the homes in the big western and northern cities.

But he planned only to experiment on a small scale at first. He would attempt to raise just a few things for his own use. Posey selected one of the smaller chambers and transformed it into flower and vegetable beds, laboring in the atmosphere of summer, but without having a blistering sun beating down on his back. Over his head was an eternal cloud—thousands of tons of earth and rock.

All that Posey needed was artificial light, water and something to stir the air.

It was easy enough to get the water through a hose and make it fall like rain on the planted beds. It was also easy to keep the air in any kind of circulation he desired. An electric fan, capable of whirling in 1,000 or 3,000 revolutions a minute, solved that problem. How to provide a substitute for the sun was not so easy a task. But the experimenter got the substitute. Acetylene gas provided the beneficent rays that made the seeds swell up till they burst and the sprouts shoot out. The underground farmer put in a small acetylene gas plant in the "room" and arranged it in such a way that the beams of light would fall evenly on every portion of the garden. For his experiment in growing he selected such varieties of flowers and vegetables as he knew grew best by artificiallight—some of these having already been named. He planted his crop and adjusted the gas plant so as to produce "days" in the mine of a length equal to the natural days above ground in the sprouting season of spring, although it was in reality winter on the surface.

Not to his surprise, but to his infinite delight, Posey soon saw little green shoots thrusting their tiny way up through the soil of his underfertile. Besides that, the plants drank in every bit of the fertility of the soil, for there were no foul weeds in that garden. Cultivation the plants needed, and they got it. Rain they needed, and they got that, too, through a sprinkling device. Acetylene gas gave the nearest artificial approach to sunlight that is known to modern science. It seemed to fulfill all the requirements of the growing plants. In fact, it almost outdid the sun in developing the plants to maturity.

**A Great Success.**

Within little more than half the time usually needed, Posey's tulips and other flowers were blooming. His vegetable crop grew with like rapidity, and before his friends discovered that he was a midwinter farmer he was giving a few preferred ones some of the choicest, most toothsome vegetables they had ever tasted, all from the subterranean garden. His own table was often supplied, not only with the edibles, but with beautiful and fragrant decorative blossoms as well.

Posey, to quite a satisfactory degree, proved his theory and realized his dream. Meanwhile he planned to extend his subterranean flower and vegetable growing to undertake marketing in the future.

"There's no limit to the possibilities and the profit," he told his intimate friends.

# STYLE IN SANDWICHES

JUST NOW THE ROLL SEEMS TO BE IN VOGUE.

Triangles and Narrow Oblongs Also Are Much Favored—Nice Discrimination Called for on Part of the Hostess.

The modern sandwich is small and shapely. The favorite form just now is round, though triangles and narrow oblongs are also good.. A rather novel form is the roll. The thin slice is spread as for a sandwich, then rolled in on itself until about the thickness of two fingers. Sharp biscuit cutters are used for round shapes after the slices of bread are put together with the filling.

Too great care cannot be eaken in shaping, as sandwiches of uneven size are not appetizing and reflect upon the social knowledge of the hostess.

If made several hours before they are used, sandwiches are packed closely together and wrapped in a linen cloth wrung from ice water, then in a dry cloth.

Pass on silver sandwich plates, with lace doily underneath, or neatly heaped on a flat china or glass plate covered with a doily. Where many sandwiches are served a small chop plate is often utilized. Where there is a muffin stand the sandwich plate is set on one of the shelves, with a plate of crackers and a basket of small cakes on the other two.

Sandwich fillings are of three orders—meat, in which is included fish and egg sandwiches; cheese mixtures, and sweet sandwiches.

There are also various greens, though lettuce is so much used with all forms that it can scarcely be classed by itself. In this class may be put celery or endive run through a fine meat chopper and mixed with mayonnaise; cress and nasturtium tendrils and pods mixed with French dressing, and parsley chopped fine and mixed with shredded peppers or shredded onion.

For tea purposes decided onion mixtures are better omitted, though finely chopped white onion is relished with capers and anchovy fillings.

For ordinary purposes cold meat or poultry run through a fine chopper and mixed to a paste, with rich cream and seasoning of salt and paprica, are delicious and not so rich as the mayonnaise fillings. Chicken and tongue mixed in equal parts are a pleasing novelty; so is shredded bacon and ground chicken, with strips of pimentos.

Most of the meat and fish salad leftovers can be used as sandwich filling. Hot lobster Newburg makes a delicious sandwich; so does creamed crab with red peppers, and finely chopped shrimps with capers masked in mayonnaise.

Green or red peppers chopped fine and mixed with mayonnaise make a favorite filling, the latter being especially artistic.

**Some Carpet Notes.**

Do you know that carpet, like ancient Gaul, is divided into three classeses? First there is the jacquard—carpet with cut or uncut pile and a mechanical repeat from pattern. In this class are included brussels, wilton and ingrain. Then there is the enlightening title of non-jacquard. Axminster and chenille carpets are in this group.

Finally, there is the printed class, which includes fabrics on which the design is printed after weaving.

Favor is awarded to carpets in the following order: Brussels comes first, followed by wilton, axminster, ingrain, tapestry and, last of all, velvet.

**Coffee Custard Minus Eggs.**

Make a strong cup of coffee, or that left from breakfast will do; strain through cheesecloth into a pint of milk; put milk into double boiler with one-half cup sugar, three tablespoons corn starch dissolved in cold milk, pinch of salt and small piece of butter; cook 20 minutes. Remove from fire, flavor with vanilla and pour into molds; chill and serve with whipped cream. Delicious—just like coffee ice-cream. Cocoa or chocolate can be used in place of coffee.

**Pate a Choux.**

One tablespoon butter, one-half cup water, five tablespoons flour, one-eighth teaspoon salt, one egg. Heat butter and water to boiling point, add flour, all at once, and stir vigorously until mixture leaves sides of pan; remove from fire, cool, add egg unbeaten, and stir until well mixed. Let paste stand for one-half hour, then drop small pieces from tip of teaspoon into hot, deep fat, fry until crisp and brown. Drain on brown paper. Serve in clear soups.

**Thunder Cake.**

Two squares chocolate, one-half cup milk, yolk of one egg. Mix and set on back of stove until it thickens. Meanwhile mix one cup sugar, one tablespoon melted butter, one-half cup milk, pinch of salt, one and three-quarters cups flour, teaspoon vanilla. Combine mixtures and add one teaspoon soda dissolved in one tablespoon hot water.

**Chutney Relish.**

Four pounds of chopped apples, four pounds brown sugar, one pound seedless raisins, level dessertspoon cayenne pepper, same of ground garlic, two tablespoons green ginger root, one and a half cups vinegar. Cook in oven until done. Stir frequently.

**Ended the Controversy.**

On the steeple of an old Universalist church in Bath, Me., there is a wooden figure of an angel. It is not a remarkably fine specimen of art, and has always been somewhat laughed about, especially because of its high-heeled shoes. The Bath Enquirer recalls the story that a former pastor of the North Congregational church once accosted a devoted Universalist with the question: "Mr. Raymond, did you ever see an angel with high-heeled shoes on its feet?" "Why, no," answered Mr. Raymond, "I can't say that I ever did; but did you ever see one without them?"

**Seats of the Mighty.**

"Have you investigated those charges against Biggun yet?" asked the intimate friend.

"Not yet," answered the distinguished statesman who was a member of the investigating committee. "All we have done is to hold an informal meeting and decide that he isn't guilty."

**A Sounding Name.**

"Who is that girl in furs who seems to be the big scream?"

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**SLIGHT DIFFERENCE.**

"Me mudder t'ought I'd be a cap'n of industry."

"You missed it, eh?"

"Yep; I became a major general of indolence!"

**GOT IT.**

**Got Something Else, Too.**

"I liked my coffee strong and I drank it strong," says a Pennsylvania woman, telling a good story, "and although I had headaches nearly every day I just would not believe there was any connection between the two. I had weak and heavy spells and palpitation of the heart, too, and although husband told me he thought it was the coffee that made me so poorly, and did not drink it himself for he said it did not agree with him, yet I loved my coffee and thought I just couldn't do without it.

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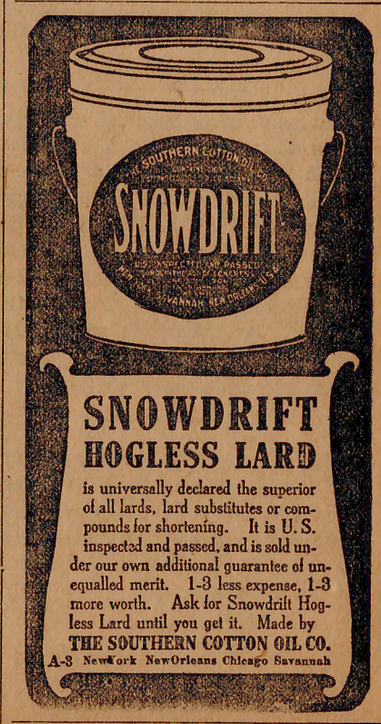


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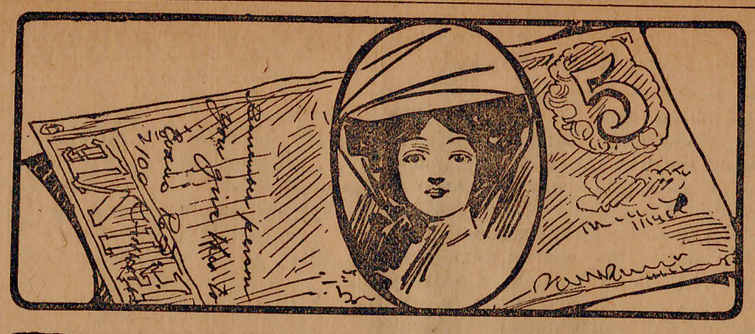
# The GIRL and the BILL



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### SYNOPSIS.

At the expense of a soiled hat Herbert Orme saves from arrest a girl in a black touring car who has caused a traffic jam on State street. He buys a new hat and is given a five dollar bill with: "Remember the person you pay this to," written on it. A second time he helps the girl in the black car and learns that in Tom and Bessie Wallingham they have mutual friends, but gets no further hint of her identity. He discovers another inscription on the marked bill, which in a futile attempt to decipher it, he copies and places the copy in a drawer in his apartment. Senor Poritol, South American, calls and claims the marked bill. Orme refuses, and a fight ensues in which Poritol is overcome. He calls in Senor Alcatrante, minister from his country, to vouch for him. Orme still refuses to give up the bill. He learns that a Jap has called for him. Orme goes for a walk and sees two Japs attack Alcatrante. He rescues him. The minister tries diplomacy, but fails to get the marked bill. Returning to his rooms Orme is attacked by two Japs who effect a forcible exchange of the marked bill for another. Orme finds the girl of the black car waiting for him. She also wants the bill. Orme tells his story. She recognizes one of the Japs as her father's butler, Maku.

### CHAPTER IV.—Continued.

The girl laughed. "It was really ridiculous. He over-speeded and was caught by one of those roadside motor car traps, 10 or 12 miles out in the country. They timed him, and stopped him by a bar across the road. From what the detective says, I judge he was frightened almost to speechlessness. He may have thought that he was being arrested for stealing the car. When they dragged him before the country justice, who was sitting under a tree near by, he was white and trembling.

"They fined him $10. He had in his pocket only $11.63, and the marked bill was nearly half the sum. He begged them to let him go—offered them his watch, his ring, his scarf pin—but the justice insisted on cash. Then he told them that the bill had a formula on it that was valuable to him and no one else.

"The justice was obdurate, and Mr. Poritol finally hit on the device which you have seen. It fitted in well with his sense of the theatrical; and the detective says that there was not a scrap of paper at hand. The point was that Mr. Poritol was more afraid of delay than anything else. He knew that I would put some one on his track."

"When did all this happen?" asked Orme.

"Yesterday afternoon. Mr. Poritol came back to Chicago by trolley and got some money. He went back to the country justice and discovered that the marked bill had been paid out. He has followed it through several persons to you, just as Maku did, and as I have done. But I heard nothing of the Japanese."

"You shouldn't have attempted this alone," said Orme, solicitously.

She smiled faintly. "I dared not let anyone into the secret. I was afraid that a detective might learn too much." She sighed wearily. "I have been on the trail since morning."

"And how did you finally get my address?"

"The man who paid the bill in at the hat shop lives in Hyde Park. I did not get to him until this evening, while he was at dinner. He directed me to the hat shop, which, of course, was closed. I found the address of the owner of the shop in the directory and went to his house. He remembered the bill, and gave me the addresses of his two clerks. The second clerk I saw proved to be the one who had paid the bill to you. Luckily he remembered your address.

Orme stirred himself. "Then the Japanese have the directions for finding the papers."

"My predicament," said the girl, "is complicated by the question whether the bill does actually carry definite directions."

"It carries something—a set of abbreviations," said Orme. "But I could not make them out. Let us hope that the Japanese can't. The best course for us to take is to go at once to see Walsh, the burglar."

He assumed that she would accept his aid.

"That is good of you," she said. "But it seems a little hopeless, doesn't it?"

"Why? What else can we do? I suppose you saw to it that no one else should have access to Walsh."

"Yes, father arranged that by telephone. The man is in solitary confinement. Several persons tried to see him today, on the plea of being relatives. None of them was admitted."

What money king was this girl's father, that he could thus regulate the treatment of prisoners?

"So there were abbreviations on the bill?" she asked.

"Yes. They weren't very elaborate, and I puzzled over them for some time. The curious fact is that, for all my study of them, I can't remember much of anything about them. What I have since been through, apparently, has driven the letters out of my head."

"Oh, do try to remember," she implored. "Even if you recall only one or two bits of it, they may help me."

"There was something about a man named Evans," he began. "S. R. Evans, it was."

"Evans? That is strange. I can't think how any one of that name could be involved."

"Then S. R. Evans is not your father?" he ventured.

"Oh, no." She laughed a light little laugh. "My father is—but are you sure that the name was Evans?"

"Quite sure. Then there was the abbreviation 'Chi.'—which I took to mean 'Chicago.'"

"Yes?" she breathed.

"And there were numerals—a number, then the letter 'N.;' another number, followed by the letter 'E..' So far north, so far east, I read it—though I couldn't make out whether the numbers stood for feet or paces or miles."

"Yes, yes," she whispered. Her eyes were intent on his. They seemed to will him to remember. "What else was there?"

"Odd letters, which meant nothing to me. It's annoying, but I simply can't recall them. Believe me, I should like to."

"Perhaps you will a little later," she said. "I'm sorry to be such a bother to you."

"Bother!"

"But it does mean so much, the tracing of this bill."

"Shall we go to see Walsh?" he asked.

"I suppose so." She sighed. Apparently she was discouraged. "But even if he gives the information, it may be too late. The Japanese have the directions."

"But perhaps they will not be able to make them out," he suggested.

She smiled. "You don't know the Japanese," she said. "They are abominably clever at such things. I will venture that they are already on their way to the hiding-place."

"But even if the papers are in the pocket of one of them, it may be possible to steal them back."

"Hardly." She arose. "I fear that the one chance is the mere possibility that Maku couldn't read the directions. Then, if Walsh will speak out—"

"Now, let me say something," he said. "My name is Robert Orme. Apparently we have common friends in the Wallinghams. When I first saw you this afternoon, I felt that I might have a right to your acquaintance—a social right, if you like; a sympathetic right, I trust."

He held out his hand. She took it frankly, and the friendly pressure of her fine, firm palm sent the blood tingling through him.

"I am sorry," she said, "that I can't give you my name. It would be unfair just now—unfair to others; for if you knew who I am, it might give you a clue to the secret I guard."

"Some day, I hope, I may know," he said gravely. "But your present wish is my law. It is good of you to let me try to help you."

At the same instant they became conscious that their hands were still clasped. The girl blushed, and gently drew hers away.

"I shall call you Girl," Orme added.

"A name I like," she said. "My father uses it. Oh, if I only knew what that burglar wrote on the bill!"

Orme started. What a fool he had been! Here he was, trying to help the girl, forcing her to the long, tired recital of her story, when all the time he held her secret in the table in his sitting-room. For there was still the paper on which he had copied the abbreviated directions.

"Wait here," he said sharply, and without answering the look of surprise on her face, hurried from the room and to the elevator. A few moments later he was back, the sheet of paper in his hand.

"I can't forgive my own stupidity," he said. "While I was puzzling over the bill this evening I copied the secret on a sheet of paper. When Poritol came I put it away in a drawer and forgot all about it. But here it is." He laid the paper on the little, useless onyx table that stood beside her chair.

She snatched it quickly and began to examine it closely.

"Perhaps you can imagine how those letters puzzled me," he volunteered.

"Hush!" she exclaimed; and then: "Oh, this is plain. You wouldn't know, of course, but I see it clearly. There is no time to lose."

"You are going to follow this clue now—tonight?"

"Maku will read it on the bill, and—oh, these Japanese! If you have one in your kitchen, you never know whether he's a jinriksha man, a college student, or a vice-admiral."

"You will let me go with you?" Orme was trembling for the answer. He was still in the dark, and did not know how far she would feel that she could accept his aid.

"I may need you, Mr. Orme," she said simply.

It pleased him that she brought up no question of possible inconvenience to him. With her, he realized, only direct relations were possible.

"How much of a journey is it?" he ventured to ask.

"Not very long. I intend to be mysterious about it." She smiled brightly. Her face had lighted up wonderfully since he gave her the paper that contained the secret of the bill.

But he knew that she must be tired; so he said: "Can't you send me

A Figure Swung From the Lower Branch Apparently Without Haste.

alone on this errand? It may be late before it is done, and—"

"And I will not sit and rest while you do all the work. Besides, I cannot forego the excitement of the chase."

He was selfishly glad in her answer. "Do we walk?" he asked.

"We will go in the motor," she said.

"Where is it?"

"I left it around the corner. The thought came to me that Mr. Poritol might be here, and I didn't wish him to recognize it."

Orme thought of the hard quest the girl had followed that day—battling for her father's interests. What kind of a man could that father be to let his daughter thus go into difficulties alone? But she had said that her father was unable to leave the house. Probably he did not know how serious the adventure might be. Or was the loss of the papers so desperate that even a daughter must run risks?

Together they went out to the street. Orme caught a dubious glance from the clerk, as they passed through the lobby, and he resented it. Surely anyone could see—

The girl led the way around the corner into a side street. There stood the car. He helped her in and without a word saw that she was restfully and comfortably placed in the seat next to the chauffeur's. She did not resist the implication of his mastery.

He cranked up, leaped to the seat beside her, and took the levers. "Which way, Girl?" he asked.

"North," she answered.

The big car swung out in the Lake Shore Drive and turned in the direction of Lincoln park.

### CHAPTER V.

#### "Evans, S. R."

The car ran silently through the park and out on the broad Sheridan road. Orme put on as much speed as was safe in a district where there were so many police. From time to time the girl indicated the direction with a word or two. She seemed to be using the opportunity to rest, for her attitude was relaxed.

The hour was about eleven, and the streets were as yet by no means deserted. As they swung along Orme was pleased by the transition from the ugliness of central Chicago to the beauty of suburbs—doubly beautiful by night. The great highway followed the lake, and occasionally, above the muffled hum of the motor, Orme could hear the lapping of the wavelets on the beach.

The girl roused herself. Her bearing was again confident and untired. "Have you been up this way before?" she asked.

"No, Girl."

"This is Buena park we are passing now. We shall soon reach the city limits."

Clouds had been gathering, and suddenly raindrops began to strike their faces. The girl drew her cloak most closely about her. Orme looked to see that she was protected, and she smiled back with a brave attempt at cheerful comradeship. "Don't worry about me," she said. "I'm quite dry." With that she leaned back and drew from the tonneau a light robe, which she threw about his shoulders.

The act was an act of partnership merely, but Orme let himself imagine an evidence of solicitude in her thoughtfulness. And then he demanded of himself almost angrily: "What right have I to think such thoughts? She has known me only an hour."

But to him that hour was as a year, so rich was its experience. He found himself recalling her every change of expression, her every characteristic gesture. "She has accepted me as a friend," he thought, warmly. But the joy of the thought was modified by the unwelcome reflection that the girl had had no choice. Still, he knew that, at least, she trusted him, or she would never have let him accompany her, even though she seriously needed protection.

They were passing a great cemetery. The shower had quickly ended. The white stones and monuments fled by the car like dim and frightened ghosts. And now the car swung along with fine houses, set back in roomy grounds, at the left, the lake at the right.

"Do you know this city?" the girl asked.

"I think not. Have we passed the Chicago limits?"

"Yes. We are in Evanston."

"Evanston!" Orme had a glimmer. The girl turned and smiled at him. "Evanston—Sheridan Road."

"Evans—S. R.!" exclaimed Orme.

She laughed a low laugh. "Ah, Monsieur Dupin!" she said.

Speeding along the lake front, the road turned suddenly to the left and west, skirting a large grove of trees which hugged the shore. Just at the turn was a low brick building on the beach. "The life-saving station," explained the girl; "and these are the grounds of the university. The road goes around the campus, and strikes the lake again a mile or more farther north."

Large buildings were at their right after they turned. Orme noted that they were scattered among the trees—some near the street, some at a distance back. Then the road again turned to the north, at a point where less imposing streets broke in from the west and south.

"Stop at this corner," said the girl.

Orme threw on the brakes.

"We are in Evanston, on the Sheridan road," she said, "and this street cutting in from the south is Chicago avenue."

"'Chi. A.!'" exclaimed Orme.

She had taken the paper from the pocket of her coat, and was scanning it closely. "One hundred paces north and two hundred and ten east. 'T.' must mean 'tree.'"

Orme jumped to the ground. He noticed that the university grounds were cut off from the street by an iron fence. There was a gate at the corner by which they had stopped. The gate was not closed. If it were customary to shut it at night, there had been some neglect on this particular evening.

"You'd better go in through the gate," said the girl, "and follow the west fence northward for 100 paces. Then turn east, at right angles and go 210 paces—I suppose it must be paces, not feet."

"Yes," said Orme. "That would be the natural way for a burglar in a hurry to measure."

"I will move the car north on Sheridan road a little way," she went on, "so as not to be in the glare of this street light."

This was the first evidence she had shown of nervousness, and Orme suddenly realized that enemies might be lurking among the trees.

"It might be well for you to take the electric hand-lamp," she added. "It's in the kit-box, I think."

He looked in the kit-box, but the lamp was not there. He told her so.

"Maku may have stolen it," she said.

Orme slipped a heavy wrench into his pocket and closed the kit-box. With the girl, he avoided any reference to the possible presence of the Japanese among the trees, but knowing that he was no match for them unarmed, with their skill in jiu-jitsu, he resolved to be in some measure prepared.

He walked through the gate and began to pace northward, keeping close to the fence and counting his steps. Meantime the car followed his course, moving along the side of the road just west of the fence. Orme counted his hundred paces north, then turned east.

He saw that the 210 paces which he now had to take would carry him well over toward the lake. The girl evidently had not realized how great the distance would be. She would be nearer him, if she turned back to the corner and followed the Sheridan road eastward toward the life-saving station, but Orme did not suggest this to her, though the car was within twenty feet of him, the other side of the fence. If there should be a struggle, it would please him just as well that she should be out of hearing, for her anxiety, he knew, was already great, though she kept it closely under control.

Eastward he went through the trees. When he had covered about half the distance he found himself approaching the side of a large building. There must be some mistake. Had he deviated so widely from the course? In leaving the fence he had taken sights as carefully as he could.

Then the explanation struck him. Walsh, the burglar, had probably paced in eastward from the fence and come to the building just as he had. There was no good hiding-place apparent near at hand, and Walsh would hardly have retraced his steps. What, then, would he have done? Orme asked himself. Why, he would have turned north or south.

Orme looked in both directions. North and south of the building were open driveways. Walsh must have gone around the building, then continued eastward. This is what Orme now proceeded to do.

Remembering the number of paces to the side of the building, he chose the northward course, because there was less light north of the building. He hugged the side of the building, counting his steps, and, after reaching the corner, turned eastward. He now counted his paces along the northern side of the building.

When he reached the corner of the eastern side of the building, he paced as far southward on the eastern side as he had gone northward on the western side, and on reaching a point due east of the place at which he had originally come to the building, he added the number of paces from the fence to the building to the number of paces he had taken along the northern side of the building, and continued eastward toward the lake.

At the two hundredth pace he stopped to reconnoiter. Not more than two hundred feet ahead of him he could see dimly, through the tree trunks, the expanse of the lake. There was no sound, no evidence that any other person was near.

He proceeded cautiously for ten paces. Many trees were near him. He would have to examine all of them, for it was hardly possible that he had followed Walsh's course with unerring exactness. If the tree was within twenty feet of him north or south, that was as much as he could expect.

One thing was clear to him. Walsh had probably chosen a tree that could easily be distinguished from the others, either by its size or by some peculiarity of form. Also, the tree must have a hollow place in which the envelope could be concealed. Orme now decided that Walsh must have found his tree first and then paced westward to the fence. The even number, 100 paces north from the gate, could be only a coincidence.

A little to his left Orme discovered a trunk much larger than its neighbors. It ran up smoothly about eight feet to the first limb. An agile man could easily get up to this limb and pull himself into the branches. A cavity such as are so common in oaks, would furnish a good place for hiding the envelope away.

He looked up. Suddenly a light appeared among the branches. It was a short ray, striking against the trunk. Before Orme could realize what was happening a hand appeared in the little bar of radiance and was inserted apparently into the trunk of the tree. A moment later it was withdrawn. It held an oblong of white.

Involuntarily Orme took a step forward. A twig cracked under his foot. Instantly the light went out.

Orme drew the wrench from his pocket and stood tense. There was no other tree quite close enough for the man above him to spring to its branches. He would have to drop near Orme.

Standing there, the wrench in his hand, Orme felt that the advantage was his. He heard rustlings in the branches above his head and kept himself alert to guard against the man dropping on his shoulders.

To strike the Japanese down as he dropped from the tree, that was his plan. But meantime, where was the other Japanese? Was he among the near shadows? If so, he might even now be creeping stealthily toward Orme. The likelihood of such an attack was disconcerting to think of. But as Orme was wondering about it, it occurred to him that the man in the tree would not have gone on guard so quickly, if his confederate were near at hand. It was natural that he should have put the light out, but would he not immediately afterward have given some signal to the friend below? And would he not take it for granted that, were a stranger near, his watcher would have managed to give warning? No, the other Japanese could not be on guard.

Perhaps, thought Orme, only one of them had come on this quest. He hoped that this might be the case. He could deal with one.

The man in the tree was taking his own time to descend. Doubtless he would await a favorable moment, then alighting on the ground as far from Orme as possible, make off at top speed.

But now, to Orme's surprise, a figure swung from the lower branch apparently without haste. Once on the ground, however, the stranger leaped toward Orme.

An intuition led Orme to thrust out his left arm. It was quickly seized, but before the assailant could twist it, Orme struck out with the wrench, which was in his right hand. Swift though the motion was, his opponent threw up his free arm and partly broke the force of the blow. But the wrench reached his forehead nevertheless, and with a little moan, he dropped to the ground in a heap.

As Orme knelt to search the man, another figure swung from the tree and darted northward, disappearing in the darkness. Orme did not pursue—it was useless—but a sickening intuition told him that the man who had escaped was the man who had the envelope.

He struck a match. The man on the ground was moving uneasily and moaning. There was a scar on his forehead. It was Maku.

He went through the unconscious man's pockets. There was no envelope such as he was looking for, but he did find a folded slip of paper which he thrust into his own pocket. A discovery that interested him, though it was not now important, he made by the light of a second match. It was the marked five-dollar bill. He would have liked to take it as a souvenir, if for no other reason, but time was short and Maku, who evidently was not seriously hurt, showed signs of returning consciousnes.

Another occurrence also hastened him. A man was strolling along the lake short, not far away. Orme had not seen his approach, though he was distinctly outlined against the open background of lake and sky. The stranger stopped. The striking of the two matches had attracted his attention.

"Have you lost something?" he called.

"No," Orme replied.

The man started toward Orme, as if to investigate, and then Orme noticed that outlined on his head was a policeman's helmet.

To be found going through the pockets of an unconscious man was not to Orme's liking. It might be possible to explain the situation well enough to satisfy the local authorities, but that would involve delays fatal to any further effort to catch the man with the envelope.

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#### India's National Dish.

Rice and curry is the national dish in India. Just barely enough curry to flavor, and each grain when cooked is puffed up all by itself of snowy lightness. Small quantities of meat, or dried fish, are served with the curry sauce, freshly made of cocoanut water, peppers, tumeric, etc. The West African and West Indian do not use curry, but season by boiling it with a piece of salt fish, salt pork or chicken. Polished rice is a cheat, and eaten exclusively is deadly, so should by right and law be kept out of New York.

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The records of imports and exports of the port of Mobile, show a fine growth during 1910 over the figures of 1909.

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Manatee, Fla., is reported to have 20,000 oil stoves ready to protect its citrus orchards against freezing.

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Do not forget the concert on Thursday evening next, for the benefit of the schools. The price has been placed at 25 cts. and 15 cts. that no one need be debarred.

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Pay your poll tax! It is an outrage, in our opinion, to impose any such qualifications to the right to vote but we have poor opinion of the man who will let a measly $1.00 stand between him and the exercise of this important right.

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"One who does not like Fairhope and does not want to like it had better make his escape early, for if he stays any time he is very apt to like it in spite of himself" remarked a lady the oter day who had just such an experience.

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We see no reason why Governor O'Neal's salary should be raised 50 per cent above his predecessor's. The governor applied for the position at $5,000 a year and Alabama is not so flush that it can afford to present him with $10,000 more during his term.

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Tuscaloosa has just granted a 30 year franchise to the "People's Natural Gas Company" for supplying gas within its limits, whjch contains the peculiar feature that a higher maximum rate for gas is allowed after the first ten years of the franchise, than during that period. No right is reserved by the city to regulate rates. One year is given the company to begin operation and three years to complete a pipe line into the city. In the light of experience of other cities it is a bad franchise.

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## The Retiring Governor

Not within the writer's experience in this state has a retiring governor gone out of office amid so much bitter criticism from the leading newspapers of his party in the state as B. B. Comer. And little indeed, has been the suport or encouragement they have given to him during his term of office.

Yet, while there have been several things done, or positions taken by Mr. Comer which have been quite unsatisfactory to us, we believe that he has sincerely striven to do his duty by the people as he saw it.

The cry of "demagogue" raised against him, is the old, old cry raised everywhere against those who assert the rights of the people and dare to assail the citidels of privilege. That Mr. Comer was not a demagogue seeking without sincerity to ride a popular wave in his fight against the railroad oligarchy which has long dominated politics of this state is proven by the bitter hostility during his term and now of the politicians and newspapers which get their inspiration from railroad sources. They know that he was in dead earnest.

Mr. Comer was everlastingly right in his fight for better treatment of the people by the railroads and those who think that the result of the last election was a rebuke to him by the people because of that fight, will wake up in a few years to find that they were badly mistaken.

The liquor and railroad interests are in high glee just at the present moment and especially merry at Mr. Comer's expense, but they will find that he can and will "come back" all right, unless, indeed the people of the state move so much more rapidly than he that he will soon be unsatisfactory as a leader of the radicals.

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## A Persistent Error

A misconception of the Fairhope policy which it seems impossible always to prevent, is shown in a recent communication to the writer. The party writing is an owner of Fairhope property which he would like to sell, but though no additions have been made to the property and he had objected that he paid a big price for it (which he did) he wanted to ask considerably more than he paid. When asked why he thought we might be able to find him a buyer at an advance he wrote, "I was under the impression, having been told by others, that your town was progressive and that values had advanced,"

Land values have advanced, but under the Fairhope plan that advance goes to the community which is responsible for it, not to the holder of the lot who, being a non-resident and having made no new improvements has added no value to the property.

The one thing that Fairhope stands for is that he who sows shall reap, but he who does not sow shall not reap.

## Not Progressive Enough for Mr. Kile

In arguing for a progressive policy with regard to public improvements here, Mr. W. W. Kile (whose disposal of all property interests here is noted in this issue) has often said it would be the greatest force possible to attract enterprising people to locate in Fairhope. It is beyond doubt, we think, due to the lack of a sufficiently progressive policy in this respect that we are to lose Mr. Kile. He has been witness to and a part of the rapid growth of his former city and county, under an aggressive policy of public improvement—turn-pikes throughout the country paved streets, cement sidewalks, sewers, tree planting, parks etc. in the city—and we have proven quite "too slow" for him.

The Courier has appreciated deeply the enterprise of Mr. Kile, and while not ready to go at once quite so far, perhaps, as he would has stood, as its readers know, for a progressive policy and it regrets greatly to lose so strong a worker for a greater and more beautiful Fairhope, with more attractions for residents and visitors and more conveniences for business.

Unlike Mr. Kile, however, the Courier is not at all discouraged. Its editor has many years the advantage of Mr Kile in age, and can better afford to wait.

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## Did the Owner?

Recently a lease changed hands on an inside 50x100 lot facing on Fourth between Stark and Washington that indicates a value of $300,000. The owners and original lessees together obtain $15,000 a year for the use of that lot and a building falls into the hands of the owners in a few years in addition. One of these inside lots is assessed at $65,000 and another at $58,000. The owners pay no taxes. They draw the money clear. In the last five years it has doubled in value. Who created that value? Did the owners.

—Labor Press.

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## C. B. Hoffman, Editor Daily Socialist

Our friend C. B. Hoffman oj Enterprise, Kan., is now editor of the Daily Socialist at Chicago. Thro him we are receiving regularly the paper in exchange and are pleased to note the good work the paper is doing..

Personally Mr. Hoffman is one of the sincerest and kindliest of men and he has for many years devoted his great abilities largely to the service of his fellow men.

The Milwaukee victory has immensely stimulated the socialist movement in Wisconsin and Illinois and, indeed throughout the country. And undoubtedly many Single Taxers are supporting the Socialist ticket as the best way, in their opinion, to express their protest against prevailing conditions.

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## No Increase for New Governor

A bill to increase the salary of the governor of Alabama, from $5-000 to $7,500, which passed both the Alabama house and senate by more than two-thirds, was allowed to die a natural death by Governor Comer. It may be presented to Governor O'Neal and signed by him but under the constitution he could not enjoy the benefit of it.

Whether Mr. Comer was right in his contention that the governor-elect was really "in office" at the time the bill was passed by the legislature, we do not think that the people of Alabama will hojd any grudge against the retiring governor for his failure to sign the bill. We are reminded that in Oregon where the legislature passed over the governor's veto a bill to add $1,000 per year to the $3,000 salary of certain judges, the people, who in Oregon have the referendum, voted against the increase 71,503 no to 13,161 yes.

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Dr. W. C. Mason has moved from Daphne to Foley, and with last week discontinued his weekly visits to Fairhope. He will hereafter devote his time to Foley and the other towns along the B. M. and M. line easily reached from his home.

## The Spirit of Christmas

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searching criticism of the entire scientific world. All possibility of error must be guarded against and eliminated, and every phenomenon within the sphere of the inquiry must be satisfactorily accounted for. Not until this ordeal has been endured is the new discovery accepted and recorded in the archives of settled knowledge. Such labor must be pursued for the love of truth for its own sake, and the student must disregard his own predilections and whatever ultimate deductions and consequences to which his conclusions may lead. No dictum of any authority, however venerable and exalted and however buttressed by law, self interest or popular beliefs, may be considered or given countenance. This exacting procedure demands unending patience, tireless industry, familiarity with the state of knowledge and investigation in the same field and, above all, total abnegation o self and selfish desires. This, then is the spirit of science and the mere statement of its method of research shows that it is the very antithesis of religious dogma and the means of proselytism.

From the confidence established by such rigid requirements, particularly the insistence upon such proof as will overwhelm the most extreme skepticism, and from the certainty of the conclusions which are thus reached, has arisen among intelligent people a well grounded belief in the universal reign of natural law, not alone in the physical world, but in the domain of psychology and in our social relations; law that is ever the same constant factor in the most distant and invisible realms of space; law that is absolute, inexorable, unalterable and all pervasive.

But there are certain truths, some of which were promulgated by Jesus, that require no scientific demonstrotion for their acceptance, but which have been received by the common sense of mankind as fundamental and self evident. Among such, for example are the golden rule stated by Jesus in the positive form and hundreds of years previously by Confucious in the negative, but with the same meaning In the political world we are today witnesses of a rapidly growing recognition of the natural rights of man as opposed to the acquired rights of property. the one deriving its authority from the inherent right to live and the other from human regulation or concession. Moreover, there is beginning to appear the corollary, that the right to live involves the equal right to the means which nature affords for subsistence. A further evidence of the growing recognition of natural rights is the widening demand for submission to popular decision of statutory and even of constitutional regulations which affect all alike. It is encouraging to observe that the consideration of such matters is beginning to be viewed as even within the province of religious teaching. When the church concerns itself with all things which affect our daily life there may arise a Christianity which all right thinking men can approve without regard to prior teaching or inherited prejudice. A dim but expanding perception of the truth involved in the doctrine of the natural rights of man, and a consciousness that it underlies the philosophy of Jesus. has enabled Christianity to survive and to become the avowed faith of the greater portion of the civilized world. And this end has been attained despite the inconsistent lives and preposterous claims of many of its votaries. One can imagine the dismay and indignation of an advocate of orthodox Christian doctrine if asked to test his faith by an application of the scientific method to the alleged facts on which that faith is founded. One must accept his particular doxy ubon bare assertion with nothing behind it all but like assertions by others in the dim and unrecorded past. But, after all, the test is being applied even within the church organization, and thought is moving to higher and nobler planes.

The exalted teachings which are attributed to Jesus can not be observed in spirit and in truth by the ringing of bells, by regular attendance at religious worship, by intoning of masses, by music and incense or by praises of a being who neither requires nor demands them. Nor can they be applied by asking the deity to suspend or change his laws in order to meet the supposed needs of an individual or of an entire community. They are not exemplified by ostentatious alms giving which leaves its recipient in the same impoverished condition as before, or, worse still, further pauperizes him. Neither are they realalized by squandering enormous sums of unearned money on churches, colleges, and libraries. Their tenets cannot be satisfied by a fantastical and whimsically absurd interpretation of the Jewish and Christian scriptures which attribute hidden and cryptical meanings to each word and syllable. They are opposed to idolatry and bibliolaky in this or any other form. Its germ

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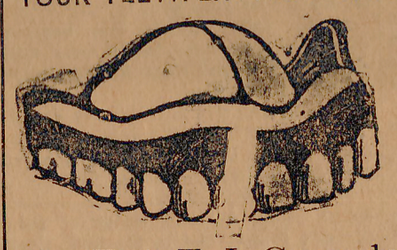
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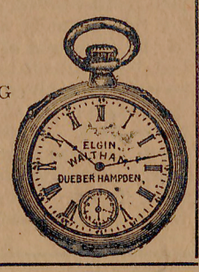


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There are no doubt, more winter visitors in Fairhope now than ever before in its history.

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onCcert on Thursday, Jan. 26, at the auditorium for the benefit of the Organic and Public schools.

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The editor was laid up several days, since last issue with an attack of la grippe.

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Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Erwin left Sunday for Rockford after spending a number of weeks here.

Get your horses ready for spring work. Give them Le Gear's stock food. Fairhope Pharmacy.

A large crowd of curious people were lookers on at the work of salvaging the machinery of the General Lee.

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The Socialists elected a member of the town council of Medford, Ore., on the tenth, the first such election in that state.

Foley's Honey and Tar cures coughs and colds. Fairhope Pharmacy.

Mr. F. L. Horning's brother, Mr. John Z. Horning, of Louisville, Ky. arrived on a visit on Monday evening and may decide to remain. He is a younger brother.

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Mrs. Webb and little granddaughter Effie Genevieve Davis spent several days here with Mrs. Davis.

A good mule, harness and brand new wagon for sale by Dan Thomas, Mobile for $150. See him on arrival of boat.

Mr. Conger of Adele, Iowa, an old friend E. J. M. Stevens, spent several days here visiting him this week. He was on his way to Florida.

FOR SALE CHEAP.—A new range, Jewell make, never used. Come and see it. E. W. Jefferson

We understand that E. A. Summers the well known land agent, has closed a contract with J. W. Grove to market his extensive holdings of land on Fish River.

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Mrs. M. K. Welles and her daughter, Miss Welles, of Rockford Ill. pleasant visitors of last winter are back again. They are in Captain Midgette's new cottage on Fels Ave.

The Human Concert, postponed from December, on account of illness of Miss Human, will be given in the near future.

The Fairhope militia boys who went to Montgomery and marched in the inaugural parade returned on Tuesday evening and reported having had a fine time. There were fourteen of them.

FOR SALE,—Store with dwelling well built, good location, doing a good business. Worth $2,500, Till consider any offer. Address, STORE, Box, 164 Fairhope, Ala.

The Kurrs have moved back from the Fred Sweet home next to Rathje's to their own cottage opposite the Organic School. Mr. and Mrs. E. J. M. Stevens have the lower part of the Sweet house and Mrs. Wilson of the Wilson House will use the second floor rooms to accommodate her guests.

Under the auspices of the Organic School, a concert will be given by Mrs. Morehead, sprano, and Miss Nellie Slosson, violinist, at the auditorium on Thursday evening, January 26th.

Miss Hazel Pilcher left on Friday morning after a three weeks vacation spent here, for St. Paul, where she is making her home with her aunt, Dr. Fosnes, Miss Hazel was one of Fairhope's most attractive young ladies and her many friends regretted seeing her leave.

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## NEW CHURCH SERVICES.

In the New School Auditorium
Rev. F. L. Higgins, Minister.

Subject for Sunday, Jan. 22, 3 P. M.

GOD, MIND, AND MATTER
or
The Marvelous Origin and Equipment of Man

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### Winter Temperature

| Jan: | 7 a. m. | 12 m. | 7 p. m. |
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## THE SPIRIT OF CN3ISTMAS

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lies in the declaration that all men are equal before God and are rightfully entitled to enjoy equal rights and natural opportunity. This alone can be the true interpretation of the "fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man." If the utterances of the man of Galilee are worthy to command the respect of men who believe that God is just they cannot mean that he intended hat the many shall suffer the stings of involuntary poverty, while a fortunate few revel in wealth and luxury. Such injustice can have no place in that kingdom of God which Jesus saw. That kingdom must be inhabited by those who enjoy a life of happiness. who have enough to satisfy every reasonable want. It contemplates the destruction of yrrany in all its forms, the preservation of equality of oppoytunity in the making of a living, and the permanent establishmeet of justice—economic, social and political. If the constantly increasing number of intelligent, honest and capable men who have been driven away from the churches are to return to the Christian faith, and the vast number who have never recognized its authority are to be attracted to its support, the Church must indicate in its thought and action its earnest desire to establish the universal reign of peace and good will, demanded by Jesus.

That such has not been the outcome of the centuries of preaching the many varieties of theological doctrine is plainly shown by the present condition of human society. Consider the unspeakable medieval horrors of the life of the common people in Christian Russia. Behold christian Europe, an armed camp always awaiting war. Dwell upon the millions of the flower of her youth withdrawn from useful industry and the annual expenditure and absolute waste of billions of treasure wrung from the necessities of the masses, including even the poorest. Turn your gaze upon our own favored land, and reflect that over one-third of its total income is expended for war purposes, or as the result of past wars. Look upon its trusts and combines which have fattened upon the protection which they enjoy under a tariff of their own making. Call to mind the few thousand millionaires, some with incomes almost too great to squander and with wealth as inconceivable as the depths of space. Look with equanamity if you can, upon the hopeless, man-destroying poverty of our city slums, the deliberate selling of votes by well todo men, the corruption of legislatures and their servility to the great corporations. Will any honest man hold that these are the legitimate results of the teachings of Jesus? "Verily! By their fruits ye shall know them!" Under such social conditions prating of the love of men as an incentive to religious belief is a shameful misuse of words and an invitation to hypocrisy.

Followed by the article on a Christmas Confession" by J. T. Young, in the Public of Dec. 22, 1910.

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## For the Opera

IT IS at the opera that women may indulge the love for finery (which Mother Nature has made so strong an instinct in them) without let or hindrance. No one is accused of overdressing there, so long as she arrives at good effect. Each one may interpret the mode to her own fancy or depart from it if she will, to exploit that of another age. But the beauties of today do not need to excursion into the past in their adorning. Gowns of today are modeled on lovely lines and colors, and details are beautiful. The best fabrics are so good in color that a gathering of many hues will hardly show one that clashes with the others. Like the many-colored oriental embroideries, each color is the note in a harmony.

Green has proven its strength as a means of making a noticeable and elegant costume. Two gowns of this, one in emerald satin and the other a lighter green chiffon, were worn on the evening of the production of "Thais" at Chicago, when all the boxes at the opera were brilliant with gay attire. They were not to be overlooked, such was their strength and distinction. The satin was trimmed with splendid gold embroidery and bore off the laurels for that evening, as the handsomest costume.

Everyone wears a scarf. Much glitter and much soft and exquisite color mark these lovely accessories. They are in the highest favor and are likely to remain so for some time to come. They are long and are often thrown over the head in the transit to and from the play. Where one chooses to wear a quiet gown, the gay scarf or the bespangled one does wonders in the way of brightening up the costume.

A pretty gown of gold-brown velvet with chiffon combined in the waist, a cream net collar and small round guimpe, and with a little gold lace introduced, was a simple affair by comparison with the many gorgeous costumes about it. It was cut round length (as so many are) and was a smart visiting gown. The brilliant yellow and gold spangled scarf and the lovely coiffure, with its wide band of gold and mass of smooth puffs, made the ensemble one of the successes of the evening. But perhaps the raven hair and smooth, creamy skin of the wearer, and, more than all, the pair of dark and brilliant eyes she possessed, lent a splendor to her apparel. Certainly no one was more admired and no one so unconscious of it apparently, than she of the gold scarf.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

## DAINTY LACE WAIST.

This dainty waist is of white lace with plastron of mousseline de soie, which is ornamented with two rows of embroidered buttons.

The corslet and girdle, the latter knotted in the back, are of light blue liberty.

### Pretty Table Decorations.

Smilax is a pretty and effective Decoration for the dinner table. It is not expensive, as it can be used three or four times, provided it is completely submerged in cold water between, and then gently shaken and dried before use.

## FOR HEALTH AND HYGIENE

### Recipe for Softening and Whitening the Hands—Cure and Prevention of Headache.

A recipe used by a Frenchwoman for softening and whitening her hands is made by boiling two or three floury potatoes in their skin, peeling them, mashing them and making them into a paste with equal parts of rosewater and milk. Apply this preparation at bedtime while the hands are moist after they have been washed.

Many women suffer from headache after a day of busy shopping. To bathe the forehead with a sponge wrung out of water as hot as can be borne will in many cases bring relief. Repeat this as often as the sponge cools. When the head feels tired it is refreshing to dash some cold water on the forehead, then to wipe it off and lie down for a time. Closing the eyes for a few moments at odd times during the day has a wonderfully beneficial effect and will ward off many a headache.

### Cretonne Shades.

The newest and prettiest thing in home decorations is the lamp shade of shirred cretonne or flowered silk. For these heavy wire frames are purchased, the round shape being the best. The cretonne or silk is then shirred tightly under this frame, and clamped or glued to it. A narrow border of furniture gimp conceals the joining place.

In tapestry this variety of lamp shade becomes really gorgeous. The idea, of course, can be applied in any of these materials to candle shades as well.


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### A Mennonite Custom.

When a young man reaches the marriageable age and shows those well-known symptoms the elders of the church hold a meeting. They decide if he is honest and reliable to buy him a farm, usually an eighty. Into the farm he puts his savings, and then members of the congregation raise the rest of the funds to pay for the land.

This amount the young man must pay back with a small rate of interest. Thus by example and material assistance they bind him by the strongest bonds, that of debtor to the church. They know full well that nothing can be lost, for the land is always worth what it will cost. After the young people are located on their farm the elders assist with advice and help. Do you wonder that this thrifty people are gradually buying the best of all Kansas land and the best part of the nicest little city within the borders of that great state?—Seneca Tribune.

### When Publicity Is Desired.

"X Y. Z, this office," was the way the woman usually wound up the numerous lost article advertisements necessitated by her absent-mindedness. The other day she tired of anonymity and returned in about ten minutes with the request that her name be substituted for the initials.

"I attended to that in the first place, madame," said the clerk.

"You did?" she exclaimed. "How did you know I wanted to use my own name?"

He pointed to the words "Metropolitan opera house" in her advertisement. "Because that is where you lost your bracelet," he said. "I never yet met a person who wished to keep his identity secret when advertising for anything lost at the opera house. People who lose things any place else in New York often resort to initials when advertising, but if it happened at the opera house the more publicity they can get the better."

### An Awful Warning.

To those students of English literature who like to write of le dernier cri when they mean the latest craze, and generally to pepper their pages with tags of Latin and French, the following authentic composition is presented as an "awful warning," says the University Correspondent. It is the letter of an Indian subpostmaster who is anxious to be promoted: "Sir: I have the honor to request you that I did not receive any answer to my petition as yet. Though I am flagrante delicto, fiat justitia aut ruat soelum. My younger Fra has gone articula mortis. Ipso facto O! tempora O! mores. Does the life of a man go out like a candle? Sic transit gloria mundi that veni, vidi, vici. It is a outrance affaire d'honneur which is agenda for your pertinently consider."

### A Shame to Spend the Money.

"Pianissimo, pianissimo," said the vocal teacher to the student, "your voice is too loud. Learn to shade your tones."

And the student worked hard to carry out instructions.

When she went to her next lesson the teacher said: "Better—but still too loud. Try again—you will get it after a while."

Again the student returned to her room and tried for a softer tone. Again the teacher told her it was still too loud.

Now William, the colored butler, without whom the house would never have gone on properly, had heard and wondered at this gradual diminishing of tone. It did seem a shame to spend the money. He would interview the lady who occupied the room below that of the vocal pupil.

"What does you think about de voice above?" he asked, pointing to the ceiling. "Hit strikes me hit's growin' weakah ev'y day."

### Her First Vote.

It was the evening of election day, and Higgleby had just returned home.

"Well, my dear Jane," said he, as he kissed his wife, "did you vote today?"

"Yes," replied the lady.

"Straight ticket, I suppose?" smiled her husband.

"Well, no," said Mrs. Higgleby. "After thinking it all over and reading the platforms of both parties, I felt that one was about as good as the other, so I split my ticket;"

"Split it?" roared Higgleby. "Why, how did you do it?"

"Why, instead of putting an X over the name of one candidate," said Mrs. Higgleby, "I divided it in half and put a V over both."—Harper's Weekly.

### Their Happy Time.

Caroline—Are Emily and her husband happy?

Carl—Well, part of the time.

Caroline—Part of the time?

Carl—Yes, when she's at home and he's at the office.

### First Owners of Furs.

"Women who expect to buy furs this winter show a lively interest in the Zoo animals," said a Philadelphia animal keeper. "They want to find out what the animal looked like that were their fur coats and muffs before the furs were made over for them.

"The recent warnings against imitation furs have made them particularly curious. Somehow they imagine that by comparing the fur of a live lynx with a cat or a rabbit they will be able to detect the difference in dyed furs. Of course they won't, but anyhow this little excursion into natural history will do them no harm.

"Women with caracul coats are the most persistent investigators. Very few people except furriers know what kind of an animal caracul grows on, and the specimens of the Russian sheep that produce real caracul and the Chinese sheep that cheap wool that is sold for caracul grows on have been trotted out for inspection so often that they have become as blase as a New York show girl."

### London's Standards of Length.

Londoners have access to authoritative standards for comparison purposes. These are fixed on the outside of the wall of Greenwich observatory, and the various lengths are decided by passing the measure to be tested between raised points inserted in metal plates. At the Royal observatory also is a pound balance, by which any pound weight may be verified. Standards of 100 feet and one chain (66 feet), with subdivisions accurately engraved on them, marked on brass plates, are available for public purposes in Trafalgar square, being let into the granite steps on the north side of the square. Where rigid accuracy is desired recourse must be had to the Standards office in Old Palace Yard, where the tests are carried out under the scientific conditions as regards temperature, etc., prescribed by act of parliament.—Dundee Advertiser.

### St. Erkenwald.

A church at Southend, England, has been dedicated to St. Erkenwald—the only one of its kind in existence. Erkenwald, who was bishop of London from 675 to 693 A. D., was at one time a very popular saint in his country. It was he who built the first stone cathedral of St. Paul's. He, too, it was who erected in the eastern portion of the city the gate which gave the name to Bishopsgate. This prelate suffered from gout during the later years of his life, and had to be carried about on a litter. After his death this litter was carefully preserved in Old St. Paul's, where he was buried, and in course of time miraculous virtues were attributed to it. It was held to be a sovereign cure for fever, and fever-stricken pilgrims from all parts of the country would flock to the shrine of St. Erkenwald.

### Mixed on His Melody.

A well-known newspaper that boasts the authority and the excellence of its dramatic and musical criticism published recently a criticism of a certain charming light opera. The dramatic editor was lavish in his praise of songs and singers, remarking, with a dignified reminder to his readers that it was his business to pass judgment, not unmixed with censure, that the plot was slightly unconvincing.

Of the music, however, he wrote in terms of highest commendation. And he closed his article with praise for the charming entr'actes.

The typesetter got free with the copy, however, or there was a mistake made by the printer's "devil." At any rate, this is what appeared as the closing sentence of a really masterly piece of criticism:

"Last night's music between the acts was unusually melodious."

### Abolish Bear Traps.

Williamsport sportsmen intend to circulate petitions to the legislature looking toward the abolition of bear traps. The only persons using traps are those who hunt bears for market, and sportsmen are anxious that the bear be more fully protected than under the present laws. It is pointed out by those back of the movement that the catching of bears in traps not only tends to exterminate the species of game but is a cruel practice, as the animals frequently free themselves by leaving parts of their legs in the trap.—Philadelphia Record.

### "Expert" Testimony.

A Marseilles "medical expert" has just distinguished himself by declaring that a young woman found dying on the pavement of one of the streets had been assassinated. His expert knowledge enabled him to state that the causes of death was a dagger stab in the back. It has been proved that death was really due to a fall from the fourth floor of a house on to the pavement below. The "dagger wound" was a bruise caused by the fall.


# Now About Clean Food

## Another Splendid Opportunity to Bring Out Facts

When the "Weekly" which sued us for libel (because we publicly denounced them for an editorial attack on our claims) was searching for some "weak spot," they thought best to send a N. Y. Atty. to Battle Creek, summoned 25 of our workmen and took their sworn statements before a Commissioner.

Did we object? No. On the contrary, we helped all we could, for the opportunity was too good to be lost.

Geo. Haines testified he inspected the wheat and barley, also floors and every part of the factories to know things were kept clean. That every 30 minutes a sample of the products was taken and inspected to keep the food up to standard and keep out any impurities, also that it is the duty of every man in the factories to see that anything not right is immediately reported. Has been with the Co. 10 years.

Edward Young testified had been with Co. 15 years. Inspector, he and his men examined every sack and car of wheat and barley to see they were up to standard and rejected many cars.

H. E. Burt, Supt., testified has been with Co. over 13 years. Bought only the best grain obtainable. That the Co. kept a corps of men who do nothing but keep things clean, bright and polished.

Testified that no ingredient went into Grape-Nuts and Postum except those printed in the advertising. No possibility of any foreign things getting into the foods as most of the machinery is kept closed. Asked if the factory is open to the public, said "yes" and "it took from two to three guides constantly to show visitors through the works." Said none of the processes were carried on behind closed doors.

At this point attys. for the "Weekly" tried to show the water used was from some outside source. Testified the water came from Co.'s own artesian wells and was pure.

He testified the workmen were first-class, high-grade and inspected by the Co.'s physician to be sure they were all in proper physical condition; also testified that state reports showed that Co. pays better wages than the average and he thought higher than any in the state.

F. B. Martin, Asst. Supt., testified Grape-Nuts made of wheat, barley, yeast and water. Anything else? "No, sir." Postum made of Wheat, Wheat Bran and New Orleans Molasses. Statements made on his experience of about 10 years with Co.

Testified bakers are required to wear fresh white suits, changed every other day. Said had never known any of the products being sent out that were below the high standard of inspection. Asked if any one connected with the Postum Co. had instructed him how to testify. Said, "No, sir."

Horace Brown testified has been with Co. 9 years. Worked in Grape-Nuts bake shop. Testified the whole of the flour is composed of Wheat and Barley. Attys. tried to confuse him, but he insisted that any casual visitor could see that nothing else went into the flour. Said machinery and floors always kept clean.

So these men were examined by the "Weekly" lawyers hoping to find at least one who would say that some under-grade grain was put in or some unclean condition was found somewhere.

But it was no use.

Each and every man testified to the purity and cleanliness.

As a sample, take the testimony of Luther W. Mayo.

Testified been with Company about 10 years. Now working in the bakery department making Grape-Nuts. Testified that the ovens and floors are kept clean and the raw products as they go in are kept clean. Also that the wearing apparel of the employes has to be changed three times a week.

Q. Do you use Postum or Grape-Nuts yourself at all?

A. Yes, I use them at home.

Q. If from your knowledge of the factory which you have gained in your ten years at the factory you believed that they were dirty or impure in any way, would you use them?

A. I do not think I would. No.

Asked if any one on behalf of the Company had asked him to testify in any particular manner. Stated "No."

All these sworn depositions were carefully excluded from the testimony at the trial, for they wouldn't sound well for the "Weekly."

Think of the fact that every man swore to the purity and cleanliness so that the Atty. for the "Weekly" was forced to say in open court that the food was pure and good.

What a disappointment for the "Weekly!"

But the testimony showed:

All of the grain used in Grape-Nuts, Postum and Post Toasties is the highest standard possible to obtain.

All parts of the factory are kept scrupulously clean.

None of the workmen had been told how to testify.

Most of them have been from 10 to 15 years with the Co. and use the products on their tables at home.

Why do their families use the products, Grape-Nuts, Postum and Post Toasties, that they, themselves, make?

**"There's a Reason"**

**Postum Cereal Co., Ltd.,**

**Battle Creek, Mich.**

# SCIENCE IN FARMING

## One of Prime Necessities Throughout Entire Country.

**Soils of Country Are Greatest Asset Nation Has and Progress in All Directions Depends Largely on Their Condition.**

James Wilson, secretary of agriculture, in a recent address delivered in Chicago, told of the necessity of better farming throughout the entire country. In the course of his remarks he said:

To stop a growing decrease in the yield of the average acre, the government has made provision for the establishment of agricultural colleges and experimental stations. Within the last few years the acre has been responding better and the yield is increasing. Conservation of natural resources has had a great deal of attention lately. I think broad-minded men will have no difficulty in reaching the conclusion that the soils of the country are the greatest asset the nation has, that progress in all directions depends upon the condition of the soil, and that there is no material inquiry of such great value as what pertains to the soils of the United States. The notion is not worth being entertained that any of our soils are beyond redemption.

The people of the older nations of the world took care of fertility of the soil as a matter of prime necessity, and long ago ascertained the proper succession of crops and their relation to the soil, the food of man, and the food of animals.

They knew the soil must be fed, that proper physical conditions must be maintained, and they learned from experience how to do it. They learned that the decaying plant returned to the soil is the best food the growing plant can have. They became aware that the removal of the crops from the farm resulted in soil deterioration unless the equivalent was returned from some source. They had discovered the value of the legume in farm management long before Hellriegel discovered its office in fixing nitrogen in the soil.

The southern states are making great progress in agriculture, and instances of production, indicating what the soil can be made to do, might be cited. Boys under sixteen years of age in South Carolina grew 228 bushels of corn to an acre. Even in the great corn belt nothing of that kind has ever been done. The average in the corn belt is quite low; that average might be greatly increased.

Each of 46,400 boys under sixteen years of age has grown corn or potatoes or tobacco or some other crop during the season just passed. Whatever the boy is doing interests the mature man. The southern states are offering prizes to boys who have organized themselves into clubs for the purpose of bringing up to full activity the productive powers of the southern soil.

That might be done in other sections of the country with great profit. The boy of 16 who has grown two or three times the average amount of corn grown on an acre in his state, begets an interest in the farm. He sees the profit resulting from good management. He learns his first lesson with regard to fertilizing and with regard to cultivation, the proper selection of seed, and all that; and he also learns the most valuable lessons he will ever get in his life.

Work similar to this need not be confined to corn, tobacco and potatoes, but might also be done with regard to all other farm interests.

## PLOW FOR RECLAIMED SWAMP

**Peculiar Character of Louisiana Soil Causes Development of Unusual Mechanical Device.**

The peculiar character of the soil in the reclaimed swamps of Louisiana has caused the development of an unusual mechanical device, known technically as the "caterpillar."

When the water is drained away from the swamp lands the soil at first is so soggy that a horse cannot walk on it. For some time this sponginess makes it impossible to do anything toward development.

The necessity of plowing the land, and also rolling it, caused makers of traction engines to put broad wheels on light machines. These wheels are connected by a belt of heavy wood that forms a roadway wherever the machine goes. The movable sidewalk under the machine is broad enough so that the engine does not become mired. When the soil has been rolled and plowed in this manner it quickly becomes firm enough for ordinary farming.

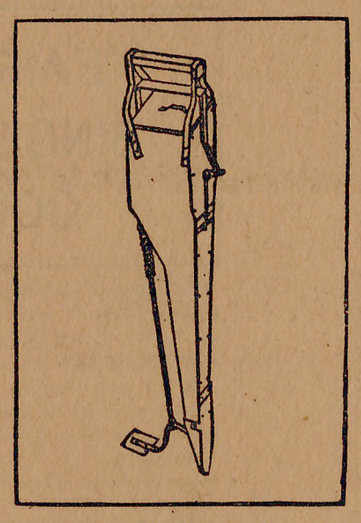
## Strong Demand for Horses.

There have been more three and four year old horses sold on the Chicago market during the past few years than ever before. This means that there are not enough horses on the market to supply the normal city demand; otherwise these good young horses would not be bought for use upon the streets. Notwithstanding the inroads that automobile trucks and drays have made in the street transportation, there is still a greater demand for horses than there has ever been before. There never was a time that promised better returns to the breeder of sound, heavy draft horses of good type.

## DEVICE FOR CORN PLANTING

**Drops Kernels Neatly Into Rows and Spade-Like Apparatus Covers Them Over—Works Easy.**

Among the many implements invented from time to time to make the life of the farmer easier is the corn-planter shown here and designed by an Oklahoma man. It will save the farmer from many an aching back, for where he formerly had to stoop innumerable times in sowing corn and covering up the trenches, this device will enable him to walk along the rows with head and shoulders erect. The general shape of this apparatus is shown in the cut. Below the handle



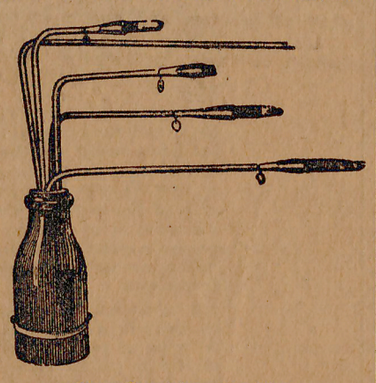
A Corn-Planting Device.

is a lever, which can easily be operated by the same hand that carries the implement. This lever controls a hinged lip at the tapering bottom of the receptacle, which, of course, holds the corn kernels, and when it is pressed the lip opens a crack and lets the kernels filter through. When the pressure on the lever is removed the lip closes by means of a spring. The little spadelike arrangement at the bottom, also controlled by the lever, is used to scrape the dirt into the trench as the corn is sowed.

## MACHINE FOR CIGAR SMOKING

**Curious Apparatus Used by Department of Agriculture to Test Quality of Tobacco.**

The curious apparatus here illustrated is a cigar-smoking device used at the Department of Agriculture at Washington to test the burning qualities of cigars. The smoking is accomplished by allowing the water in the glass vessel at the left to escape gradually through tubes. This movement of water creates a vacuum, and



Cigar-Smoking Machine.

as the air is sucked into the vacant part of the vessel the suction causes a pull on the cigars, four of which are smoked at a time. The action is exactly the same as when a smoker draws air through a cigar by puffing.

## General Farm Notes

Promiscuous cross-breeding never leads to desirable results.

If you have alfalfa hay give the brood sows a feed of it daily.

If you have colts to break, do not try to teach them too much at once.

Exercise will help make the streak of lean and streak of fat that is desired.

Bright oat straw makes very good roughage for horses not working hard during the winter months.

Do the pigs squeal because they are hungry or cold? Find out; there is no profit in either condition.

Cold pressed cottonseed cake should be fed at the rate of about one pound to nine pounds of corn.

There is a growing demand for good bacon. Rangy breeds, with tender, lean, juicy meat are the ones to bring profit.

The large Pekin ducks are profitable to raise. The small common ducks do not weigh enough to make them profitable.

Farm manure always has been and probably always will be the most important and most abundant material for soil improvement.

Do not always be fussing with the setting hens. Feed and water them regularly and dust twice a week with insect powder, but otherwise let them alone.

The proper time to begin milking a heifer (or any other cow) is when the udder becomes painfully distended with milk, and no ill effects should follow from such milking.

Some men have cleared 100 per cent. on their money in sheep for years; but these are the real shepherds. Not every man has the shepherd instinct; but we may all do better than we do.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I have a recipe for these troubles that you can depend on, and if you want to make a QUICK RECOVERY, you ought to write and get a copy of it. Many a doctor would charge you $3.50 just for writing this prescription, but I have it and will be glad to send it to you entirely free. Just drop me a line like this: Dr. A. E. Robinson, K-261 Luck Building, Detroit, Mich., and I will send it by return mail in a plain envelope. As you will see when you get it, this recipe contains only pure, harmless remedies, but it has great healing and pain-conquering power.

It will quickly show its power once you use it, so I think you had better see what it is without delay. I will send you a copy free—you can use it and cure yourself at home.


**The Kind.**

"I think that chauffeur had great nerve to make love to his employer's daughter."

"So he had—motor nerve."


## BABY'S HAIR ALL CAME OUT

"When my first baby was six months old he broke out on his head with little bumps. They would dry up and leave a scale. Then it would break out again and it spread all over his head. All the hair came out and his head was scaly all over. Then his face broke out all over in red bumps and it kept spreading until it was on his hands and arms. I bought several boxes of ointment, gave him blood medicine, and had two doctors to treat him, but he got worse all the time. He had it about six months when a friend told me about Cuticura. I sent and got a bottle of Cuticura Resolvent, a cake of Cuticura Soap and a box of Cuticura Ointment. In three days after using them he began to improve. He began to take long naps and to stop scratching his head. After taking two bottles of Resolvent, two boxes of Ointment and three cakes of Soap he was sound and well, and never had any breaking out of any kind. His hair came out in little curls all over his head. I don't think anything else would have cured him except Cuticura.

"I have bought Cuticura Ointment and Soap several times since to use for cuts and sores and have never known them to fail to cure what I put them on. I think Cuticura is a great remedy and would advise any one to use it. Cuticura Soap is the best that I have ever used for toilet purposes." (Signed) Mrs. F. E. Harmon, R. F. D. 2, Atoka, Tenn., Sept. 10, 1910.


**What Happened.**

Fate—Did you call?

Opportunity—Yes, but she sent word by her servant she wasn't in.—Harper's Bazar.


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To add a library to a house is to give that house a soul.—Cicero.

**On the Dog.**

A small West Philadelphia boy may be an author some day. He has just finished his first essay. It is on a dog.

"A dog is an animal with four legs, a tale and pants but he never changes them. He wags his tale when he is glad and sits on it when he is sorry. A dog is a useful animule because he bites burglars but he is more trouble than he is worth when he tracks mud on the carpet. A bulldog is the king of beests."

**They Both Knew.**

The fool said one day in the king's presence, "I am the king!" And the king laughed, for he knew that his fool was wrong.

A week later the king was angry, because of an error he had committeed, and exclaimed: "I am a fool!" And the fool laughed, for he knew that his king was right.—Smart Set.


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We give you absolute permission to publish this in any way you wish.

Yours very truly,
D. R. RIDENHOUR,
Cor. 4th Ave. and 20th St.
Birmingham, Ala.

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I, E. G. Stevens, a Notary Public in and for said State and County, certify that D. R. Ridenhour, known to me as such, personally appeared before me this 31st day of July, 1909, and made oath that the above statement was true in substance and fact.

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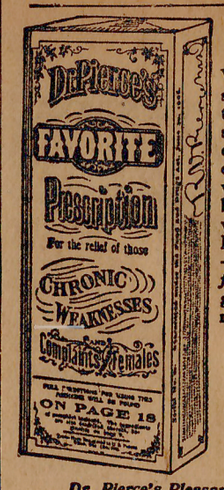
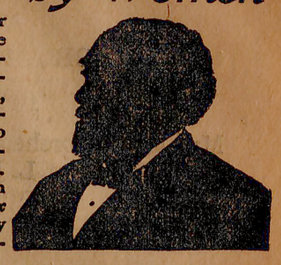



## Honored by Women



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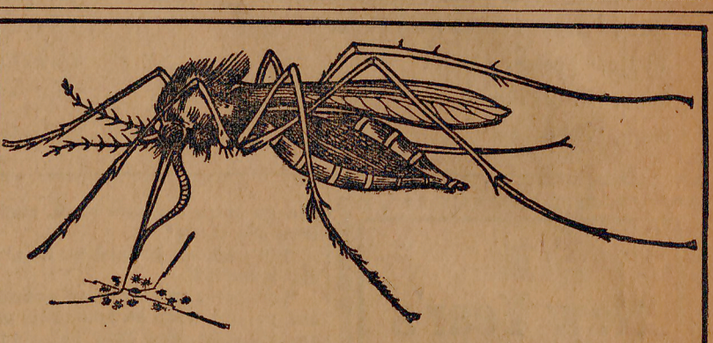

## THE MALARIA MONSTER

If the mosquito were as big as it is bad, it would darken the air like a gigantic death-breathing dragon. Each sting of a mosquito sows the germs of malaria. These germs multiply with wonderful rapidity. Then come chills and fever with other forms of malaria that undermine the health and sap the strength.

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Coakley—That so? What have they?

Joakley — Nothing.—The Catholic Standard and Times.


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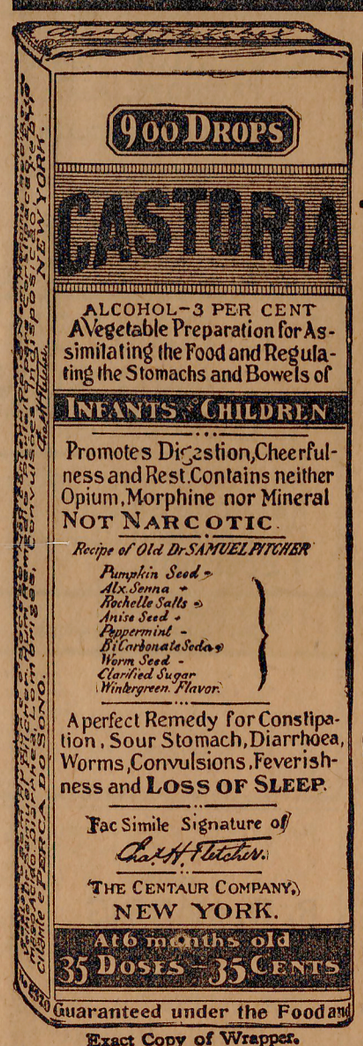

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| Song, "Romance" | *Robaudi* |
| Violin, (a) "Andante" | *Tchaikowsky* |
| (b) "Intermezzo" | *Mascagui* |
| (c) "Jocelyn" | *Godard* |
| Song, "Morning" | *Tagliafico* |
| Duet, "Garden Scene from Faust" | *Guonod* |
| Violin, "Scene de ballet" | *De Beriot* |
| Song, "Waltz Song" | |
| Song, "Serenade" | *Guonod* |

# A New Year's Fantasy

By PHILIP KEAN

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THE long line of people stretched down the winding walk in front of the White House and through the gate and out into the street. On New Year's day all the world might come and shake hands with the president, and it seemed as if half the world had availed itself of the privilege.

Marcia Marks felt almost overpowered by the thought of the honor that was before her. Marcia had not yet learned to shrug her shoulders at high position and august officials. She had been in Washington only three weeks. That she was soon to have a peep at the wonders of which she had heard so much seemed like a part of the fairy lore which she had loved as a child. She wished that there was some one who might share her pleasure. But she had made no friends, so she shifted from one foot to the other, moving forward slightly as far up at the other end of the line people were admitted through a magic door.

It was very cold, but Marcia's heart was warm. For the first time in her life she was earning money, and she was sending part of it home. Then, too, she had a new hat, which was a great cause of happines. It was the first really lovely hat that she had ever possessed.

She did not dream that her exquisite blonde beauty framed by the big hat was attracting the attention not only of the pedestrians but of the occupants of the autos and of the carriages that drove slowly in line toward the other entrance, where a privileged few were admitted at once to the blue room. Marcia feasted her eyes on the pretty gowns, and for the first time as she stood there in the cold a little bit of envy entered her heart. Why shouldn't she ride in luxurious comfort? She had beauty and youth, and loved a good time.

But even as the thought entered, she put it away. Wasn't she lucky enough with her $60 a month and her new hat? And once more her face was bright, and she held her head high.

Then suddenly she gave a startled glance under the brim of her hat, as the door of a great motor car opened and a voice said: "Won't you get in here with me?"

The woman who spoke was beautiful with the beauty of old age. Under her wide hat her hair was white, but she held herself with grace and dignity. "Oh," Marcia faltered, and the lady said, quietly: "Get in, my dear, I will explain later."

So Marcia, followed by the eyes of the crowd, stepped into the wonderful car, which went slowly up the driveway.

Then the beautiful lady turned to her with sparkling eyes. "Was your grandmother Martha Witherspoon?" she demanded.

"Why—yes—"

The beautiful lady clapped her hands "I knew it the minute I laid my eyes on you," she said. "As you stood there with your head held high in that haughty little way, and with your blue eyes and your red-gold hair—it was as if my dear school friend had come back to me."

"Grandmother is the dearest thing," Marcia said, "and as pretty as ever."

"I lost track of her," the beautiful lady told her, "when I went abroad years ago, and when I saw you I wasn't going to run the chance of not finding you again—so I made you get in, and made you lose your place in the line."

"Oh, I don't mind that," said Marcia. "I can go back to the end and wait."

"Indeed, you won't," said the beautiful lady. "I am going to take you right along with me to the blue room. I am to stand behind the receiving line. and you shall meet the president and go on to the east room, and wait from me there."

"But I am not dressed for that," Marcia demurred.

"I am going to play fairy godmother, and put my wrap on you. Your gloves are all right, and your hat, and you shall have my violets, and presto!—you will be a young lady of fashion."

Marcia protested, but for just one moment the curtains of the closed car were drawn, as the wrap was slipped from the fairy godmother's shoulders and transferred to Marcia's more slender ones, and then the crowd, looking on saw two exquisitely gowned women, side by side, the younger one blushing beautifully over her bouquet of violets and valley lilies.

The rest was a dream to little Marcia—the entrance into the brilliantly lighted rooms, the music, the rustle of silken gowns, the presentation to the president. She drew a great breath of delight, as she settled herself finally in a corner of the east room.

But there was more to follow, for in a few moments the fairy godmother sent the prince. He was the nephew of the beautiful lady and he was to take care of Marcia.

And he did take care of her, most graciously, and he talked with her as if she were a princess instead of a very shabby little girl, with her shabbiness covered by a borrowed cloak.

"Aren't you warm?" he said to her once, and Marcia said, hurriedly: "Oh, no." But when he said again: "I think you'd better let me take your wrap," she laughed and confessed:

"It's your aunt's cloak, and I wish you could see what a very shabby little suit I am wearing under it."

And the prince said the cloak wasn't any prettier than the hat, and that the hair under the hat was the prettiest of all, and just then the beautiful lady came along and asked: "Have you made friends with my boy, Marcia?"

"I think he is lovely," she said, and blushed prettily.

She was carried off to dinner with the beautiful lady, and the prince went, too. And when Marcia took off the cloak he said he liked her in her simple little suit. "Only you must still wear the violets, because they match your eyes."

It was all very dear and delightful, but that night when Marcia went home to her poor little apartment she told herself that, of course, she must not expect anything more. It was a New Year's fairy tale, and that was all.

But the beautiful lady came every day and took Marcia out with her, and often the prince was there, and at last, one day, Marcia said: "Dear beautiful lady, you must not, you are spoiling me for everyday things."

But she did not say that the real reason for her protest was because of the prince. He was such a charming prince, and she felt that for her own peace of mind she must not see too much of him.

And as Marcia withdrew more and more, the prince one day demanded of the fairy godmother: "Where's our Cinderella?"

"She insists," the old lady smiled, "on sitting in the ashes. She says we are too fine for her with our pumpkin coaches and our palaces."

"Humph," said the prince, "I guess we will see about that." He thereupon sought Marcia in her shabby apartment.

Marcia's face was radiant as she welcomed him. "But you must not come again, "she said, when he was leaving.

"Why not?"

"Because," said Marcia, which was not a real reason.

"I shall come as often as I please," he said.

Then Marcia stood up very straight and tall. "I am only a shabby little Cinderella," she said, "and I must work, and I haven't the time to fritter away with fairy godmothers and princes who wear gardenias."

Then he looked very sober and asked: "Do you think I fritter away my time?"

"Yes," Marcia told him, "I do."

"Well, tomorrow I am going to work," he told her. "They have ordered me to the Philippines. And I shall be gone six months."

"Six months?"

Something in her voice made him say sharply: "You care?"

Marcia tried to say: "Oh, no," but her lips were white and her voice shook.

Then the prince gathered her into his arms. "You shall go with me, little Cinderella," he said. "From the minute I saw you in your fairy godmother's cloak, I knew you were the one woman."

"And I knew you were the one man," she told him later, "but somehow I felt that it would never really come true—for it seemed only a New Year's fantasy."


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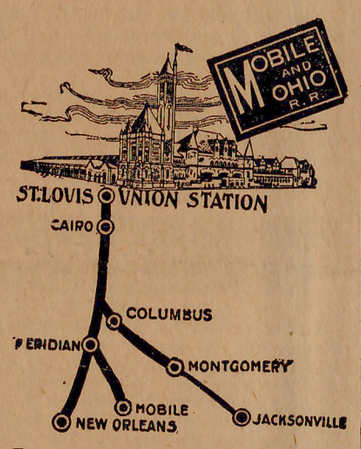


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It is a town "with a purpose." That purpose is to make a practical application of the teachings of Henry George upon the land question—as fully as possible under existing laws.

Henry George re-asserted the proposition that "all men are equally entitled to the use of the earth," and proposed to secure that right to all by requiring those who desire the exclusive use of any portion of the earth, to pay, for the benefit of all, the value which the common estimation attached to such portion. He proposed to take this as a tax for public purposes, in lieu of all other taxes—hence the name "Single Tax."

Those who founded Fairhope advocated, and still advocate, this as a reform in taxation; but they realize that its essential feature is the taking of land values for public use, and that the right to collect land values attaches to LAND OWNERSHIP under our present laws. So they hit upon the clever plan of securing by purchase, the right to collect land values, not as a tax but as rent, and administering these values not for their benefit as OWNERS in the usual way, but for the benefit of ALL who might by locating upon such lands contribute to their value.

Under this plan the title to the land is held by the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation, a corporation chartered under an Alabama statute, having a perpetual existence, and conducted by its members under its constitution and by-laws.

Lands are leased to individuals in quantities to suit, on ninety-nine year leases, subject to an annually appraised rental, collected and disbursed for the public benefit.

To make this really a "Single Tax," and to free its lessees from the blighting injustice of taxes upon improvements and personal property, the Corporation pays out of the rent not only the taxes upon the land, but upon the improvements and personal property of lessees.

All the rent fund remaining is expended locally for the public benefit in roads, schools, library, telephones, parks, bath-houses, etc., etc.

Absolutely no portion of this rent goes as interest, dividends, or profits, to the founders or members of the Colony, or any other persons.

The constitution forbids the granting of franchises to individuals or corporations for performing any public service, but requires that the Corporation shall, as fast as may be, provide the same and operate them in the common interest.

The Corporation thus owned and operated the wharf, at which land the steamers, by means of which communication is maintained with the outside world, and which yielded annually a very substantial addition to the public revenue, until that wharf was practically destroyed by the great storm of September 27, 1906. It has been rebuilt by acompany of citizens under contract by which they will manage it until the obligations incurred by them in the rebuilding are satisfied, when it will be turned back to the Corporation.

It owns a water-works system, (the only one in Baldwin county) with steam pumping plant and mains supplying the principal part of the town with water for domestic use and fire protection; and a local telephone system, with long distance connection.

The Fairhope policy eliminates the land speculator entirely; and for those who WANT LAND FOR USE, whether for residence, business, manufacturing or farming, it is easily shown to be far better and cheaper than owning.

Fairhope is delightfully located on the shore of Mobile bay, has excellent hotels, restaurants, stores schools ice-plant and creamery, blacksmith and butcher shops doctors, churches, fine bathing and fishing, and exceptionally intelligent and sociable people.

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## SURVEYING FOR BRIDGE

### Preliminary Work for Mobile End of Pensacola Line Begun.

The preliminary work for the big trestle necessary to the entrance of the Mobile-Pensacola Railroad in to this city was begun Saturday, when a party of surveyors started staking out the line across the lowland about two miles above the center of the city, on the Baldwin county side. The line is being run across Spanish river and Polecat bay to a point just north of the city limits, from where connections will be made with Mobile by means of a ferry, in all probability, until arrangements are completed for the construction of a bridge.

Work has been progressing steadily upon this line in Baldwin county and it is understood that practically all of the grading has been completed. The information was given out some time ago that those in charge of the work expected to have trains running between Mobile and Pensacola by December, of 1911. —Mobile Register.

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## LAST CALL ON POLL TAX.

This is the last call this paper will have to make to you to qualify yourself to play a man's part in Alabama during 1911, by paying your poll tax. It must be paid before February first or you are out of it for this year. There is no knowing what important questions may arise during this year, to be voted upon. Attend to it now. You can remit by mail to G. B. Stapleton, Tax Collector, Bay Minette.

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## THE SILVER-HILL ROAD

The Silverhill road is now in first class shape to a point somewhere beyond the Daphne road, this side of North River Park and many are the expressions of gratification, made by people living out that way or having occasion to travel over the road. To travel over it is an inspiration to more road improvement. We hope the town will compass the putting of Morphy Avenue from Church street to the town limit where it connects with this road, in at least as good condition.

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## WANT COMMISSION GOVERNMENT

Appleton, Oshkosh, Fond du Lac and Green Bay, our neighboring cities are all taking steps to adopt the commission form of government in place of the present outgrown method.

For years municipal government in America has been looked upon by experts as a failure, as the weak spot in American public affairs. The creation of that first commission at Galveston after the great flood, was an acknowledgement of the weakness of the old system, and the success of the Galveston experiment proved that weakness.

Commission government for cities is merely the applying of general business principles to municipal bubsiness. The commission, the board of directors as we would say for a commercial house simply runs the business of the city. By a system of fixed responsibility and authority to transact the business of the city without the logrolling inseparable from large assemblies of lawmakers, the business goes on in a businesslike way and brings results that have so pleased the people trying the new plan that no amount of effort on the part oj believers in the old way has persuaded them to change back again.

—New London, Wis. Press.

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## TEN PASSENGERS FOR FAIRHOPE ON ALAMO

The Mallory steamer Alamo from New York via Tampa reaching Mobile Sunday evening, had ten passengers for Fairhope, two of them from New York and the balance from Tampa. The New York passengers were Messrs. Chas. Randall and Lawrence Mead of New York City, From Tampa were: Mr. and Mrs. C. F. McLean, Mr. and Mrs. Patterson and Mr. Marshall, Mrs. Sacriste and daughter and son.

## DAPHNE NORMAL VS. FAIRHOPE

The Daphne Normal and Fairhope ball teams played an interesting and closely contested game on the Fairhope Public school ground on Monday afternoon. It was a hard fought game all the way thro with many good plays, and was won by Daphne 11 to 9. We do not have the line-up of the Daphne team; that of the Fairhope was as follows: Jake Van Bendegom catcher, Will Schuller, pitcher; John Lawrence first base, Jack Galbraith 2nd base, Sam Littlegreen s. s., Ed Roberts 3rd base, Ford Patterson left field, Warren Stearns, center field, Geo. Wilson right field A good party came down from Daphne with the team and there was a good crowd to witness the game.

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## RAISE MORE STOCK

The following taken from one of the recent specials sent out from the Agricultural Experiment Station, contains much food for thought on the part of the farmers of this section. The stock question is one of the most important with which they have to deal "There are about 8,000 mules and horses brought into the state each year from other states. This represents an expenditure of not less than $1,500,000 equal to about 20000 bales cotton, spent for work animals each year; this could all be saved to our farmers if they would only learn to raise their own stock."

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Mr. Seibert, the St. Paul Single Taxer, left on Monday morning after a visit of about three weeks. On Sunday afternoon he talked before the Progressive League, his subject being the Single Tax.

## TO HAVE DIRECT SERVICE AGAIN

Fairhopers are getting very tired of the trip around the shore and will be dee-lighted to hear that the side-wheel steamer Beaver will be put in direct service between Mobile and Fairhope soon. They will also be glad to know too, that Captain Owen Roberts will be in command of her. The Beaver is a very nice little steamer, light draft and just about the right size for this business. She is being thoroughly overhauled and it is hoped to have her ready for service within a few days. A new boiler has been ordered for the Beaver which should be received about May first. When this is installed it is believed she will be as fast if not faster than any other boat on the bay. Until then she will not quite make the time that the Fairhope or Lee did, but running direct ought to make a good saving in time over going around the shore.

On account of the necessity of throwing open the decks for the placing of the new boiler, only a temporary cabin is now being put on the boat, but later a more spacious cabin will be built.

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## KILE'S HAPPY THOUGHT

Mr. W. W. Kile has had a "happy thought" that good use might be made of the magazines which are read and then cast aside by gathering them up and turning them over to the Ann Jeanes Public and Industrial School, colored, where they could be put to excellent use. Mr. Kile would be very glad to assist in securing this use of the magazines and if any of them are left at his home, will see that they get to the school referred to.

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Ernest Swift was home over Sunday.

## PROGRESSIVE ARIZONA.

Arizona is progressive. She has not allowed herself to be terrorized by the threats of the republican leaders, She has gone along with her constitution making with an eye single to her own interests. She has adopted the initiative and referendum—the most fundamental of all reforms. This makes it possible for her people to correct any errors they may find, and to direct their government. She has also adopted the recall, which makes it possible for her to turn out those officials who betray their constituents. She is keeping pace with the times. She has inserted other good provisions in the constitution but above all and beyond all, she has reserved control and can make her government what she wants it to be and can coerce her public servants into obedience to those whom they serve.

—The Commoner.

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## GETS SERVICES OF GOVERNMENT ROAD EXPERT

Mobile county is having the benefit of the presence of a road expert of the government to advise regarding the expenditure of the money realized from the sale of bonds sanctioned by the voters at the last election. We understand, the only cost to the county of the services of the expert will be his expenses. Also, we understand he agrees with most of the other road experts familiar with conditions in this section, in favoring the "sand clay" road, made of a proper mixture of sand and clay and kept smooth by occasional dragging. Probably the services of this expert could be secured to advise regarding street improvements in Fairhope.

## THE LUCILE TO BE FAST

Mr. Welch is devoting most of his time now to getting the Lucile ready for her gasoline engines and also making alterations in her upper works to give more freight room and make her more comfortable for passengers. With the two new gasoline engines he has ordered for her, developing 120 actual horse power, the Lucile is sure to be one of the fastest boats in this section. The representative of the engine company who inspected the hull in order to plan for the placing of the engines declared she would make 14 miles an hour. Mr. Welch believes she will make the trip between Fairhope and Mobile in an hour, something long talked of, but not yet accomplished except by a freak speed launch.

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## COMMISSION GOVERNMENT AT PROGRESSIVE LEAGUE

Professor Bellangee will address the Progressive League on next Sunday and will take the opportunity to bring up for discussion the very important subject of commission government. Mr. Bellangee is always interesting and instructive and there should be a large attendance at this meeting.

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Mr. and Mrs. Patterson and Mrs. Patterson's brother, Mr. Marshall of Chicopee Falls, Mass., after spending two winters at Fairhope tho't they would try Florida, but after a few weeks at Tampa, concluded they liked Fairhope and came on on the Mallory steamer Alamo, arriving here Monday evening. They are in Major Whittle's cottage on Fels Ave.

## SCHOOL OF ORGANIC EDUCAT'N

### The Following Interesting Article Regarding Fairhope's Famous School of Organic Education Appeared in the Journal of Education of Dec. 15.

In the village of Fairhope, across the bay from Mobile, is a little school that is often called a reform school—not to reform the children but to reform the methods of teaching. It is called the School of Organic Education, because the aim is to make the school process minister to the perfecting of the entire organism as well as to give instruction.

There is a kindergarten for children under seven years of age, doing the usual kindergarten work, but no dictation, nor close work, nor "finished" work for exhibition s permitted.

Children from seven to thirteen years of age constitute the life class where they simply live as happy and wholesome a life as possible.

In the first division of the life class, the children under ten use no books, except as they themselves desire to learn to read. Instead of the formal work of reading and writing and number, the children have music, that is, singing pretty songs, adapted to their years for the pleasure of singing, not to be able to read music or write music. They often act out or dramatize some song or poem. Many poems are committed by the children, not as a task, but by hearing the teacher recite the same poem a number of times. They have exercises in fundamental conceptions of number daily.

Story-telling occupies an important place on the program, in which the children become acquainted with all the best fairy tales, legends, folk lore, and myths and great stories of history in the most natural, delightful way, without danger of impairing the eyesight by bending over a book.

Spoken language is cultivated in the story hour. German is also taught by the conversational method. One of the most delightful items of the daily program is the walk.

No definite order is followed but the direction of the walk is determined by the interest of the day.

Sometimes a neighboring pond is visited to watch the development of the tadpoles into frogs. Sometimes the woods are scoured to discover the elusive pistils of the pines. The identification of trees in winter occupies many walks. In the spring the appearance daily of some new blossom occupies the interest for many days.

Then there is the building of the birds' nests to watch and all of the interesting bird life to observe.

An outdoor gymnasium affords ample opportunity for acquiring many bodily accomplishments.

One period daily is given to handwork, and one also to the development of conceptions of color, form, etc. Paper sloyd, cardboard construction, scissors and paste, clay water colors, and pencils are used.

Experience in growing plants is given every child. Plots of ground are laid out, in which every child may plant what he chooses and cultivate it in his own way with the assistance of the teacher, and the presence and activity of his fellows to stimulate his perseverence. A well-equipped manual training department affords employment for both boys and girls as soon as they are old enough to use the tools.

The older division of the life class—from ten to thirteen years of age—continue the activities and experiences of the younger group, but come increasingly to books. Now they learn to read, if the art has not already been acquired incidentally, and the history and geography stories are now read by the children themselves. The walks are now made more interesting by reference to books which explain and enlarge the child's experiences.

Fundamental conceptions of number are continued and regular work introduced. The manual training, gardening, domestic science, art work, music, German and gymnasium work are continued. Spoken language is continued, and written work begun in this division. No formal lessons, however, are assigned, but the children use the books with the teacher, thus learning their use, and avoiding the great waste of time when children of this age are required to "learn lessons" by themselves. Coming into the use of books in this way, in the companionship of a sympathetic teacher, a love for books is acquired which will be enduring. In the thirteenth year regular form work is begun, and one or two years should give the child the same knowledge of the usual common school studies that is acquired in the regular eight grades of the common school.

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# The GIRL and the BILL

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"There's a Rule Against Going in There After Dark."

### SYNOPSIS.

At the expense of a soiled hat Herbert Orme saves from arrest a girl in a black touring car who has caused a traffic jam on State street. He buys a new hat and is given a five dollar bill with: "Remember the person you pay this to," written on it. A second time he helps the girl in the black car and learns that in Tom and Bessie Wallingham they have mutual friends, but gets no further hint of her identity. He discovers another inscription on the marked bill, which in a futile attempt to decipher it, he copies and places the copy in a drawer in his apartment. Senor Poritol, South American, calls and claims the marked bill. Orme refuses, and a fight ensues in which Poritol is overcome. He calls in Senor Alcatrante, minister from his country, to vouch for him. Orme still refuses to give up the bill. He learns that a Jap has called for him. Orme goes for a walk and sees two Japs attack Alcatrante. He rescues him. The minister tries diplomacy, but fails to get the marked bill. Returning to his rooms Orme is attacked by two Japs who effect a forcible exchange of the marked bill for another. Orme finds the girl of the black car waiting for him. She also wants the bill. Orme tells his story. She recognizes one of the Japs as her father's butler, Maku. The second inscription on the bill is the key to the hiding place of important papers stolen from her father. Both Japs and South Americans want the papers. Orme and the "Girl" start out in the black car in quest of the papers. In the university grounds in Evanston the hiding place is located. Maku and another Jap are there. Orme fells Maku and the other Jap escapes.

### CHAPTER V.—Continued.

So he jumped to his feet and ran northward, then turned to the west. Circling about, he made for the gate at which he had entered. His pursuer either took the wrong lead in the darkness or stopped to examine Maku, for when Orme went through the gate and doubled back, outside the fence, to the car, there was no sound of steps behind him. He jumped to the chauffeur's seat.

"Well?" inquired the girl, eagerly.

"Too late," said Orme. "I'm sorry. I caught Maku, but the man with the envelope got away."

She laid a hand on his arm. "Are you hurt?" There was unconcealed anxiety in her voice.

To say the things he yearned to say! To be tender to her! But he controlled his feelings and explained briefly what had happened, at the same time throwing on the power and driving the car slowly northward.

"I only know that the fellow ran northward," he said. "He may have worked back or he may have gone on. He may have climbed another tree and waited."

By this time they had come to the northern limits of the grounds, but he had seen no one.

Suddenly the girl exclaimed: "Listen!"

Orme stopped the car. Somewhere from the distance came a faint hum. "Another car!" he muttered.

"Yes," she said. "Oh, but I can do no more. I am tired, Mr. Orme. We cannot catch that car, even if it does hold the man we want—and there is no way of being sure that it does."

"If there is any place to leave you, I will go after him alone." He had turned the car as he spoke and was sending it slowly southward.

"No," she said wearily. "We—you must do no more tonight. You have been so good, Mr. Orme—to help me in a matter of which I could tell you almost nothing. I won't even try to thank you—except by saying that you have understood."

He knew what she meant. He had met her need, because he had shown its greatness without her telling him. His recognition of her plight had been unaccompanied by any suggestion of ignored conventions. No gushing thanks would have pleased him half so much.

He smiled at her wistfully. "Does it all end here?"

"No," she said, "I will not let it end here. We are friends already; in fact, Mr. Orme, as soon as I can do so, I will see that we are friends in name. Can you accept as little a promise as that?"

"I can accept any promise from you," he said gravely. "And now shall I take you home?"

"Not home. It is too far. But I have some friends a few blocks away who will take me in. Turn here, please."

Under her guidance he took the car through several streets, drawing up at last before a large, comfortable-looking place, set back from the street, with a wide, shrub-dotted lawn before it. Several windows were still lighted. He descended to help her out.

She hesitated. "I hate to ask it, Mr. Orme," she finally said, "but you can catch the trolley back to Chicago. They will take care of the car here."

He nodded. "But one thing, Girl," he said. "I am going to find that other Japanese tomorrow. I shall get the envelope. Will you call me up at the apartment tomorrow noon? If I am not there, leave word where I can find you."

"I will do that. But don't get yourself hurt." She let him help her to the ground.

"At noon," he said.

"At noon. Good-night, my friend." She offered her hand.

"Good-night, Girl," he said, and then he bent over and kissed her fingers gently.

He stood by the car until she had crossed the lawn and ascended the steps—until the door opened and admitted her.

### CHAPTER VI.

#### A Chance Lead.

To follow the girl's suggestion and return at once to Chicago was Orme's intention when he said good-night to her. The hour was close to midnight, and the evening had been crowded so full with bewildering adventure that he was tired. Moreover, he looked forward to a morning that might well test his endurance even more strenuously.

He had now committed himself definitely to continue in the field against the Japanese. Except for his desire to serve this wonderful girl who had come so suddenly into his life, he doubtless would have permitted the mystery of the marked bill to remain unsolved. But since the recovery of the stolen papers was so important to her, he was prepared to run any risk in the struggle.

Who was she? But no, that was a question she did not wish him to ask. She was simply "Girl"—beautiful, tender, comprehending—his ideal incarnate. As he stood there, hesitant, before the house into which she had disappeared, he pictured her again—even to the strand of rebellious hair which had blown across her cheek. He could discover no fault in her perfection.

A man came into view on the drive at the side of the house; a servant to care for the car, of course; and Orme, with the uneasy feeling of one who has been trespassing, moved away toward the corner of the block. He looked back, however, and saw the newcomer clamber into the car and send it slowly up the drive.

At the same time a light illumined one of the upper windows of the house. A shadow was thrown on the curtain. Perhaps it was the girl herself. What explanation had she given her friends for appearing so late at their door? Probably she had told them no more than that she was tired and belated. She was not the kind of girl from whom an elaborate explanation would be asked or expected.

Then a thought startled him. Was this, perhaps, her home? No, she had spoken of the people who lived here as her friends, and she would not have tried to keep the truth from him by subterfuge. If this were her home and she had not wished him to know it, she would have requested him to leave her before they had come so far.

It dawned upon him that it would not be hard for him to learn who lived in this house, and possibly through that knowledge to get a clue to her identity. His heart warmed as he realized how completely she had trusted him. His assurance that he would not try to find out who she was had satisfied her. And Orme knew that, if she had been so readily assured, it was because she had recognized the truth and devotion in him.

With a happy sigh, he turned his back once and for all and walked rapidly away. But he did not go toward the electric-car line, which he knew must lie a few blocks to the west. Instead, he retraced the course they had come, for he had decided to visit the university campus once more and try to discover what had become of Maku, and more especially of the other Japanese, who had secured the papers. That he would be recognized and connected with the attack on Maku, was unlikely.

When he came to the corner of Sheridan road and Chicago avenue, he hesitated for a moment. Should he go north through the campus and seek a trace of the Japanese who had escaped? Nearly half an hour had gone since the adventure among the trees, and the man must have got completely away by this time. Having the papers, he surely would not linger to learn the fate of Maku.

Orme found himself wondering how the Japanese had got to Evanston. Granting that it had not taken them long to solve the abbreviated directions on the five-dollar bill, they could hardly have come by motor-car, for they had had a good half-hour start, and yet Orme had discovered them before their work was completed. Only on the assumption that their car had broken down on the way could Orme admit that they had used a motor-car. Moreover, how were two Japanese, whose appearance did not indicate the possesion of much ready money—how were they likely to have a car, or even to rent one? And had they believed that they might be pursued? Would they not have come to Evanston by an obvious route of train or trolley?

These considerations led Orme to think that the car which he and the girl had heard in the distance could not have been occupied by the escaping Japanese.

The fellow, then, had probably made for the electric-car line, and in that event he would be well on his way to Chicago by this time. The car he had caught must have gone southward from Evanston about 10:45. The conductor would be likely to remember having had a Japanese on board; perhaps he would even remember where the Oriental had got off. The natural course for Orme, therefore, was to take a car himself and, if he did not meet the other car returning, to get off at the car-barns and make inquiries. The possibility that the Japanese had changed to the elevated road on the North side was great, but the conductor might remember if the change had been made.

But Orme did not turn at once toward the car-line. Though his logic pointed in that direction, he was irresistibly influenced by a desire to walk eastward along the drive where it skirted the southern end of the campus. A half-hour might go by, and still he would not be too late to meet, on its return, the car which the Japanese would have taken. He started, therefore, eastward, toward the lake, throwing frequent glances through the iron fence at his left and into the dark shadows of the oaks.

He came to the lake without encountering anyone. The road here swept to the southward, and on the beach near the turn squatted the low brick bullding which the girl had told him was the life-saving station. A man was standing on the little veranda. His suit of duck was dimly white in the light from the near-by street-lamps.

"One of the crew," Orme surmised, and he sauntered slowly down the little path.

The beach sloped grayly to the edge of the lake, where a breakwater thrust its blunt nose out like a stranded hulk. The water was calm, lapping the sand so gently that it was hard to believe that so gentle a murmur could ever swell into the roar of a northeaster. A launch that was moored at the outer end of the breakwater lay quiet on the tideless surface.

"Good-evening," said Orme, as the man turned his head. "Are you on watch?"

The life-saver slowly stretched. "Till 12," he answered.

"Not much longer, then?"

"No, thank heaven!"

Orme laughed. "I suppose you do get more than you want of it," he said. "But on a fine night like this I should think it would be mighty pleasant."

"Not if you have to put in several hours of study after you get through."

"Study?"

"Yes. You see, I have a special examination tomorrow."

"A service examination?"

"Oh, no—college."

"Are you a student?"

"All the crew are students. It helps a good deal, if you are working your way through college."

"Oh, I see. But surely the university hasn't opened for the fall?"

"No, but there are preliminary exams. for those who have conditions to work off."

Orme nodded. "It's a fine campus you have—with the groves of oaks."

"Yes."

"Just the place for a quiet evening stroll. I thought I'd walk up the shore."

"There's a rule against going in there after dark."

"Is there? That's too bad."

"Something funny happened there just a little while ago."

"So? What was it?" Orme was getting close to the subject he most desired to hear explained.

"Why, one of the cops was walking along the shore and he found a Japanese, stunned."

"A Japanese!"

"He evidently had wandered in there and somebody had hit him over the head with a club."

"After money?"

"Probably. There've been a good many hold-ups lately. But the slugger didn't have a chance to get anything this time."

"How so?"

"He was bending over the Jap when the cop came up. He got away."

"Didn't the cop chase him?"

"No, the fellow had a good start, so the cop stayed by the Jap."

"And what became of the Jap?"

The life-saver jerked his head toward the door beside him. "He's in there, getting over his headache."

"Is he?" This was a contingency which Orme had not foreseen. Nor had he any desire to come face to face with Maku. But if he betrayed his surprise, the life-saver did not notice it.

"The cop is taking another look through the campus," he continued.

"What does the Jap say about it?" asked Orme.

"He doesn't say anything. It looks as though he couldn't speak English. The cop is going to get Asuki."

"Asuki?"

"A Jap student who lives in the dormitory."

"Oh," said Orme.

The fact that Maku would not talk was in a measure reassuring. His apparent inability to understand English was, of course, assumed, unless, indeed, he was still too completely dazed by the blow which Orme had given him, to use a tongue which was more or less strange to him. But what would he say if he saw Orme? Would he not accuse his assailant, hoping thus to delay the pursuit of his companion?

The danger was by no means slight. Orme decided quickly to get away from this neighborhood. But just as he was about to bid the life-saver a casual good-night, two men came around the corner of the building. One was a policeman, the other a young Japanese. Orme unobtrusively seated himself on the edge of the little veranda.

"How is he?" asked the policeman.

"All right, I guess," replied the life-saver. "I looked in a few minutes ago, and he was sitting up. Hello, Asuki."

"Hello, there," responded the little Japanese.

"Come," said the policeman, after an unsuspicious glance at Orme, and, mounting the steps, he led his interpreter into the station.

Now, indeed, it was time for Orme to slip away. Maku might be brought out at any moment. But Orme lingered. He was nearer to the solution of the secret if he kept close to Maku, and he realized, for that matter, that by watching Maku closely and, perhaps, following him home, he might be led straight to the other man. If Maku accused him, it should not, after all, be hard to laugh the charge away.

A murmur of voices came from within the station, the policeman's words alone being distinguishable.

"Ask him," the policeman said, "if he knows who hit him."

The undertones of a foreign jargon followed.

"Well, then," continued the policeman, "find out where he came from and what he was doing on the campus."

Again the undertones, and afterward an interval of silence. Then the policeman spoke in an undecided voice.

"If he don't know anything, I can't do anything. But we might as well get a few more facts. Something might turn up. Ask him whether he saw anybody following him when he went into the campus."

Orme had been straining his ears in a vain endeavor to catch the words of Asuki. But suddenly his attention was diverted by a sound from the lake. It was the "puh-puh-puh-puh" of a motor-boat, apparently a little distance to the northward. The explosions followed one another in rapid succession.

He turned to the life-saver.

"What boat is that?" he asked.

"I don't know. Some party from Chicago, probably. She came up an hour or so ago—at least, I suppose she's the same one."

The explosions were now so rapid as to make almost one continuous roar.

"She's a fast one, all right," commented the life-saver. "Hear her go!"

"Are there many fast boats on the lake?"

"Quite a number. They run out from Chicago harbor now and then."

Orme was meditating.

"Exactly how long ago did this boat pass?"

"Oh, an hour or more. Why?"

"She seems to have been beached up north here a little way."

"She may have been. Or they've been lying to out there."

In Orme's mind arose a surmise that in this motor-boat Maku and his companion had come from Chicago. The surmise was so strong as to develop quickly into a certainty. And if the Japanese had come by this boat, it stood to reason that the one who had the papers was escaping in it. He must have waited some time for Maku and, at last, had pushed off to return alone.

Were these Japanese acting for themselves? That did not seem possible. Then who was their employer?

Orme did not puzzle long over these questions, for he had determined on a course of action. He spoke to the life-saver, who appeared to be listening to the droning conversation which continued within the station.

"The hold-up men may be in that boat," remarked Orme.

"Hardly." A laugh accompanied the answer.

"Well, why not? She came north an hour or so ago and either was beached or lay to until just now."

"You may be right." Then, before Orme knew what was happening, the young man opened the door and called into the station: "Hey, there! Your robber is escaping on that motor-boat out there."

"What's that?" The policeman strode to the door.

"Don't you hear that boat out there?" asked the life-saver.

"Sure, I hear it."

"Well, she came up from the south an hour or more ago and stopped a little north of here. Now she's going back. Mr. Holmes, here"—he grinned as he said it—"Mr. Holmes suggests that the hold-up man is aboard."

The reference to the famous detective of fiction was lost upon the policeman. "I guess that's about it, Mr. Holmes," he said excitedly; and Orme was much relieved to note that the life-saver's humorous reference had passed for an introduction. The policeman would have no suspicion of him now—unless Maku—

There was an exclamation from within the room. "What's the matter?" asked the policeman, turning in the doorway.

The voice of Asuki replied: "He say the robber came in a bicycle—not in a boat."

"But I thought he didn't see the fellow coming."

"He remember now."

The policeman started. "How did he know what we were talking about out here?" he demanded.

"He understand English, but not speak it," replied Asuki readily.

To the policeman this explanation was satisfactory. Orme, of course, found in it a corroboration of his guess. Maku evidently did not wish suspicion directed against the motor-boat.

The policeman reentered the station, eager to avail himself of the information which Maku was now disposed to give him.

Orme turned to the life-saver. "The Jap is lying," he said.

"Think so?"

"Of course. If he understands English so well, he certainly knows how to make himself understood in it. His story of the bicycle is preposterous."

"But what then?"

"Doesn't it occur to you that perhaps the Jap himself is the robber? His intended victim may have got the better of him."

"Yes," said the young man doubtfully, "but the fellow ran."

"That would be natural. Doubtless he didn't want any notoriety. It's possible that he thought he had killed his assailant, and had an unpleasant vision of being detained in the local jail until the affair could be cleared up."

The life-saver looked at Orme searchingly.

"That sounds pretty straight," he said at last. "I guess you know what you are talking about."

"Perhaps I do," said Orme quietly. "In any event I'd like to see who's in that boat out there."

"There isn't a boat nearer than Chicago that could catch her. They have run her several miles out into the lake before turning south, or she would have been pretty close to Chicago already. She's going fast."

The roar of the motor was indeed becoming a far-off sound.

"Why not telephone the Chicago police to intercept her?"

"There's no evidence against her," replied Orme; "only surmises."

"I know, but—"

"And, as I suggested, whoever was attacked by that Jap in there may not want notoriety."

Suddenly the distant explosions stopped—began again—stopped. Several times they were renewed at short intervals—"puh-puh-puh" —"puh-puh" —"puh-puh-puh-puh" — then they ceased altogether.

"Hello!" exclaimed the life-saver. "They've broken down."

He picked up a pair of binoculars which had been lying on the veranda near him, and scanned the surface of the lake.

"Make her out?" queried Orme.

"No, she's too small, and too far off." He handed the night-glass to Orme, who in turn searched the water vainly.

"Whose boat is that moored to the breakwater?" asked Orme, lowering the glass.

"Belongs to a man here in town."

"Would he rent it?"

"No. But he lets us run it once in awhile. We keep an eye on it for him."

Orme took out his watch. "It's almost 12," he said. "You'll be relieved in a few moments. Do you suppose I could persuade you to take me out to the other boat?"

The live-safer hesitated. "I'd like to," he said. "But my study—"

"There'll be some sport, if we get within reach of the man out there," Orme put in.

"Well—I'll do it—though the chances are that they will make their repairs and be off again before we come within a mile."

"I'm much obliged to you," said Orme. "If you would let me make it right—"

"For taking you out in another man's boat? No, sir."

"I know. Well—my name is Orme, not Holmes."

"And mine," grinned the life-saver, "is Porter."

A man turned in from the drive, and sauntered toward them.

"There's my relief," said Porter. "Hello, Kelmsley."

"Hello," replied the newcomer.

"Just wait till I punch the clock," said Porter to Orme.

"Punch the clock? Oh, I see; the government times you."

"Yes."

Porter went into the station for a moment; then, returning, he exchanged a few words with the relief and led Orme down to the breakwater. The launch which was moored there proved to be a sturdy boat, built for strength rather than for speed.

Orme cast off while Porter removed the tarpaulin from the motor and made ready to turn the wheel over.

"Is the policeman still busy with the Jap?" Orme questioned suddenly.

"Yes."

"He won't get anything out of him," said Orme—"except fairy-stories."

Porter started the motor and stepped forward to the steering-wheel. Slowly the launch pushed out into the open lake, and the lights of the shore receded.

No sound had come from the disabled boat since its motor stopped. Doubtless it was too far off for the noise of repairs to be heard on the shore. Orme peered over the dark surface of the water, but he could see nothing except the lights of a distant steamer.

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#### Getting Away.

"Haven't you forgotten something, sir?" asked the anxious waiter, as the thrifty guest prepared to depart without bestowing a tip.

"No, I think not. Here's my hat and here's my cane. I don't think I have forgotten anything."

"But you've forgotten me," said the waiter in exasperation.

"Not at all," answered the other. "I saw you standing ther all the time. Bon soir, garcon; bon soir."

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### A Christmas Criticism.

Orville Wright, discussing flying in New York, said to a reporter:

"The French claim to make the best machines, but our foreign order books tell a different story.

"Our foreign order books give the game away like the little Dayton boy at the Christmas treat. He got from the tree at this treat a pair of trousers, and, waving them around his head, he electrified the entire Sunday school by shouting in a loud and joyous voice:

"'Oh, ma, these pants must be new. Pa never had a suit like that.'"


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### A Poultry Problem.

"Which is correct," ask the summer boarder who wished to air his knowledge, "to speak of a sitting hen or a setting hen?"

"I don't know," replied the farmer's wife, "and what's more, I don't care. But there's one thing I would like to know: when a hen cackles, has she been laying, or is she lying?"

When a woman has an eye for the beautiful she hunts up a mirror.

## SOME TIMELY RECIPES

### NEW THINGS IT WILL PAY COOK TO TRY.

#### Lemon Rice and Russian Lemon Pie Formulas Make Mouth Water to Read Them—Butter Scotch and Pepper Sauce.

**Lemon Pie.**—There are many different rules for making lemon pies, two of which I will give. For the first beat to a cream a tablespoonful butter and one cupful sugar. Put into a saucepan with a scant cupful boiling water, then add the juice and grated yellow rind of two lemons. When it reaches the boiling point stir in a tablespoonful corn starch dissolved in a little cold water and stir and cook until clear and thickened. Have ready the well beaten yolks of two eggs, stir in, cook a moment longer, then take at once from the fire. Pour into a well baked crust and spread over it, heaping lightly, a meringue made from the whipped whites of two eggs and two tablespoonfuls powdered or fine granulated sugar. Set in the oven, which should be quite cool, and let the meringue gradually puff and color.

**Russian Lemon Pie.**—Beat together one cupful sugar and one egg. Put over the fire, in a double boiler, three-fourths cup water and a teaspoonful lemon juice. When boiling add sugar and eggs, the grated yellow peel of two lemons and a soda cracker rolled fine. Wet two tablespoonfuls flour with a quarter cupful cold water and add to the other ingredients. Lastly, stir in a large cupful seeded and chopped raisins. Line two small pie tins or one large pie tin with pastry, pour in the lemon mixture, put on an upper crust and bake for about thirty-five minutes.

**Butter Scotch.**—Boil together one cupful each sugar and molasses, one-half cupful butter, a tablespoonful vinegar and a quarter teaspoonful soda. Stir frequently to prevent burning and as soon as the sirup reaches the snap stage when dropped in cold water take from the fire and flavor to taste. Pour upon a buttered tin in a sheet one-quarter of an inch thick and when nearly cold check it off into squares, using a sharp knife. Separate when cold and wrap each square in paraffin paper.

**Pepper Sauce.**—Grind one dozen and a half green, red and yellow peppers and a small solid head of cabbage in a meat chopper. They should be very fine. Add 5 cents' worth each celery seed and ground mustard with vinegar to make the consistency of catsup. This goes well with meats.

## The Home

If hooks for the bathroom, kitchen and pantry are dipped in enamel paint there will be no trouble from iron rust.

Having several pairs of shoes and never wearing the same pair more than one or two days at a time will rest the leather and make it last better.

Chamois leather should be washed, when necessary, in soapsuds, and rinsed in soapsuds—not in clear water. Treated thus it will keep its original softness.

Any dish that has held dough, milk, cream or eggs should be rinsed in cold water before being placed in hot water, as hot water tends to cook such things and make them more difficult to remove.

### Puree of Lima Bean Soup.

Soak one pint of lima beans over night in cold water and in the morning boil in water until soft. If the water boils away very much add a little milk or water. Sift closely and add salt, pepper and cayenne to taste. If you like add a little onion juice. Melt one tablespoon of butter and rub into it until it is perfectly smooth one tablespoon of flour. Pour on this one cup of boiling water and stir hard. Stir the two mixtures together. Slice two or three tomatoes very thin and put in the soup. It will be ready to serve as soon as it boils.

### Tomato Puree.

One can tomatoes, two carrots, cut in slices; one-half bay leaf, one stalk celery, four sprigs parsley, two cloves, two onions, four tablespoons butter, four tablespoons flour, one tablespoon salt, one-eighth teaspoon pepper. Put tomatoes, spices, parsley and herbs into a small kettle and cook until the tomatoes are thick and rather dark. Melt the butter, add flour and seasonings, then the tomatoes gradually, strain and reheat. Serve on omelets or meats or fish.

### Useful Tip.

For those who have to do much household work this hint will be useful. Before putting the hands into soda water rub the finger-tips and round the nails with vaseline. The water will not then touch them and make them crack.


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### Bo'sun and Sir John Fisher.

Admiral Potter told a new one on Sir John Fisher. When Sir John was at the head of the British admiralty he was most inaccessible. One day an old boatswain appeared. He would not take "no" for an answer. Finally a secretary went into Sir John's office, leaving the door ajar. He told the admiral that a sailor demanded an interview.

"Tell him to go to hell," roared Sir John.

"Aye, aye, sir," piped the boatswain, who stood in the doorway at a respectful salute; "I know I'll meet you there, sir, but I want to talk to you now, too."


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## NEVER GOT TO KNOW HIM

### Seemingly, This Husband Was Somewhat of a Hard Man to Get Acquainted With.

"I met a queer old woman character on the train between here and Buffalo one morning," remarked Police Judge McGannon when talk had drifted around to queer people one meets. "She was traveling with her grown son, whom I had met in the smoking compartment, and later on I got talking with the old lady. She spoke of several people she knew here in Cleveland.

"Did you ever happen to know James H. Soandso?" I asked her casually, judging from something she had said that she did know him.

"She gave me a strange sort of a look. 'Well,' she replied, 'I don't know whether to say I know that man or not. He's a queer sort, you understand—the kind of a man that nobody really knows. Why, I was married to James Soandso, and lived with him for four years, but I never felt that I was really acquainted with him.'

"And the funny part of it," added McGannon, "was the woman was in deadly earnest about it. She didn't make the remark by way of springing any comedy at all."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.
Dealer.

### PRECAUTIONS.

"I mustn't color my lips tonight, for I'm sure to sit out half a dozen dances with Charlie, and he's such a boy for kissing."

### Due Precautions.

In a town in Georgia there was an old preacher whose knowledge of the world was not wide nor deep, but who conceived it to be a place where, if one should trust his fellow men, he should at the same time keep an eye on his own interests.

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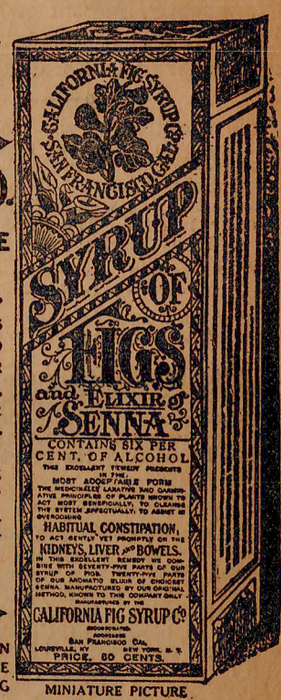


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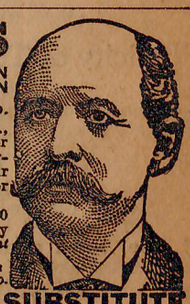

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Japan is indeed civilized. The child labor problem is looming large there as here.

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New subscriptions have been received by the Courier within the last few days for papers to be sent to Moscow, Russia and Munich, Bavaria.

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Friends here of Mr. B. R. Waldo, of Rockford who visited Fairhope last winter and was greatly interested in the Colony and in the Organic School, received news of his death which occurred on Thursday of last week. He was ill while here and his ailment had grown steadily worse until its fatal termination.

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In a note to Mrs. Howland, Mrs. Alice B. Stockham said: "tell alj friends that January 19, I leave for California where I expect to locate permanently, present address, general delivery, Los Angeles. It was a toss of a penny almost between Alabama and California."

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We are glad to see Gov. O'Neal retaining in behalf of the state attorneys Weakley and Selheimer, to continue the legal battle with the railroads that was started in the Comer regime. We hope the cases will be fought to a finish and the state win.

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Ely added new laurels to aviation on January eighteenth, by flying from land to the deck of a cruiser lying in San Francisco Bay and from the cruiser back to land. A perfect landing was made on the vessel and no trouble was experienced in making the start from the vessel's deck.

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Stanley Bowmar, the young New Zealander who was here with Mr. Joseph Fels, is now acting as secretary of Mr. Daniel Kiefer, chairman of the Fels Fund Commission, and is in charge of the headquarters at Cincinnati while Mr. Fels and Mr. Kiefer are on their western trip.

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Our former resident, W. J. De La Mare now at Roblin, Manitoba, Can. sends us a description accompanied by a diagram of a remarkably beautiful scene there. There were 5 bright sun dogs and a rainbow visible beside the sun during the afternoon. We don't see such things in this climate, but the editor for one wouldn't brave the Canadian winter to see them.

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The Mobile Progressive Association has issued a very comprehensive and interesting pamphlet entitled "Farm Facts and Figures." It is issued especially for Mobile county, but agricultural conditions are so nearly identical as to make it equally applicable to Badwin county. You can get a copy by addressing the Association.

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Spring is nearly at hand and again nothing has been done about planting trees upon our streets. Nothing for the cost, does more to beautify a town than does nicely shaded streets. There are over on Mr. Stimpson's place scores of beautiful water oaks growing there for years for the purpose, and now just the right size for street planting. The winter should not be allowed to pass without getting these trees out.

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Mrs. Comings has the one green lawn in town this winter and it certainly looks attractive. There ought to be more of them. Our Bermuda grass which stands the hot summer sun so well, unfortunately does not stand the frosts equally as well, but we can superimpose on it a winter growing grass by sowing the seed on the sod and covering lightly with loam which will give us green lawns during the winter, and as this dies in the spring the Bermuda will come up again.

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An illustration of the impossibilty of dealing effectively with labor evils by any other means than the freeing of natural opportunities to laborers is given in a news item from Lockhart, Ala. W. S. Harlan, president of the Jackson Lumber Company was found guilty of peonage and sentenced to prison in the Atlanta federal prison. This was supposedly in the interest of labor, but now comes the news that 425 men and boys at this company's plant have been laid off and will have to seek employment elsewhere. The reason given is that the mills could not be profitably operated during the absence of Harlan.

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## Publicity of Town Affairs.

At a recent meeting of the Town Council, Wm. Stimpson, who was present, complained of the lack of publicity regarding municipal affairs. He argued that the people were entitled to know what was being done by the Council and also thought it would be to the interest of the town administration that the people should know the problems confronting it. The idea met the approval of the Mayor and Council but no fund was available to pay for publicity. The Council finally instructed the clerk to see if the local newspapers would publish the matter as news. Such matter ought to be published and ought to be paid for, but appreciating the fact that the town has so little to do with, the Courier will for the present, publish as news matter, a synopsis of Town Council proceedings furnished by the clerk.

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## The Register's Attitude.

Messrs. Wolf and Norton having in letters to the Mobile Register taken expressions of the Register to be a weakening of its position in favor of the initiative, referendum and recall as features of the commission form of government, the Register on Monday denied that it had changed policy and declared strongly for all of these reforms. It said however what it most wanted was commission government and if the initiative, referendum or recall would any of them have to be left out of a bill which could be passed at this session of the legislature they could be secured later. The Register probably knows better than we the strength of the opposition to these reforms, but they are so fundamental, that we hope the Register will stand firmly by them until it is much more apparent than now that a commission government bill cannot be passed with them. If Alabama legislators are keeping in touch with popular sentiment outside Alabama, they will see that from east to west and north to south the demand for these genuinely democratic reforms is growing and that those who oppose them are soon going to find themselves stranded among the political has-beens.

We cannot agree with the Register that the concentrated executive authority of the commission plan is more important than the keeping of ultimate authority always in the hands of the people, but we hail with delight its unequivocal declaration for the latter.

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## Let Fairhope Be Heard.

Some fairly good commission government bills have been introduced in the Alabama legislature and are now in the hands of the special committee to which the matter has been referred. The prospect is not good however, for the benefits of this modern system to be availed of by the smaller towns of the state. The fundamental feature of the commission plan is its application of the principle of local self-government, and this is just as important to small communities as to large.

The time is opportune to discuss the matter here and to bring to bear such influence as this community may to have a bill adopted which will include the smalj towns of the state in its provisions—where such towns desire the benefits of the commission system. We are glad therefore that the subject will be discussed by the Progressive League on next Sunday.

## Sound Democracy From Republican Governor.

The following from the inaugural message of Governor Johnson of California has the right ring:

"Successful and permanent government must rest primarily on recognition of the rights of men and the absolute sovereignty of the people. It is upon this theory, so far as your executive is concerned that this government shall be henceforth conducted. I take it therefore, that the first duty that is mine to perform is to eliminate every private interest from the government, and to make the public service of the state responsive solely to the people.

"The requisite degree of efficiency cannot be attained where a public servant divides his allegiance between the public service and a private interest. Where under our political system, therfore, there exists any appointee of the Governor who is representing a political machine or a corporation that has been devoting itself in part to our politics that appointee will be replaced by an official who will devote himself exclusively and solely to the service of the state.

"I recommend to you and most strongly urge that the first step in our design to preserve and perpetuate popular government be the adoption of the initiative, the referendum and the recall."

Governor Johnson is a republican but the foregoing is good enough Democracy for a democratic Democrat.

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## The Time For Enlarging The Ideal.

The struggle of a young couple to pay for a home, or a farm or to get the proper equipment for tenant farming, is a fine thing, educative and refining as well as economic, and worth a great deal of extra work and sacrifice. But this period passes; money is earned; the struggle is won and adequate means is accumulated. Right there is the danger point. If the ideal cannot be raised to something broader and better than saving and earning, the influence will begin to narrow and deteriorate the life rapidly. The first goal was a fine one, but a new goal is now due; something unselfish, something of service to others, of social enjoyment of personal and community progress. And happy for us if we can discern the time and place to enlarge our ideal to one of worthy achievement and continue the struggle in a broader and higher field. The unchangeable law of the Medes and Persians underlies this ground and we will suffer tremendously "ever after" if we do not heed it, —Farmer's Voice.


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## COLONIAL INN NOTES.

Those registered at the Colonial Inn during this wek are Mr. L. J. Meade, Darien, O. Mrs. G. W. Sorile Dreamland, Fla., Messrs. F. J. Thompson and C. C. Green, Mobile, B. A. Allison, Cleveland, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Flynn, Peoria, Ills Mrs. Louis Chester, Park Ridge, Ills. Mr. and Mrs. C. F. McLean, Cincinnati.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Flynn are almost like Fairhopers as they come often here and are always "welcome as the flowers in spring. Mr. Flynn is planning a trip to Panama on a banana steamer from Mobile, but a sea voyage has no attraction for his wife and she will remain in Fairhope.


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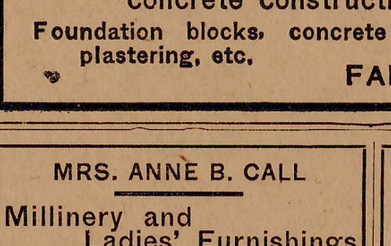
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## Old Game in Tuscaloosa.

Having secured without compensation or any reservatuion of control by the town over its rates, a thirty year franchise to use the streets of the city of Tuscaloosa for laying its mains and supplying gas, the "People's Natural Gas Co." now appeals to the people of Tuscaloosa to invest the money—or a large part of it—to put in the pipe line to bring gas from the Fayette gas fields. This is the old fashioned plan of exploiting the people. They first give a valuable franchise then put up the money for the building of the plant, with the franchise which they have already given as the principal security, and then buy the utility, be it water, gas, or transportation, at monopoly prices. How much better it would be for the people to use their own credit, render the services for themselves, as have services and charges always under their own control.

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## Licenses Favored by Licensees.

It is proposed in Kansas to require every man who wants to act as a land agent to take out a license at a cost of $50.00 per year, and to use the money so derived to advertise the state. The proposal emanates from real estate men who consider it would be worth a good deal more than $50 a year to them to shut out the many small dealers who would not pay the amount. Licenses are thus very often favored by those who apparently have them to pay; but they understand that by the narrowing of the business to a few and the elimination of competition they can much more than get back what they pay.

Nature has provided in the red clay which underlies all our land the ideal sand clay mixture already made which road experts recommend. To get it spread over our sandy streets would be a matter of labor only. Not a dollar would have to be sent away from home for material. And with what we have now learned of the use of the road drag, we should be able with very little expense to keep such roads in good condition.

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The Colony has made another permanent—it is hoped— provision for getting the water into the gully without washing away the bank. This is on Bay View Ave. where the water which formerly ran across the Lee lots has been diverted and will be carried down into the gully through a twelve inch vitrified tile with a concrete catch basin above and another below for it to discharge into.

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Walter D. Hines, chairman of the board of directors and general counsel of the A. T. & S. F. R. R. in a recent address complained that in prescribing rates and at the same time requiring a certain quality of service from the railroads the Inter-State Commerce Commission has both ends of the bargain. This is true. The only logical solution of the question of railroad control is government ownership and operation.

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The wisdom of the expenditure of the Fels Fund for direct legislation of Oregon is amply shown by the news given elsewhere in this issue of the bringing of the taxation question to thefront as a local issue in every county in the state. The educational value of the opportunity to thus bring the question home to the voters of each county is incalculable.

## SCHOOL OF ORGANIC EDUCATION

Continued from 1st page.

At fourteen or fifteen the children enter our high school. Here four years of serious and earnest work in science, literature history, language and mathematics, with agriculture, domestic science, manual training, and so forth, continued, constitutes the high school course. It is not necessary to attain any particular "grade" in any subject. It is the business of the school to present the work in the best and most helpful way, and the children are given every opportunity possible for the best development of the body, mind, and spirit, and if the work is done well, and the pupils have been serious and earnest, they have gained all they can from the experiences of the four years, and all "grades" and "marks" are superfluous.

The idea is, that the educational institutions shall give to the individual exercises which are necessary for the best development at the particular stage in which he happens to be.

If education is life, then the school must be lifegiving; that is, it must make his body stronger, his mind more intelligent, and his spirit sweeter now, regardless of what he has learned or done.

A teachers' training class is maintained for mature students who desire to become teachers, in which the most important work is the study of the development of the child, and what sort of an environment is necessary to secure a beautiful, unconscious, symmetrical development. "A sound, accomplished, beautiful body, a sympathetic; intelligent mind, a reverent spirit," this is education.

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# Personal and Local

Will Call was home over Sunday.

Mrs. A. Swift is on the sick list.

Foley's Honey and Tar cures coughs and colds.
Fairhope Pharmacy.

Mrs. Randolph was the over Sunday guest of Mrs. Langdon of Mobile at her shooting box at Merrill.

Galvanized Roofing a Specialty.
M. V. Mathews.

C. W. Lyon is having new concrete pillars put under his cottage.

FOR SALE CHEAP.—A new range, Jewell make, never used. Come and see it. E. W. Jefferson

All kinds of wire fencing for sale at Mathews.

Both the Messrs. Randall Sr. of Montrose, and Jr. of Daphne and their wives attended the ball game on Monday.

Eddy's spices and extracts excel all. Mershon Merch. Co.

A large number of peopie from various sections of the country, visited Fairhope last Sunday.

Mathews has the best rubber roofing at $1.25 per roll.

Capt. John McDermaid of Rockford and Harry S. Boutelle of Chicago arrived on Saturday, evening for their regular winter visit.

Wagons, Harness, collars, Pads etc. Mershon Merch. Co.

Mrs. Alice K. Neibel of Dayton, O. arrived last evening for a visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Kile.

Special prices on fertilizer and feed at Mathews.

For writing materials, candy and cigars go to Fairhope Pharmacy.

The American Woman's League will hold its regular monthy meeting at the Organic School, on next Thursday evening at 7:30.

For Sale. Kornfalfa for horses and mules. Garden seed and seed beans at Mathews.

The Mother's Round Table meets at the Organic School, on next Friday, Feb. 3, at 4 o'clock. Everybody cordially invited.

Mr, and Mrs. Troup and children have moved back up to the Powell cottage and the Bromleys are in the cottage vacated by the Troups.

New dress goods at Rathje's.

Mr. Edwards, of Georgia, a brother of Mrs. Harris, in the Jefferson cottale is visiting she and her husband. A niece of Mr. Harris is expected soon from Texas.

Lots of cook stoves for sale at M. V. Mathews.

E. M. Keller was at the Sanitarium several days this week, he has been ill for several weeks but is now recovering.

FOR SALE Good second hand sewing machines at Mathews.

The Carrie of Fairhope, cleared Tuesday night for Mobile with cross ties.

See the stock of flooring and ceiling at Stimpson's mill which is being sold cheap while it lasts.

Miss Alice Sacriste has joined her mother and brother here after a short stay in Mobile. They are all looking forward to settling in their new home.

Will Stimpson has a big stock of lumber which you can get at reduced prices.

Mrs. Howland's many friends will regret to know that she suffered several days from a severe cold.

Fine line of fountain pens cheap.
FairhopePharmacy.

A camelia Japonica in N. Mershon's yard presents a very pretty appearance. There should be more of these beautiful flowering shrubs about Fairhope homes.

Siesta coffee has that fine delicate flavor that suits the people.
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Mrs. S. J. Cabers, of Montreal, is visiting her aunt ,Mrs. Baird. She is accompanied by little Miss Victoria Cabers, who has entered the Organic School.

We have a customer desiring to exchange property in Elberta for property in or near Fairhope. If you are interested write us for particulars. Gaston & Son.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Flinn of Peoria, Ill., who have many friends here arrived on Tuesday evening to spend some time here. They are at the Colonial Inn.

Will Stimpson's mill worked up a couple of thousand feet of ine juniper lumber this week for the Lucile which Captain Welch is remodeling,

Get your horses ready for spring work. Give them Le Gear's stock food. Fairhope Pharmacy.

John Blomquist who lived on a Colony leasehold in section 25 for several years is in this vicinity for a short time. He has been living at Whistler, Mobile county.

Ned Daugherty continues well-pleased with the Indian Runner ducks of which he makes a specialty. They are laying well now and the local market for eggs is good.

One way of getting rid of mites and lice. Use Le Gear's Dip and Liquid lice killer.
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It being inconvenient for Mrs. Powell to entertain the Henry George Club Social announced at her home for this evening, it has been annulled.

FOR FIRE WOOD—
Good, dry, promptly delivered. All kinds. Call at Thomas's Wood Yard or phone M. V. Mathews.

Mr. G. B. Lusk and wife of Champlain, Ill., joined their other Champlain friends, the Alyeas and Urnstons on last Friday. They expect to stay a couple of months.

The second division of the Ladies' Aid Society will give a luncheon at Mrs. W. E. Sweet's from 4 to 7 tomorrow, Saturday evening. There will also be a short program following. Everybody invited.

FOR SALE,—Store with dwelling well built, good location, doing a good business. Worth $2,500. Will consider any offer. Address,
STORE, Box 164,
Fairhope, Ala.

Laurence Tilson is very much pleased with the oyster business he is doing. We wish he would carry fish regularly too. It is a shame in a town the size of this, right on the coast to be unable to get fish at any time.

For Sale.—Barred Rock cockerels and hens, baled hay, shallu seed baled hay, Celeste fig trees 4 to 5 ft. preserved figs in glass or tin cans, one or two mules. Two improved farms. J. S. GAYLORD Barnwell, Ala.

Much business in the way of automobiles, wagons, buggies and horses has been lost to Fairhope wharf by inability to handle it since the burning of the pier, but that day is nearly over. The pier will be ready within a very short time to handle anything that comes.

Mr. Albert F. Davie of Villisca, Iowa, visited this week his old-time Iowa friends Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Lyons. He was a pleasant caller at the Courier office with Mr. Lyons on Wednesday.

Mr. R. W. Smith ,is one of the famous fishermen and gets them if anybody can. The editor's family is indebted to him for a trophy of his skill, a magnificent red fish weighing 6 and one half pounds, caught with a hook and line from Battles Wharf along with three other big red-fish and eight drum.

Mrs. E. J. M. Stevens' brother Mr. John Brown of Waukee, with his wife is here for the balance of the winter. They are in the Fred Sweet cottage. Another brother, Mr. Fred S. Brown, of Kansas City, is with Mr. and Mrs. Stevens. Mr. and Mrs. Stevens also had a pleasant visit from their friend Ed. Conger, for many years treasurer of their county.

January 19th was Joseph Keller's 73rd birthday. His daughter, Pearl, planned a pleasant surprise and his son E. M. Keller came along about 11 a. m. and took him for an hour's ride, returning to find the dining table laden with good things and a large rocker in the sitting room to which little George Keller led him, it being a present from his children. It was a very pleasant day for Mr. Keller. S. S. Mann and wife, and E. M. Keller and family were present. Mr. Joseph Keller has 25 grand children and one great grandchild.

We have several hundred copies yet of "Whose Land?' one of the most effective Single Tax tracts in print, which we can sell in small lots at 2 cents; 50 or more at 1 ct. each postpaid. Handy to pass out to friends or enclose in letters.

Full line of trunks, suit-cases and handbags with prices to suit the pocketbooks. Mershon Merch. Co.

Mrs. Sacriste having sold her place at San Antonio, Fla., as announced some time since in the Courier, was a passenger on the last Mallory steamer, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Alice and son Paul, and will make her home at Fairhope. She has purchased the Mrs. Lossing cottage on Fels Ave. and will occupy it as soon as new furniture ordered for it is received.

Mr. Brown who with his wife spent last winter here in the Troup cottage by the Fairhope Hotel has written Mr. Troup from Denver for a house, and is expected here within about a week to occupy the cottage Mr Troup now has nearly completed.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Goddard arrived on Wednesday evening for a short visit. They are both looking very well and attribute much of their present good health to the benefit experienced by their former stays at Fairhope.

With the affliction of her hands before mentioned, and the care of Mrs. White who is ill at her home the associate editor is unable to write anything for the paper. She hopes to be able to resume her "letters" at an early date.

Mr. J. R. Edmiston, while working on the rebuilding of the burned pier on Monday, stepped on a loose plank and was thrown backward into the water. He struck his back and head on timbers in falling and was painfully bruised. His hands were also scratched up pretty bad by barnacles on the piling to which he clung until rescued by his fellow workmen.

Mrs. B. F. Bates, who is one of the most ardent workers for the Daphne Normal School, took advantage of her presence in Fairhope Monday on account of the Daphne-Fairhope ball game to circulate a subscription in behalf of the Normal School and collected $10 or $15 in a very short time.

BARGAINS IN BUILDING MATERIAL.
Arriving at Wharf No. 2, 25,000 ft. of building lumber, juniper and pine, which will be sold at attractive prices. A. O. Berglin,
Fairhope, Ala.

First prize in the contest instituted by the Alabama Department of Education went to G. D. Howell of Haleyville, Marion county, who raised 142 and 1-3 bushels on one acre. Of the 46 contestants 13 prize winners were boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bromley, and son Jimmie, from Boulder, Col. arrived on last Friday evening to spend the remainder of the winter. They are enthusiastic friends of Fairhope and are sure nobody was ever gladder to get back to it than they.

We understand Mr. and Mrs. Whittier, who have had long experience in the restaurant business, and who have recently acquired among other properties of Mr. Kile, his beautiful home place on Magnolia avenue and Summit street, plan to run a small hotel or boarding house there next season.

Friends of Laurie Tilson to the number of about forty, old and young, surprised him on Wednesday evening, by gathering at the cafe and pavilion for an all around good time, which they proceeded to have by taking possession of the pavilion, which they lighted with lanterns, the gasoline lighting plant being temporarily out of order. Dancing and card playing were indulged in and the ladies fired up the range made coffee, and spread out sandwiches, cake and eatables of all kinds in profusion. Laurie has a birthday coming soon and a substantial cash contribution was handed him with the direction to buy him a birthday present with it. Laurie is deservedly popular with the home people and visitors, and was made to feel this keenly. He had to make a little speech, which he did gracefully in spite of his embarassment, expressing his appreciation.

## NEW CHURCH SERVICES.

In the New School Auditorium
Rev. F. L. Higgins, Minister.

Subject for Sunday, Jan. 29th at 3 p. m., "The Origin of Evil." All are cordially invited.

## ORGANIC SCHOOL NOTES.

With the coming of spring, the gardens are again in high favor. Each pupil has a separate plot which he has dug and raked and planted in his favorite vegetables with the greatest diligence. The regular nature study periods are been used for this out of door work. The teachers training class have chosen for their share the beautifying of the front yard and have already preared beds along the path to be planted in flowers.

There is probably no other part of the work, with the possible exception of the manual training that is followed with so much enthusiasm as is the gardening.

Plans for Tree Day are going forward rapidly. The pupils have chosen February 14 for their celebration. The different groups of pupils have selected suitable trees which they will plan twith appropriate ceremonies. The celebration of Bird Day which comes later in the year will be united with this, as the planting of trees is the first the planting of trees is the first step toward keeping the birds. The pupils are however in readiness to help the V. I. C. in any plans they may have.

The basketball teams have been organized with Miss Caldwell as coach and Misses Leah Gaston and Celina Roberts, captains.


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AT COURIER OFFICE


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DON'T you remember reading in your HISTORY of the U. S., how BUCHANAN and FARRAGUT chased each other around MOBILE BAY, and the fighting above DAPHNE?

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There are unpleasanter things in this world than a surfeited coal bin.

This is a great little country, and we have the census figures to prove it.

It is said that a new United States gun is the most powerful. Surely; why not?

A Brazilian revolt has come to be about as serious as a hunting season in this country.

A Maryland man wants a divorce because he is afraid of his wife. But who of us isn't?

Under a new law it is a crime to treat in Tacoma. Tacoma must be the original tightwad town.

A woman gets a place as a wireless operator because the C. Q. D. heroes are said to be lazy.

They are planning to keep tab on the people who have domestic troubles. Just as if that would stop them!

An advertisement says that every home should have a talking machine. Evidently the man who wrote it is not married.

A man in Michigan dislocated his jaw by laughing over his wife's joke. The reverse never would or could have happened.

A Philadelphia man committed suicide with a safety razor, but so far we haven't heard of a woman cutting her corns with one.

If last summer's geranium pot were not so heavy it might be covered with velvet and thus become a very stylish hat for your daughter.

What did Woodrow Wilson mean when he told the governors assembled in Louisville that they had come to Kentucky for "stimulation?"

A Minnesota man, just as the undertaker was about to embalm him, sat up and cried: "Hello, Bill!" Such conduct is almost indecorous.

When the Ohio river takes a notion to fill up and go on a prolonged spree there is nothing to do but stand back and let the old thing have its way.

A St. Louis man has invented a soundless soup spoon. This notable addition to the elegancies of society may be followed in time by the knifeless pie.

Is it worth while to designate the exact status of the person who moralizes on the blessings of poverty and does nothing to relieve the curse of poverty?

Now that the long hatpin is being assailed by hostile legislators, outraged femininity will probably take to wearing machetes or snickersnees in public places.

A New Jersey girl advertises that she will not marry any of her acquaintances but wants a stranger for a husband. Doesn't she even want to be introduced to him first?

The man charged with cruelty by his wife on the ground that he made her shave him, is no doubt an innocent martyr, if the facts were known. Probably he was merely adopting this means of inflicting a penance upon himself. That he enjoyed the operation is inconceivable.

The otherwise safe and sane citizens of Massachusetts have just finished a three-year-old pool game. Poolomania, although not violent or dangerous to the innocent bystanders, is well nigh incurable. Its one redeeming feature is that the victims labor under the illusion that they are enjoying themselves.

The New Jersey mayor who was horsewhipped by an irritated lady appeared before the grand jury to have her indicted for "unladylike" behavior. If she had been content with a tongue lashing he would probably have conceded her the privilege of her sex, but her rudeness in using a horsewhip in addition hurt his feelings too much for meek endurance.

Dr. Lydston asserts that grafting is caused by a germ which makes its primary bite when you get very much occupied with your paper as the conductor comes along for the fare. On that theory the pay-as-you-enter car should act as a sterilizer for that particular microbe. At all events, if the bug can be suppressed the vital question is whether it will cure the more violent cases that take the form of getting on the inside of railroad contracts and reorganization schemes.

Somebody has invented a substitute for the hobble skirt, the new arrangement being alleged to be just as hideous, but less dangerous. However, the element of danger is what makes the hobble skirt interesting.

A gallant New York court holds that a girl cannot be made to give up engagement gifts after the engagement is broken. The cupidity of a man triumphs over even his self-conceit if it requires a court decision to convince him that it requires all the gifts she has to console the fair one for his loss

# CRUISING IN THE POLAR SEAS

A TOILER ON A WHALER

If there is one branch of the United States naval service in which men and officers alike undergo wild adventures, see strange sights and suffer great hardships it is the Alaskan revenue cutter service. Pursuing criminals in a country wilder even than the bailiwick of the Canadian mounted police, sailing uncharted arctic seas, capturing Japanese seal smugglers, studying ethnological and geographical conditions among unnamed races and unmapped countries, their lives are filled with the romance and the privations, the mystery and the revelations of the true pioneer.

Lieut. LeRoy Reinburg, who is in charge of the revenue cutter Patrol at Chicago, saw service in the polar seas in a three years' cruise aboard the cutter Thetis, which ended in October, 1909. His trips took him thousands of miles, from Cape Attu, the most westerly point of Uncle Sam's dominions, and one of a tiny island group tucked away almost within the sweep of the Asiatic coast, to 81 degrees north latitude, up beyond Cape Hope and Cape Barrow, on the northern coast of Alaska. Some day Lieutenant Reinburg is going to publish the account of those three years, in which the Thetis and her crew represented the United States and the sovereign law in places where both are but shadowy tales. He will tell of ice packs miles and miles in extent, in one of which the powerful cutter lay helpless for two weeks, and of a whaler, which, less fortunate and less stanch, crushed like an egg and went down with all hands. He will tell of cold and hunger—of men found dead on ice packs and starving natives herding together by the hundreds; of adventures comic and tragic and marvelous. To a reporter he recounted some of his wanderings.

### Saw Whaler Go Down.

"We started out of Frisco," he said, "to be gone three years. "We went up along the coast and struck ice in about 65 degrees north latitude. There was a fleet of whalers there at the time and we stood by to help them if we could. One of them did crush and go down without a moment's warning and the religiously inclined said it was a judgment of God because the vessel's captain had kicked in the head of one of the crew a few days before. We ourselves were caught in the ice later, but after two weeks the ice cracked during a fog and when the air cleared we saw a channel opening from us to clear water.

"There is no police or anything of that sort up in northern Alaska, you know, and part of our duty was to serve all of the warrants that had been issued by the federal authorities. We had a couple of marshals along, and we would send out firing parties along the coast whenever we would get trace of our man. The story of these trips would fill volumes. We also looked out for Japanese seal poachers, charted the seas we traversed, studied the Eskimo races we ran across, and did a thousand and one things in a land where there were mighty few other people to do them. Our captain, Capt. A. J. Henderson, was a mighty man, with a rule more absolute than that of many kings. We had a federal commissioner along, and could give the men we arrested a preliminary hearing right on the vessel. Then we would take them back to Nome or some other port for trial.

"Sealing laws are very strictly enforced now, as the government has prohibited the killing of seals entirely for ten years, and the observance of them is rigid. I really believe that it would be easier to kill a man here in Chicago and get away with it than to kill a seal away up in the north, a thousand miles from civilization, and escape punishment. The government will spend anything necessary to track down the culprit.

"The Japanese are the worst offenders, and eight revenue cutters are kept busy in those waters all the time, keeping watch on them. They are arrested by the scores and the uniform sentence is 16 months' imprisonment, fines and confiscation of the vessels and all of their equipment, along with whatever hides may be on board. The vessels and the gear are sold by the government, but the odd part about the proceeding is that under the law the skins must be destroyed. Why, I know of one vessel which was taken with 1,600 pelts aboard, and under the law these should be destroyed, although they are worth $40 each. The court is holding them, however, in the hope that some other arrangement can be made about them. The fights that the cutters used to have with the Japanese smugglers and poachers are now almost entirely a thing of the past, although whenever a suspected vessel is sighted it always takes a shot across her bows to stop her. Resistance is rare, however.

"During our travels we saw many sights that would rival any of the natural attractions of the world. There is a waterfall up there which is higher than Niagara, though of course not nearly so large, and a natural bridge that is much finer than the one in Kentucky. It is 175 feet high within the arch and fully 600 outside. Up around Bogoslov there is an area about 60 miles in each direction which is virtually 'in the making.' It is in a state of volcanic evolution. Look at these two pictures. They show the same scene, and one was taken two weeks after the other. See the rocks are twice as high in the second as they were in the first. It's the same way with the channels along the coast—here one day and there another. There are no charts, no lights, nothing of the sort, anywhere along the coast, and navigation is dangerous in the extreme."

Lieut. Reinburg had hundreds of views of sights all over the polar seas. One is the photograph of an Eskimo child, its face ravaged by cancer of the nose. The infant was operated on and its life saved by the ship's doctor, A. D. Foster, at 70 degrees north latitude. "Give any disease up there in that climate half a chance, and it will cure itself," declared Lieut. Reinburg. Another picture showed the whitened bones and grinning skulls, mounted upon a platform (burial is unknown in the frozen north), of an expedition, which, according to Eskimo tradition, embarked on a search for the north pole 50 years ago on a vessel known as the Genie. Whence it started, or who formed it, none knows, but its end is known to all.

### King and Queen of 74 People.

"Cape Attu, the westernmost point of Uncle Sam's dominions, contains just 74 people," Lieut. Reinburg went on, "but it has king and queen, just the same. King Philaretta and Queen Maude, that was the best we could make of their names. I bought one of the finest hand-woven baskets I ever saw for four dollars from Queen Maude, in her regal hut. We tried to determine to what race the Attuans belong, in an effort to get evidence to support the theory that the Mogolians and Indian races merge insensibly, through the Eskimo, as one proceeds east from China. We were unable to make any decision, though, as to how the Attuans might be called, and Russian scientists are going out with the next cutter to have a look at them. We send out a cutter there every year and it brings the only mail that reaches there.

"It would take a dozen volumes to tell of all of the experiences we went through and of the strange sights we saw. It certainly is a novel quarter of the globe and well worth three years of any one's life."

# The KITCHEN CABINET

"SHE must have a wonderfully active liver, for she is never given to reproachful spells."

### Dinner Making.

A knowledge of the composition of the common foods is essential for the woman who would plan her daily meals intelligently. There are no fixed laws regarding the choice of certain vegetables to serve with certain meats, though some have become associated by custom and because they harmonize.

When fish takes the place of meat, as it lacks in nutrition, the meal is balanced by a rich sauce for the fish and vegetable dessert that has considerable nutriment. On the other hand, when serving roast pork, a simple dessert and lighter vegetable is served. Soup generally begins the meal when it is well planned. Soup for dinner should be simply a stimulant to prepare the stomach for the heavier meal.

**Brown Onion Soup.**—Fry three onions brown in butter, add a teaspoonful of sugar and four cups of the beef broth, bring to a boil, strain and serve.

**Spiced Tongue.**—Boil a fresh tongue until the skin will peel. Trim off the roots, rub the tongue all over with a mixture of one teaspoonful of allspice, half a teaspoonful each of pepper and ginger, then dredge with flour. Fry a minced onion in two tablespoonful of butter, then brown the tongue. Put it in a stew pan, add a tablespoonful of flour to the butter in the pan and a pint of water, or enough to make a thin gravy. Pour it over the tongue, add half a cup of raisins and half a cup of vinegar. Stew until tender and serve with the gravy.

**Smothered Potatoes.**—To two tablespoonfuls of suet add a fourth of a cup of onion and celery mixed. When beginning to brown, add a pint of cold boiled potatoes cut in cubes. Sprinkle with salt and pepper and add a half cup of gravy or tomato sauce. Cover till well steamed and serve hot.

**Marlborough Pie.**—Mix together two cups of grated apples, one and a half cups of sugar, three eggs well beaten, two tablespoonfuls of melted butter, the grated rind and juice of one lemon and one cup of sweet cream. This is enough for two pies. Cover with strips of pastry or reserve the whites of the eggs for a meringue.

TEA! thou soft, sober, sage and venerable liquid; thou female tongue-running, smile-smoothing, heart-opening cordial, to whose glorious insipidity I owe the happiest moments of my life, let me fall prostrate.

—Cibber.

### Up-to-Date Housekeeping.

The housekeeper of today has so many appliances to lighten labor that were unheard of fifty or a hundred years ago that the wonder is that there is anything left to do. Yet we find the women of today very much busier accomplishing greater results than their grandmothers.

With the washing machine run by motor or gasoline, the wringer by the same power, washing day has ceased to have its terror. The mangle and the electric iron makes ironing much easier.

The vacuum cleaner, one of the greatest boons to the housewife, is robbing each season of that dreaded housecleaning.

The motor is being used to run the sewing machine, a wonderful relief to a tired woman.

Of the smaller utensils, the meat chopper, bread mixer, coffee percolator, cream whips, egg beaters, wooden spoons, there is no end.

The majority of our housewives lack system in managing the household. We need to use the homely old phrase, "let our heads save our heels."

Much of worry and hard work might be done away with if in a moment of rest, the work is planned ahead. The meals for a week may be written down and then there is the opportunity to plan nice dishes with left-overs, by taking time to think out good dishes. So many meals are put on the table without any previous thought, such a meal is not likely to be well balanced.

### Generalities.

Never let chicken or meat stand soaking in water. To clean a chicken scrub it well with a small vegetable brush and use a teaspoonful of soda in a quart of water. The skin of the chicken is most appetizing when cooked, so it should be carefully cleansed.

A goose, having so much oil in the skin, should be scrubbed with even greater care than the chicken.

A nice broth may be made of several pairs of fowl's feet. Scald them, removing the skin, then put on to simmer for several hours.

WE MAY live without poetry, music or art;
We may live without conscience, and live without heart;
We may live without friends; we may live without books;
But civilized man cannot live without cooks.

—Lucile.

### Potatoes for Soup.

The majority of cooks have little idea of the value of the common potato as a food. One of the most appetizing soups that can be made is one using the potato.

**Potato Stew.**—Cut up a slice of salt pork in fine bits and brown; add three small onions and when light yellow in color add a half dozen small potatoes and a quart of boiling water; cook until the vegetables are tender, add a quart of milk and a few crackers, season to taste and serve hot.

**Potato Soup.**—Cook two potatoes until tender in a little water, drain, mash the potatoes and add a quart of hot milk which has been scalded with a slice of onion or a clove of garlic. Cook a tablespoonful of flour with a tablespoon of butter and add to the milk for a binding. Season with salt, pepper and chopped parsley.

Serve with croutons made by toasting buttered bread cut in small cubes. An egg well beaten added at the last to a potato soup makes a great addition.

**Cream of Potato Soup.**—Mix one cup of mashed potato with a pint of hot milk; add a cup of white sauce, season with salt, pepper, celery salt and onion juice.

Half potato and half turnip makes a nice soup.

**Potato and Carrot Soup.**—Pare three large potatoes and one carrot, cut in small pieces and cook until tender. Mash in the water in which they are cooked. Chop a small onion and brown in a tablespoonful of fat, add a tablespoonful of flour and when brown add to the mashed vegetable. Season to taste and the soup is ready to serve.

FOR man 'tis said is but a hungry sinner,
Devoid of sentiment until after dinner.
So, if the way you'd find unto his heart,
Essay not verse, but culinary art.

—Taber.

### What to Have for Breakfast.

For most housewives the breakfast is the most trying meal in the day, and anything in the way of a new dish is always most welcome.

**Egg Cream Toast.**—Have ready the required amount of toast. In a sauce pan melt a tablespoonful of butter; when bubbling hot add a tablespoonful of flour; cook until smooth, then add a cup of milk, a dash of pepper and salt. Stir in the beaten yolks of two eggs and carefully fold in the well-beaten whites. Pour over the buttered toast and serve.

**Frizzled Beef.**—Cut dried beef into bits with the scissors, put into a hot omelet pan with a tablespoonful of butter, stir until well seasoned, then add a cup of white sauce made by using a tablespoonful each of butter and flour and a cup of milk.

**Corn and Eggs With Bacon.**—Fry eight slices of bacon, take up on paper and keep hot in the oven. Turn out all but one tablespoonful of fat, add a half can of corn, stirring often. When slightly browned, break in four eggs, season with salt, pepper and a tablespoonful of milk, stir and cook. Serve on a platter garnished with strips of toast and the bacon.

**Baked Mackerel.**—Cut choice mackerel in halves and put in a buttered baking dish. Slice two onions and two tomatoes and lay over the fish, alternating the onion with the tomato, cover the dish with buttered paper and bake until thoroughly done. Pour over a little hot cream and send at once to the table.

**Nut Omelet.**—Put half a cup of nuts through the meat chopper. Beat three eggs separately, add three tablespoonfuls of water to the beaten yolks, salt and pepper, then fold in the beaten whites. Pour into a hot pan, sprinkle with the nuts, fold and serve.

Nellie Maxwell.

### A Novel for Tennyson.

Tennyson would have scouted the idea of a limit of 150,000 words for novels, says the London Chronicle. William Allingham notes in his diary to Farringford, "Tennyson is a constant novel reader, and says, 'What I dislike is beginning a new novel. I should like to have a novel to read in a million volumes to last me my life.'"

### Immune to Yellow Fever.

That the natives in Bahia, Brazil, are far more immune to yellow fever than the foreign population is proved by the fact that of the 172 cases recorded there in 1909 75 per cent. were among foreigners, who represent more than three per cent. of the total population. Of all the cases of yellow fever in Bahia last year 54.08 per cent. resulted in death.

### Daily Thought.

Hasten slowly and without losing heart; put your work 20 times on the anvil.—Bolleau.

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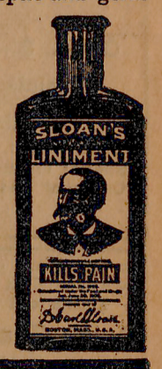


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### Funds to Fight Tuberculosis.

Based on reports from all parts of the United States the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis has issued a statement which shows that in 1910 nearly $15,000,000 was spent in the fight against tuberculosis, as opposed to $8,000,000 spent in 1909. The largest item of expense in 1910 was for treatment in sanatoria and hospitals, $11,376,500 being expended for that purpose, or more than double the amount for 1909. The anti-tuberculosis associations spent $760,500, and the tuberculosis dispensaries $889,000. The special municipal and state expenditures aggregated $1,750,000.

The statement declares that the most significant fact in the survey of the year's work is the increase in the percentage of public money spent. While in 1909 53.5 per cent. of the total expenditure was from federal, state, municipal or county funds, 62.6 per cent. came from public appropriations in 1910. The actual amount of public money spent in tuberculosis work this past year was $9,267,900, or more than double the amount from this same source in 1909. This fact indicates, the national association declares, that anti-tuberculosis associations are gaining ground, by securing increased appropriations from public money.

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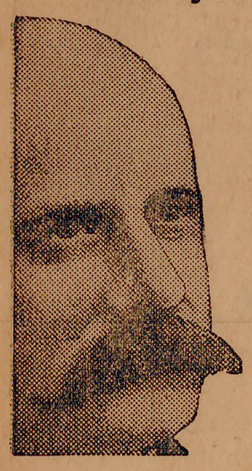

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### HIS VIEW.

"They call that a statue of Victory; it must have been a hot fight."

### The Pronouns.

"We must economize," said the man of high financial authority.

"Your grammar is at fault," replied the ordinary citizen. "Why do you insist on using the first instead of the second person plural?"

### Parliamentary Quarrel.

"I, sir, aim always at the truth!"

"Well, all I have to say is, you're a very bad shot."—Le Sourire.

### OLD COMMON SENSE.
### Change Food When You Feel Out of Sorts.

"A great deal depends upon yourself and the kind of food you eat," the wise old doctor said to a man who came to him sick with stomach trouble and sick headache once or twice a week, and who had been taking pills and different medicines for three or four years.

He was induced to stop eating any sort of fried food or meat for breakfast, and was put on Grape-Nuts and cream, leaving off all medicines.

In a few days he began to get better, and now he has entirely recovered and writes that he is in better health than he has been before in twenty years. This man is 58 years old and says he feels "like a new man all the time."

Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a Reason."

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

# *Fancy Feathers and Wings*

THOSE who make up feathers into forms that are to decorate millinery, look with interest upon each wearer of plumage and each separate feather. Many thousands of persons spend their working hours sewing pasting, wiring, branding and otherwise manipulating the plumage of birds (mostly domestic fowls) into new forms. Each feather is regarded with an eye to its possibilities in the evolution of something new by the manufacturers. Even the tiny feathers from the neck of the pigeon or peacock are handled separately, in making up the most expensive pieces. Just lately, large butterflies made of these, pasted to a foundation, covered on the outside and inside of the wings with the tiny feathers have made us marvel at the work of the designers. You can imagine the sheen of the wings and the splendor of color. The bodies are of velvet and the antennae of wired chenille or gold cord.

In Fig. 1 a fancy feather piece is shown, in which the form is purely artificial, that is, not made to copy any particular natural object, but an arrangement of plumage from different sources into an ornamental piece. The designer must consider whether his work is to be worn at the front, back or sides of a hat. The piece shown is made for the front. Beautiful and wonderful color studies and graceful lines are brought out in many of these decorations now almost universal.

To use them effectively, where they are large or elaborate, one must choose a proper shape and color, and remember that the hat and other trimming stuffs are to be considered as a background for the feather. In the example shown the velvet shape and ribbon bows all in one color and shade, frame in the handsome piece mounted at the front.

A small feather piece is not used in this way. The other trimming selected for the hat, leads up to it, and the fancy feather is to be used as the finishing touch, simply part of a whole. But milliners, and therefore manufacturers, are regarding with ever increasing favor, those feather pieces that are almost if not quite a complete trimming in themselves.

Nearly all the wings worn on hats are "made" wings, which term distinguishes them from "natural" wings. They are made so cleverly that it is difficult to believe they are put together by the hand of man. A pair of such wings springing from a band of feathers, is shown in Fig. 2. The band and wings form a single piece for which the velvet-draped turban makes an effective background. Such feather pieces make the work of the home milliner easy.

JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

## PRETTY DRESS FOR A GIRL

### Simple Model That Calls for Either Serge, Fine Cloth or Cashmere.

Serge, fine cloth or cashmere might be used for our simple model, which is made with a panel front laid on sides in a wrapped seam, and trimmed with buttons sewn on in sets of three. One tuck is made on each shoulder,

For Small Girl.

stitched to waist back and front; the skirt is gathered to waistband, which connects it to the bodice.

Materials required: Four yards 48 inches wide, one dozen buttons.

### New Winter Perfume.

During the winter season perfumes suggesting the oriental rather than the fragrance of the flowers are preferred and much time and skill is expended every year by the maker of perfumes before a new aroma is perfected.

A new and delightful odor is called Mi Nena, and those who like the oriental scents will certainly make this popular, for it is delicious. It is rather an expensive perfume, but then it is lasting and little is required.

### Pessimist.

"Here's an editorial in the paper on married calm," remarked Mrs. Woppington.

"How long is it?" asked Mr. Woppington.

"Oh, it's very short."

"I thought it would be short," said Mr. Woppington, grimly.

### Decidedly Not.

"Does this train stop at Willow Grove?"

"No, boss," replied the porter; "it don't even hesitate."

## NEW DRESS TIP FROM PARIS

### White or Cream Colored Voile, Embroidered Heavily, Approved Thing in Lingerie Dress.

The very latest news from Paris tells us that white or cream-colored voile, embroidered heavily, will be the approved thing in lingerie dresses for early spring. That seems to be looking a good ways ahead, but if you do your own embroidery you will want this time to get ready in.

Really the possibilities are endless and fascinating. Either heavy embroidery (wallachian, for instance) will be used, or beadwork with rubber beads, or a combination of the two. Can't you just see a wall-of-troy design, worked solid in white and outlined beads? Or, perhaps, the beads would be black, and a black hat would be worn with the dress, or Alice blue, or old rose, or some other becoming and striking shade.

How pretty this would be in a three-piece suit, with the embroidery consisting of a skirtband, side plaits on the waist and collars and revers on the coat! Then there are other ideas—a Persian design worked out in vari-colored beads, for instance, or a spray of heavy flowers, morning-glories or passion flowers, with centers and veins accentuated by means of beads in the proper colors. In this case, the embroidery itself would be equally attractive in life colors or in white, or even in black.

Then there are all the metal effects. How lovely bronze would be on cream voile, or silver on pure white! Voile has the advantage of raveling easily, and so it would be quite possible to draw a thread all the way along the materials and work from that. Even drawnwork could be combined with these other effects.

Doesn't it make you want to start right away? Do have a dress like this for next season. I'm going to!

### Velvet Bags.

When you gather up the scraps of your velvet afternoon dress, don't throw them away. Make them up into a soft bag that should be carried with the dress. It can be square or round, and whatever other material you wish can be combined with it. A long silk cord, or silver or gold if you wish the metallic note, must be attached. This is thrown over the arm.

Beads, embroidery, little patches of tapestry or brocades and braid or lace, are easy ways of decorating the flat upper surface.

### Merely a Reverse.

"Say, I've just discovered the difference in the extreme of energy as illustrated by an opium smoke and utilizing an oil strike."

"What is the difference?"

"One is hitting the pipe and the other, piping the hit."

### Worth Trying.

"If a man can't depend on his friends, whom can he depend on?"

"He might try himself for a change?"

## TRY THESE ON COOK

### DISHES THAT WILL APPEAL TO JADED APPETITES.

### Corn Oysters Is New Dish That Makes an Agreeable Change—Chicken Souffle and Potato Croquettes in Latest Style.

Corn Oysters.—Half of a can of corn put through a chopper and mixed with two beaten eggs, two tablespoonfuls of milk, one tablespoonful of melted butter, a high seasoning of salt and pepper, one teaspoonful of baking powder, and sufficient flour to make a thick batter. This is dropped by small spoonfuls in a pan containing a little hot fat, and fried brown; from the flavor the little fritters are frequently called corn oysters.

Chicken Souffle.—One cup cold cooked chicken, three eggs, one tablespoon chopped parsley, three tablespoons each butter and flour, one and one-half cups stock or milk, salt, pepper, and grated lemon rind. Make a foundation sauce by blending the butter and flour, then adding the stock or milk and stirring until the mixture boils. Cook two minutes, season and cool. Add yolks of eggs, meat, parsley, and lemon rind, and last of all the stiffly beaten whites of the eggs. Bake in a steady oven forty minutes, and serve with a mushroom sauce.

Potato Croquettes.—Two cups of cold mashed potatoes, two eggs beaten to a froth, two tablespoons of cream, one tablespoon of chopped parsley, one teaspoon of onion juice, two teaspoons of melted butter, one teaspoon of salt, a grating of nutmeg and a dash of cayenne. Beat the eggs lightly and add them to the potatoes, then add all the other ingredients, mix and turn into a small saucepan, stir over the fire until the mixture leaves the sides of the pan; take from the fire and when the mixture is cool form into croquettes shaped like cylinders. Roll in beaten egg and then in bread crumbs, fry in hot fat until of a light golden brown color.

## TO RETAIN FLAVOR IN MEAT

### Escape of Extractives May Be Hindered by Searing Surface of Meat Quickly.

The amount of the extractives which will be brought out into the water when meat is boiled depends upon the size of the pieces into which the meat is cut and on the length of time they are soaked in cold water before being heated. A good way to hinder the escape of the flavoring matter is to sear the surface of the meat quickly by heating it in fat, or the same end may be attained by plunging it into boiling water. Such facts are known to all cooks and have recently been studied systematically at the Illinois experiment station in relation to the amounts removed and the losses which may be involved in different methods of cookery. Such solubility is taken advantage of in making beef tea at home and in the manufacture of meat extract, the extracted material being finally concentrated by evaporating the water.

### New Cook in the White House.

There is a new cook in the White House. She is Flora Hamilton, a young woman of Scotch-Irish descent, who went to Washington from the kitchen of a wealthy New York family. The New Yorkers gave her up unwillingly, but they were glad to see Miss Hamilton get such an excellent place. The new cook will have charge of all the cooking in the White House and will direct the serving of the big dinners there during the winter. Amelia Howard had the place, but she became ill and resigned. Martha Peterson, another recent White House cook resigned to be married to James Mulvey, one of the policemen in the executive offices.

### Salmon Salad.

One pint of cooked salmon, one head of crisp lettuce, one small spoonful of lemon juice, one tablespoonful and a half of vinegar, two of capers, one teaspoonful of salt, a seasoning of pepper, one cupful of French dressing. break up the salmon with two silver forks, add to it the salt, pepper, vinegar and lemon juice; put in the refrigerator for two or three hours. Break the lettuce leaves apart and throw them into a pan of cold water. rinse; lay them in a salad bowl, the largest leaves first; put the next size upon them; then last the small white ones; on top heap the salmon; lightly cover with the capers.

### Baking Powder Bread.

Each family has its own especial favorite in breads, and this is one which has found favor in a neighborhood in the southwest. Four cups of flour, four teaspoons baking powder; one-half teaspoon salt, two tablespoons sugar, a little over a pint of sweet milk or enough to make the mixture a little thicker than biscuit dough. Mix, then smooth the loaf and bake in a moderate oven until well done as any bread and brown on top.

### Turkey Scramble.

One-half pound of the meat left after slicing; fry crisp; pour over this five well-beaten eggs to which has ben added one-half cup milk (scant) and one pinch of salt; scramble this in a hot skillet until firm. Serve on browned crackers.


# DO YOU GET UP WITH A LAME BACK?

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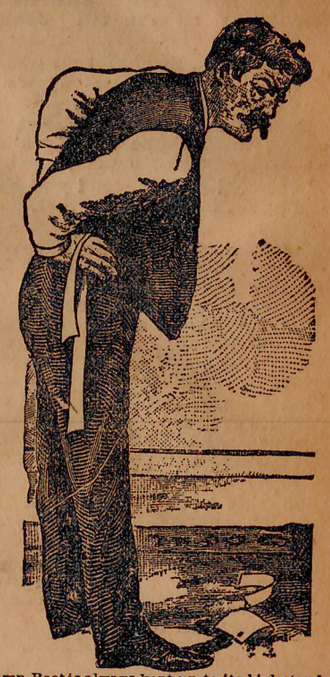

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### Absent-Minded.

The professor had just sneezed for the thirtieth time, and it naturally attracted some attention.

"What's the matter with the professor?" asked the visitor. "He appears to have a bad cold."

"Oh, no," said Madame la Professoress. "It is only his fearful absent-mindedness. I left him in charge of the baby for a few moments this morning, and when he cried he gave him the pepper-pot to play with instead of his rattle."—Harper's Weekly.

## STUBBORN ECZEMA ON HANDS

"Some nine years ago I noticed small pimples breaking out on the back of my hands. They became very irritating, and gradually became worse, so that I could not sleep at night. I consulted a physician who treated me a long time, but it got worse, and I could not put my hands in water. I was treated at the hospital, and it was just the same. I was told that it was a very bad case of eczema. Well, I just kept on using everything that I could for nearly eight years until I was advised to try Cuticura Ointment. I did so, and I found after a few applications and by bandaging my hands well up that the burning sensations were disappearing, I could sleep well, and did not have any itching during the night. I began after a while to use Cuticura Soap for a wash for them, and I think by using the Soap and Ointment I was much benefited. I stuck to the Cuticura treatment, and thought if I could use other remedies for over seven years with no result, and after only having a few applications and finding ease from Cuticura Ointment, I thought it deserved a fair trial with a severe and stubborn case. I used the Ointment and Soap for nearly six months, and I am glad to say that I have hands as clear as anyone.

"It is my wish that you publish this letter to all the world, and if anyone doubts it, let them write me and I will give them the name of my physician, also the hospital I was treated at." (Signed) Miss Mary A. Bentley, 93 University St., Montreal, Que., Sept. 14, 1910.

### A Settler.

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Ethel—And what did you say?

Maud—I told him that one of the necessaries of my life was a husband who could supply me with the luxuries.

### Malady Worth Having.

"I can't understand my husband, doctor; I am afraid there is something terrible the matter with him."

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"Don't worry any more about your husband. I wish I had his gift."—Stray Stories.

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# Weak Heart

Many people suffer from weak hearts. They may experience shortness of breath on exertion, pain over the heart, or dizzy feelings, oppressed breathing after meals or their eyes become blurred, their heart is not sufficiently strong to pump blood to the extremities, and they have cold hands and feet, or poor appetite because of weakened blood supply to the stomach. A heart tonic and alterative should be taken which has no bad after-effect. Such is Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, which contains no dangerous narcotics nor alcohol.

The ingredients, as attested under oath, are Stone root (*Collinsonia Canadensis*), Bloodroot (*Sanguinaria Canadensis*), Golden Seal root (*Hydrastis Canadensis*), Queen's root (*Stillingia Sylvatica*), Black Cherrybark (*Prunus Virginiana*), Mandrake root (*Podophyllum Peltatum*), with triple refined glycerine, prepared in a scientific laboratory in a way that no druggist could imitate.

This tonic contains no alcohol to shrink up the red blood corpuscles; but, on the other hand, it increases their number and they become round and healthy. It helps the human system in the constant manufacture of rich, red blood. It helps the stomach to assimilate or take up the proper elements from the food, thereby helping digestion and curing dyspepsia, heart-burn and many uncomfortable symptoms, stops excessive tissue waste in convalescence from fevers; for the run-down, anæmic, thin-blooded people, the "Discovery" is refreshing and vitalizing. Stick to this safe and sane remedy, and refuse all "just as good" medicines offered by the druggist who is looking for a larger profit. Nothing but Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will do you half as much good.

# NORTH RIVER PARK NOTES

By Courier's Regular Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Dellinger and children are now settled with us in their home on the old Jenkins place.

Mr. and Mrs. Bischoff and daughter of Chicago spent last week with the Jung family.

Mr. and Mrs. Hans Schmidt are moving to Fairhope this week and will probably locate permanenty.

Mr. Bergl'n and fami y of Fairhope spent Sunday with Mrs. Leiser.

The North River Park Farmers' Assn., at their regular meeting held Saturday night ordered their fertilizer for the year through Mr. Streeter business agent of the Farmers' Union.

Mr. Jung has finished fencing, and clearing and breaking ten acres of land for Mr. Murray and is now setting this land out to Satsuma oranges and an extensive variety of fruit, nut and ornamental trees.

Edwin Butgereit returned to the school this week for the first time since his sickness in December.

Rev. E. A. Wendland preached an interesting sermon at the Schoolhouse.

C. B. Sheldon planted Irish potatoes Monday of this week.

NORIPARK.

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# NOTES OF THE COLLEGE TOWN.

By Courier's Regular Correspondent.

Rev. Walker, Episcopal minister from Mobile, preached Sunday afternoon in the Normal auditorium.

This week ends the second term of this session of Daphne Normal; the midyear examinations are now on. There will be five graduates this year: Isabelle Goldsby and William Randall, Daphne; Marion Hunt, Robertsdale; Eloise Nelson, Point Clear; and Wilbur Shriner, Park City.

Mr. J. F. Riggs, ex-State Superintendent of Iowa, together with his wife and two children was in Daphne last week.

Many home-seekers from the North have been in Daphne looking over the farm lands being settled just east of town by a Pittsburg company. Many of these have purchased and it is said the work of clearing is being carried on rapidly preparatory to the coming season.

The School Improvement Association will give a chicken pie supper in the Normal building Saturday evening in the interest of the school. The Washington and Lee Literary Societies have arranged a joint program for the occasion.

The revenue cutter Winona brot a crowd of pleasure seekers from Mobile last week, remaining a couple of days. One of the days being General Lee's birthday the sailors were ashore celebrating. A ball team off the ship played the Normal boys and was defeated 15 to 1.

The Lee Literary Society met on Saturday night, being in the form of a Robert E. Lee birthday celebration. At this meeting the semi-annual election of officers was held. The officers are Hudson Tapia, president; Isabelle Goldsby, vice president; Ruby White, Secretary, William Randall, treasurer; Marion Hunt, critic; Lorena Hodgson, chorister; Hazel Low, censor. With the exception of censor the above officers succeeded themselves.

After the excellently rendered program the society entertained the members of the Washington Society at a progressive needle party. It was that kind of an entertainment in which the members of the two Societies forget all existing rivalry and join heartily in making a pleasant time.

On Monday night Hudson Tapia, president of the Lee Society entertained the members of his society at his home showing his appreciation for the recent honor of re-election.

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# TOWN COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Council meets on the second and fourth Mondays of every month. The public is invited.

January 9, 1911.

Present, Messrs. Coleman, Nichols and Sweet. The Mayor was instructed to send the Eureka Fire Hose Mfg. Co., New York, three promissory notes for $65 each, payable in one, two, and three years from Oct. 25, 1911, in payment for 300 feet of 2 inch hose received, notes bear interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum. The following bills were ordered paid.

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| Southern Hardw. & Supply Co. 48 sheets iron roofing | $41.04 |
| Southern Roofing and Steel Wks. material and labor | 58.06 |
| Salary town clerk for Dec. | 8.33 |
| Sherman Sta. Co. blank book for assessments | .75 |
| W. B. Delchamps, bound tax receipt blanks | 3.50 |
| C. J. Littlegreen, collecting road taxes and labor | 3.80 |
| Dan'l Shepherd, labor on school house | 6.57 |
| Alfred Shepherd, same | 5.07 |
| Geo. Wilson, hauling roofing paper | .25 |

M. V. Mathews was present and offered to move his fence back to new line of Morphy Ave. for $4.00, the amount of his road tax. Accepted. Mr. Stimpson asked to have his bill for $5 for shingles set off against his taxes. The Mayor informed him that he must first pay the costs in suit which he lost before his honor. The clerk was instructed to furnish reports of council proceedings to the Fairhope papers. The clerk was instructed to write to Mrs. Anna B. Hail, asking her to move fence on Morphy Ave. back to street line. Adjourned.

A. J. WOLF. Town Clerk.

January 23, 1911

Present Messrs. Berglin, Coleman Nichols, and Mershon. The following bills were ordered to be paid:

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| E. D. Brann, services as clerk of election | $2.00 |
| Southern Roofing and Steel Wks, mat. for school house | 21.60 |
| Central Trust Co., int. on loan | 11.01 |

The clerk was instructed to write the following letters: to Probate Judge Smith inquiring about the town's share in county road tax and what steps were necessary to collect it. To Mrs. Anna B. Hail that the town would pay for labor of moving fence, she to supply all materials needed. To H. F. Ring, Pres't of Fairhope Imp. Co. asking payment of taxes amounting to $22.50. To parties owning or leasing land on Morphy Ave, directing them to move fences back to street line. A letter was read from Mrs. Hattie Robac demanding damages for injury alleged to have been sustained by falling into an old well at the corner of Fairhope Ave. and Church St. The clerk was instructed to write Mrs. Robac stating that the town was not responsible. Adjourned.

A. J. WOLF, Town Clerk

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# TAX QUESTION NOW GOES TO INITIATIVE.

Portland, Oregon

The biggest question that the Oregon voters have had to deal with by their direct vote since the adoption of the initiative, will be an issue in each county in this state commencing with next Monday.

The question of exemptions and taxation is to go to the voters of each county of the state separately by initiative petition a. ths early date, and after an educational campaign will be disposed of at the general election in 1912.

The initiative is to be brought into use now on the tax question to satisfy the united demand of farmers, business men, manufacturers and wage earners.

The movement has already taken definite form in several counties of the state through the county organizations of men from the farm from business and labor.

The question will be presented at the eighth annual convention of the Oregon Federation of Labor which convenes in Salem next Monday.

A resolution will be introduced at the convention which will have for its purpose the securing of the co-operation of the Labor Unions of the state with the farmers and business men in presenting a county tax law to be put on the local ballot of each county.

This movement is made possible by the labor tax amendment adopted by the voters of Oregon at the last general election, which gives the voters of counties the exclusive power to say how they shall be taxed for any purpose whatsoever and what property if any shall be exempt from taxation.

The proposed tax measure will exempt from taxation those things necessary to the existence, use, and comfort of mankind and place the tax on values created by society other than by labor.

Specifically the proposed tax will exempt labor products such as orchards, houses, fences and all such improvements on and in land, live stock, farm implements, personal property and buildings, etc., while franchise values, water power, the values in land ownership and monopoly created by our ever growing population will be taxed.

It is pointed out by the many advocates of the proposed measure that the farmer, labor and legitimate business will greatly profit by the law, as it will remove unnatural barriers which now serve as a means of creating a large, idle, speculative class of men who live not by useful labor, but entirely off of the products of labor.

The lot and land speculator, the franchise holder, the water power monopolist are cited as examples.

Take the first mentioned, the lot and land speculator, he comes into the community, gets hold of lots or land and sits idly by for years, during which time thousands of industrious people have moved into the community and are demanding the lots and land and thus the speculator is able to collect thousands and even millions of dollars worth of labor products without doing a tap of legitimate work. During all this time the farmer the merchant and the industrious home builder are building up the community and are taxed each year higher and higher for thus being industrious citizens and doing society's necessary work.

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# EDUCATORS TO COME TO FAIRHOPE.

The Department of Superintendence of the National Educational Association, will hold its annual convention in Mobile February 23rd to 25th, just after Mardi Gras.

This will bring to Mobile prominent educators from all over the United States and will be one of the most important gatherings of the year in the Gulf City.

At the time of the Fels meeting in Mobile, Mr. Charles Rudolph, general agent of the Mobile and Ohio R. R. advised the writer that he had received a number of inquiries from parties expecting to attend the convention, asking regarding the facilities for reaching Fairhope from Mobile and saying they desired to visit our town while on the coast.

Mrs. M. L. Johnson of the Organic School has also had assurance from friends of hers prominent in the councils of the Association, that a large number of the delegates, no doubt, would visit Fairhope. Both the Colony and the Organic School will be attractions to the educators.

The people of Fairhope must rise to this opportunity and prepare to give a proper reception to these distinguished visitors.

We know they will do so, and in behalf of them the Courier takes the responsibility of now extending a cordial invitation to every delegate to the convention to visit Fairhope.

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Dr. Henry Borst, accompanied by Mrs. Borst and baby Borst, Mrs. Borst's mother, Mrs. Berthelson and Don Littlefield, chauffer, were in Sunday from Robertsdale in Doctor Borst's new Schacht auto. The editor was treated to a short ride in the new car which seems to be a very practical type for country travel. It has solid rubber tires, but the wheels are not high like those of the I. H. C. car but about the height of the ordinary auto wheel. and has exceptionally good clearance. So far the Doctor is greatly pleased with it.

## Winter Temperature

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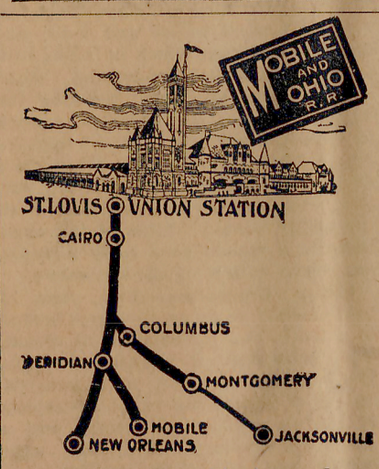


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FINE SUBURBAN PROPERTY.

Owing to his purchase of down town property and intention to move into same, J. G. White has authorized us to offer for sale his suburban property, formerly the Dr. Borst place. This is only half a mile from the postoffice, has good two-story house, considerable fruit, barns, chicken-houses, etc., and nearly 7 acres of land. It is an ideal place for a suburban home or chicken ranch and is cheap at the price asked, $1600..

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FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX COLONY

Fairhope, to outward appearance, is like other towns, save for evidences of exceptional prosperity usually noted by the casual observer; but it is unique among the towns of this or any land.

It is a town "with a purpose." That purpose is to make a practical application of the teachings of Henry George upon the land question—as fully as possible under existing laws.

Henry George re-asserted the proposition that "all men are equally entitled to the use of the earth," and proposed to secure that right to all by requiring those who desire the exclusive use of any portion of the earth, to pay, for the benefit of all, the value which the common estimation attached to such portion. He proposed to take this as a tax for public purposes, in lieu of all other taxes—hence the name "Single Tax."

Those who founded Fairhope advocated, and still advocate, this as a reform in taxation; but they realize that its essential feature is the taking of land values for public use, and that the right to collect land values attaches to LAND OWNERSHIP under our present laws. So they hit upon the clever plan of securing by purchase, the right to collect land values, not as a tax but as rent, and administering these values not for their benefit as OWNERS in the usual way, but for the benefit of ALL who might by locating upon such lands contribute to their value.

Under this plan the title to the land is held by the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation, a corporation chartered under an Alabama statute, having a perpetual existence, and conducted by its members under its constitution and by-laws.

Lands are leased to individuals in quantities to suit, on ninety-nine year leases, subject to an annually appraised rental, collected and disbursed for the public benefit.

To make this really a "Single Tax," and to free its lessees from the blighting injustice of taxes upon improvements and personal property, the Corporation pays out of the rent not only the taxes upon the land, but upon the improvements and personal property of lessees.

All the rent fund remaining is expended locally for the public benefit in roads, schools, library, telephones, parks, bath-houses, etc., etc.

Absolutely no portion of this rent goes as interest, dividends, or profits, to the founders or members of the Colony, or any other persons.

The constitution forbids the granting of franchises to individuals or corporations for performing any public service, but requires that the Corporation shall, as fast as may be, provide the same and operate them in the common interest.

The Corporation thus owned and operated the wharf, at which land the steamers, by means of which communication is maintained with the outside world, and which yielded annually a very substantial addition to the public revenue, until that wharf was practically destroyed by the great storm of September 27, 1906. It has been rebuilt by acompany of citizens under contract by which they will manage it until the obligations incurred by them in the rebuilding are satisfied, when it will be turned back to the Corporation.

It owns a water-works system, (the only one in Baldwin county) with steam pumping plant and mains supplying the principal part of the town with water for domestic use and fire protection; and a local telephone system, with long distance connection.

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